

A. It was a political club, sir; there were a great many members who belonged to it, that were very respectable men.

Q. Did that club have any meeting immediately prior to the election?

A. I think they had this one I spoke of.

Q. Were there any resolutions offered or passed by that club in regard to the then approaching election?

A. None, to my knowledge.

Q. If its objects were political, state in what particular they were so, or the promotion of what party it had in view?

A. Of course, its object was the promotion of the interests of the American party—not by violence, though, sir.

Q. Do you know how they came by the appellation of Red Necks?

A. Yes: I think that there is a person in the seventh ward who has a very red neck, and in a jocular manner, the club was christened the "Red Neck Club" after him; that is the way in which I have heard the name originated.

Q. Did you hear any firing of guns or other arms upon that day?

A. I heard once or twice during the day the firing of a pistol; I went immediately round the corner to see what brought it about, and I discovered that it had been fired by some one who had cleared off and ran away; I did not see any firing, but I heard the report.

By *Mr. Hagner*—Q. You speak about these political clubs—how long have they been there?

A. Ever since I can remember, for I recollect well of belonging to a Tippicanoe club.

Q. Did you ever hear of such a thing as a Democratic club?

A. Not, I think, new planted.

Q. For what established?

A. To advance the objects of the Democratic party.

Q. Did you ever, as belonging to that Red Neck club, countenance any violence?

A. On the contrary, I did not.

Q. With the full recollection that you are on your oath, you say this club was broken up?

A. There was a muss among them in regard to some little matters.

*Mr. Freaner*—State the muss?

Question objected to by *Mr. Hagner*.

*Mr. Hagner*—You say there was no club in existence on the day of the election?

A. I did not consider it in existence.