To Mr. Wood—He did not know how the cutter was settled for.

At this point the Committee adjourned till to-morrow at eleven o'clock.

OTAWA, April 12.—This Committee met again this morning and the witness Scott was re-examined. In reply to Mr. Bowell he said that the present by Mrs. Nixon consisted of pearl-handled knives and forks worth about thirty dollars. He knew the value because he had wished to make a sitular purchase and had asked the price from a traveller, who dealt in the same class of articles. He didn't think the first tender was destroyed in Nixon's presence; he spoke to Mr. Ross, Government Solicitor, and Mr. McGregor, of the Free Press, at Winnipeg, relative to the matter; had been dismissed on account of leaving for Ottawa; Mr. Kixon had spoken to him since he was here, and said he could not see what they were here for, and had said that the rumours about the tenderswere absurd; had spoken to Mr. Haggart, Dr. Schultz, and to Mr. Bowell; had made a statement to the latter; the supplies had to be given by a certain date, and as Java coffee could not be had, Rio was substituted; by this the firm gained some \$70; did not be lieve Nixon knew of it; Sutherland did not get the contracts he expected after settling Nixon's account by profit and loss, and had then charged the account; Sutherland's expectations were not realized.

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To Mr. Macdougall (Elgin)—I am purveyor for the Government in the North-West, and was appointed three years ago last September; was then appointed as agent of the Minister of Justice in connection with the Mounted Police; afterwards became purveyor for the Canada Pacific and Indian Department; first met Sutherland on my way to Manitoba; he was then in business there; boarded with Mr. Sutherland; on the way to Winnipeg he told me he had just completed a new house, and I asked him if he could board me; he agreed: boarded with him four and a half or five months; was in the habit of advertising for supplies; there were two distinct classes for which tenders were asked ; we had to purchase large quantities of bacon, flour, and oats; these were our large supplies; the smaller supplies embraced a large number of articles; for the arguer supplies tenders were advertised for; for the smaller supplies cometimes tenders were asked for; it was my custom to go to merchants with slips of paper and ask for prices; the merchant who was lowest got the tender; I never did anything of the kind spoken of by the witness Scott in connection with tenders I advertised for; the tenders I received during the month of May did not purport to be scaled tenders; there was no alteration of tender; as stated, and no substitution of one for another; received during the month of May did not purport to be scaled tenders; there was no alteration of tender, as stated, and no substitution of one for another; received tender produced, dated 26th May, from Thornton & Sutherland; this was the only tender I received; it underwent no alteration; received other tenders at the same time for the same articles; I am quite positive I never showed the tender to Mr. Sutherland.

At this point the Committee adjourned.

OTAWA, April 15.—This Committee met again this (Monday) morning, Mr. Young being in th

Mr. Nixox, re-called, examined by Mr. Macdougall, explained his method of advertising for supplies, which was done under instructions from the Department of State. The small supplies had to be got sometimes at an hour's notice. He remembered receiving the tender of Thornton & Sutherland, and that there was no one present. That was his only course; but whenever he could he associated Mr. Rowan with himself. There were other tenders. He opened all the tenders one after another. He made no contract upon those tenders until ten or twelve days after. He wrote to the Department of the Secretary of State, and under instructions from thence gave out the contract. He did not until he received instructions communicate with any one as to the contract. The statement of Scott that he went to Sutherland's shop and made representations as to the contract was not true. He had at that time received no tender from Ballantyne, and he could not, therefore, have showed any such tender to Sutherland. He got no bacon from Sutherland under that tender. The bacon was purchased for the Department at Ingersoll. Did not know until the other day that the coffee supplied by Sutherland was of an inferior quality. No complaint as to the coffee ever reached him. The bacon was double-packed in sacks. Four hundred and ten sacks were lent to Sutherland, on the understanding that they were to be returned. While they remained in Sutherland's hands there would be no charge against the Government for re-sacking. The sacks were all returned. Ballantyne's manager put in a tender in his own name, and that was opened with the others, but it was not disclosed to Sutherland. There was an account running at that time between him and Sutherland. That was in 1375. But he owed them nothing but the cement account since the 1st March. In September, 1877, he had a settlement of his account. He tried again and again to get his account, but could not. It was settled by a note at three months, after a discount had been taken off. Sutherland purchased one cutter on h

