

Question. Why not?

Answer. They wouldn't let me vote.

Question. You tried to?

Answer. Yes, sir, I tried.

Question. Was any violence used towards you, or did you see any used toward others, in the vicinity of the polls, that day?

Answer. When I was standing on the corner of Dallas Street and Eastern Avenue, about fifteen feet from the window, Mr. Martin Weizel, who was along with me, and standing along side of me, was struck by a rowdy with a large cane, on the head, and received several blows on his eye and mouth, &c.; they went to hit me too, but I run out in the street and lift up Mr. Weizel, and run off with him; there was about twenty rowdies had possession of the window, behind the fence, and they asked every one for his ticket; and if it was not a Know-Nothing ticket, they wouldn't let him get to the window at all; they pushed him away, and he could not get in; there was no fighting, but the party was too small—I mean the Reform party—to do anything at all; I saw a gang of rowdies took six coal-workers, with their shovels on their shoulders, on the corner of Caroline Street and Eastern Avenue, who were on their way home, and told them they would have to go along and vote the American ticket; I heard one of the men say, "he was no citizen;" another one said that "he did not live in the ward;" one of the rowdies told them, "that did'n't make any difference, and he hadn't a word to say about it, just to go and vote;" I saw, also, about a hundred men being taken out of Rough Skin Hall; all kinds and sorts of men; old and young, Germans, Irish, &c.; about three, four, or five, at a time, and made them to vote the Know-Nothing ticket; some they let run off, some took back again, and brought them out again, and made them vote again; I saw no firearms in the morning before twelve o'clock, but from two to five o'clock in the evening, firearms was carried freely on the street; the rowdies wouldn't let voters go further than Caroline Street, so they couldn't get to the polls at all, but were scared off by the firearms.

Question. How near were the polls to Rough Skin Hall, as you call it?

Answer. Not more than a hundred feet.

Question. Were the polls in musket range of the windows of Rough Skin Hall, so as to command them?

Answer. Yes, sir.

Question. Was it possible, that there should be a fair and honest vote at the polls, on that day, at that ward?

Answer. No, sir.

Question. Are there many Germans residing in that ward?

Answer. Yes, sir, a good many.

Question. Was there among them a general feeling of alarm and fear about approaching the polls?