Answer. Because I thought the law would be repealed; have never been in either army; not able.

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Test: J. B. WIDENER.

Deposition No. 42.

HENRY A. SHAFFER, 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 Henry A. Shaffer; age 23; live in District No. 10, and am a farmer by occupation.

2d 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 accepted or rejected, and whose names were on your ticket as candidates for House of Delegates?

Answer. I attended said election; offered to vote, but the Judges refused to receive it, because I would not take the oath again, having taken it before the Register; the names on my ticket as candidates for House of Delegates, were William Devecmon, William A. Bryden, George W. McCulloh, John McElfish, and Patrick Hammil,

Cross-examined by Mr. Brown.

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

Answer. I thought the law would be repealed, and I did not apply to be registered. In 1866 I thought we could elect men to make laws to suit us.

HENRY A. SHAFFER.

Deposition No. 43.

GEORGE N. Gower, being duly sworn, deposed and said as follows, to wit:

By Mr. Devecmon:

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

Answer. My name is George N. Gower; age 35; live in District No. 10, Allegany county, Maryland; and am a farmer.