

that he was not the one who had struck the man that was beating Mr. McCurley; I saw a number of persons trying to procure Reform tickets, but saw such tickets in the hands of no one except McCurley, there was a general complaint, that such tickets could not be had, and that those who had them could not get up to vote; I left the polls and went to the station-house to see whether or not Mr. Drakely was confined there, intending to return to the polls; I was, however, met by my friends, and advised not to go there, as I was "spotted," and so I did not return.

Question. Where were those polls held?

Answer. At Ranters' Hall, as it is called, corner Hollins and Schroder Streets—N. E. corner.

Question. Was it a location favorable to a fair and full vote?

Answer. No, sir, I think not; this house was supposed to be the headquarters of the "Ranters," a club which is a terror to all the west end of the town.

*Cross-examination.*

Question. Please state the entire number of persons that you saw struck at the eighteenth ward polls?

Answer. I saw McCurley, and a German man struck; I myself was struck, and one other.

Question. Are you to be understood as declaring that the number of persons you saw struck at the eighteenth ward polls, was only four?

Answer. Three others and myself were all that I myself saw.

Question. Was the barricade so constructed as to render it impossible that a thousand of the legal voters of the ward could not vote between the hours of nine o'clock, A. M., and six o'clock, P. M.?

Answer. I suppose two thousand could have voted, if there had been no other obstruction than the barricade itself.

Question. During the half hour that you were at the polls, how many Reformers, that you recognized as such, did you observe to be there present?

Answer. I should suppose that I saw about thirty or forty in little groups?

Question. Please state whether you attended any Reform meetings in the eighteenth ward; if so, how many, and how many persons were present at each of these meetings, and where the place of meeting was?

Answer. The only meeting of the ward which I attended was at China Hall, at which there were present, I should say, from one hundred and fifty to two hundred persons; how many were identified with the Reform movement, I could not pretend to say.