

LUTHER M. REYNOLDS, 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 resident and legal voter of the seventh ward of the city of Baltimore?

Answer. I was.

Question. Did you go to the polls of that ward on that day; if so, for what purpose, and how long did you remain there?

Answer. I went to the polls at about a quarter before ten o'clock, and remained until about half-past eleven o'clock, A. M.; my object was to vote myself, and to assist others in voting who might wish to deposit their ballots.

Question. While you were there was there a free and open poll, and if not, why not?

Answer. There was not, while I was there, a free and open poll; the principal and controlling reason, was the fact of a large and turbulent crowd standing round the window where the votes were received, who, by their joint exertions, prevented the access of persons wishing to vote, or who appeared to have in their hands the Reform ticket.

Question. To what political party, if any, did this crowd belong?

Answer. To the "American" party, so called.

Question. State the manner in which they prevented voters from reaching the window?

Answer. Generally, on both sides and in front of the window there stood men in their shirt-sleeves, having the appearance of persons prepared to do battle, who would stand in the way of the Reformers who wished to approach the polls, and by a joint concentration of their force of pushing against the person approaching and those of his friends who might be with him, assisting him to get up to the window, and they would entirely crowd him away from it; this action of theirs was apparently concerted, and resulted, so far as I saw, in almost an entire prevention of the depositing of Reform votes.

Question. While you were there did you see any members of the American party attempt to vote, and did they experience any difficulty in voting?

Answer. I saw a good deal of voting, and from the best that I could see, they voted American tickets, for the reason, however, that this crowd always stood aside when these voters to whom I allude, approached, and for the reason that many of them were brought there in carriages and other vehicles which were conducted by men that I knew to belong to the American party; I am satisfied that the voting I have spoken of was of the American party; they had no difficulty in voting, and when a carriage full of persons would drive up, having the appearance of