

## APPENDIX No. 1

Q. With the government?—A. With the government, yes.

Q. Whom did you see when you came to Ottawa first?—A. Well, first, I think I saw Mr. Reid.

Q. Mr. Reid?—A. Yes.

Q. What Mr. Reid was that?—A. Mr. Robt. Reid, of the Transcontinental Railway.

Q. One of the commissioners of the Transcontinental Railway?—A. Yes, sir.

Q. Where did you see him?—A. At his office.

Q. What was the object of your visit to Mr. Reid?—A. Well, I wanted to tell him about my starting in business, and to ask him if he could do anything to assist me to get some business from the Transcontinental Railway.

Q. Well, what did he say?—A. He did not say very much, except that he would see Mr. Ogilvie, and that if I could satisfy Mr. Ogilvie as to the price and quality of the goods I was handling, why there was no reason why we could not do business.

Q. You and he were old friends, I suppose?—A. I have known Mr. Reid for some years.

Q. In London, Ontario?—A. Yes, sir.

Q. You formerly lived in London yourself?—A. Yes, sir.

Q. I suppose you have known both Mr. Reids for a good many years?—A. No, I cannot say that I have known Mr. Robert Reid any way at all.

Q. The other brother?—A. Yes, sir.

Q. You went to him simply as a commissioner to ask his good offices with the purchasing agent. I suppose that is a sure thing?—A. Yes.

Q. Did you go to Ogilvie next?—A. I think I went to Mr. Ogilvie but he was not in at the time. I saw him later on.

Q. How soon afterwards?—A. Well, I think—it would be that day probably or next day.

Q. It was almost immediately afterwards?—A. Very shortly afterwards.

Q. On that same business?—A. I think it was.

Q. You saw him during that visit to Ottawa with reference to having some business with him, supplying something that the Transcontinental Railway wanted? Was that the object of your visit?—A. Yes, sir, exactly.

Q. Did you tell him your object?—A. Did I tell Mr. Ogilvie?

Q. Yes?—A. I asked him if there was anything I could supply of the lines I was handling and of the lines I expected to handle, expected to make arrangements about, and he told me at the time there was nothing in any of those lines he could aid me in, but there were some envelopes in his desk which he showed to me and said the prices were on them.

Q. Was that the first thing, or did you introduce yourself to him in the matter before?—A. Yes, I knew Mr. Ogilvie before.

Q. He knew you?—A. Yes, he knew me.

Q. He knew that Mr. Reid had spoken to you?—A. No, he did not.

Q. Did you tell him what Mr. Reid had told you?—A. No, I did not mention Mr. Reid at all in the matter.

Q. There never was a word said between you and Ogilvie?—A. Not at all, sir.

Q. About Mr. Reid?—A. No, sir.

Q. It is not very important perhaps, but Mr. Ogilvie said you did?—A. Well, that is my recollection that I did not.

Q. I do not make any point of that, but he says you did. You think you did not?—A. Yes.

Q. Do you not think now on reflection that you would be very apt to tell him that you had the good-will of Mr. Reid?—A. No, I do not think that I would.

Q. Although you went to Mr. Reid to get his good offices?—A. Yes.