

By Dr. Ohr :

Question. Did you apply for registration in 1865?

Answer. I did not.

By Dr. Ohr :

Question. Did you not know that you had then been registered as disqualified for disloyalty?

(This question objected to by Mr. Spates in every case in this examination.)

Answer. I did not know it.

By Dr. Ohr :

Question. Did or did not the Judges of Election in November, 1866, demand of you to take the oath prescribed in the Constitution, Article 1, section 4, before deciding upon your right to vote?

Answer. They did not.

J. McCLURE MASON.

*Deposition No. 13.*

A. C. HAMILL, being by me duly sworn, deposed and said as follows, to wit:

By Mr. Spates :

Question. What is your name, age, occupation and residence, and how long have you lived there?

Answer. My name is A. C. Hammil, age 30 years, occupation, farmer, and live in Election District No. 1, in Allegany county, Maryland, and have lived there all my life.

Question by Mr. Spates :

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

Answer. I was.

Question by Mr. Spates :

Did you or not attend at the polls in said election district on the said 6th 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 printed on said ticket for State Senator, for whom you desired to vote; and what reason did the said Judges assign for rejecting your vote, if they did so reject it?

Answer. I went to the polls in said district, on said day, and offered my ballot to the Judges of Election, and they refused to take it; my ballot so offered had on it the name of Alfred Spates for State Senator; the reason they assigned for rejecting my vote was, that I was challenged. I asked who challenged me; they told me they did not know; I asked them what the challenge was, and they told me they did not know; they refused to let me vote unless I would take an oath, or the oath; they did not tell me what kind of oath it was they wanted me to take; I refused to take it.