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The Enquiry Conducted by T. Hollis Walker, K.C.

MONDAY, Jan. 21.

J. J. Miller cross-examined by

Mr. Lewis (continued).

Q.—LEWIS—When after that date

you first have a meeting with

—The only time I remember was

—A year or two before the 1919

—That is at his office.

—Had you known him prior to

—Yes, prior to 1917 in other

—I might have met him at Ma-

—Are you a Mason yourself?

—Yes.

—Were you interested in the 1919

—No.

—Did you take any active part in

—Not that I remember.

—Did you aid any candidate in

—The general election?

—The election of 1919, I don't

—If it was general or a bye-elec-

—COMMISSIONER—There was a gen-

—I was referring to a general

—When you said you thought the

—The time you saw him was a year or

—Before the 1919 election, it was

—Yes sir.

—MR. LEWIS—Did you give any aid

—In what way?

—I don't remember.

—When was the next election af-

—The 1919 general election?

—The next general election?

—The next election of any kind

—The election of 1919?

—Do you mean bye-election?

—I mean any kind of election af-

—The general election of 1919?

—I do not remember the date but

—Was a bye-election in Harbor

—The date of the date, but I am not

—COMMISSIONER—Harbor Main;

—Is the name of the constituency?

A.—Yes sir.

Q.—Is it near Bell Island?

A.—Yes.

MR. LEWIS—Do you remember

what year?

A.—I think it was 1920.

Q.—Did you aid any candidate in

that election?

A.—Not any more than being a sup-

porter of Sir Richard Squires; I may

have done some personal things my-

self.

COMMISSIONER—There are many

things a supporter can do; he may

give assistance for the furtherance of

his candidate's efforts. Did you do any-

thing more than record your vote?

A.—The only time I can remember

is the Bay de Verde election.

MR. LEWIS—Let us stick to the

Harbor Main election first. In the Har-

bor Main election did you do anything

to actively assist any candidate?

A.—I don't remember.

Q.—They were the next election af-

ter the Harbor Main bye-election.

A.—I am not sure.

Q.—Was there another election?

A.—Yes, the Bay de Verde.

COMMISSIONER—That was an

other bye-election?

A.—Yes.

MR. LEWIS—When was that held?

A.—I am not sure about the date.

Q.—Can you give us anything as to

what year it was held?

A.—No.

Q.—Was it in 1920?

A.—I am not sure.

Q.—Was it 1921?

A.—I imagine it was 1920 or 1921

as far as I know.

Q.—Did you aid anyone in that

election?

A.—Yes.

Q.—To whom did you give your as-

istance in that election?

A.—Dr. Campbell sent for me in

connection with . . .

Q.—I only ask the name of the can-

didate.

COMMISSIONER—Just answer the

question. I aided Dr. Campbell in the

election?

A.—Yes.

MR. LEWIS—Did you reside in that

constituency?

A.—No.

Q.—Then you went to another con-

stituency in order to render assist-

ance to Dr. Campbell?

A.—I did it at the request of Dr.

Campbell.

Q.—You did?

A.—Yes.

Q.—At his request?

A.—Yes.

Q.—Did Sir Richard suggest to you

the propriety of going into another

constituency?

A.—Concerning the miners working

at Wabana, yes.

Q.—There were Wabana Miners . . .

A.—Belonging to that district.

Q.—Is that the first time that you

rendered any political assistance to

any one at the request of Sir Rich-

ard?

A.—I am not sure.

Q.—Had you at any time rendered

any assistance to any candidate at the

request of Sir Richard, prior and

prior thereto?

A.—I don't remember.

Q.—As far as you recall this was

the first time you had rendered as-

sistance to a candidate at the request

of Sir Richard, was it?

A.—I am not sure. I might have done

it.

Q.—So far as you remember it is?

A.—Yes.

Q.—What was the character of the

assistance that you rendered at that

time?

A.—Do you mean Bay de Verde?

Q.—I mean at the election of Dr.

Campbell.

A.—Dr. Campbell was not a candi-

date.

Q.—You said you rendered assist-

ance in the constituency in which Dr.

Campbell was the candidate.

COMMISSIONER—I may say that

is the inference which I draw. If he

wants to correct it let him do so. You

were asked in these different elections

if you had aided a candidate; and your

answer was that you aided in that

election.

MR. LEWIS—I inferred that you

had aided Dr. Campbell. In that elec-

tion was Dr. Campbell a candidate?

A.—No.

Q.—What had he to do with the elec-

tion.

A.—He was looking after a district

for a candidate.

Q.—He was interested in the pros-

pects of a candidate?

A.—Yes.

Q.—What was the name of the can-

didate?

A.—Mr. Cave.

Q.—Was he the one who Dr. Camp-

bell was interested in?

A.—Yes.

COMMISSIONER—In that election

Dr. Campbell was interested in the

candidacy of Mr. Cave?

A.—Yes.

MR. LEWIS—I shall repeat as

nearly as I can the question I asked

before; was that the first time that

you rendered assistance to any can-

didate at the request of Sir Richard?

A.—I am not sure.

Q.—Do you know of any candidate

to whom you had previously given

assistance or aid?

A.—I don't remember.

Q.—As far as you presently recol-

lect, Mr. Cave was the first candi-

date to whom you gave assistance at

the request of Sir Richard?

A.—Yes, as far as I can remember.

Q.—When did Sir Richard make

that request? You did it at his re-

quest you said?

A.—The first time I knew anything

about it was when my sister came

over from St. John's from Sir Rich-

ard.

Q.—That has nothing to do with

the request made upon you by Sir

Richard?

COMMISSIONER—Did Sir Richard

make it personally or through a

messenger?

A.—He made it through my sister.

MR. LEWIS—At what time was

that message delivered to you?

A.—I don't remember.

Q.—It was prior to the election, I

presume, was it not?

A.—I am not sure.

Q.—It was not after the election?

A.—It must have been before.

Q.—Do you remember the nature

of the request or the instructions

that you had?

A.—I don't remember now, only I

know there was some objection to

the miners going home on Wednes-

day without their money, to vote. He

wanted the company to do it, to pay

the men, but we could not do it

through the company.

COMMISSIONER—They did not

want to go to the poll to vote and

lose their time. He wanted them to

go to the poll and for the company

to pay them even if they went. He

wanted you, in your responsible po-

sition to help them; not to distrac-

tion these men; but to pay them

through the company so that they

would lose no money?

A.—Yes.

MR. LEWIS—When was the next

election after the Cave candidacy in

which you participated at the re-

quest of Sir Richard Squires?

A.—I don't know, unless it was

the last election.

Q.—When was that?

A.—In the Spring of 1923.

Q.—Whose candidacy did you aid

at that time?

A.—I did not take any active part

I was a supporter of Sir Richard's

party.

Q.—Did you receive any request

from Sir Richard to take an active

part in that campaign?

A.—No, sir.

Q.—Had you met Sir Richard be-

tween the Cave election and the elec-

tion of 1923?

A.—Yes, I think I did.

Q.—Was the matter of the elec-

tion discussed at any time, between

you and Sir Richard, between those

dates?

A.—I do not remember.

Q.—Did you have any other reasons

for meeting Sir Richard Squires;

reasons other than political reasons

and reasons upon which you called

upon him at his invitation?

A.—Yes.

Q.—You had others? Business?

A.—Yes.

Q.—Not political?

A.—No.

Q.—And not in connection with the

negotiations between the companies

and the Government?

A.—You mean the negotiations be-

tween the Companies?

A.—Not for political reasons, and