In the absence then of any evidence, except that of Mr. Botsford, to show that the expenditure was greater than should be, except the detection of a charge for walnut tables, £15, and for tin boxes, £25, a deduction of £1,163, from Mr. Botsford's estimate was made, and while such a large item as Mr. Bouchette's salary of £1,300 for the three years, was not more than the charge for Mr. Botsford's salary in the New Brunswick account, and the amount paid for Major Robinson's salary, was one about which there could be dispute.

Of the balance, men's wages and provisions formed almost the whole amount, and are clearly charges upon which no saving of moment could have been made.

I have the honor to be your obedient servant,

(Signed) J. L. McDougall.

Hon. Sir L. TILLEY, K.C.M.G., Minister of Finance.

## A.

New BRUNSWICK Survey and Arbitration.

|  | £      | s. | d. |
|--|--------|----|----|
| Cost of Survey                                   | £6,095 | 15 | 3  |
| Expenses of Sir Edmund Head and Attorney General |        |    |    |
| Wilmot   |        | 0  | 0  |
| Paid Imperial Arbitrators                        | 493    | 6  | 8  |
| " According to Labouchere's despatch.,           | 100    | 6  | 1  |
|  |        |    |    |

£6,864 8 0

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