

JAMES STEWART re-called and further examined :—

*By Lieutenant Governor Schultz :*

781. Dr. Bown states in a declaration—I simply read it for the purpose of asking you if it is true :—“ That James Stewart, formerly sailing master of the patrol boat ‘ Keewatin ’ was paid \$100 in 1889 for an allowance of two months time waiting for and on board of the said patrol boat, in the following sums :—Household cheques \$10 to James Stewart and \$10 to Mrs. Stewart on account of her husband’s engagement. Ordinary cheques to Mrs. Stewart \$25 and \$40 ; and \$15 in cash ” making \$100 in all. Is that correct?—It is not correct.

782. Then what amounts did you receive ?—Well, I could not say, because I got it in driblets, and I took no account of it.

783. Can you give me any one amount you received ?—I received one and a half month’s pay—that is what I received.

784. Give me any one amount that you received at any one time ?—Oh, I could not say any one amount. I think I got \$10 at one time.

785. What other amounts ?—I could not say.

786. You cannot recollect any amount but that ?—No, I did not set them down.

787. Did you come down with Mr. John Cornish from Winnipeg ?—Yes, I did.

788. Did Mr. John Cornish tell you that after you returned in the “ Keewatin ”—at least ten days afterwards—he went out with a different boat on the lake on special service ?—Yes, within the Province of Manitoba.

789. Did he tell you that he came back on the 6th of August ?—He came back sometime in August, I don’t recollect the date exactly.

790. Do you know that Lieutenant Governor Schultz took the “ Keewatin,” after she was repaired on the 23rd August, and made a trip down the lake ?—I have no knowledge of that further than hearsay. I heard she went on the lake a little way.

791. You heard I went out on the lake ?—I heard it reported you did.

792. You remember that on Friday you said the “ Keewatin ” made only one trip ?—One trip north, that is what I said, one trip outside of Manitoba.

793. Is this document in your handwriting ?—Yes.

794. I will read it :

EXHIBIT No. 4.

“ SELKIRK, 14th June, 1880.

“ HONOURABLE SIR,—On my arrival here on Wednesday 1st. I found the yacht ‘ Keewatin ’ still incomplete, and I have been hurrying up Mr. Watt ever since. We got the sails bent to-day, and took in a part of the cargo, enough to ballast her, and took a sail about two miles down the river. I find that she works admirably, and I think will prove a fast sailer. She is very quick in the stays, even under the foresail alone. We had a pretty smart breeze, but a little irregular in force. So far as I have seen she pleases me very much. The chains and blocks came down all right, and I managed to borrow an anchor, which is rather too small, but I will try and make it do for this trip. Should Your Honour order one for next trip, you can say that one of about 75 lbs. will do.

“ Her spread of canvas fits beautifully. The sheet of the jib stands rather high, otherwise everything is all right and in good working order.

“ On our trial trip I borrowed a British flag, which we put up on the main mast, while I put the “ Keewatin ” pennant on the foremast.

“ There are some little fixings to be done on the boat, which will be done on our return. We have got her loaded up this evening after supper, and will have everything on board, so as to make an early start to-morrow morning.

“ I find Mr. Begin a very nice gentleman, and I think that we will have a very pleasant time together. He has three men with him, two of whom are from Toronto, and are excellent boatmen, so that we will have a good crew on the outward passage at any rate.