

JOHN PRINTY, a witness of lawful age, produced on the part of the contestants, being duly sworn, deposes and says:

*Examination in chief.*

Question. How near do you live to where the polls of the 15th ward were held on November 2d, 1859?

Answer. The houses adjoin each other; I live on the corner of Light and Hill Streets, and the polls were held in the adjoining house.

Question. Did you see any persons assaulted and driven away from the polls; if so, by whom?

Answer. I saw Mr. Moore, the druggist, driven off by two or three, and struck at; one of those who assaulted him was Augustus Ford; this was done in the presence of the police officers; Ford lives in the 17th ward, but I do not know whether he belongs to the "Eubolts" or the "Tigers;" the officers did not make any attempt to protect Moore, or to arrest his assailants, but only walked along slowly after them.

Question. Did you see any firearms brought out near the polls?

Answer. Yes, sir; there was a shot fired in the neighborhood of the seventeenth ward in the afternoon, somewhere near four o'clock, and the party at the polls of the fifteenth ward rushed into the private door of the house in which these polls were held, and brought out four muskets and a rifle or shot gun, and ran up in the direction of the shot.

Question. Did the police attempt to take away the muskets?

Answer. I did not see any police at that time, but the police met one of the party coming back, and they did not make any attempt to take the musket which he had.

Question. Did you see any person assaulted besides Mr. Moore?

Answer. I saw them trying to make an old German man go up to vote; he would not, and then they shoved him away, and he fell over the curbstone.

Question. Are you a legal voter in that ward?

Answer. Yes; I have lived in that house fourteen years and a half.

Question. Are you a naturalized voter?

Answer. I am.

Question. Did you vote; if not, why not?

Answer. I did not, nor did I make the attempt; for I did not think it would be safe for me to do so.