

this officer that they could not in this manner carry on the election, as it was in direct violation of the solemn oath they had just taken.

The Captain then arrested the Judges and informed them they would immediately be sent to Baltimore with a military escort. Their reply was, we protest solemnly against this proceeding, but we can make no resistance. At this moment a deep and painful excitement became manifest, and an awful and solemn conviction seemed to pervade the whole assembly present, that the rights of a free, enlightened and loyal people had been most grossly and wantonly violated.

Soon the Judges of Election were taken away by the military, and the polls were closed. Thus resulted the attempt to hold the election in this district. As to the truthfulness, accuracy and impartiality of this statement we can most positively affirm, as we were eye-witnesses to every transaction.

*Wednesday, Nov. 4th, 1863.*

[Signed]

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JOHN F. FISHER, } Election.