

1171. What date was that?—Give me Mr. Cornish's evidence?
1172. Will you take his date?—Yes.
1173. It became the property of the Government when it sailed under Mr. Cornish on this expedition?—Yes.
1174. Until that time it was yours?—Yes.
1175. Personally?—I purchased it, and paid for it. I did not charge the Government for the purchase money.
1176. You make no charge to the Government for the purchase money?—No.
1177. Have you any claim against the Government for the purchase money?—I have not.
1178. So it is the Government's now?—Yes.
1179. So it continued the Government's from the 17th July, 1889, until the present time?—If that is the date.
1180. That is the date Mr. Cornish gives as the date of sailing?—I think Mr. Cornish's evidence is wrong. It was about that time.
1181. At all events, it was from that date until she sailed on the trip to Bull's Head in July—on the trip that Mr. Cornish has referred to—she was the property of yourself, and then she became and ever since has continued to be the property of the Dominion Government?—You are putting my statement incorrectly.
1182. Then correct me?—I have stated that it was my property until the first expenditure by the Government of \$25 was put upon her, and then she was the property of the Government.
1183. We will accept the correction. She continued your property from the day you purchased her until the first expenditure of \$25 upon her?—Yes.
1184. Then she became the property of the Government?—Yes.
1185. When was that expenditure of \$25 put upon her?—That expenditure of \$25 was on the 23rd July when the cheque was given. The services for that cheque were a few days before that.
1186. Will you let me see those vouchers—is this the cheque you refer to?—Yes.
1187. You now produce a cheque for \$25 bearing date 23rd July, 1889, drawn and signed by John Schultz. That is your name, your signature, I believe. It is payable to the order of John Cornish and endorsed by John Cornish?—Yes.
1188. Now what was this \$25 for?—Painting and repairing the boat as per agreement.
1189. That is for painting and repairing the "Grand Marais"?—Yes.
1190. And the cheque that you now produce is the correct amount for what you paid for, the painting and repair of the boat?—Yes.
1191. Then you assume it to be given on the 23rd July and it is for the \$25?—Yes.
1192. How else do you make up the \$102? Is the \$25 part of the \$102, or is it part of anything that appears in the Auditor General's Report?—Yes. It is part of the items, wages of two men in the smaller boat.
1193. I ask you if that \$25 is part of any of the items in the Auditor General's Report?—It is part of the item of \$106, wages of two men in the smaller boat.
1194. Who were the two men in the smaller boat?—Joseph Monkman and John Cornish.
1195. Is this the same cheque you handed in before?—Yes.
1196. A moment ago you handed me this cheque, and said it was paid to John Cornish for repairs on the boat? Is that correct?—Yes.
1197. Then you called, wages of the two men, while they were on land preparing the boat?—Yes, Mr. Cornish charged for repairing the boat.
1198. This then was not for services for navigating the boat, but for doing the work on the boat?—Yes.
1199. You say that the two men on the "Grand Marais" were Monkman and Cornish?—Yes.