

OTTAWA, September 21st, 1872.

*By Telegraph from St. Catherines.*

To F. BRAUN.

We have been misled by your notice to contractors, which appeared in the "Toronto Mail" of the 9th, asking for tenders for deepening Welland Canal Feeder to the 29th inst. Have shown the notice to Mr. Bigger. Will you receive our tender up to 5th inst. Answer, Royal Hotel, Hamilton.

(Signed,) TALBOT & Co.

(Copy of No. 16,415.)

OTTAWA, September 23rd, 1872.

TALBOT & Co., St. Catherines.

Too late.—Tenders were opened when your telegram was received.

(Signed,) F. BRAUN, Secretary.

GODERICH, September 23rd, 1872.

SIR,—On examination of my tender for the Welland Canal Feeder, I find that an error has been made of ten cents per yard on material to be excavated, and consequently an error in proportion for the rate per mile. My price, as intended, was thirty-seven cents per yard, and nine thousand dollars per mile. The price for clearing out weeds is correct.

Should the change not be admissable at so late a date, I would respectfully beg leave to withdraw my tender.

Respectfully,

Your obedient servant,

(Signed,) GEORGE HARVEY.

September, 25th, 1872.

*By Telegraph from Goderich.*

To F. BRAUN.

I have written you about my tender for Welland Canal Feeder, at the instance of my sureties. I will request you to withhold letter.

(Signed,) GEORGE HARVEY.

(Copy of No. 16,446.)

OTTAWA, September 26th, 1872.

J. CAIRNS & Co., St. Catherines.

Minister requests you to forward written consent of persons whom you could furnish as sureties for Welland Canal Feeder Works.

(Signed,) F. BRAUN, Secretary.

(Copy of No. 25,673.)

*Copy of a Report of a Committee of the Honorable the Privy Council, approved by His Excellency the Governor General in Council on the 30th September, 1872.*

On a memorandum, dated 25th September 1872, from the Honorable the Minister of Public Works, reporting that tenders, at Schedule rates, having been called for the deepening of the Feeder of the Welland Canal, eight tenders have been received, varying when extended, between \$93,000.00, and \$211,000.00.

That the lowest is that of Mr. George Harvey, of Walkerton.