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To an Order of the House of Commons, dated 20th February, 1880;—For Copies of all Reports made by Revenue Officers as to the Examination made by them of any samples of Canadian Coal Oil submitted to them; also, of all Reports by Officers of the Customs as to the Fire-test to which American Coal Oils have been subjected when entered at the Canadian Customs, and how High a Test such Oils have been found to bear.

By Command,

J. C. AIKINS,

Secretary of State.

DEPARTMENT OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE, 27th March, 1880.

OTTAWA, 24th March, 1880.

SIR,—I have the honor to transmit to you, herewith, the copies of the documents called for by the enclosed Order from the House of Commons, bearing date 20th February last.

I have the honor to be, Sir, Your obedient servant,

J. JOHNSON, Commissioner of Customs.

E. J. Langevin, Esq., Under-Secretary of State, Ottawa.

CUSTOM HOUSE, St. CATHARINES, 8th March, 1879.

J. Johnson, Esq.,

Commissioner of Customs.

SIR,-I have the honor to hand you Seizure Report No. 4.

A barrel containing coal oil was found on the premises of one Hibbard without the usual Customs brand on it, which I seized. Mr. Hibbard says the duty was paid on the oil at the Port of Clifton, and he showed us a Customs "let pass" duly signed by an officer, but I think it will be impossible for him to prove that the Customs certificate covers this identical barrel, even if he did pay duty on it.

Awaiting your instructions in the matter,

1 have the honor to be, Sir,

Your obedient servant, JULIEN McCLINE, L. W.

(Signed)