

Q. Did you go to Quebec with Mr. Pacaud?—A. No.

Q. Did he go alone?—A. I did not go with him.

Q. How long after you met in the St. Louis Hotel, was the order of the Lieutenant-Governor passed, making the arrangements with the new syndicate?—A. About six weeks, I think.

Q. How long after the meeting took place between you and Mr. Pacaud in the Windsor Hotel?—A. My impression is that meeting took place a few days after the one in New York.

Q. You knew after the meeting in the Windsor, that the Order in Council was to be passed?—A. No.

Q. You expected it to be passed?—A. I cannot say I expected it to be passed.

Q. When did you know it would be passed?—A. Not until it was passed.

Q. There was a good deal of delay in issuing the order, was there not?—A. There were several difficulties arose in discussing the details, I believe.

Q. How did you put your proposal before the Quebec Government?—A. I had not any proposal to make.

Q. Well, the new syndicate?—A. I understood that Mr. Thom wrote a letter to the Government.

Q. Placing their proposal before the Government?—A. Yes.

Q. When was that application made?—A. A few days before the Order in Council was passed.

Q. So that there was only about ten days delay between the application being before the Lieutenant-Governor in Council and the passing of the Order?—A. I think it was only two or three or four days.

Q. The application was presented to the Quebec Legislature by Mr. Thom?—A. Not to the Legislature.

Q. I mean to the Lieutenant-Governor in Council?—A. By Mr. Thom on behalf of the syndicate.

Q. You went to Quebec at the time that application was before the Lieutenant Governor in Council?—A. I was not in Quebec at that time.

Q. Was Mr. Thom there?—A. Yes.

Q. Did he write the application in Quebec?—A. Yes.

Q. And gave it to whom?—A. I do not know.

Q. Did you get a copy of it?—A. I had a copy but there were several alterations in it and I did not keep it.

Q. Who made the alterations?—A. They were made by Mr. Thom.

Q. Did you submit the application to Mr. Pacaud?—A. I did not; I had nothing to do with it.

Q. Did he see it before it was made?—A. Not to my knowledge.

Q. Where were you staying together. At the St. Louis?—A. I was not staying with Mr. Pacaud.

Q. Did you see Mr. Pacaud?—A. Several times.

Q. Did you talk about the application?—A. Yes.

Q. And about the one hundred thousand dollars?—A. I did not say that.

Q. You will not deny that?—A. I will not say anything about it.

Q. Mr. Mercier was then in England or on the Continent?—A. On the Continent I think.

Q. And Mr. Garneau was acting Premier?—A. I believe so.

Q. There was some difficulty about the order going through, was there not?—A. I do not know what you call a difficulty.

Q. Some delay?—A. It took sometime to settle all the details.

Q. Mr. Pacaud explained the reasons for the delay?—A. I don't think he did; he did not explain them to me.

Q. He told you he had to go to Garneau?—A. Who told you that?

Q. He told you that; did he not?—A. No, sir.

Q. He did not tell you of an interview with Mr. Garneau?—A. I know he did have an interview because I saw him go into Mr. Garneau's office.