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could not be made in Canada. I took straight issue with him and told him it was a foolish statement for anyone to make that things could not be made in Canada.

"No," just his plain statement. "That conversation lasted one and a half hours," I proceeded to say, "and as a result of the interview Col. Carnegie told me that if I wanted to go anything further in the matter I would have to go to Colonel Allison."

"I met him for the first time the previous week in connection with machine guns. In investigating machine guns I found that the output of the Colts Company was to be controlled by Col. Allison. We were interested in a contract for army motor cars and needed machine guns to complete the equipment."

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Russell and myself were, with promises broken, naturally felt sore. "However," the witness said, "there had been no very high words. Col. Carnegie said that pressure had been brought to bear to place these contracts."

"Did you ask what that was?" "No." "Proceeding," the witness said that he understood Burns and Bassick had got part of that contract. Subsequently he and Mr. Russell had investigated the graze fuse, and in July had been offered a contract for half a million graze fuses at an average price of \$8.50. They accepted this although they knew the price in the States was \$4.00.

"REUSED AN ADVANCE. Later Mr. Harris said he asked Col. Carnegie for an advance of \$100,000 to assist in financing the contract. This had been refused on the ground that such advances had been refused by Mr. Johnston. This was on August 17th, 1915."

"Did you learn whether advances had been made?" "Mr. Harris—Later on we did. We made an application and got an advance of 15 per cent. We wrote asking for the same treatment as the others, and the Shell Committee gave it to us."

"Were you in a position to make time fuses or graze fuses in Canada when your proposition was turned down?" "We were in as good position as we ever were, and we subsequently made the graze fuses."

"Mr. J. S. Ewart, K.C., counsel for Gen. Hughes, cross-examined Mr. Harris at considerable length. Mr. Harris considered they had made no default in delivery. Although he said that an extension of time had been made from December to January. He said this was because they had been unable to get their gauges from the Shell Committee. The second reason for the extension was that when they were ready to manufacture their parts the War Office had notified them that the adopted had been changed. The first delivery was made on February 17th, with 12,000 fuses. They had to deliver 50,000 fuses by March 5th, and this the witness said they did."

"Mr. Ewart—That is not the same as my statement." "Mr. Harris—Then your statement must be incorrect." "Mr. Ewart—You place the whole blame for the delay on the Shell Committee?" "Mr. Harris—Yes, but for that we would have lived up to our contract."

"Let me see," said Mr. Ewart, "but Mr. Harris had no copies of these notes." "Mr. Ewart—You have created the impression that the Shell Committee is the originator of the idea." "Well, for some reason or other we could not get the treatment we were entitled to as Canadian manufacturers."

"Is it your idea that the Shell Committee was antagonistic to you throughout?" "WANTED FUSES FROM CANADA. I would not like to say that Gen. Bertram needed to be very anxious for us to make fuses in Canada." "Was Col. Carnegie antagonistic to you throughout?" "It seems to me from my first interview."

"The witness however could assign no reason for this alleged antagonism and said that there was nothing personal about it, but Col. Carnegie said that he was not to be made in Canada, in spite of the fact that they had some pretty severe times he and Col. Carnegie were always on very friendly terms."

"My impression," said Mr. Harris, "was that the Shell Committee did not want to help us out on fuses. We had a man in England and were trying to get all the information we could." "Mr. Ewart—And was Col. Carnegie trying to prevent your getting that information?" "Mr. Harris—Well, he did stop us."

"Mr. Ewart—Did he do that purposely?" "Did it strike you he was trying to prevent you getting information about fuses?" "Well, we were not allowed to get our man into Woolwich Arsenal." "Did his refusal surprise you?" "Yes, we wondered why."

"A good deal of cross-examination followed by Mr. Ewart, in which the witness did not seem quite to follow, and he was somewhat sharply told by Sir William Meredith to answer the questions. He asserted that they could not get their expert into Woolwich, but that this had been done for American firms. Col. Carnegie had told him it was impossible."

"REUSAL NOT NOTED. Mr. Harris used notes he had made of various conversations, and Mr. Ewart produced the original notes regarding this conversation, pointing out that there was no mention in them of this refusal." "Why didn't you put that down?" sharply asked Mr. Ewart. "I suppose you put the unimportant things down and left the important ones out?"

