

HAMMOND C. MUZZY called and sworn.

To Mr. Reeder :

I was at the election of the 30th March, 1855, in the second district. I saw a great crowd of people, and a great many wagons, when I first went there. I tried to get to the window to vote, and got there just as Mr. Mace did. He was just before me, and when he offered his vote some of the pro-slavery party said that it was a free-State vote, and told him he should not vote it. Several men took him by the collar, and undertook to drag him away from the windows, and, as I was by his side, they crowded me away with him. Some called out, "Cut his throat!" "Tear his damned heart out!" I saw one fellow draw a knife and present it to his side, as though he was going to stab him. They finally left him without doing him any injury. After that, I saw some men with a lever trying to pry up the corner of the cabin. The leader of the party hallooed out to them not to do that till they had orders. Soon after that, I saw Mr. Ellison come out of the cabin with the ballot-box in his hand, and he hallooed "Hurrah for Missouri!" Mr. Ellison was one of the judges. I heard Mr. Jones (now sheriff Jones) give Mr. Burson and Mr. Ramsay, the free-State judges, five minutes to resign in or die. After that, he gave them one more minute to resign in. The judges left, as has been stated by others. I was on the ground a little while after the other judges were appointed, and the crowd then voted. I did not see any free-State man vote after that, and but three or four at any time. I do not know whether sheriff Jones voted there or not that day.

HAMMOND C. MUZZY.

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