

# SUPPLEMENTARY ESTIMATES OF 1913-1914 MADE PROVISION FOR PURCHASE OF FEDERAL SQUARE

Lieut.-Col. W. G. Coles Has Letters To Prove Part Taken by  
Government in Negotiations For Acquiring Site—Sir  
Sam Hughes Took Prominent Part.

"If there is any doubt in the minds of any of the citizens concerning the Government's part in the Federal Square pact, I have documents to prove that such negotiations took place," said Lieut.-Col. W. G. Coles, father of the Federal Square scheme, today, in the course of an interview with The Advertiser, in which he once more emphatically affirmed that the Federal Square is the logical place for the city hall, now that the city hall property has been lost to the city. He further recalled the vision of the city leaders of 1859 and 1863, who engineered the building of the city hall, the London and Port Stanley Railroad, the Grand Trunk station and the Townshill House, which in the years intervening have been monuments to their enterprise.

"Never has the city had a brighter outlook," he declared, and if we are big enough for our job as citizens, we will build a city hall worthy of the city now and for years to come and the advice to build it on the Federal Square, the centre of the city.

**Throws Some Light.**  
"There is a letter dated March 10, 1913, which throws light on the subject of the Government's part in the pact, letter signed by Lieut.-Col. Charles W. Winter, military secretary."

The letter, dated from Ottawa, read: "Having reference to your letter of the 1st instant, addressed to the Hon. Minister of Militia and Defence, regarding Federal Square, I have the honor to direct you to inform you that provision has been made in the supplementary estimates for 1913-14 for 'Civil Square,' London, O. It is presumed this is the same as the one you call Federal Square."

The first interview with General Sir Sam Hughes, then minister of militia, concerning the Federal Square plan, which embodied room for parade and drill ground, took place at 7 o'clock in the morning on July 31st, 1912, between Sir Sam Hughes and Lieut.-Col. Coles. On July 11th Col. Coles, who was at the time a member of the city council, received a letter from Sir Sam Hughes, dated from Ottawa, of which the following is a copy: "Would like to see you at 7 o'clock, Tuesday morning, London, Saturday morning, please call."

Col. Coles states he was at the Townshill House at 7 o'clock in the morning and that Sir Sam Hughes was favorably impressed with the plan which he laid before him.

**Sir Sam's Letters.**  
Between this interview and the letter dated March 10th, the following letters were received by Col. Coles from Sir Sam Hughes:

Militia and Defence, Canada.  
Minister's Office,  
Ottawa, Dec. 14, 1912.  
Dear Mr. Coles:

I am in receipt of your letter of the 12th inst. together with newspaper advertisement for the first time the bylaw to acquire the property known as Federal Square.

I warned you definitely that no positive payments could be made in connection with this property until same had been voted by the city council, and it would take nearly a year to do this. It would be well, therefore, to go a little slow in connection with the same. I will do my best to expedite the matter as much as it is possible.

Faithfully,  
(Signed) SAM HUGHES,  
William G. Coles, Esq.,  
London, Ont.

Militia and Defence, Canada.  
Minister's Office,  
Ottawa, Jan. 22, 1914.

Dear Mr. Coles:

I am in receipt of your letter of the 12th inst. relative to the Federal Square property.

Inasmuch as this has been transferred to the public works department I shall be obliged if you will get your friends to take it up with the Hon. Sir Robert Rogers, minister of that department.

This was transferred to the public works department some little time ago so that you will see that the department has nothing further to do with the matter.

Wishing you every success and with kind regards,  
Faithfully,  
(Signed) SAM HUGHES,  
Care Wm. G. Coles & Co.,  
London, Ont.

**More Inquiries.**  
Militia and Defence, Canada.  
Minister's Office,  
Ottawa, Feb. 16, 1914.

Dear Mr. Coles:

I am in receipt of your letter of the 12th inst. relative to the Federal Square proposition.

I understand that this matter had been definitely handed over to the public works department last year for their attention. However, I shall have inquiries made into the matter at once.

Trusting that this will be satisfactory,  
Faithfully,  
(Signed) SAM HUGHES,  
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On April 6 the minister of militia, Lieut.-Col. Coles, that he had received a letter from him referring to an interview with Hon. Robert Rogers, minister of public works, relative to the Federal Square plan.

He added in the letter: "I should be pleased to discuss the matter with Hon. Robert Rogers any time that suits his convenience and will do anything I can to assist in the matter."

"Thanking you for your goodness in writing me and with kind regards,  
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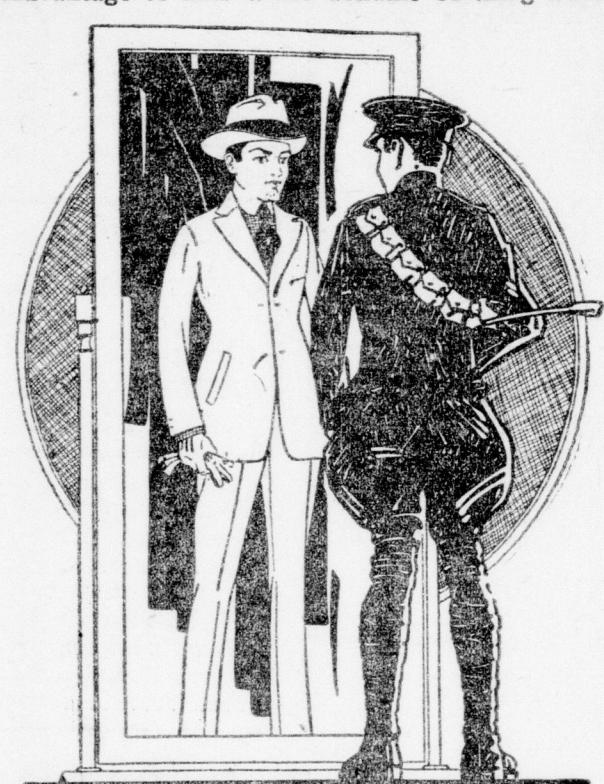
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