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I hereby certify that I offered to vote the Conservative Union ticket at the North polls, in the City of Frederick, on Wednesday the 4th day of November, 1863, and that a soldier objected to my voting on the ground of disloyalty; that my ticket was taken from my hand at the same time by a soldier, and that I left the polls, and had not proceeded farther than 30 or 40 feet before a soldier, whose name I am informed is Marcellus Shaffner, came up to me and said: "*Here, you are entitled to a vote, now come and vote,*" at the same time putting an Unconditional ticket into my hand, and seizing me by one of my arms, and another soldier by the other, I was forced again back to the polls through fear of personal violence, and compelled to vote against my sentiments.

To the truth of this statement I am willing to make affidavit whenever it may be necessary, and hereto subscribe my name, this fourth day of November, 1863.

LEWIS F. WACHTER.

Mr. Wachter is in the 29th year of his age, and resides about 6 miles N. W. of Frederick.