

Answer. I might have said it; I don't recollect; I have said a great many things.

Question. Then you spoke it without any authority.

Answer. With no other authority than rumor; it was a repetition of that rumor; I dare say it was improperly said; the papers are doing the same thing—repeating rumors without knowing any thing about them.

Question. They only commit the same error you did.

Answer. Precisely.

Question. Are you in the habit of making remarks about citizens upon rumor?

Answer. It don't make any difference about my habits.

The *Chairman*. Please confine yourself to the subject under consideration.

Question. Have you even made any other such statement to any one?

Answer. I do not recollect; whatever I may have said, was in accordance with rumors and newspaper reports, without any other evidence than they have, because I have not heard anything which justifies me in believing any body was bought.

Question. Were you ever applied to, to use your influence for the passage of the bill?

Answer. Never,—never heard of it till it passed. I may have seen it in the papers, but knew nothing about its features. Indeed, they didn't attract my attention, till I saw one of them was assigned.

Question. Do you remember how this conversation came up between you and Elliott,—what led to it?

Answer. Indeed, I do not; we may have differed politically about something.

The *Chairman* announced, that, as the testimony must be closed to-morrow, the Counsel must direct their questions to the facts, and he would appeal to the witnesses to answer directly.

*Thomas C. Elliott* called and examined by *Mr. Hambleton*.

Question. I believe you are connected with the City Railway?

Answer. Not now.

Question. Did you hear the testimony of Mr. Kraft just now?

Answer. I did.

Question. Do you recollect that conversation?

Answer. I do.

Question. Just state the circumstances under which it took place?

Answer. I had no idea it would ever come before this Committee, or I should have been more particular. I was Conductor on the road. Cathcart appeared to be dissatisfied, and had said, that I would not stay on it any longer than he got a chance to get me off. Falling in with Mr. Kraft, a friend, who assisted me in getting the situation, I told him of it—that Cathcart wanted to get me off. Said he, "Damn him, he has got no power to turn you off, or anybody else; for," said he, "Mr. Brock has bought and paid for him."

By *Mr. Alexander*. Question. Which Cathcart was this?

Answer. Robert Cathcart.

By *Mr. Hambleton*. Question. Are you conductor now?

Answer. No, sir.

Question. Discharged?

Answer. Yes, sir.

Question. By whom?

Answer. Cathcart.

Question. Can you give any reason for your discharge?

Answer. No, sir, never could; it is the only thing that bothers me. Brock, himself, promised me an investigation; I never had it. I thought it was due to me and my friends, having been put off unceremoniously, to have it.

Question. When were you turned off?

Answer. The 20th of December, at night.