

bodies of men who seemed to be engaged in driving away, or intimidating voters at the polls, or preventing the approach of voters thereto; compared with other elections the election was a very peaceable one; the council election (the previous election) was a very quiet one; so much so, that there was very little use in having the men there; it was the supposition that there would be no use, or very little use, for the men at the polls during the day.

Q. Were you at the second ward during the day?

A. I was, and that ward it was very quiet; and the same at the third.

Q. You say you did not stay at the first ward, because you found no occasion for your services?

A. My business was at the station house on that day; I visited these wards and found no occasion for my services and returned to the station house, and staid there during the balance of the day.

By *Mr. Gordon*—Q. You say you left the first ward between 10 and 11 o'clock, remaining there about three-quarters of an hour; during that time how many persons were at the polls?

A. There was not as large a number as there usually used to be.

Q. What party did these belong to generally who were there?

A. I saw some of each party—at least, some whom I supposed to be of each party.

Q. Were you acquainted with the political sentiment of the persons who lived there?

A. With one portion; what I may call the respectable portion, and I saw a good many of them there.

Q. What party did they belong to in your ward—what proportion of each party was there?

A. That I am not able to say; there were a great many persons of my acquaintance there who were with the Reformers on that day.

Q. Was there any pushing?

A. Not whilst I was there; the window was entirely free both afternoon and forenoon.

Q. Do you belong to any of the clubs.

A. I do not.

*Benjamin Bain* sworn.

By *Mr. Alexander*—Witness. I am 43 years of age and reside in the third ward; my occupation is that of a pilot; I have resided in that ward about five years; before that I resided in the first ward, and the second ward before that; I was at the third ward polls on the 2d of November last; I