

APPENDIX No. 3

By Mr. Smith:

Q. Of the 7th October?—A. Yes. That the classification had been made by orders from a superior officer. Because I remember distinctly his pointing out to the chairman, with whom he was in conversation at the time, that the statement he made was qualified in his letter; he said that he had been advised, or informed, or something to that effect.

Q. And he found out that was untrue and withdrew it?—A. Yes.

By Mr. Macdonald:

Q. He has never made any suggestion of the kind since he withdrew it, has he?
—A. No, never.

Witness discharged.

The CHAIRMAN.—Anything more, Mr. Chrysler, to-night?

Mr. CHRYSLER.—Well, what Mr. Ryan wanted to know was when you would meet again so that he might have ready for you the information which he is asked to produce.

Mr. MACDONALD (to the Clerk).—Mr. Todd, did you telegraph to Mr. Woods?

The CLERK.—To-day I sent him this telegram:—

Committee insist upon immediate attendance not later than noon to-morrow.

Mr. CLARKE.—I think we had better adjourn until two o'clock to-morrow.

Mr. MACDONALD.—What about securing the attendance of Mr. Lumsden?

The CLERK.—Mr. Lumsden is away from home. Mrs. Lumsden is not sure of his address, but gave me the Chateau Frontenac at Quebec and told me if I telegraphed there I might get some information. She added, however, that her husband might be on his way home.

The CHAIRMAN.—Did you telegraph to the Chateau Frontenac?

The CLERK.—I did.

The CHAIRMAN.—Well, I think we have done all we can do to-night.

Committee adjourned until 12 o'clock noon to-morrow.

WEDNESDAY, April 27, 1910.

The committee met at 12 o'clock noon, Mr. Geoffrion in the chair.

Mr. PATRICK EUGENÉ RYAN, sworn:

By Mr. Chrysler:

Q. You are secretary of the Transcontinental Railway Commission?—A. Yes.

Q. Since when?—A. Since 1st of September, 1904.

Q. And have you, as secretary, a knowledge of the records and the proceedings of the commission?—A. Yes.

Q. Can you tell us when the commission was organized?—A. I have here a certified copy of the order in council appointing the original commissioners.

Q. I do not think we need put it in, just give us the date?—A. It is dated the 20th of August, 1904, appointing Fletcher B. Wade, of Halifax, N.S., Esquire, barrister-at-law; Robert Reid, of London, Ontario, merchant; Alfred Brunet, of Montreal, Quebec, Esquire; and Charles Young, of Winnipeg, Manitoba, grain merchant, commissioners to have charge and control of the construction of the eastern division of the Transcontinental railway; and also Mr. Hugh Lumsden, Chief Engineer for the construction of the eastern division.