The Accountants further report respecting these donations as follows (p. 1282):

The donations and other extraordinary payments appearing in the Esquimault expense account are as follows:

Year.	——	Amount.
		$ cts.
1885.		
August	Three drafts of N.K.C., $1,000, $1,000 and $2,000	4,000 00
1886.		
Feb	M. Connolly from Q.H.I	3,000 00
March 1	Gratuity to D. Higgins	500 00
do	do J.W	50 00
April	do do	50 00
	(Recurring items in following months, each $50, are entered as "petty cash")	
June	From Q.H.I	3,000 00
1887.		
April 30	Donation to *Colonist*	150 00
	do *Times*	150 00
do 18	Gratuity	55 00
do 30	do	50 00
	Subscription to suffers by coliery explosion at Nanaimo mine	100 00
1887.		
January 24	Cheque to order of O.E.M., $3,000 one-third to be charged to himself	2,000 00
	Cheque on U.B., 20th Mar., 1886, charged to Q.H.I., expense now charged to Esquimalt Dock	5,000 00
March 28	Allowed to N K.C., for a sum disbursed from private funds	5,000 00
	U.B. cheque No. 148, dated 3rd Jan., charged Lévis Graving Dock, now transferred as agreed	5,000 00
1888.		
March 8	For amount agreed to be expended by firm paid by N.K.C. from private funds	2,000 00
		30,085 00
	Deduct double charge	3,000 00
		27,085 00

The apparent discrepancy between this $30,085.00 and the $35,085.00 shown under the memo. expense account above may be accounted for in the fact that the payments to R. H. McGreevy amount to just $5,000 more than his fifth share of the profits divided.

The $17,000 charged in March, 1887, in the book-keepers statement, were explained by R. H. McGreevy in his evidence (page 626) to comprise $5,000 paid by him to Thomas McGreevy in the previous January, $10,000 which witness and Murphy both swore Nicholas Connolly told them he had paid towards Sir Hector Langevin's election at Three Rivers, and $2,000 disbursed by Murphy for Perley's jewellery.

The $10,000 were originally paid out by Nicholas K. Connolly by cheque and charged to Q.H.I., but on Robert McGreevy, who had a 30 per cent. interest in these contracts, objecting, it was transferred to the Esquimalt Graving Dock, in which he had only a 20 per cent. interest.

In this connection we may say that Sir Hector Langevin denied having any knowledge of this $10,000 expenditure, and Laforce Langevin, through whose hands a part of it was alleged to have passed, also denied having handled any of it.

This donation account also included three drafts of Nicholas K. Connolly in August, 1885, for $1,000, $1,000 and $2,000 respectively, a sum of $5,000 allowed Nicholas K. Connolly on 28th March, 1887, for a sum disbursed from his private funds, a