

Question. Were the Reformers at the tenth ward polls, as a general thing, armed with pistols or other weapons.

Answer. I do not know, I never inquired and have never been told; two or three persons may have told me, after the election, that they had pistols in their pockets, but further I have no knowledge.

Question. In your address at Metropolitan Hall, on Saturday night previous to the election, was the audience solicited by yourself and other speakers, if there were any, to repel force by force, and generally to stand firm together, to protect and advance the Reform cause?

Answer. I was the only speaker who addressed the meeting, and I did counsel the Reformers to repel force by force, and to use all means recognized by the law for the protection of their persons and their rights; I did counsel them to stand by each other in resistance to unlawful violence, and also to protect each other and advance the Reform cause, by all lawful means as citizens, but I did distinctly and emphatically counsel them to commit aggression of no sort, to violate the peace under no circumstances, and to do nothing which would serve even as a pretext for provocation to their opponents.

Question. At what hour did the Reformers abandon or retire from the tenth ward polls?

Answer. I think it was about noon, by which I mean that they left the neighborhood of the polls at that time; I was at the polls and remained a short while after the rest had retired, I had gone around to the Exchange office to dry my feet, which were wet from standing in the gutter, by the polls, and when I came back I found, or was informed, that the Reformers regarding their further presence as idle, had retired in a body; I remained, as I have said, some five or ten minutes, after which I did not go back; from the time of the assault with firearms and the display of rifles, the window and its immediate neighborhood were abandoned by the Reformers, and from that time until they left, they practically took no part in the election, except that of distributing tickets to the few who asked for them; from the time of the firing, of which I have spoken, all contest on the part of the Reformers was abandoned, they not having either numbers or arms to make the only effort which could have been available to assert their rights, and their first efforts in the direction of self-defence having been at once overpowered by the police.

Question. How many of the Reformers were arrested by the police at the tenth ward, to your knowledge?

Answer. I do not know; events passed very rapidly, and my observation was attracted by so many things, and there was so much confusion and at one time so much impending danger, that I am unable to remember such details as are enquired of, with any accuracy; the same remark will properly qualify what I