

ening and intimidating character. When this procession halted in Monument Square, it was presided over by a Senator in Congress and addressed by a member of the House of Representatives of our own State of Maryland. See test, p. 325. In connection with these facts, the partizan organ of the clubs, on the day before the election, contained calls for the gathering of clubs bearing most infamous names and reputations, and under the lead of some of the most notorious ruffians of the city. This, in the judgment of your committee, is sufficient to show that the violence and fraud displayed and perpetrated on the day of election was the result of previous determination. If, however, any further proof were wanting, it can be found in the localities which were selected for the holding of the polls.

In the first ward they were held at a point remote from the thickly settled part of the ward, in a house from the top of which floated the flag of the "BLOOD TUBS," and which the judges of election deemed so unsafe that they did not venture to count the ballots there after the poll was completed. (See testimony of Edw. Horney, p. 11, 12, and Wm. Hunt, p. 22.)

In the second ward they were placed upon the CAUSEWAY, within a hundred feet of the headquarters of the ROUGH SKINS, and where they were commanded by muskets from the windows of the rooms of that club. (See testimony of Ex-Mayor Elijah Stansbury, p. 28; Wm. Bartlett, p. 37; S. D. Wellslager, p. 41, and John C. Krantz, p. 38.)

Similar in kind was the reputation of localities near the polls of the third and fourth wards. (See testimony of Jas. T. Randolph, p. 52, and Geo. Evans, p. 69.)

The citizens of the sixth ward were compelled to vote in the vicinity of the headquarters, and, as some of them at least believed, of the arsenal of the "Ashland Club." (Testimony of Dr. Chas. H. Bradford, p. 94; H. J. Morrison, p. 101, and Dr. M. N. Taylor, p. 110.)

In the 9th ward, the location of the polls was such as to beget apprehension and alarm. (Testimony of Louis Muller, p. 134, and Dr. F. E. B. Hintze, p. 141.)

The tenth ward polls were placed beside the headquarters and under the supervision of the "REGULATORS" and their infamous leaders. (Testimony of Geo. Wm. Brown, p. 154, S. T. Wallis, 165, &c.)

Of similar character was the locality of the polls of the 13th ward, (R. H. Cushing, 206, and J. H. Beam, 208;) 15th ward, (W. G. Fosbenner, p. 277;) 17th ward, (Wm. Swindell, p. 254;) 18th ward, (Edward Moon, p. 263; L. E. Ballard, 265, and J. P. Brotherton, 269;) and 20th ward, (S. Levy, p. 294.)