

Question. Have you any knowledge of Mr. Grason at any time, giving any aid, countenance, comfort, support or encouragement to persons in rebellion, or in opposition to the United States Government?

Answer. I cannot speak of any particular acts of Mr. Grason only in connection with that company.

Question. Have you any knowledge of his, at any time, expressing any desire for the triumph of the enemies of the United States, or the suppression of the rebellion?

Answer. I don't remember any expression of Mr. Grason to that effect.

Question. Have you ever heard any statement made in his presence that he (Mr. Grason) had said so?

Answer. I was informed that Mr. Grason had said that if Maryland did not secede and go out of the Union he would. Mr. Grason and myself were running for the same position, and I made that statement at a public meeting where Mr. Grason was.

Question. Did Mr. Grason have the ear of that meeting, after you made that statement?

Answer. I do not know that he did; it was not a joint discussion.

Question. Did he at that time disclaim or deny the charge which you thus publicly made in his presence?

Answer. Not to me.

[The counsel for the Respondent objected to this testimony, and the counsel for the Contestant claimed it was admissible, whereupon the Respondent withdrew his objection.]

*The examination in chief of this witness was here concluded.*

*Cross-examination.*

Question. Where was this meeting held?

Answer. I made the statement at a meeting in Towson-town and also at Parkton in Baltimore county.

Question. Was the Parkton an out door meeting?

Answer. Yes.

Question. Was Mr. Grason upon the stand?

Answer. No, he was present at the meeting.

Question. At the time when you made that remark, are you positive that Mr. Grason was within hearing distance or had he gone some distance from the stand, in company with Pleasant Hunter?

Answer. I cannot say in regards to the Parkton meeting.

Question. At the meeting in the Court House was Mr. Grason on the speaker's stand?

Answer. No.