

The whole democratic or State's rights ticket in this county is elected, if these proceedings are to be considered as making an election. This singular result proceeded from the fact, that the Military hindered only votes having my name on them. Except in the Salisbury and Tangier Districts, any vote lacking my name passed into the box without question; in these two districts only the yellow or Creswell ticket was allowed to be voted.

The aggregate vote polled is less than two-thirds of a full vote. Those not voting were chiefly conservative Union men, who would have voted if there had been no interference.

I protest most solemnly against these proceedings, and against the issuing of certificates of election, and commissions based upon them, as an individual and a public wrong; and pledge myself to prove in the most formal way all that is stated in the papers now laid before you, whenever an opportunity is offered for that purpose.

I have the honor to be

Yours &c.

J. W. CRISFIELD.