

and they could not go out they generally had to do work on the boat; but about the 15th December he recommended Mr. Rust to discontinue the work, told him that they were throwing away money. He said:

"We had worked pretty well up to that time, but it was getting so bad then I thought we were throwing away money and I advised Mr. Rust to discontinue. He told me to do so, and we started then to take off the outfit, and the second day after, or the next day, there was the meeting of the Council, and they ordered us to go right on again."

Mr. Fellowes stated:

"Mr. Lesslie was appointed as Superintendent to look after the work and to design the best method of laying this intake pipe, the extension. . . . He was engaged just the same as any other engineer as an assistant in the City to look after the work."

"Q. Did he have the right to purchase without reference to you at all?
A. I suppose he had in small items, but not in large.

"Q. You found the work you did in December was being thrown away and you advised the Board to stop altogether? A. Yes.

"Q. Is it fair to say you were getting good returns then, making progress from the 14th October till the end of November? A. Well, considering the weather, we were doing very well I thought.

"Q. From the end of November until when was the money being practically wasted? A. Until February, when we stopped because the intake pipe gave way.

"Q. The result in your mind is, that whether the extension was a good thing or not, all the work done in connection with the intake extension from December and in January and February until it was stopped was work for which nothing useful is to be shown? A. That is my opinion.

"Q. No result was got? A. That is what I think.

"Q. Had you anyone there representing the City in looking after the time or materials that were put in and used? A. Mr. Lesslie was doing that just the same as any other engineer, no one outside of him; he was representing the City. He was a City employee just the same as any other.

"Q. Should not Lesslie have got at the rate of \$500 for the days he worked, and for the days he did not work \$250? A. I do not think so; that was not the intention at all. I do not think you could get him to work for \$250 during the winter months when it is really very much harder. If he is out in active operations he is entitled to \$500 whether winter or summer.