"It was impossible to put everything down," replied Mr. Harris. "As a result of the cross-examination left matters in about the same position. Then with regard to the Scoville works Mr. Ewart asked if the witness thought that Col. Carnegie was acting against their interests here." "Mr. Harris said he did not think so, but that Col. Carnegie had told them it was impossible for them to get into the Scoville Works."

when Mr. Harris said it was his mental deduction that Col. Carnegie did not want to see him. A short time after Col. Carnegie had called him in, and for three hours they discussed this proposal." "Mr. Ewart—Did not that remove your impression?" "No, I don't think he wanted to see us even after we went."

"Why not?" "Because he was in a very awkward position." "NO PERSONAL ANTAGONISM. Mr. Ewart asked Mr. Harris what he meant by seeking to create an impression that Colonel Carnegie was antagonistic to him on May 6."

"I don't think he was antagonistic to me personally, but he was antagonistic to Canadian industries desiring to manufacture fuses." "Mr. Ewart—What led up to his telling you that you should see Colonel Allison?" "He simply told me that I should see Colonel Allison, that he was handling these negotiations."

"Did you understand that no offer would be received except through Allison?" "No." "What did you understand?" "That the matter of negotiating contracts for fuses was in the hands of Col. Allison. He told me if I wanted to take the matter up to get in touch with Col. Allison."

"Did you think," persisted Mr. Ewart, "that the Shell Committee would negotiate?" "No, I thought they were negotiating." "So you didn't think that the negotiations were out of the hands of the Shell Committee?" "Mr. Harris—No."

"Mr. Ewart—Then how did you explain the statement that the matter was in Allison's hands?" "I've never been able to explain it. But the statement was made." "Questioned further, Mr. Harris stated that he did not go to Allison, but continued negotiations with the Shell Committee, and was never reminded by them of the instructions about going to Allison. He had reminded the committee, however, on May 13."

"NO INTENTION OF SEEING ALLISON. A little later Mr. Harris said that he had never any intention of going to Allison. Asked if he had made any comment when told to see Allison he said 'No.'"

"Sir William Meredith—I thought you said if he was a member of the Shell Committee?" "Mr. Harris—Yes."

"Mr. Ewart produced and read the notes made by Mr. Harris following the meeting with the Shell Committee on May 6. In these notes it was stated that the Shell Committee was arranging for the co-operation of firms in the U. S. and that Col. Allison was handling the matter."

"Questioned by Mr. Ewart, Mr. Harris admitted that according to the reading of the notes Col. Allison was arranging the co-operation of American firms."

"Mr. Ewart—You wanted to co-operate with some United States manufacturers?" "That time we thought it absolutely necessary."

"Cross-examined by Mr. George F. Henderson, K.C., counsel for Colonel Allison, Mr. Harris was asked if Col. Carnegie told him that Colonel Allison was getting United States manufacturers to co-operate in making fuses."

"Mr. Harris—I can't say that he did. You can't say that he didn't?" "No." "N. K. Laflamme, K.C., counsel for the Shell Committee, questioned Mr. Harris as to a visit to New York on April 20 and a conversation between Mr. Russell and a Mr. Steinmetz, who had suggested that they work together in connection with a fuse contract. Mr. Russell had taken the night train to Toronto, and had next day written to the Shell Committee that he had 'made some progress.' Mr. Laflamme wanted to know what this progress was."

"Mr. Harris—Steinmetz gave Mr. Russell considerable information. 'You didn't enquire what he meant?' "No." "WHAT PRESSURE MEANT. 'Wasn't pressure the fact that American firms had options on materials which would expire and unless the contracts were closed the price would advance?' "I wouldn't think so."

"Did they say the contracts had been closed because of this pressure or because this option would expire?" "I think both were mentioned." "Is there any reason why you should not have asked Col. Carnegie as to the pressure brought on the Shell Committee?" "Well, at a time like that one is not in a frame of mind to do any intelligent questioning." "Did you try later to find out if there had been pressure?" "No." "Don't you think the fact that this ammunition was badly needed and that these companies' options were expiring made the pressure on the committee?" "They may have."

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