

presence, or that of his deputy, or one of his captains, before or on the day of election ?

Answer. None was made by me, personally.

Question. You have stated, that there was nothing that could be called an election at the tenth ward polls, that it was a mockery ; how do you account for the two hundred and thirty-four votes, returned for Mr. McKim, as Senator ; was he not the Reform candidate for that office ?

Answer. I account for it by supposing that two hundred and thirty-four Reformers, were permitted to vote for Mr. McKim, who was Reform candidate for Senator.

Question. Believing the poll as progressing in the tenth ward, whilst you were there, to be a mockery, was application made to the judges of election to close the poll, until order and quiet was restored ?

Answer. Not that I know of ; the only applications that were made that I know of, and of which I have spoken, were disregarded.

Question. Was there a barricade at the tenth ward polls ?

Answer. There was not.

Question. Was the obstacle to a fair, and free poll at the tenth ward, other than the crowd of persons then present, claiming the right to participate in the election then held ?

Answer. The obstacle to a fair and free poll, was the outrageous conduct of the crowd which held possession of the poll, while I was there, and the unfair conduct of the judges, who so far as I saw, made no effort to keep the polls open, or protect voters, and who appeared willing to take any votes which were offered, without regard to their legality.

Question. Did you see any votes taken by the judges, which you knew of your own knowledge to have been given by parties not legal voters of the tenth ward ?

Answer. I saw the crowd, which I suppose had been cooped, taken up to the polls, and I believe they were voted ; and I saw various other persons whom at the time, I believed to be illegal voters, who went up to the polls, and who I also, supposed voted, but I cannot say of my own knowledge, that these persons, or any of them, were in fact not legal voters of the ward.

Question. What was the number of those present, whom you have described as ruffians ?

Answer. I cannot answer accurately, but I believe the number of those who were banded together, and acting in concert, was not over twenty or thirty ; there were various others who appeared to be sympathizing with them, and there were some of the American party, who were endeavoring to restrain the violence.

Question. At the time these twenty or thirty were so acting, how many Reformers were about the polls, and persons who were sympathizing with the Reformers ?