he gave a theque to the amount. The discount are cheque to his (Mr. Nixon's) wife, and said she was to say nothing about it, and he knew nothing about it for some time atterwards. With the discount and other deductions, he paid \$443.50. The discount was the difference between the retail prices and the Government prices, and he thought he had a right to have his goods at Government prices. Whenever he purchased goods at Government prices. Whenever he purchased goods, he got them on the same terms. As to the boarding, he had been told by Sutherland that he was to be considered as his guest. The presents were given by Mrs. Nixon by his directions after that. They were a set of lace curtains and six pieces of cutlery, mother of pearl knives and forks. He tried to make the presents equivalent to the board, but he thought now that they were not a full equivalent. He did not consider himself under any obligation to Sutherland in a full equivalent. He did not consider imm-self under any obligation to Sutherland in respect to the item. He made personal purchases for one particular camp of the Pacific Survey every month. He produced sollie tenders of Sutherland among others which had not been awarded to Sutherland. He had never adopted, with regard to Sutherland, any different course than he had adopt-ed with regard to other firms. He stated that most Sutherland, any different course than he had adopted with regard to other firms. He stated that most protestably 14 had a stated that most protestably with Sutherland because he could not get his account. The only reason he has ceased dealing with Sutherland on behalf of the Government was beca see Sutherland's prices were too high.

To Mr. Kirkpatrick—He was Assistant Inspector of Penitentiaries, Purveyor to the Mounted Police, to the Canadian Pacific railway, and Superintendent of Indian Affairs. He received a salary of 31,000 as Purveyor of the Canada Pacific railway, and S250 for his Penitentary business. As for the Indian business, his salary was under consideration. He could not say what amount of money had passed through his hands last year. His purchases for the Canadian Pacific in 1576-7 amounted to \$198,523; for the Mounted Police, \$30,000, and more than \$40,000 for the Indians. His purchases were made only by requisition. The moneys were placed to the credit of the Departments, and he issued official cheques, which were countersigned by the Deputy Rocciver-General. He advertised in the Winnieg papers for his supplies. He considered that he could purchase Winchester cartridges at Winnipeg as cheaply as anywhere else. Mr. Andrew Strong was Mr. Bannatyne's manager. He had purchased from Mr. Bannatyne's manager. He had purchased from Mr. Bannatyne's manager. He had purchased from Mr. Bannatyne some half-breed scrip, and for the purposes of a temperance hall had bought a lot. He also bought a lot of land for \$1,500 for a Government warehouse, for the rent of which the Government paid to Mr. Strong \$432 a year. To improve the property and make it suitable for the Government over \$400 had been expended. Rent was paid to Mr. Strong, who had leased the property to Mr. Strong, who had leased it to the Government, the rent r

he went there interest was 6 per cent. for the pro-perty which he purchased, on which was the ware-house, which was rented to the Government. He declined to pay more than 6 per cent. He bought the property about three weeks after he went to-Winnipeg. He believed it was in October, 1875. By Mr. Plumb—He knew Bannatyne was a mem-ber of Parliament, but did not point this out to the Government. He sent the accounts to the Governovernment. He sent the accounts to the Govern, but did not point out who was the partic

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Professional Examinations. The following candidates successfully passed the recent examination in the professional subjects for second-class certificatea. Such of them as have also passed in the non-professional subjects in previous examinations, and have taught for one year, will now receive second-class provincial certificates.

TORONTO.—Thomas Beattie, John R. Chisholm, Thos. J. Collins, S. K. Davidson, M. G. Dippel, Diman Erb, J. Forbes, A. W. Gerrie, Geo. J. Gibb, Albert D. Griffin, Jacob B. Hager, M. S. Hallman, Colin Johnson, Byron Jones, W. M. Leigh, Wm. Linton, Isaac W. Lucia, Chas. Miles, John McCabe, James W. Orr, James Phelan, James W. Robinson, Alex. Skene, James Skirton, Geo. Steurnagel, J. E. Thompson, T. D. Markeller, J. J. E. cent examination in the professional subj

L. Sutherland, Emma C. Field, Janes orman W. Ford.
OTTAWA.—Wm. C. Allin, Chas. E. Bell, Wm. Boal, Robt. Boal, Alex. Cochrane, lickell, Wm. Boal, Robt. Boal, Alex. Cochrane, Darino Dean, Robt. C. Dobbin, John Kelly, Joseph

Something About Sitting Bull. A letter from Cypress Hills, North-West Territor, as been accived by a member of the House ommons from Mr. Patrice Breland, a prominer Commons from Mr. Patrice Breland, a promine French half-bred gentleman of that region. Breland states that he has passed the winter in the immediate vicinity of Sitting Bull's camp, and the the weather has been unusually mild, with a consequent scarcity of buffalo, who always go nors when the weather admits. Sitting Bull he describe as a quiet, wary, deep old chief, who keeps his view and intentions very much to himself, but who, the

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