

District No. 10, Allegany county, Maryland, and a farmer by occupation.

2nd Question. When did you register as a legal voter?

Answer, I registered in September 1866, in District No. 10, as a qualified voter

3rd 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 refused, and whose names were on your ticket as candidates for House of Delegates?

Answer. I did not attend said election, because I saw some of my neighbors who were not allowed to vote, and I thought I would not be allowed to vote, and I did not go; I heard parties say, who were registered that the Judges would not allow them to vote. I have lived all my life in Maryland, and have always been loyal. I cant say who I would have voted for as I never saw any ticket, but I would have voted for Patrick Hammil for House of Delegates, had I have gone to the polls.

EZRA HAUSER.

*Deposition No. 56.*

BENJAMIN F. 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 Benjamin F. Shaffer, age 26; reside in District No. 10, Allegany county, Maryland; and am by occupation a farmer.

2nd Question. When did you register?

Answer. I registered as a qualified voter, in Sept. 1866.

3d Question. Did you attend the election held in District No. 10, Allegany county, November 6, 1866; did you offer to vote, was your vote accepted or refused; 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 my vote, saying that I was not lawfully registered and had not taken the oath; they said this after they refused my vote. The names on my ticket as candidates for House of Delegates, for whom I wished to vote, were William Devecmon, Patrick Hammil, William A. Bryden, John McElfish and George W. McCulloh. I saw a good many armed men standing around the polls. The armed men I knew were sons of one of the Judges, Mr. James Chisholm. I cant tell exactly how many armed were there.