

Q. At what time?—A. While the tenders were at Ottawa. They were brought to Ottawa for the calculations to be made.

By the Chairman :

Q. Were they opened at Ottawa?—A. They were opened here I understood.

By Sir John Thompson :

Q. They were received at Quebec?—A. Yes ; by the Harbour Commissioners.

Q. Were they not opened there?—A. That I could not tell you ; I understood not.

By Mr. Tarte :

Q. At the time do you remember having read three letters signed by Hon. Thomas McGreevy sent for your information in the Cross-wall affair?—A. His brother Robert showed me every letter sent by Thomas McGreevy in reference to this affair.

By Mr. Burdett :

Q. Who put up the money for the three tenders?—A. Mr. Thomas McGreevy told me that he did on the Beaucage tender, and he complained that the Union Bank charged him 9 per cent., I think it was, but it may be a cheque was put up.

Q. Who put up the cheque for the others?—A. For Gallagher?

Q. Yes?—A. I would not be positive, but I think it was Nicholas K. Connolly.

Q. But it was the firm that did it?—A. I suppose so. It was Mr. Nicholas K. Connolly to the best of my knowledge.

By Mr. Tarte :

Q. At any rate it was put in in the interest of the firm with your knowledge?
—A. Yes.

Q. Look at this letter (Exhibit "B 2.") dated 5th May—have you seen it before?
—A. I recollect reading that letter.

Q. Now this one (Exhibit "C 2.") dated 7th May?—A. Yes. I recollect reading that.

Q. Look at this one (Exhibit "D 2.")?—A. I was also shown that. It has reference to Kinipple and Morris. I recollect it. I may state here, gentlemen, that Mr. Robert McGreevy has shown me all these letters that came from his brother Thomas in reference to all these works.

Q. To all the works?—A. Yes.

Q. You stated a minute ago that Mr. Thomas McGreevy said to you that he had put up the deposit for Beaucage?—A. Yes.

By Mr. Lister :

Q. You say that these letters handed to you by Mr. Tarte were shown to you?
—A. Yes.

Q. Are they in the handwriting of Thomas McGreevy?—A. Yes.

Q. Is the signature Thomas McGreevy's?—A. Yes.

By Mr. Edgar :

Q. Look at the letter of the 5th May (Exhibit "B 2.") and read from the portion commencing, "the tenders for Cross-wall, &c."?—A. "The tenders for Cross-wall only arrived here yesterday and are locked up until Monday, when he will commence his calculations. I will write you Tuesday and let you know the result. Larkin was here yesterday. I told him that it would be useless to get Peters out of the way, as it would be tantamount to giving the contract to the highest tenderer, that you would have to stick to Beaucage's tender as it was fair."

Q. Now the second letter (Exhibit "C 2"), dated 7th May. Read, commencing from the words "I hope"?—A. "I hope to let you know to-morrow about the result