

HUGH J. MORRISON, a witness of lawful age, produced on the part of the contestants, being duly sworn, deposes and says :

*Examination in chief.*

Question. Were you on November 2d, 1859, a legal voter of the city of Baltimore, and if so, of what ward ?

Answer. I was, in the sixth ward.

Question. Did you go to the polls of that ward on that day, and if so, for what purpose ?

Answer. I went there for the purpose of voting.

Question. How long did you remain there ?

Answer. I went there about nine o'clock, A. M., and remained till near one o'clock, P. M.; I then went to dinner, returned at about half-past one, and remained until about five o'clock.

Question. While you were in the vicinity of the polls was there a free and open poll held in the sixth ward ?

Answer. By no means.

Question. Why not ?

Answer. Because many were not suffered to get up to the window for the purpose of depositing their ballots.

Question. By whom were such persons not suffered to get up to the polls, and how were they prevented ?

Answer. By persons who had congregated in front of and around the window; as far as I know them they belonged to the American party; when a voter would approach the window they would crowd in front of him, push him and hustle him out in many instances; I saw persons attempting to get to the window struck by them.

Question. Had this party of whom you have spoken undisputed control of the access to the judges' window, so that they could admit or repulse whom they pleased ?

Answer. They had after the first half hour after the opening of the polls.

Question. Did you see among them any individual whom you recognized as belonging to the police of Baltimore city, and if so, were they in uniform or without it ?

Answer. I saw some whom I knew to be police officers that had no uniform on during the day, while I saw them, and I saw also police officers whom I knew to be such, in uniform.

Question. Did the police officers, uniformed or not, make any attempt to prevent assaults on voters, or arrest those who committed such assaults ?

Answer. Not as far as I saw.

Question. Did the judges of election order the arrest of any person or persons committing assaults in the vicinity of the window ?

Answer. None, to my knowledge.