

*Deposition No. 2.*

JOHN PHILLIPS, having been by me duly sworn, deposed and said as follows, to wit:

By Mr. Spates :

Question. What is your name, age, occupation and residence?

Answer. My name is John Phillips; age 52 years; occupation farmer; residence in District No. 10, in Allegany county, Maryland, and have lived there seven years.

By Mr. Spates :

Question. Were you registered as a voter prior to the election held in said Allegany county, on the 6th day of November, 1866?

Answer. I was.

By Mr. Spates :

Question. Did you or not attend at the polls in said Election District No. 10, in Allegany county, on the 6th day of November, 1866; if so, did you then and there offer a ticket to the Judges of Election at said polls as your ballot; and was it received or rejected; state also the name of the person for State Senator printed on said ticket, and for whom you desire to vote; and what reason did the said Judges assign for rejecting your vote, if they did so reject it?

(Objected to by Dr. Ohr.)

Answer. I did so attend and offered my ballot, and it was rejected by the Judges of Election peremptorily and immediately. Alfred Spates was the name of the person on my ballot, for whom I desired to vote for State Senator. The reason the Judges assigned for so rejecting my vote was that there were charges.

By Mr. Spates :

Question. To which of the political parties did the Judges of Election in District No. 10 belong, and what are their names?

Answer. They are Abolitionists, sir; their names are Jas. Chisholm, Sr., William Waltz and George S. Lee.

By Mr. Spates :

Question. Do you know any other matter or thing that would be of benefit to the contestant in this case?

Answer. I know there were many armed men there at the polls who intimidated other persons from offering their votes.

By Mr. Spates :

Question. To which of the two political parties did said armed men belong?

Answer. To the Abolitionists, or Radicals, as they are called.

By Mr. Spates :