

Was Hamilton your deputy?—Yes he was.

How long was the boat kept before the trial?—I cannot say.

Do you recollect the amount the boat and goods sold for?—

Not the smallest recollection.

Do you know if any report was made to the Inspector General?—I do not—it is always usual to make return of seizure to the Inspector : and copy each to the Attorney or Solicitor General at same time. I presume it was done in this case also, but cannot say.

Was Hamilton your deputy at the time?—He was, and must presume he did so.

Did you receive the proceeds of the sale or any part?—I do not think I did receive any—there is some possibility of it—but I do not think I got any of it.

Did Mr. Hamilton as your deputy, make return of money to the Inspector General or Receiver General?—None.

Do you know what became of the tackle of the boat?—I do not.

MR. HAMILTON—examined.

Were you Deputy Collector at the time of the seizure of L. Wilcox's boat?—I was, in the absence of Mr. Allan in Lower Canada.

Was Mr. Allan absent at the time you seized the boat?—To be sure—sure he was.

For what cause did you seize the boat?—For having goods on board which could not be entered.

Did not Wilcox give an invoice?—He gave the number of packages, but not their contents.

Did not Wilcox expect the packages to be examined?—I suppose not.

Did he expect a permit?—He did, but I would not grant it till I had examined them; I did examine them, and the first article I discovered was a box of dry goods.

Did you question him as to the contents of the packages?—I did, he answered in some evasive way; I cannot say, it is now so long ago.

When you seized the boat and goods, what proceedings did you institute?—I put the goods in Mr. Allan's store, the Custom House; locked them up, and delivered them so to Mr. Allan on his return; the boat I hauled up a little on the beach, of which Mr. Allan also got the custody on his return, and this is all I did to be called as a witness in Court upon the trial.

Wilcox requested the following questions to be put to Mr.

HAMILTON:—

What were the contents of the box which you spoke of, and containing the dry goods?—Pieces of shawls, pieces of muslin, and an adjustment of merchandize.