\$1,000 before Sir Hector was to leave Quebec. I went to the bank, drew the cheque myself, and drew the money and handed it myself to Thomas McGreevy in the office, 124 Dalhousie street.

"Q. What explanation can you give to the Committee as to the item of \$4,000 following this?—A. Mr. Connolly told me he paid the \$4,000. I have not drawn the cheque, and I only take his word for it that he has paid the money, and the charge is made in the books."

In re-examination, being shown an entry in his diary of date 21st July, 1887, he says :---

"Q. Do these books contain any alleged payments to Thomas McGreevy by the witness ?—A. Only one, and it came in this way: Mr. McGreevy appeared to come in a hurry and I drew my cheque. He came for \$5,000. I had not the money, and I do not know whether the company had it. I simply drew my cheque and went to the bank and gave it to him. I made that entry, so that there would be \$4,000 more due.

" By Mr. Geoffrion:

"Q. What is the entry ?—A. \$1,000.

"Q. It was paid on a call for \$5,000?—A. That entry on that date would not be made unless I wanted to get the cheque back from the company."

R. H. McGreevy says :

"Q. Did you explain the items of \$1,000 and \$4,000 on August the 3rd and 8th? —A. Yes. Members of the firm that I spoke to on that said they gave them to Thomas McGreevy.

"Q. Which members of the firm ?—A. Mr. Murphy and Mr. Connolly.

"Q. Did they say what it was asked for or given for ?—A. Yes; they said— Mr. Murphy told me—that Thomas McGreevy came to him and said Sir Hector Langevin was about leaving and this money was necessary.

"Q. And the \$4,000 ?—A. The same for the \$4,000.

" By Mr. Geoffrion:

"Q. You say that you are aware that the \$4,000 were paid by Nicholas Connolly ?—A. Yes.

"What information did you receive from Nicholas Connolly as to the \$4,000? —A. The only further evidence I can offer on part of that \$5,000 is that I met Thomas McGreevy in Dalhousie street about four o'clock on that afternoon of 21st July, and he told me he had received \$1,000 from Mr. Murphy. About the \$4,000, I do not know any more than I have said.

"Q. Do you remember whether Sir Hector Langevin was in Quebec at that time ?—A. I do not.

" By Mr. Osler :

"Give the year ?-A. 1887.

N. K. Connolly says :

"In Exhibit 'B5,[†]to be found at page 105, being a statement of alleged payment in connection with Quebec Harbour Improvements, there is an item of \$1,000 and another item of \$4,000 in August. Mr. Murphy was asked what explanation he could give to the Committee as to the item of \$4,000; and at page 188 the answer is: 'Mr. Connolly told me he had paid the \$4,000'?—A. Who is that?

"Q. To Sir Hector Langevin ?—A. I never told him anything of the kind. "Q. Did you ever tell Mr. Murphy you had paid \$4,000 to Sir Hector Langevin ?—A. No; I never did.

"Q. Did you make such a payment ?—A. Sir Hector never spoke to me about money and I never spoke to him.

⁶⁷ Q. Did you ever state to him you had ever paid such a sum to Mr. Thomas McGreevey ?—A. No; I never did.