

any portion of the funds of the State elsewhere, or loaned any of the same.

1st interrogatory propounded to James Sloan, Jr.

Please state your name and occupation :

Answer. James Sloan, Jr., am Cashier of the Farmers' and Merchants' National Bank of Baltimore.

2nd interrogatory. Have you, or has any officer of the bank of which you are the Cashier, within your knowledge, at any time made any arrangement, agreement or contract of any kind whatever, with Barnes Compton, Treasurer of this State, or with any other person for said Compton, to pay to him, or to any other person for him, any consideration, emolument or profit of any kind, in the form of interest or otherwise, upon the monies of the State, deposited in said bank for safe-keeping?

Answer. No.

3d interrogatory. Have you, or has any officer of the bank of which you are the Cashier, within your knowledge, paid any money or consideration of any kind to Barnes Compton, Treasurer of this State, or to any other person to be paid to him as a bonus, or in the form of interest upon the money of the State deposited in said bank?

Answer. No.

Interrogatory by Mr. Compton. Did I at any time make any arrangement, or have any understanding with you as Cashier of the Farmers' and Merchants' National bank of Baltimore with reference to the State's account, or with reference to advances for the State if such should be required at any time ; if so, please state what it was?

Answer. The only arrangement, contract or understanding ever had by me as Cashier of the bank with Barnes Compton, Treasurer, was, that to secure the deposits of the State's money in our bank, I agreed to furnish to the State, free of interest, any amount that they might be temporarily short, which has happened since Mr. Compton has been the Treasurer, certainly once, and probably more than once ; the bank has, on several occasions, advanced monies for the State, prior to his term.

Interrogatory by Mr. Farrow. Did you ever say to any person or persons, that the money that was deposited in your bank, did not pay for what it cost?

Answer. To my knowledge, no.