

John H. Hodges was then examined by the committee, and the following interrogatories propounded to him.

1st Interrogatory. Did you at the time you reported to the president and directors of the Baltimore and Susquehanna Railroad company (as one of a committee appointed for that purpose) the terms upon which the State's loan might be invested, state to the board that the Messrs. Cohens would purchase \$20,000 worth of the Baltimore and Susquehanna rail road stock, as a reason why the deposite of \$250,000 should be made with the Messrs. Cohens?

2d Interrogatory. Did the Messrs. Cohens hold out to you as an inducement for the deposite of \$250,000, to be made with them, that they would purchase \$20,000 worth of Baltimore and Susquehanna rail road stock, and was it in consequence of that inducement that the deposite was made with the Messrs. Cohens?

3d Interrogatory. Was the purchase and transfer of the stock made by you to the Messrs. Cohens, authorized or advised by the president and directors? or did you in the purchase and transfer aforesaid, act solely in your individual capacity as the agent of the Messrs. Cohens for that purpose?

4th Interrogatory. What was the price of the Baltimore and Susquehanna rail road stock, anterior to the agreement or understanding with the Messrs. Cohens, so far as the fact is within your knowledge?

5th Interrogatory. Was any portion of this stock transferred to the Messrs. Cohens, owned by yourself or any one of the directors, and what inducement had you in making the arrangement with those gentlemen to take the amount which you stipulated?

Answer to the 1st interrogatory. I did.

2d Answer. That the agreement on the part of the Messrs. Cohens, to take \$20,000 worth of stock, was an inducement to make the deposite of \$250,000 with them.

3d Answer. That the president and directors were aware of the proposals of the Messrs. Cohens, to take \$20,000 worth of stock, and the transaction was so far authorized by them, that they approved of and sanctioned the deposite of 250,000 dollars with Messrs. Cohen. In the purchase and transfer of the stock, I acted solely and in my individual capacity, paying for the stock with my own funds and reimbursing myself on the delivery of it to Messrs. Cohen. I now have 13 shares purchased for them, which they declined taking, and which with the difference between what I paid for the stock and what I received from the Messrs. Cohens, say about \$545 has ever since remained in my hands; this the company have never made any claim to, if they had, I should of course have paid it over to them, never having contemplated making money myself by the transaction, but acting solely with a view to benefit the stockholders generally.

4th Answer. From \$42½ to 45.

5th Answer. 162 shares of the stock alluded to in this inter-