

FELIX McCURLEY, 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, a resident and legal voter of the eighteenth ward of the city of Baltimore?

Answer. I was.

Question. Are you a tax-payer in the city of Baltimore?

Answer. I pay over two hundred dollars a year taxes; I am a merchant doing business on Baltimore Street.

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

Answer. I went there about nine o'clock, and was there about five minutes.

Question. Why did you leave the polls?

Answer. I took some Reform tickets and held them in my hand, standing in the middle of the street; there was a crowd of men gathered around the window and in front of the polls, and I observed them looking at me rather hard; one of them, named John Deever, came up and struck me, and then several of them struck me; I was badly cut over the eye, as if by knuckles; I then left the polls and went home, and did not return there again.

Question. Who were the persons who assaulted you, and formed the crowd of which you have spoken?

Answer. I recognized one man from Washington, who was with the crowd, but I did not see him actually committing violence.

Question. Did you vote?

Answer. I did not.

*Cross-examination.*

Question. Please state whether you were a member of the eighteenth ward Reform Association?

Answer. I was.

Question. How many persons belonged to that association?

Answer. I attended two ward meetings, at which there were present at one of them eight or ten, at the other about fifteen persons.

Question. Was there no larger meeting of Reformers in that ward than those you have mentioned?

Answer. There was a meeting in China Hall, at which, I should judge, there were over 150.

Question. How many Reformers did you see while at the polls?

Answer. There might have been twenty that I saw.