

By Mr. Britton:

Q. Do you remember how much you received in all for these, in 1896, for instance?
—A. No.

Q. I see it is \$781.63, is that right?—A. I suppose so.

Q. In 1897 it was \$432.26?—A. I do not know.

Q. And in 1898 it was \$127.17?—A. I do not know.

By Mr. Borden:

Q. Whatever you received you did work for?—A. Yes, whatever I did is in that book.

By Mr. Hughes:

Q. You were government agent, but the farmers who were dealing with the government were not charged for any lawyer's fees, out of the \$150 only some \$15 or \$20?—A. That is all I ever knew.

By Mr. Sutherland:

Q. Did these farmers engage any other solicitor?—A. No, they came to me and I told them to engage their own solicitor, but they asked me, and I told them if I did the work I would charge them for it.

Q. If they employed solicitors they would have to pay them?—A. That is a supposititious question. I suppose any lawyer would.

By the Chairman:

Q. I do not see how you say "suppose so"; you know you would charge them?
—A. I would.

By Mr. Sutherland:

Q. Would you charge a client for doing it or not?—A. I think likely I would.

Q. That is your experience?—A. Certainly.

By Mr. Cowan:

Q. As a matter of fact, some of these men whose titles you were passing for the government, you also acted for them as solicitor?—A. I told them in every instance—

Q. Answer my question?—A. And when they insisted on my doing the work, I said I would charge them—

Q. When you get through your explanation, you can answer my question. I say that some of these men you acted for while you were acting for the government, in investigating and passing their titles; you acted for the government in 150 cases, and in some of these you also acted in a private capacity for individuals?—A. I will answer by telling you exactly what occurred.

Q. Did you receive fees from any one of them?—A. They said go on and do the work and we will pay you.

By Mr. Hughes:

Q. How much did you get for thus doing; how much did you receive for all this work?

Mr. Cowan objected to the question being put until he had finished his cross-examination.