

not, and he said he paid them \$2,500: \$500 a piece for the use of their names in that bill. I furthermore heard him say in answer to a question, that Mr. Swann need not make so much fuss in his message about this matter, for he knew their capital was to build this road. I heard Mr. Dennison read the application of Brock to the Legislature to confirm this grant, and saw no provision made in regard to the citizens of Baltimore participating in this road. I said to Mr. Brock—"If you obtain this charter you ask, although I see nothing in this document that makes any provision for that, will you allow the citizens of Baltimore to have any of this stock?" He said—"No sir; we have had all the expense and trouble of this road, and we want all the profits."

By *Mr. Blakistone*. Question. Has any contract been tendered to you, since you have been selected to this Legislature by Mr. Brock or any person connected with him?

Answer. There might have been one, possibly tendered indirectly, not by Mr. Brock himself. I never had any conversation with him, except what I have said.

Question. Have you had any contract tendered to you to make a portion of this road?

Answer. There was a couple of gentlemen who asked me how I would like to join them in a contract to lay down the south branch of this road, and they said that, perhaps, they could make a couple of thousand dollars out of this road.

Question. Who were these gentlemen?

Answer. Mr. Robert Cathcart and Mr. McComas.

Question. Were both of these gentlemen members of the City Council?

Answer. Mr. McComas was, I think; but Mr. Cathcart was one of the grantees.

By *Mr. Whyte*. Question. Did they ask you to unite in bidding for a contract?

Answer. Yes, sir; that was the question.

By *Mr. Campbell*. Question. Had you any conversation with Mr. Brock?

Answer. No, sir. Never in my life, except what I have said.

Adjourned till to-morrow morning at 9 o'clock.

SATURDAY, February 11, 1860.

William H. Travers, called and sworn. Examined by *Mr. Blakistone*.

Question. Were you one of the grantees in the bill passed by the City Council of Baltimore, commonly known as the Travers bill?

Answer. I was.

Question. Did you make the application to the City Council for the grant of the City Passenger Railway, with the view of building that road yourself, in connection with the other grantees and applicants?

Answer. I will answer that question by stating my connection with the matter.

Question. I would like to have you confine yourself to the interrogatory, because I have a number of them to ask you.

Answer. If I were to answer your question either affirmatively or negatively, it would not, perhaps, be strictly the truth; and, therefore, it was that I proposed to give my connection with the matter.

Question. Had you any idea, at the time you permitted your name to be used for the purpose of procuring this grant, that you and the four gentlemen associated with you would build this road?

Answer. We expected to build it in association with other gentlemen.

Question. You then really expected to invest your own money in building this road?

Answer. Oh! no; I did not say that.