

2nd. Have you or not been almost daily in the Criminal Court of Baltimore, and have you or not observed the general conduct of Judge Stump while on the Bench—if so, state fully all your knowledge in reference to his alleged misbehaviour in office?

A. I have been almost daily in the Criminal Court and have observed the general conduct of Judge Stump. I can say that I have frequently seen him drunk upon the bench, and have seen him go to sleep from the effects of liquor. He generally meets long after the appointed hour. If the hour is eleven, he comes in about twenty or thirty minutes after—if at ten, about the same time after. He takes recesses during the daily sessions of the Court, generally staying out half an hour—and I have known him to go an hour—and most always after the recesses he is more under the influence of liquor than when he first comes in. He is in the habit of adjourning the Court at so early an hour as not to give time to dispose of the business, and rarely of late ever sets till after two o'clock, and much oftener till over one or half past one. In the trial of the "Express rioters" he was drunk, and once went behind the jury box to sleep on a bench. In the case of Lemon, a police officer, charged with the murder of Fisher, the State's Attorney objected to John Hinesly going bail, but the Judge took him in a \$1,000—and since then Lemon has never appeared, and the State's Attorney has called the attention of the Judge several times to the forfeiture, but each time he refused to do anything, and on the last occasion, said—"Hinesly had seen him and he had agreed to give him more time, as he promised to bring Lemon in." On another occasion, after the objection of the Deputy State's Attorney to take Hinesly as bail in a case, and after taking him, and when the Judge had left the bench, for an adjournment, and was standing within the bar, Hinesly remarked to him that "he had as much right to trade in bail as in horses." He has repeatedly taken Hinesly as bail since this declaration. At the close of last September term, with eight murder cases, and over seventy assaults with intent to murder, pending and untried, whilst much under the influence of liquor, he continued all of them to January term, refusing to sit any longer and try them. He has on repeated occasions, after several day's trial of murder and other cases, immediately adjourned the Court till next day, after the indictment was submitted, positively refusing to wait five or ten minutes for the jury to render a verdict if they could agree, and against the remonstrance of the State's Attorney, counsel on the other side, and the jury, many of whom were men of business; compelling the jury to remain locked up at a hotel all night; and refusing to come in during the afternoon to receive their verdict. He has, in the most pressing and important cases,