

\$20,000 on drawback has been passed and will be sent at once to B.C. The amount of estimate for February has not been telegraphed yet. I will let you know when it comes.

"Yours truly,  
"THOMAS MCGREEVY."

Q. Please identify this letter?—A. This is a letter dated Ottawa, 13th May. No year. It is in the handwriting of Thomas McGreevy, and is signed by him.

Q. And addressed to whom?—A. Me.

Q. And received by you?—A. Yes.

Q. Read?

(Exhibit "L 2.")

"OTTAWA, 13th May.

"MY DEAR ROBERT,—I enclose you letter from Rousseau. You ought to sell him the stone cheap—we don't want it. Telegraph him to Montreal on receipt of my letter price. Tell Kerrigan & Co., plumbers, that they have contract for Marine Hospital. They were not the lowest; Vandery was. I got the Minister to give to them. Your expense account has not reached Railway Department yet. Will look after it to-day.

I wish you could get \$480 for a week, by cheque or otherwise, to pay \$300 to Stanley Smith and Lindsey at once. They have both written for it. I am afraid they will insist on the capital. Tel me to-morrow if you can do it at once, if not I will have to go down and look to it.

Bradley told me he has sent to Larkin, Connolly & Co. what they asked for by my telegraph.

Riopel will be in Quebec Friday morning, and will give the necessary authority required to make a beginning on the Baie des Chaleurs Railway, in order to save the charter.

"Yours truly,  
"THOMAS MCGREEVY."

WITNESS.—This is endorsed as having been received in 1885 by me.

Q. And it was so received in 1885?—A. Yes.

Q. Identify this letter.—A. This is a letter written by Thomas McGreevy and signed by him. Addressed to me.

Q. And received by you?—A. Yes.

Q. Read.

(Exhibit "M 2.")

"HOUSE OF COMMONS, CANADA, 26th February, 1886.

"MY DEAR ROBERT,—Your letter received. I will give the Kent House to Mrs. Poumier at the \$300, rather than let it be idle, and do the papering. Get Leonard to go and examine it at once, and he will tell you what it will cost, and get it done as soon as he can do it. I wrote you yesterday about Halifax Graving Dock. Sir Hector would be glad to recommend Murphy. The way for them to do would be to apply to the Co. in England, offering to build the dock for them, stating that they built the one in Quebec and were finishing the one in B.C. and referring to the Minister of Public Works of Canada as to their ability to do the work. I hope you will get Shearer to put matters all right before he leaves. I will attend all matters you refer to in your letter; you will see some of them are already done. I have learned here that Robitaille has entered into a contract for Baie des Chaleurs Railway with the partner of Isbester. Captain Bowie told me so. I told him that it was Armstrongs, but he told me that the Armstrongs were unable to put up the money they had promised. The consequence is that the Armstrongs are out. I dont know whether it is a scheme or not, but he, Bowie, assures me the contract signed with these people. Will let you know more to-morrow.

"Yours truly,  
"THOMAS."