

## APPENDIX No. 6

Q. Can you tell us how much they would have been entitled to receive had they finished the work?—A. That is an engineering question.

The CHAIRMAN.—Mr. Parent can give you an idea better than anybody else. If the bridge had been completed, Mr. Parent, how much would have been payable.

Mr. MONK.—A million?

Mr. PARENT.—Oh no. It would have been half a million of dollars. The steel was paid for all the time.

Mr. MONK.—As it arrived?

Mr. PARENT.—As it arrived. In that estimate there we have got the steel manufactured at the Phoenix Bridge Company's shops.

The CHAIRMAN.—Now, Mr. Monk what is it you wish to say?

Mr. MONK.—There is one more witness I would like to examine and I would suggest that he be summoned for Monday. The testimony of that witness will be short and I think on Monday we can consider the report so as to be able to put it in on Tuesday.

The CHAIRMAN.—We cannot let it go until Monday otherwise the House will close before we get the printing done. We have not yet decided what exhibits will go in and there are a great number of them.

Mr. GALLIHER.—Who is your witness?

Mr. MONK.—A man named Béchard. He used to be book-keeper for the Quebec Bridge Company. He was employed by the company for a time and when the final settlement took place and the payment of \$800,000, I think, was made to the company or to Mr. Davis, he made all the entries. He was asked to fix up the books in such a way that these entries would go in properly. I would like to examine him.

Mr. PARENT.—The man you want is Narcisse Béchard, I know him, but he cannot give any information in reference to the matter, we could not get any information from him ourselves that we have not already got.

Mr. MONK.—I am informed that he can give us valuable information and I would like to have him summoned.

The CHAIRMAN.—Well, we will summon him by telegraph to appear to-morrow.

Mr. MONK.—I wish also to file for the information of the committee an appendix to the sessional papers of the session held in Quebec in 1896, Vol. 1, containing a very interesting report on the Quebec Bridge by C. E. Gauvin, and also a condensation of the report received from Sir Edward Sorrel, Mr. L. L. Light, Mr. E. A. Hoare, and the Eiffel Company.

Mr. PARENT.—That is about the location of the bridge, it does not refer to the question before the committee at all.

The CHAIRMAN.—There is no objection to Mr. Monk using these reports in the House without being put in as exhibits here; I do not think that they are pertinent to the matter before the committee, and therefore they should not be put upon the record.

Committee adjourned.