

Judges refused my vote, because I would not take the oath and answer their questions, as I had legally registered, and taken the oath before the Registers. The names on the ticket as candidates for House of Delegates were, William A. Bryden, John McElfish, Williams Devecmon, Patrick Hammil, and George W. McCulloh. The Judges belonged to the Radical party—all agreed not to let me vote.

*Cross-examined by Mr. Brown.*

1st Question. Why did you not register in 1865?

Answer. Because there was no one for whom I wished to vote.

JOHN L. BROWNING.

*Deposition No. 29.*

JOHN CONNEWAY, being duly sworn, deposed and said as follows, to wit:

By Mr. Devecmon:

1st Question. What is your name, age, residence and occupation?

Answer. My name is John Conneway; age, 66; live in District No. 10, Allegany county, Maryland; by occupation a farmer.

2nd Question. When did you register?

Answer. In September, 1866, in District No. 10.

3d Question. Did you attend the election held in District No. 10, Allegany county, Maryland, November 6, 1866, did you offer to vote; was your vote rejected or accepted; and whose names were on your ticket as candidates for the House of Delegates.

Answer. I attended said election; offered to vote, but the Judges refused my vote, saying I was disloyal, and if I took the oath I should vote—I am not disloyal. The names of the parties on my ticket as candidates for House of Delegates were, Wm. A. Bryden, Wm. Devecmon, George W. McCulloh, Patrick Hammil and John McElfish; the oath they presented me was, I suppose, the same oath I had taken before the Register, but I declined to take it as I had taken it once.

*Cross-examined by Mr. Brown.*

1st Question. Why did you not register in 1865?

Answer. I did not try to register; did not think they had any right to swear me.

JOHN CONNEWAY.