

Hon. Joseph
Cauchon.

4th June, 1862.

157. Mr. *Page* estimates the cost of the extra works connected with heating and ventilation in all the buildings at \$282,800, exclusive of those under contract, while Mr. *Killaly's* estimate gives \$974,964.23 as the value of the same works; can you account for the difference?—I am not in a position at this moment to account for the difference between Mr. *Page's* and Mr. *Killaly's* reports; had I been obliged to take action, I would have studied closely the whole matter and come to a final conclusion upon it.

158. Was Mr. *Killaly* authorized by you, in writing or verbally, to effect a final settlement with the Contractors?—Mr. *Killaly* was not authorized by me either verbally or in writing, to effect a final settlement with the Contractors. I refer the Committee again to the letter of the 21st September, 1861.

159. Did you consider his settlement as final and binding both upon the Government and the Contractors?—I did not consider his settlement as final and binding on the Government. It would in my opinion be binding on the Contractors only if it were accepted as binding by the Government.

Saturday, 7th June, 1862.

MEMBERS PRESENT :

The Honorable Mr. MOORE, CHAIRMAN.

The Hon. Mr. ALEXANDER,	The Hon. Mr. ROSS,
“ “ “ DESSAULLES,	“ “ “ SEYMOUR,
“ “ “ E. H. J. DUCHESNAY,	“ “ “ SKEAD.

John Morris, Esquire, called in and examined.

160. *Chairman.*] Have you been engaged on any large Public Buildings? If so, at what place?—In England I was engaged as Architect on large buildings, such as Churches and Collegiate and Grammar Schools; and subsequently, in this country, I was Clerk of the Works of Knox's College, and of the University Buildings in Toronto.

161. Were you employed on the Public Buildings at Ottawa, and in what capacity?—I have been acting as Clerk of the Works on the Ottawa Buildings.

162. When were you first employed in matters connected with those Buildings?—Early in the summer of 1859.