

*Examination by Messrs. Blanchard and Stockbridge.*

Question. Are you a merchant of Baltimore doing business in Marsh Market Space, and a legal voter in the fourth ward?

Answer. I am.

Question. Were you at the polls of the fourth ward on the 2d day of November, 1859, and if so, how long were you there?

Answer. I was there from nine until ten o'clock, or a little after ten.

Question. Where were the polls of that ward held?

Answer. In Lombard Street, between High and Exeter Streets.

Question. State whether there was any violence or intimidation of the voters while you were there, and fully, what you saw of the condition of things at the polls.

Answer. I saw several persons interfered with, several that I did not know personally beaten from the polls, and three persons that I knew, Sloan, Lupton, and Brown; when I left the polls, the rowdy portion there had complete control; the poorer class of people, particularly the foreigners, were not allowed to vote at all; I left the polls with my mind made up, that there was no use to remain there any longer, that things were completely one-sided, and I called the attention of Mr. Pitts, the apothecary, to the fact of the condition of things there, and to the best of my knowledge he coincided with my views; I do not mean to say that no foreigner was allowed to vote at all in the ward, but I want to convey the idea that the polls of that ward were under the complete control of the rowdies.

Question. Were the rowdies of whom you have spoken, connected with any political club or party, and if so, what?

Answer. They belonged to the dominant party, but I cannot say whether they belonged to any political club; they rallied under the cry of "Americans," and of "Babes," I think; there was no noise, everything was conducted quietly, the knock-downs were done quietly, from the fact there was no opposition of the same character, no rowdy opposition; we were not there to fight them.

Question. Under the state of things existing at the polls, was it possible to obtain a fair and honest expression of the will of the voters in that ward?

Answer. Most positively not, sir.

Question. Was the state of things such as might intimidate or deter any portion of the voters of the ward from attempting to vote?

Answer. It was; I met a party of four or five men going up to the polls as I left, and I advised them to return; I was sure that they would be beaten; they were Irishmen; as an additional answer, or explanation of my answer to the fifth question, I would state, that there was no opposition on our part, because