

Answer. As a military organization, I suppose?

Question. Did you perform any duty as deputy sheriffs at all?

Answer. Well; we combined the two (2), as both seemed to have the same tendency; we were merely acting to preserve the peace of the neighborhood.

Question. Was the peace of the neighborhood disturbed by anything?

Answer. No; but it was apprehended that it would be.

Question. Then did you take any steps as deputy sheriffs at all?

Answer. No; I think not.

Question. Do you know whether any other persons took any steps as deputy sheriffs at that time?

Answer. Not that I am aware of.

Question. You spoke of a feeling of hostility between members of the Horse Guards and the Towson Guards, was that feeling personal or political?

Answer. I think it was political.

Question. What was the character of the difference?

Answer. I have no idea of it; there was a difficulty occurred there between Harry Gilmore, of the Horse Guards, and Nicholas Witter, of the Towson Guards; what caused that difficulty, I have no idea; I was not present at the time.

Question. Do you know what the political standing or tendency of those two individuals was?

Answer. It was the general impression that they were opposed in their political feelings; Harry Gilmore was a secessionist and Witter was a Union man.

*By the Committee.*

*Question by the Committee.* Can you, of your own knowledge, say that the quarrel arose from that political difference?

Answer. No; I could not say.

*Cross-examination resumed.*

Question. To how many persons do you suppose this feeling of hostility extended?

Answer. To not more than two or three members of the companies.

Question. As far as it went, you say it was a political feeling?

Answer. I think it drew out of that.

Question. Was Harry Gilmore an officer of the Horse Guards?

Answer. I think he was a low grade officer.