

Statement of Citizens of Worcester County,

IN REGARD TO PROCEEDINGS AT THE

Election in the 2nd Election District of said County.

Snow Hill, November 12th, 1863.

To His Excellency, A. W. BRADFORD,
Governor of Maryland :

We, the subscribers, citizens of the 2d Election District of Worcester County, in the State of Maryland, do hereby make and subscribe the following statement, and certify to the truth thereof, to wit :

The election in the 2d District in Worcester County is held in Snow Hill, in the room of the Circuit Court, the Judges of Election occupying the seat of the Circuit Judge. The approach, and the only approach to this place open to the public, is from the main street of the town, through the gate of the Court House yard, thence by a walk of some 15 yards to the Court House door, thence by a narrow passage between the offices of the Clerk of the Circuit Court and the Register of Wills (which offices occupy the front of the building) to the door of the Court Room. On the morning of the 3d of November inst., the day before the election, a copy of Gen'l Schenck's General Order No. 53 was hung up at the gate of the Court House yard. On the morning of the 4th of November, about the time the polls were opened, a file of soldiers, under the command of an officer, fully armed and in uniform, were mustered in the Court House yard, and then took their position along the walk, between the gate and the Court House door. They were accompanied by Provost Marshal Straughn, and it was soon evident that it was their intention to prevent all persons from approaching the polls, except such as they might select, under the pretext of carrying