

ral knowledge of what occurred at the time of the election, upon my personal knowledge of the views of the stockholders by personal intercourse with them. It is largely founded upon that.

Q. With how many stockholders are you certain that you conversed upon this subject?

A. I am not certain about how many; my impression is, I have talked with a large majority about it.

Q. Were they favorable to the acceptance or not?

A. There was a great division of opinion as to the acceptance.

Q. Do you know how the vote shifted upon the different resolutions, that is, how the men who voted aye on one voted upon the next, or do you merely gather your testimony as to that from the examination of the votes as reported by the tellers?

A. I know partly by personal knowledge.

Q. How gathered?

A. By conversation with the stockholders.

Q. With how many?

A. Well, I could not say. I know of my own knowledge that some voted on the first that did not on the others.

Q. That you gathered from hearsay?

A. I did.

(Mr. Johnson objects to any answers founded upon statement by other persons who may be called themselves to testify as to how they voted or would vote, and objects to the whole of the foregoing, inasmuch as the best testimony of the facts will be the production of the persons themselves who voted.)

*Re-Direct Examination.*

Q. Was there any other voting ticket than the one you have given in evidence?

A. No, sir.