

Hon. Mr. SCOTT put in a telegram which was written in French, and which was translated by the Clerk as follows :—

Hon. F. LANGELIER, M.P.,
House of Commons, Ottawa.

“ Please represent my Government in the enquiry in the Senate, in the matter of the Baie des Chaleurs, which it appears is to begin this morning.

(Signed) “ HONORÉ MERCIER.”

Mr. BARWICK.—I am not prepared to go on until I have Mr. Armstrong here ; he is my first witness.

Hon. Mr. POWER.—If there is no evidence on behalf of the prosecution, we might hear what the managing director of the company has to say.

The CHAIRMAN.—As I understand it, the Committee accorded to Mr. Barwick the privilege of conducting his case in his own way.

Mr. BARWICK.—Mr. Lonergan is on the list of witnesses I have handed in. He will have an opportunity of giving his evidence at a future time. The only other thing I have to ask, is that compulsory process issue to compel the attendance of Mr. Armstrong. Mr. Ernest Pacaud intimates that he is leaving Quebec next Tuesday for a month. He is on my list of witnesses, and is requested to produce a number of documents—important documents. It is essential that I have Mr. Pacaud here, and I desire that intimation be given him that he is required.

Hon. Mr. MILLER.—Did you subpoena him ?

Mr. BARWICK.—His name has been handed to the Law Clerk, with the list of documents I desire him to produce. I wish to secure his attendance before he leaves the Province.

Hon. Mr. KAULBACH.—Why did you not apply for a summons yesterday ?

Mr. BARWICK.—I only completed my list of documents late in the evening. The list of witnesses has been handed to the Clerk and the documents are being prepared in form with a view to save time in case the Committee make the necessary order this morning.

Hon. Mr. MILLER.—I move that Charles N. Armstrong's disobedience of the summons be reported to the Senate, and the authority of the Senate be asked to compel his attendance before this Committee.

Hon. Mr. POWER.—With a mention that the summons is informal.

The resolution was carried.

Committee adjourned until Monday, 10th instant, at ten o'clock.

THE SENATE OF CANADA.

THE SELECT COMMITTEE ON RAILWAYS, TELEGRAPHS AND HARBOURS.

Minutes of evidence in *re* the Bill intituled “ An Act respecting the Baie des Chaleurs Railway Company ” (No. 82).

On this twelfth day of August, in the year of Our Lord one thousand eight hundred and ninety-one, personally came and appeared Charles N. Armstrong, of the City of Montreal, in the District of Montreal, in the Province of Quebec, contractor, who being duly sworn and examined, deposed as follows :—

By Mr. Walter Barwick, Counsel for the Opponents.

Q. You have been for a long time connected with the Baie des Chaleurs Railway, have you not?—A. I have been a contractor from 1866 until a few months ago.

Q. This company was incorporated in 1882, was it not?—A. I think so.