

Question. You do not therefore belong to that school of "the rankest and most offensive Black Republicans," as this paper charges you?

*A Member of the Committee.* I will answer for Mr. Evans, of Elkton, one of the owners of the road, a representative from our district in Congress.

By a member of the *Committee.* You said something about Florida.

Answer. I am engaged in the pine lumber business in Florida.

By a member of the *Committee.* Your road is never used to run off negroes from Baltimore?

Answer. No, sir, and never shall.

By the *Chairman.* Has Simon Cameron directly or indirectly any interest in this road?

Answer. He has not.

Question. Is it understood that he is to have any, or his friends?

Answer. There is no promise.

Question. No understanding?

Answer. No understanding; he is with the other side.

By *Mr. Pratt.* He and you are not friendly.

Answer. No, sir.

Question. You are antagonistic?

Answer. He is here endeavoring to get this grant after the passage of it.

By *Mr. Hambleton.* Question. Is the party of which the Counsel spoke known as the Black Republican, or the Republican party?

Answer. In some States it is called the Opposition party.

Question. When was the last State election in Pennsylvania?

Answer. In October.

Question. Where were you at that time?

Answer. I do not recollect whether I was in Pennsylvania or not.

Question. Did you vote?

Answer. I do not recollect that, I am not positive.

Question. Who were the candidates for State officers?

Answer. I do not know; I took no part in politics.

Question. Did you vote in 1856?

Answer. I did not vote for President in 1856.

Question. Have you voted since the party known as the Republican party has been in existence?

Answer. It is not called the Republican party in our State.

Question. The Opposition, then?

Answer. I have.

Question. How did you vote then?

Answer. I voted a mixed ticket—for my personal friends—I did not care whether they were Americans or Democrats.

Question. Have you voted for a Congressman since that time?

Answer. I presume I have, but really I do not know who the candidates were, I tell you, plainly.

If a Democratic Congressman were running, and an Opposition candidate, which one would you vote for?

Answer. Whichever was my personal friend.

Question. Suppose neither was?

Answer. I can't tell you. I have no decided politics.

By *Mr. Blakistone.* Was, or was not, one of your associates elected to the City Council in a Black Republican ward?

Answer. I cannot tell; I do not know that one of them was elected.

By *Mr. Sangston.* Question. You stated that there were 45 miles of road to be built under this ordinance; do you mean of road or track?

Answer. Of track.

Question. That is 22½ miles of road?

Answer. Yes, sir.