

By Mr. Bowman:

Q. And that was part of the correction which you were making of what had happened?—A. Yes. I might add that he asked me,—*The Globe* particularly wanted me to deal with the matter connecting Major Herridge with the Hamilton address. He was not concerned about the other part of my speech at Lindsay, although I gave him that information and didn't give him the rest of it.

Q. Now, you say that you purpose answering *The Globe's* charges at Lindsay, and might I quote from the correction which has been placed on record:—

Major Herridge was Mr. Bennett's brother-in-law and this was his honeymoon trip, said Mr. Gordon. "He also went to London to argue an appeal before the Privy Council, so if he was a full-time Canadian legal adviser he should not have taken the full time preparing and arguing the appeal before the Privy Council and thus neglecting his duty as the Premier's legal adviser, which Mr. Bennett permitted him to do."

A. That is correct.

Q. And:—

Mr. Herridge, according to Mr. Gordon, remained a long time in London as a Canadian official, and was in the pay of the Dominion Government during the time of his honeymoon trip.

A. That is right.

Q. And this was the way that you answered the editorial which had appeared in *The Globe*?—A. That is part of the answer, yes.

Q. In other words, Mr. Gordon, as a lawyer was that not a justification of the statement which was contained in *The Globe* of January the 6th?—A. Not at all.

Q. In there there is no reference to the Premier at all, in so far as any statements made in respect to him are concerned.—A. Premier Bennett, no reference to him? There is a reference to him. You have just read it.

Q. All right, where is it? Reference to the statements made, no retraction or correction of any statements made with regard to the Prime Minister in the articles that I have just read?—A. I don't get your question altogether.

Q. I say that the paragraph which I have just read, and which was your answer—A. Part of the answer.

Q. Part of the answer, all right, there is no reference there to Premier Bennett, no retraction or correction of any statement made on January 6th with respect to the Prime Minister?—A. No.

Q. So that you did not bother making any correction at the Lindsay meeting with respect to any previous statement made regarding the Prime Minister?—A. No. I considered,—I had the idea then from these sources of information that the argument had taken place at this time, that Major Herridge was the legal adviser to the government as he had a right to do—

Q. And might I refer to the report in *The Globe* under date of January 16th, "Correction by Mr. Gordon"?—A. Can I see that exhibit, please,—*The Globe* of the 16th?

Q. You have it there. It starts:—

Hon. G. N. Gordon, Peterboro, took the opportunity of referring to his statements made recently regarding the Canadian Minister at Washington. He said he had done an injustice to Major Herridge as to his going to England on his honeymoon when on official business for the government. The brief Mr. Gordon said he had received had interposed the wrong year of Mr. Herridge's trip to England which Mr. Gordon said