

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

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

Answer. I was.

Question. About how long have you resided in that ward?

Answer. Since 1831.

Question. Did you act as one of the judges of election on the day specified?

Answer. I did.

Question. By whom were the clerks of election appointed?

Answer. By American judges; they would not allow me to name any; I named a clerk, and they refused to allow him to act.

Question. What is the character and extent of your acquaintance in the ward?

Answer. I am acquainted with a great many people in the ward, and I expect I know most of the voters—I know all classes.

Question. Are there many naturalized voters in the ward?

Answer. There are a great many that I am acquainted with; my impression is, that there are from six hundred to seven hundred naturalized voters in the ward.

Question. About how many naturalized voters voted in that ward on the 2d November, 1859?

Answer. Only two to my knowledge, that is, all whose papers were examined by the judges; one of whom received two or three stabs with an awl, as he was depositing his vote and while I had his papers in my hand; this was some time between one and two o'clock.

Question. Where were the polls in this ward held?

Answer. The second door east of Schroeder Street, in Hollins, north side.

Question. Was it, in your judgment, a location favorable to a full, fair, and honest ballot by the voters, and, if not, why not?

Answer. The location was well enough, but over my head there were firearms, that is, in the room above, they were firing guns there most of the day, up to four o'clock in the afternoon.

Question. By what name is that house generally known?

Answer. Ranters' Hall.

Question. By whom was that place selected for holding the polls?

Answer. The other judges informed me that the American Council had selected that place.

Question. Were you allowed any say or voice in the selection of the place for holding the polls?

Answer. I was not.

Question. Did either you or the other judges pay the ex-