

nected, for sentiment's sake, with the Beauharnois development. Beauharnois is his native place, his father's place of abode, his brother's constituency. In his opinion, this development was in the interest of the people, of Beauharnois and of the Province of Quebec. He therefore purchased these 351 shares left over at \$550 each, i.e. \$193,050. (Blue Book, pp. 791 and 792.)

When the Beauharnois Power Syndicate was acquired by the Beauharnois Power Corporation Limited, on the 17th of December, 1929, as all the other members of the Syndicate, the Senator received, for each of these 351 shares costing him \$550, a cash payment of \$150 and 40 shares Class A, of the Capital Stock of the new Corporation (Blue Book, p. 793.)

As a net result of all these operations, the Senator has realized a profit of \$529,600, but this profit came out of the personal resources of Mr. Simard in 1928, and of Mr. Sweezy in July, 1929, much prior to the investment of any money by the public.

III

THE REPORT

For the purpose of this brief, I propose to deal with the paragraphs of the said report relating to Honourable Senator Raymond in the order in which they appear at pages XXVI and XXVII of the Blue Book filed herein.

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Section 15 (1) of the Report, reads as follows:

(1) Senator Raymond was appointed to the Senate on the 20th December, 1926. He, voluntarily, after the permission of the Senate had been granted, appeared before the Committee on the afternoon of the 16th July, 1931, and stated that he had subscribed on the 1st April, 1927, at the suggestion of Honourable Mr. Mitchell and Mr. Frank P. Jones, for 800 units of the Beauharnois Syndicate at a price of \$30,000 which he paid. These became 1,600 units in the second Syndicate and, as was his right, he subscribed for 1,600 further units in the name of J. R. Lefebvre, and made his holdings 3,200 units. On the whole transaction he realized, as of the 17th December, 1929, \$529,600 profit and 14,040 shares of Class A Stock of the Beauharnois Power Corporation Limited. Senator Raymond sold all his originally acquired units at the same time that Mr. Frank P. Jones sold his at \$550 per unit, and later Senator Raymond bought from W. G. Mitchell 350 units and from R. T. Fuller one unit in the Beauharnois Power Syndicate and he held these at the dissolution of the Syndicate on the 17th December, 1929. His total profit was as above mentioned. He states that neither at Quebec nor at Ottawa did he exert or attempt any political influence on behalf of the Beauharnois applications. He evidence is that he "did nothing to push the deal." On page 794 of the evidence, Senator Raymond was asked:

Q. Then are we to understand you to say, that having this interest in this project and knowing that there was a very strong opposition and a big fight being put up, you never turned a hand to help it at all?—A. I do not know if there was anything in my power to do towards helping it.

Q. Well, you could help?—A. I thought the only help that I could give was to put my money in.

Q. I may take it then, from what you say, that we have your unequivocal statement that at no time did you attempt to exert your personal influence on behalf of this project?—A. At no time.