

By Mr. *Turner*. Question. It never came before the House from a committee?

Answer. No, sir.

By Mr. *Maxwell*. Question. It proposed five cents, did it, to 10 o'clock at night, and ten cents after 10 o'clock?

Answer. Yes, sir.

By the *Chairman*. Question. Did Mr. Montague offer to strike out "four" and insert "three" in the Travers bill?

Answer. Yes, sir; but at the same time my recollection is that Mr. Montague said he was instructed by the Barnum party to say that they would do this thing for three cents. And when he found that his bill was not before the Council then, and could not then be reached for consideration—my substitute being in the third degree; first, the bill from the Committee; second, the substitute offered by Mr. Montague; third, my substitute for his substitute. When he found his bill could not be considered, he then proposed to strike out "four" and insert "three" in my bill.

Question. Could you not have voted in his bill by a reconsideration?

Answer. If we had intended to have voted for the three cent bill we could have voted down the four cent bill.

Question. Do you not think a three cent bill would be more acceptable to the citizens of Baltimore than a five cent or a four cent bill?

Answer. Yes, sir; and one cent more than either.

Question. Or a ride for nothing?

Answer. Yes, sir, and to pay them a cent to ride.

By Mr. *Maxwell*. Question. Was not a two cent bill offered?

Answer. Yes, sir.

Question. Who offered that bill?

Answer. A Mr. Payne.

By Mr. *Alexander*. Question. Who voted for your bill?

Answer. All the members but one.

Question. Did Mr. Montague vote for it?

Answer. Yes, sir.

Mr. *Whyte* here read from the journal the votes for the bill, by which it appeared that Mr. Montague gave the last vote in the affirmative, and there was but one vote in the negative.

By the *Chairman*. Question. You say that your four cent bill was acted upon and passed?

Answer. Yes, sir.

Question. How did you get the other cent in the bill?

Answer. By the veto of the Mayor.

Question. When the Mayor vetoed the four cent bill, you were then exactly where you started from, without a bill?

Answer. Precisely.

Question. Was there any motion made in the Council to consider the Barnum bill?

Answer. Yes, sir.

Question. What was the motion?

Answer. There were so many bills before the Council, I never thought much about it.