

ed upon my heel and left. I had no further use of staying there. I had the names of Samuel A. Graham and Wm. J. Humphreys on those two pieces of paper. Neither of those pieces of paper was a regular ticket.

Alick Walston and Thomas Ellis were the persons placed there as challengers, who refused my vote; they were placed there by Provost Marshal Collier. I keep a store in Salisbury. My place of business is a very little distance from the polls. I do not think I saw those challengers challenge others. I was not close at the time. I saw but two kinds of tickets voted on that day. There might have been others, but I am not aware of the fact. I had no conversation with the Provost Marshal on the day of election. I never had but very little conversation with him in any way. I believe there was no particular conversation with regard to the election, between him and me. I saw soldiers in Salisbury. They came down on Monday, and on Tuesday they were distributed in the different election districts. The Fair was on the first Monday of November. I do not recollect whether there was a political meeting on that day. I believe it was the day.

George W. Parsons' Testimony.

1st General Question.—Were you a voter in Somerset County at the general election in November, 1863? If yea, state in what district.

Ans.—I was—in Salisbury district.

2d General Question.—State whether you attended at the polls, on said election day. If yea, state at what time you arrived there.

Ans.—I did attend on the day named. I arrived a few minutes after 9 o'clock.

3d General Question.—State, in a narrative form, the occurrences at said polls, so far as they passed under your observation during the day.

Ans. The citizens of Salisbury were under no apprehensions about military interference, owing to assurances which they had had from Col. Wallace, that none of his men should interfere, and from other assurances that there would be no military interference from other parties.

The day before the election four hundred Connecticut cavalry arrived in Salisbury, and they were distributed to different parts of the county. On the day of election, I approached the polls in company with Mr. George Waller, who was in doubt whether to vote or not, and asked my advice on the subject. I