

79. It seems by the account that two cheques were drawn, or two documents at any rate bearing the same date—one for \$6,600, the other for \$25,579.04, the latter being the balance paid into the hands of the Receiver-General. Did anything pass with regard to this unsettled claim between you and Sir John Macdonald?—No. I really cannot trust my memory on the point.

80. It was an unsettled claim which he intimated he proposed to settle out of this money?—O yes. I distinctly recollect that.

81. The cause of the delay was that he had never been able to close that unsettled claim, but now that he was going to close that claim and deposit the balance, did he tell you the amount?—I have no distinct recollection of it, but I think he did.

82. He said something about the amount and told you he was going to pay the claim and deposit the balance?—Yes.

83. Did you ever see any of the cheques?—Never.

84. Nor do you know the names, or the amounts, except from the papers?—No except from the Orders in Council.

85. Under what form was the balance deposited? Was it under a cheque of Sir John Macdonald's, or under your own authority?—I think I made the deposit, I dare say Mr. Drummond will recollect if the cheque was drawn in his own favour or not.

86. On the same day was there any other cheque drawn for \$6,600?—No.

87. The balance left from this transaction was surrendered into the Consolidated Fund?—Yes. It appears in it under the head of casual revenue.

88. You have said that you could not at the moment say whether \$8,398.83 of the fund of old Canada had been credited to the Province?—I think it must have been included in the unexpended balances, for which they had credit, and if not it certainly ought to have been so included.

89. When was credit given for the unexpended balances?—In the year 1867-8, in a statement for the Province of old Canada.

90. You did not know of the existing balance of the Secret Service Fund in 1867-8, and consequently you could not know that it was credited to the old Province?—I will look into the matter. It is quite clear that if it was not credited to the old Province, it ought to have been.

91. That sum, as far as I can judge, seems to have been taken in after the vote of 1868 was expended or appropriated?—It was evidently done when the vote of 1867-8 was running low.

92. That balance was taken over to enlarge the fund at the disposal of the Government?—Yes. That would be then placed to the same account.

93. To what account?—To the Receiver-General's special deposit account.

94. With the Bank of Montreal?—Yes.

95. I suppose it was always deposited there?—In the previous account the money was paid into the Bank of Montreal; and after Confederation a special deposit account was opened with the Receiver-General, when this balance was carried to his account.

96. To the \$50,000 account?—Yes.

97. You are quite sure about that?—This is my certificate. An entry warrant was passed certifying that a transfer entry warrant may issue, charging the special deposit for Secret Service and crediting the Secret Service Fund of 1868 with \$8,398.83, the balance unexpended in the year 1866-7.

98. Was there a date to that warrant?—That is the one which has no date.

99. You think that ought to go into the special account of \$50,000 opened on 6th June, 1868?—It did go into that account.

100. Will you look into the account as presented and shew us where it is?—I know that in our books it was so entered. but I do not know how it was entered in the books of the Bank of Montreal. The expenditure of 1866, up to June will, if added up, I have no doubt, come to the same amount—that was the balance then left.

101. I understood you to say it was quite correct for the Bank of Montreal to