

Reformer could make the attempt to vote, certainly no naturalized voter, without risking his life; there were no policemen present, that I saw, at the time we retired.

Question. When you advised the Reform Association of the eleventh ward to retire from those polls, and abandon the contest, is it your opinion, from what you there saw, that their further presence at the polls would have been followed by an attack upon them, and did you consider the contest to which you referred as being a contest of physical force, as distinguished from the ordinary contest of an election?

Answer. Before going there I heard, from satisfactory authority, that an attack upon the eleventh ward was being organized in other parts of the town, and I did regard the contest then going on, as one of physical force, rather than the ordinary contest of an election.

*Examination concluded.*

BALTIMORE, December 21, 1859.

ALEX. C. ROBINSON.

Test—DANIEL E. MYERS, J. P.

Dr. JOHN B. WILLIAMS, a witness of lawful age, produced on the part of the contestants, having duly affirmed, deposes and says:

*Examination in chief.*

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

Answer. I was.

Question. Were you at the polls of that ward on that day, and how long did you remain there?

Answer. I went there about ten o'clock, and remained there until about a quarter past ten o'clock, A.M.

Question. Were you assaulted there, and if so, under what circumstances?

Answer. Immediately after depositing my vote, a band of disorderly men came up German Street and endeavored to take possession of the polls; they made use of such expressions, as "Wade in, Little Fellows! clear the damned Reformers from the polls! wade in, Natives!" and acted in the most disorderly manner; I was standing with my hands in my pockets, and without uttering a single word on my part, I received a violent blow on the temple, my arms were immediately pinioned behind me, and I was assaulted by several persons, who struck me blows on the face; I struggled into the street, when two policemen seized me, and said that I must go with them; I asked what I was arrested for, when we got to Baltimore Street; the policemen replied that