

Q. Could voters have gone by another road to the Election, without your seeing them?

A. Not well.

Q. Might they not have gone through Mr. Worrell's premises?

A. They might—but I did not see any do so that day.

Witness discharged.

WILLIAM DINGWELL (sworn.)

Witness proceeds to state what took place at Georgetown—Saw no attempt to pull M'Phee off the Hustings—was sometime inside—he heard of it.

Witness went to St. Peter's—was there all the first day of the Election—stood inside, near the Poll Clerks, to assist Mr. Cooper—was objected to, particularly by Roderick Macdonald—went outside on the Hustings, but was not allowed to stay there—Charles Dingwell told me we were pointed out. Saw a man fall, and several sticks laid upon him—heard the blows given—this was on the first evening, just before the Poll adjourned—my brother and myself were ordered to leave.

Q. Were you threatened?

A. No—I kept always clear of the mob, but seeing that man knocked down, and the people so riotous, I had good reason to be afraid. I voted at Georgetown. We went off by a bye-road, being afraid to go the public road. The morning of the second day, I was at Charles Dingwell's door; Mr. Worrell came along, and asked Charles Dingwell if he was going to the Election to give his vote—did not hear the reply. I said “Mr. Worrell, I am surprised to hear a man of your sense and understanding advising a man to give his vote against his will; you know if he votes for Mr. Macdonald it will be against his will—“I heard Mr. Worrell ask Charles Dingwell to vote for Mr. Macdonald—Mr. Worrell said to me, “I am not compelling him”—Charles was a tenant of Mr. Worrell's. We went back to the Hustings, Joseph Dingwell and I went together—we intended to stop all day if we were allowed—Hugh M'Varish, a friend of Mr. Macdonald's, advised me to go away. We saw Mr. Cooper in the yard—we told him he was under the protection of the Sheriff, and he had some chance—I left the Hustings when Mr. Irwin was beginning to address the Electors.

Witness discharged.

JAMES MACDONALD (sworn.)

Was at St. Peter's the first day.

Q. Did you see any disposition to riot among the people that day, or any thing that led you to suppose there would be a riot?

A. I did. I was threatened myself, but I don't know the man's name—it was for putting up Mr. Cooper's flag—the man said I ought to be kicked.

Q. Did you vote?

A. No. I did not vote the first day, and was afraid

to go the second day—I left about the time the Poll was adjourned.

By Mr. Brennan.—When you left the Hustings the first day, was it with the intention of returning to vote the day following?

A. It was.

Q. For whom?

A. For Mr. Cooper.

Q. Why was you afraid to return?

A. My brother and myself meant to vote next day, but three men threatened me next morning that if they caught me there I should suffer for it.

Q. Do you know them?

A. I don't know two of them. Thomas M'Grath was one of them.

Q. What did they say?

A. I forget the exact words.

Q. Was it in consequence of these threats, that you went home without voting?

A. It was. My brother afterwards went to the Hustings, and told me not to go back—that I was marked there. My brother told me he did not vote.

Q. Do you know of any others who left the Hustings without voting, through fear?

A. I can't swear to any but myself and my brother. On the evening of the first day, I saw Ronald Macdonald, my next door neighbour, on the ground, with his face covered with blood; I did not know him at first. He had been struck for taking M'Cormack's part—Ronald Macdonald was one of Mr. Cooper's supporters. Did not see him struck.

Q. Where do you live?

A. On Lot 4S, on the North side.

JOHN M'KAY, re-called.

Q. Were you served with a summons after you left the Bar?

A. Yes.

Q. By whom?

A. By James Spencer, Constable.

Q. How long was it after you left the Bar?

A. Immediately—and before I left the Court House.

Q. What Magistrate issued the summons?

A. Dr. De St. Croix.

Q. Who is the Plaintiff?

A. His name is Wall.

Ordered, that the Sergeant at Arms be sent after the said James Spencer—who appearing at the Bar, and having made his excuses, was ordered to be admonished, and discharged, on payment of fees. And being admonished, was discharged accordingly.

Dr. De St. Croix, having attended, stated, that in issuing the summons against the person referred to, he had not the slightest idea that that person was a Witness summoned by the House, or he would not have thought of issuing it, nor should he act upon the said summons. Upon which he was excused from further attendance.

(NINTH DAY) THURSDAY, January 19, 1832.

COMMITTEE RESUMED.

The Chairman acquainted the Committee that he had received a letter from Mr. Thomas Irwin, one of the Candidates, requesting to be heard at the Bar—which, on motion, was read, and is as follows:—

“January 19th, 1832.

“MY DEAR SIR,

“As I was present at the unfortunate riot in King's County, an investigation of which is under the consideration of your Honorable Committee—and as I am in possession of many facts relative to the said Return, I feel it a duty which I owe to

justice, to King's County, and to my own traduced character, to request you, as a friend, to cause me to be examined at the bar, prior to any decision that may take place.

“I have the honor to be,

&c.

(Signed)

THOMAS IRWIN.

“To THOMAS OWEN, Esq. Chairman.”

Mr. Compton moves, seconded by Mr. Green, that Mr. Irwin be heard at the Bar—and the question being put thereon, it passed in the negative.