

Question. Were any troops encamped near your place on the 20th and 21st of April, 1861?

Answer. Yes.

Question. How near your house were they encamped?

Answer. I suppose about five hundred yards.

Question. In which direction?

Answer. Northwest.

Question. Nearer to Towson town than your house?

Answer. A little farther on.

Question. How far from the depot at Cockeysville?

Answer. Probably a half a mile.

The defence having given in evidence "the general understanding" in Baltimore of the purpose for which troops were called out and under arms on the week following the 19th of April, 1861, the Contestant for the purpose of rebutting the statement in the witnesses in that respect offers in proof a paragraph from the same columns of the Argus, in which is found the notice that the Baltimore County Horse Guards had offered their services, &c.

*The examination of this witness was here concluded.*

The counsel for the Contestant offered the following extracts from the Baltimore Argus:

"BALTIMORE ARGUS,"

*Saturday, April 20th, 1861.*

*Patriotic offer.*—The Baltimore County Horse Guards, under command of Captain Ridgely, have tendered their services to Major Brown for the defence of the city and they will be on duty at 4 o'clock this evening.

This paragraph is offered as the article to which Mr. Thompson is supposed to have referred in his testimony.

This extract was objected to by Respondent as not having any reference to Mr. Thompson's testimony and as re-opening the case, and which will give the Respondent the right to go into the re-examination of the whole cause.

*Baltimore County Horse Guard:*—This fine troop, composed of the best citizens of Baltimore county and the first out of the city to offer their services to the city authorities for the defence of Baltimore, arrived here on Saturday evening at eight o'clock. They are as a body a stalwart company, well mounted and armed, and although but a short time organized, are sufficiently well drilled to prove a powerful aid to our own military. The troop is officered as follows: Captain, Charles Ridgely; Lieutenants, John Merryman, George H. Carman, Richard Grason; Sergeants, George Merryman, Charles H. Cockey, Thomas B. Gatch; Corporals, George Pearce, Harry