

purpose as the question just overruled, of showing that the said Dr. Cadmus Dashiell was a party to the original scheme for bringing the military into the county.

Counsel for Contestants' reply.—The contestants again insisting that the charge that Dr. Cadmus Dashiell was in any way instrumental in having the military brought into the county, or desired their presence, is wholly untrue, and that any such conversation upon his part was merely the expression of an opinion, shared at the time by many others, who had nothing whatever to do with the introduction of the soldiers.— hereby expressly waive all objection to the admissibility of the said testimony.

The Committee ruled the question inadmissible, for the reasons stated in their previous ruling as to a similar question.

H. J. Brewington's testimony.

Ques.—In what part of Somerset county do you live?

Ans.—In Salisbury district—I have been a voter there for twenty-two years.

Ques.—Were you a voter in that district at the last election?

Ans.—I was entitled to a vote.

Ques.—Did you or did you not vote at the last election?

Ans.—I did not vote.

Ques.—Why didn't you vote?

Ans.—Because early in the morning, when the polls were first opened, I heard it said that the opposite ticket—the Democratic ticket—would not be allowed to be voted by the Provost Marshal. I went to him myself, because the tickets were sent to my care from Princess Anne the day before the election. I went to Provost Marshal Collier and asked him the arrangements for voting that day. He said to me: "The Democratic party will not be allowed to vote that day." I asked him the reason—I asked him if he had seen the Governor's Proclamation. He told me he had and that the President's order modified a part of Gen. Schenck's order No. 53. I then said: "Mr. Collier, we all feel very much interested here relative to our district officers." But he said: "I do not care anything about that, I have nothing to do with that, I am to carry out General Schenck's orders, and I shall do so during this day, to the letter, except I receive orders by telegraph or otherwise." I told him if that was the arrangement, of course, I should not attempt to vote. He said: "It will not be worth while." I then said: "Mr. Collier, if I take the oath can I vote." He