

LAWRENCE SANGSTON, 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, at the fourteenth ward polls in the city of Baltimore? If so, please state what you observed there?

Answer. I passed by the fourteenth ward polls at about half-past nine o'clock, A.M., in one of the city passenger railway cars; I was sitting on the rear seat of the car, and when within fifty yards of the place of holding the polls I looked in the direction of the polls; everything was apparently quiet, which excited my surprise; when the car had reached a point nearly or immediately facing the window (my attention was still fixed upon the window), I heard the sharp crack of a pistol, and instantly I saw a man fall into the gutter; eight or ten pistol shots followed in rapid succession; I immediately rose from my seat and went out on the rear platform of the car; about twenty feet from where I stood and within the same distance from the pavement where the crowd was, I saw a man fire his pistol five times into the crowd on the pavement, apparently from his manner of firing selecting each time a different object; the car at that moment had nearly stopped, owing, as I supposed at the time, to the steep grade of the street, but I subsequently ascertained that the stoppage arose from one of the horses being shot; I remained on the platform of the car until it reached the top of the hill, when I got off and assisted one of the parties who was shot into a shop, and had a carriage sent for, in which he went home; his name was Stiles; he lives in South Howard Street; he had four balls in him; the man who fired the five times that I have mentioned, was Gregory Barrett, who at the time held an office in the Maryland Penitentiary; I did not see his full face, but recognized him as well as I could at the distance of twenty feet, from a view of his side face and his general outlines; he was connected with the American party.

*Cross-examination.*

Question. Was the man you saw fall in the gutter at the first discharge of the pistol, the same whom you have mentioned as Mr. Stiles.

Answer. No, sir.

Question. Who was the party you first saw fall?

Answer. He is known as "Sonny White."

Question. Do you know who fired at him?

Answer. I do not know.