

Paquette

against investigations. Mind you, I never said that they were right in asking for the discharge of Venne.

Q What I am trying to get at is, whether you consider whether there is anything unreasonable in the attitude of the Company at that time?

A I did not say anything of the kind.

Q Well, this brings us down to the month of May, when the general reduction was posted?

A Yes.

Q To take effect on the fourth of May?

A Yes.

Q During the years 1906 and 1907 you had received advances at different times?

A Yes.

Q Aggregating approximately how much?

A Well, you might call it an average of twenty five per cent.

Q During the two years?

A Yes. You might call it that. Remember this was not in all the Mills. It was the case in the Montreal mills of the Dominion Textile Company, but not in the Valleyfield Company. The Valleyfield Company only gave, should judge, twelve to fifteen per cent, because unfortunately they had only one increase, whereas in the Dominion Textile Company they had two increases.

Q Does that apply to the Mule spinners?

A There are about fifty mule spinners out of two thousand five hundred employees.

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