

talked the matter over, and they concluded sooner than there should be bloodshed, which certainly would have taken place, because I believe they would have undertaken to take it down, and then there would have been bloodshed—they agreed to allow the flag to come down.

Question. The citizens were divided upon the propriety of taking it down?

Answer. The way they came divided was this: some of them, I call secessionists, others Union men; the secessionists wanted it down, the others did not.

Question. It was finally concluded by the citizens that it had better come down, was it not?

Answer. They agreed at last that it might be taken down.

Question. When was the white flag put up, of which you spoke?

Answer. I think it was the same day.

Question. Who put that flag up?

Answer. Harry Gilmore and Edwin R. Hook.

*By the Committee.*

Question by the Committee. Had this white flag any marks upon it?

Answer. If I am not mistaken, it had something in the middle of it like, I can't say for certain.

Question by the Committee. Do you know what the State flag of Maryland is?

Answer. I cannot say that that was it.

*Cross-examination resumed.*

Question. Where was Mr. Grason when that flag was put up?

Answer. I can't say where he was then.

Question. Where was that flag put up on the 29th of April?

Answer. On the pole where the one was taken down on the 21st.

Question. How far is that from Ady's Hotel?

Answer. About seventy (70) yards.

Question. Where were you when they put it up?

Answer. I was standing half way between the Pole and Mr. Ady's Hotel, rather a little to the left, in the pike.

Question. There were a good many people there, were there not?

Answer. Yes; a good many.

Question. Where were they mostly congregated?

Answer. The largest congregation was up towards the pole.

Question. Where was Mr. Grason?