e Enquiry Conducted By T. Hollis Walker, K.C.

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to Mr. Gillis.

Who was he?

erintendent

d Steel Company.

by the Act of 1921.

ONER-I would

and the Nova Scotia Steel

are certainly joined to-

on August 12th. 1921.

EWIS—Was this a joint

Agreement may I ask?

ation as I wanted it.

WIS-Thank you.

did they come?

Mr. McInnis?

siso a Director.

ure, are A. R.

ing engineer.

which Company?

ONER-What was

el & Coal Company

who was the other

the Spring of 1920.

H. McDougall and Mr.

any official capacity?

ISSIONER (Reads Agree

And throughout you will find

ompanies are concerned.

He says he was asked to A .- Superintendent of the Domin touch with Mr. McDoug ion Iron and Steel Company. pirectors of the Domin- Q.—Was there anybody else of im-Steel Company. Then portance came? ed to Mr. McDougall. I A.-No, I think that was all.

who was Mr. McDougall Q.—Did you meet those gent he was President of the when they came here? Steel and Coal Com- A .- Yes, I met Chem on their

rival. EWIS-But he is not identi-A.-At the Crosbie Hotel in St. ny way with the Dominion John's.

ER-We shall see. It Q.-Did you do anything in conwless question anyway. Did nection with their visit? to anybody else Mr. Miller? A .- I arranged in conjunction with do not remember; I think I my sister for an introduction to Mr. McDougall to Sir Richard Squires. Q.—Did you do anything else or of the Ore have anything else to do with their

and Quarries for the Dominion visit? A .- I arranged some meetings af-HUNT-I should like to say terwards.

Q.—Between whom

hat the agreement of 1920 was A.-Between the Directors and Sir. with both Companies and was Richard Squires. COMMISSIONER-Whom do you separate for each Company, and that appears to be Mr. McInnis?

see what the Act sets forth. A.-No. It is called an Act for | Q .- Were you present at any of the

firmation of an agreement interviews? the Dominion Iron & Steel A.-No. Company. So that the Richard Squires? A.—About July, 1920.

s Agreement. Through-Q.-What were the circumstances ement the two are althat led to your meeting him? to as THE Companies A.—He told me that he intended are no distinction. I shall leaving shortly for England. Q.-How did you come to meet him?

A .- My sister sent for him. COMMISSIONER-Where did you meet him? IISSIONER-I have read the A .- At his house.

u must form your own judg-MR. HUNT-Was anybody present at that interview besides Sir Richard LEWIS-I did not hear or ge

A -No only our two selves Q.-Kindly tell us what took place at that interview?

ment always reading in a eighty thousand dollars on campaign funds, naming four or five large amounts on Water Street and that, as he was leaving shortly for the Old Country, he could not collect it until tion to deal with it. SSIONER-You may see the urself. Perhaps it will he returned. He then askel me if I ask vour own amestions. in touch with our people T-De you know if the and ask for accommodation for sixty nies officials came here? five thousand dollars for two months.

> MR. HUNT-What did you say? A .- I told him that as it did not represent any cash outlay our people would likely do so.

COMMISSIONER-This was in July 1920. At that time had the negotiations which ultimately culminated in this agreement begun?

ter for the Dominion Iron A .- No, the party left St. John's. They could not come to any agreement on account of Mr. Coaker look-ONER-Who else came? ing for a dollar a ton on ore. R. A. Cahmbers and

COMMISSIONER-I don't think you eman by the name of understand my question. I ask you lose initials, I think but had the negotiations which ultimately culminated in this agreement be-

Superintendent of ore quarries for the Nova accommodation asked for by Sir Richim not sure: but I thank h

so? Did you have any authority for saying that?

he Nova Scotia Company. COMMISSIONER-That was only T-Who else came, # any-

his opinion. He thought that as no cash outlay was involved that his people would accede to the request.

NT-What position does MR. HUNT-What happened then? The Kodak Stores Developing and Printing

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A .- I went back to Bell Island the next day. I did not know that Sir Richard Squires was leaving town until I got a wire from my sister.
Q.—When did you get that wire?

What did you do then?

A .- I came over to the city day morning. MR. HUNT-What happened

you came over?

