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MR. McMASTER: Well, perhaps, but then it seems to me that it could reasonably have looked to Manitoba to resoup it for any expense. I think that it could do that.

MR. BOWMAN: As far as the control of the Lake of the Woods was concerned, all the works were within the Province of Ontario.

MR. GREER: The expenditure would have been incurred irrespective of Manitoba.

THE CHAIRMAN: Oh, yes, no doubt about that.

MR. McMASTER: I may say, Mr. Chairman, I am not satisfied myself with the situation in regard to this expenditure. We got this memorandum only this morning, and I think --

THE CHAIRMAN: It is of some benefit only if it can be shown that were it not for the Dominion's interest in the resources of Manitoba, Manitoba would have been called upon to make some expenditure.

MR. McMASTER: Yes.

THE CHAIRMAN: And it is not clear at all from anything I have heard so far that such is the case.

MR. McMASTER: No, it is not clear, I agree with your Lordship.

THE CHAIRMAN: We may be able to clear it up.

MR. McMASTER: We may be able to clear it up. I think certainly we have done something for Manitoba there which availeth us -- which should be counted to us for righteousness.

THE CHAIRMAN: Of course any Dominion public work is supposed to be of some benefit to the place where it is ^{built} ~~done~~.

MR. McMASTER: But, I mean, of some particular benefit.

THE CHAIRMAN: It is bound to be in some Province.

MR. McMASTER: Now, the Dominion has made very good contributions --

THE CHAIRMAN: For instance take Montreal; anything that

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