

Answer. I don't know whether it was a peaceful separation or not ; that was the substance of it.

Question. That was before it was publicly known whether the South would be allowed to go peacefully or not ?

Answer. Yes.

Question. Before there had been any armed hostility of the South towards the North ?

Answer. Yes.

Question. You did not hear Mr. Grason give his reason why he thought Maryland would go with the South ?

Answer. No.

Question. In point of fact, this conversation of which you speak, was before the rebellion, was it not ?

Answer. It was before the 19th of April ; some of the States had seceded, and some were making preparations to secede.

*By the Committee.*

*Question by the Committee.* What number of guns were brought up in that wagon, at that time ?

Answer. I think forty (40.)

*The Examination of this witness was here concluded.*

JAMES PENNINGTON, called as a witness for the Contestant, being duly sworn, testified as follows :

Question. State your name, age, residence and business ?

Answer. My name is James Pennington ; I am 54 years old, live in Towsontown, and am a saddler.

Question how long have you lived there ?

Answer. Six (6) years.

Question. Were you there through the spring and summer of 1861 ?

Answer. Yes.

Question. Were there any forces there in arms, in the latter part of April and early part of May, 1861 ?

Answer. Yes ; there was a company there, called the Towson Guards ; I was a member of that company. There was another company, called the Baltimore County Horse Guards ; our company was a good deal older than that company.

Question. Did you see any movements of the Horse Guards, or any of them, subsequent to the 19th of April, 1861 ?

Answer. Yes.

Question. Where was the headquarters of the Horse Guards ?

Answer. They occupied the same hall that we occupied ; and likewise Mr. Ady's Tavern, together ; that was the headquarters.

Question. Did they wear any badge of distinction ?