A .- I went to Mr. with my sister.

that was? A .- I am not sure about the date;

but I know it was on a Sunday morn-A.-Yes. Q .- Did you have any conversation

with him? A.—Yes.
Q.—What was the conversation? MR. LEWIS-I object to having it told any conversation that took place between the witness and his sister

and Mr. Glennie, unless it be shown that Sir Richard Squires was pres-COMMISSIONER-On what ground? to have a copy of that Act. do you mean by Directors. You have Whatever took place there would not LEWIS-I would say that the only mentioned one Director thus far be evidence against Sir Richard Squires in any way, but how am I to A .- Mr. McDougall is also a Direc-

enquire into the facts of this case, if I do not get what took place between the rarties? MR. LEWIS-Whatever may have taken place between these parties at that time, in the absence of Sir Richard Squires, may be evidence against

Q.—When did you next see Sir Sir Richard Squires, if told now. COMMISSIONER-It is not MR. LEWIS-May I ask for what purpose is it necessary to get what happened at that conversation in the absence of Sir Richard Squires? COMMISSIONER-In order to find

> out the facts. This is not simply a charge against Sir Richard Squires. MR. LEWIS-If your Honour will keep in mind this fact that here in the outlining of the case a very serious charge is made, a charge, which, I assume, in Common Law, if sustained, would amount to a criminal offence and might lead to an indictment and prosecution for a criminal cfience. It seems to me that in this enquiry we should be bound by substantially the same rule of evidence that would be applicable in the case of a real charge of a criminal of-

> ence with the court having jurisdic-COMMISSIONER-That is where ind issue with you. This is not a criminal charge and I think I would use a great deal of useful information, if I were bound in the way you

suggest. MR. LEWIS-Whilst it may not be considered a charge of a criminal na- note? ture or not lead to conviction and nunishment, nevertheless the spreading upon the records of a conversation that took place between the Miller people and Mr. Glennie in the absence of Sir Richard Squires himself, and he not being bound by any such statement, and the publication of that to the outside world would have a disastrous effect upon the personal honour of Sir Richard Squires here

where his home and interests are. COMMISSIONER-I must not nor am I going to consider what is published in the papers about this en- ed the signature of Angus MacDon-MR. HUNT-You say that as the quiry. The only record I am going ald? to consider in this matter will be my ard Squires involved no cash outlay own record. I am instructed to come that the Company would probably do here and conduct an enquiry and make a report on it, there will be no

record beyond that to be known by MR. LEWIS-But your report may be the basis for a criminal charge or

a criminal prosecution. COMMISSIONER-My report will be based upon facts. MR. LEWIS-In the meantime in-

competent evidence will become Newfoundland Government property and will tend to create a prejudicial and hostile atmosphere towards Sir Richard Squires

COMMISSIONER-I am afraid I cannot allow that to prevent me from finding out the facts. It may embarrass him; but I must enquire as to what the facts are. In consequence of the events that the witness took part in, I am afraid I shall have to hear from him what took place at that interview with Mr. Glennie.

MR. LEWIS—You will appreciate I am sure the position that Sir Richard Squires will be helpless in the witness stating what took place at COMMISSIONER-It will not b

evidence against him. At the same time I purpose and desire to hear what took place between Mr. Miller, his sister and Mr. Glennie, but bear ing in mind that such conversatio will not count as evidence again

MR. LEWIS-I therefore, content myself by asking that my objection be made a matter of record.

COMMISSIONER-How can it be de a matter of record? MR LEWIS-I take it that with our report you will submit a copy

COMMISSIONER-I am pot asked to do so; I have not been instructe o do anything of the kind. COMMISSIONER-I have been askd in the commission simply to in-

uire into these things and report.

would also be advantageous that the objection be noted upon the report

note of it in my book at any rate. (Repeating evidence) I saw Glen-nie and had a conversation with him. Mr. Lewis objects to its being put in

tion because Miss Miller was present and had a power of attorney for Sir Richard Squires to act for him in fin ancial matters.

COMMISSIONER-You . knew terms of Miss Miller's power MR. HUNT-Was Miss Miller pr

Q.-What took place at that

MR. LEWIS-He?.... WITNESS-Mr. Glennie told me that Sir Richard had left without making any arrangements about his overdraft at the Bank, and unless he got a note by Monday morning ... MR. KNIGHT-I am sorry. I can-

not hear this witness at all. COMMISSIONER-Please speak Mr. Miller. It is important that these gentlemen should hear

WITNESS-(Continuing-Unless could get a note for \$20,000.00 by Monday morning, that he would have Sir Richard stopped at Liverpool. MR. HUNT-What else did he say

A .- That was all, nothing more. Q.-What did you say? A .- I told him that I would arrange for it Monday morning. Q.-What did you do then A.-I gave him a note on Monday

or \$20,000.00 signed by myself. COMMISSIONER-Did you go to see Mr. Glennie on Monday morning? A -T am not sure. I might have given it to my sister.

Q.-But you drew the note: A.-Yes. MR. HUNT-What did t when you drew it? COMMISSIONER-Do you remem

ber what you did with the note? A .- I do not. Q .- Did you part with it? A.-Yes.

MR. HUNT-Did you see the note again at any time A .- Yes, about a few daays later, Q.-Where did you see it?

Bell Island. MR. HUNT-Do you know was there?

A .- In the Bank Manager's.

Q.—For some reason or other they were not satisfied with my signature, and they wanted MacDonald's. COMMISSIONER-Had the Bank of was used. I mean the revenue stamp. Nova Scotia asked you to call?

