

Answer. If their names are in the grant they must have gone in the Council. That is the answer, to the best of my recollection.

Question. I want to know what he said?

Answer. That is what he said.

By *Mr. Gordon*.—Q.—That was in answer to the question you put as to what he paid?

Answer. Yes, sir; I then asked in regard to the gentleman, a neighbor of mine, whether it was in money or by a promise to pay that he was paid, and he answered emphatically that he paid \$500 cash to him as well as to others.

By *Mr. Blakistone*.—Q.—You asked him the question what he paid those gentlemen for the use of their names, and in response to that he said: "I paid them \$2,500."

Answer. For the use of their names; that is my recollection of it.

By *Mr. Gordon*.—Q.—Where are their subscription books? Who has them?

Answer. I am unable to say, of my own knowledge, where they are. They were at the Penitentiary at one time.

Question. Do they send books to your Penitentiary in Baltimore?

Answer they made a very mysterious disappearance at one time, and were found at the Penitentiary.

By *the Chairman*.—Question. Have you any papers connected with this case?

Answer. I have some—[handing them to the Committee.]

Mr. Campbell. [After examining the papers.]—This is a communication addressed to John Bunting.

The Witness. He was Clerk of the Council.

Mr. Campbell. By whom was it written?

Mr. Pratt. We object to this paper.

The Chairman. The Committee will examine the papers.

By *Mr. Blakistone*.—Question. Did Mr. Brock say anything about what Mayor Swann's opinion of this grant was before it was made?

Mr. Whyte.—Is that evidence?

Mr. Gordon.—That would be evidence if Mr. Brock told the witness what Swann's opinion was before the grant was made, as it would show that he had communication with Swann before the grant was made.

The Witness.—[In answer to the question.]—In the course of the conversation, which lasted for some hours, at our room, he spoke in regard to the whole matter, and I gave him my opinion of the whole matter very freely and frankly. He said that Swann need not make so much noise about it, because he was perfectly well aware that they were going to buy the grant before it was made.

William L. Montague, recalled.

By *Mr. Blakistone*.—Q.—Had you at any time a conversation with any member of the City Council with regard to the passage of this railroad bill before the Council?

Mr. Alexander objected to the question.

Mr. Blakistone.—My object is this: I want to prove that a number of the City Council told the witness, after the passage of the bill, that he knew before it was passed, for whose benefit it was to be passed.

Mr. Gordon.—Can you get that member of the City Council to be here?

Gov. Pratt.—He is here.

The Chairman.—The Committee think it would be better to have the evidence of the member of Council himself.

By *Mr. Blakistone*.—Q.—Do you know any member of the City Council employed by Mr. Brock, any others than those spoken of by Mr. McAllister?

Answer. I do not remember those he stated. The facts brought to my knowledge in connection with this question were brought to my knowledge by the testimony taken in the Committee of the Council.