

dies into the crowd, and several persons knocked down among the Reformers.

Question. Who had complete control of the access to the judges' window?

Answer. They were held entirely by persons claiming to be Americans, on both sides of the window.

Question. Did you see persons who were attempting to reach the judges' window assaulted and prevented from voting by the crowd of whom you have spoken?

Answer. I did; and it was with the greatest difficulty that a voter of the Reform ticket could reach the polls; no foreigner was allowed a vote unless some one of the rowdies would vouch for him.

Question. Was there a concerted effort on the part of persons not themselves engaged in voting, to prevent naturalized citizens and others from reaching the polls?

Answer. There was; they would crowd in, shove, and commence the cry of "Wade in natives!"

Question. After the firing that you have mentioned, how long did you remain at the polls?

Answer. I suppose fifteen minutes, or a short time after; after the firing Marshal Herring walked down Holliday Street, from Baltimore Street, and passed some six to ten of these rowdies with muskets in their hands, and came to the window; I asked him to arrest two rowdies who I had seen fire pistols; they observed in his and my presence they did fire the pistols, and would shoot any damned Reformer that come there; Marshal Herring left without arresting any of them, or noticing what I said; when any arrest was made, it was of some wounded Reformer, and the party making the attack was unnoticed by the police; finding it to be impossible to prevent illegal voting or to secure an arrest, I retired.

Question. Were any persons brought up to the window by members of the rowdy crowd that you have described, and voted, whose votes you suspected were illegal.

Answer. I saw two squads of them marched out from their coop, out from a house near by, six to eight in a squad; each squad voted and marched back.

Question. After leaving the polls did you go to the Mayor's office; and, if so, for what purpose?

Answer. I went there, and made to the acting Mayor, Spicer, a full statement of the riot at the polls; he said that nothing could be done, that he could not interfere with Mr. Hinesly.