MR. HUNT-Were you told ... MR. LEWIS objects to the question being put in this form. MR. HUNT-What were you told?

A .- I was told that the Bank want-A .- The Manager of the Company

Q .- Of what Company? A .- Of the Dominion Iron and Steel

Q .- To the cheque or note? A .-- Note.

Q.-What took place then? A.—The note was sent back to S

COMMISSIONER-Was Angus Mac Donald in St. John's or in Bell Is land?

A .- Bell Island. Q.—Was his signature obtained at Bell Island before the note was sent back to St. John's?

A.-Yes MR. HUNT-The signature of Ma Donald was added to the note?

A.-Yes. Q.—Anything else? Was his signa

ture as maker or endorser? A .- Maker, if I remember rightly, Q.-Do you know, of your own knowledge, if anything else was added

A .- Yes. The Dominion Iron and I want to know if at the time that Steel Company's stamp, I think.



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A.-Yes

A BUMPER SHOW.

A .- Three notes covering the \$20,- Hector McInnes, Did you communi-Q.-What is the first in order

same day? A.-They the 16th.

COMMISSIONER-What month? A.-1921.

COMMISSIONER Do you wish put these in? MR. HUNT-Yes. COMMISSIONER-Let me have

look at them. (Addressing Mr. Lewis. who wished to see the notes. I shall hand them to you in a moment. You shall see them before we go on. One is on demand, one is thirty days, and the other is sixty days after date. I had better just mark them.

MR. JENKS-I am not objecting to the cheques being put in, but in not objecting, there is no admission that they are the Company's notes.

COMMISSIONER-Oh, no. MR. JENKS Because we deny that there was any authority what-

COMMISSIONER This proves no authority. He has not said that they are the Dominion Iron and Steel Company's notes, and the words Dominion Iron and Steel Company, Limited, on obviously from a rubmeans, was he fold. He would not ber or stamp. No, only the second have any other knowledge. I think one has that on it. The third has not. we will not have that question for the moment. In whose custody was the of the three have that, and all have got "MacDonald, Manager", and "Millhave any other knowledge. I think one has that on it. The third has not. got "MacDonald, Manager", and "Miller, Accountant". They are all en-MR. HUNT-How was it that you dorsed in what we have now become familiar with, Miss Miller's hand-

MR. JENKS-It appears that only the note which has this stamp on it

So long as it is not regarded as an ada note of that. There is only a revenue stamp on that 60 days' note. (Addressing Mr. Lewis.) Now, you would like to see that. I think the one with the revenue stamp is the top one. (Addressing witness.) Were you present when those words "Dominion Iron and Steel Company, Lim-

ited," were put on that note?. A .- Yes. Q.-Who put them on? A.-I did. COMMISSIONER-You put them

MR. HUNT-Was anybody present when you put them on? A .- I do not remember.

COMMISSIONER-Did you put them on by means of a rubber stamp, or something of that kind? A .-- Yes.

MR. HUNT-Did you communica

with any officer of the Company with reference to this at the time? Q.-With whom? A.—The President of the Nova Scotia Steel & Coal Company, Limited.

Q.-I am speaking of officers of the Dominion Iron & Steel Company. A I am not sure if I wired Mr. Gillis, Mr. H. B. Gillis. Q.-Perhaps you misunderstood me

this stamp of the Dominion Iron & Q.—What are these? (Hands with Steel Company was placed on that had you any authority to do so?

Company after you had put that stamp on? Q.-Whom did you communicate COMMISSIONER (Repeating evidence)-I had no authority to put the stamp on at that time. Did you communicate with the company after-

A.-Yes. MR. HUNT-When did you do that? A .- I do not remember. I think a

Q,-How did you communicate with

cate with anybody else? A .- With D. H. McDougall. Q.—Have you copies of the message

A .- No. They may be at Wabana. Q.-What did you ask them. MR. LEWIS objects. Objection up-MR. HUNT-Did you receive

reply? A .- Yes. Q .- From whom? A .- From McInnes.

Q.-Have you that reply? A .- Yes. Q.-Here? A .- I will give it to you this after-

A .- I am not sure. Q.—Did you receive a letter or mes Q.If you have that can you produce it this afternoon?

A .- From Mr. McDougal

Q .- Have you that reply?

A.-Did you receive a reply from

anybody else?

Q .- You said then that the note went back from Wabana. I suppose you don't know that. When did you next hear of that note? COMMISSIONER-When you that Dominion Iron & Steel stamp on

the note, had McDonald signed those

Wabana? The Bank Manager. A .- Mr. Mowatt.

Q.—Is he there now? A.-No. Q.-I asked you when you next heard of the note? A -When it came back to Waban

Q.—So they were completed then? A.—Yes.

MR. HUNT-Do you know who

wrote the body of that note? Was it

A .- I do not remember. It looks

like the managers writing at Wabana.

Q.-Who was the manager at

written in your presence?

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