

Contract No. 15.**Alleged improper influence.**

Never conversed with Whitehead while matter was before Committee

14171. Have you ever had any conversation with Mr. Whitehead upon the subject, while the matter was before the Committee?—I never had any conversation with him about contracts in my life.

14172. Had you any conversation with any one on his behalf?—With no one.

14173. Did you lead any Member of Parliament, or any one of that Committee, to understand that it would be to the advantage of Parliament, or any one else, if they dealt with the matter favourably to Mr. Whitehead?—I never did.

14174. Do these answers apply to last Session as well as to the former one?—Yes.

Aware of no arrangement by which any one in Department obtained any advantage.

14175. Are you aware of any arrangements by which any one in any of the Departments obtained any advantage in consequence of favours granted to Whitehead or to any other contractor?—I am not.

14176. Do you know whether any other Member of Parliament, on the Public Accounts Committee or otherwise, has been led to understand that such an advantage would be gained by favouring Mr. Whitehead or any other contractor?—I am not aware of anything of the kind.

14177. Is there any other matter connected with the Canadian Pacific Railway which you think it proper to give by way of evidence, either in explanation of what you have already said or otherwise?—There is not.

14178. Have you anything further to add on the subject?—Nothing.

TRUDEAU.

TOUSSAINT TRUDEAU's examination continued:

By the Chairman :—

14179. Have you a copy of contract No. 19, with Mr. Moses Chevette?—Yes; I produce it. (Exhibit No. 163.)

14180. Have you a copy of contract No. 59?—Yes; I produce it. (Exhibit No. 169).

14181. Have you a copy of contract No. 21, with Patrick Kenny?—Yes; I produce it. (Exhibit No. 170.)

14182. Have you a copy of contract No. 48, with John Ryan?—Yes; I produce it. (Exhibit No. 171.)

14183. Have you a copy of the agreement between John Shields and Alexander Shields respecting his interest in contract No. 42?—Yes; I produce it. (Exhibit No. 172.)

14184. Have you a copy of contract No. 20?—Yes; I produce it. (Exhibit No. 173.)

Engine House at Selkirk—Contract No. 40.

14185. Have you now any papers connected with contract No. 40, so as to proceed with the evidence upon the subject?—Yes.

14186. What is the subject of the contract?—The construction of the engine house at Selkirk.