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CASSELS' INVESTIGATION SHOWS UP GRAFT

Dealers with the Government Have Given Commissions to Twenty-eight Officers of the Marine Department--Rake-off Make the Prices High--Has Been Going on for Eleven Years.

Ottawa, Nov. 14.—The Cassels' inquiry at Quebec city abundantly justifies the reflection of the Royal Commissioners as to the "lack of conscience" in the Marine Depart-Department. It also explains the enormous cost of maintaining the Dominion steamers, and the rapidly increasing expenditure of the Marine Department. Year after year the Conservatives have protested that the outlay on government ships was too large to be honest. There was an Arctic inquiry. There was investigation of the Montcalm. The accounts of the Druid, the Minto and other ships have been before the public accounts committee. But it was found impossible to bring out the important facts, and the majority was ready to whitewash every improper thing that was brought to light.

Wholesale Corruption

The Royal Commissioners were hampered by no such restrictions. Ministers did not even know what Messrs. Courtney, Fyche and Bazin were accomplishing until they had finished their work and made their fatal report. Mr. Brodeur was surprised and indignant—but had to take further action. Commissioner Cassels is holding a pretty free inquiry, and has no politicians at his side to suppress the evidence. Therefore at the Quebec agency alone, he has received the admission from dealers with the government that they have paid commissions or given presents to at least twenty-eight officers in the department. These include:

The government agent at Quebec.
The chief inspector of the district.
The superintendent of the Ship Channel.
A lighthouse inspector.
The captain of the Druid.
The captain of the Montcalm.
Engineers on the Arctic, the Minto, the Druid, and the Montcalm.
A number of clerks, machinists, foremen and other employees.

Contractors' Admission

James J. Murphy, dealer in building material, swears that he has paid in toll to government officers, $3,803.95.

W. R. Blakiston, sail maker, sold the government $3,000 of supplies in two years and paid the government agent 5 per cent. commission.

F. X. Drolet made large sales to the government and paid the agent $8,143 commission. To other government employees respectively he paid large sums varying from $1,764 to $105, with many payments under $100.

R. H. Gale of the Slade Electric Company, paid 3½ to 3¾ per cent. commission in three years on $10,000 of business.

Patrick Murphy, saloon keeper, sold to the government $8,761.48 worth of coal bags and other goods at 80 per cent. profit, and paid the officials 5 per cent.

J. D. Cote, plumber, received from the government $27,000 in three years. He says that he paid Inspector O'Farrell $100; the Captain of the Montcalm $140; another captain $100; to a chief engineer $250, and to another employee $75.

Belanger & Co. say they made a payment to the government agent.

A. Davies of the shipping and wrecking firm of G. T. Davies and Sons, Levis, paid on an average of $500 a year for eleven years to government officers in commissions.

Thibadeau, grocer, paid 5 per cent. on $7,000 worth of business.

Another grocer paid the same rate. Mr. Wiggs says he paid his commission in supplies on which he made no collections.

E. Amyot sold $4,000 worth of fire works for the Arctic and paid officials 10 per cent. commission on the job.

John Drolet sold meat to the department, and gave the captain of the government ship his own supply at a reduced price.

George Marchand, boiler maker, repaired a lightship for $5,000. He paid a 5 per cent. commission, and gave $10 and $15 each to four government engineers who verified his accounts.

The People Pay

These statements are not contradicted to any serious extent, though some of the officials claim to have rendered service by discounting claims on the government.

It is not surprising that contractors' bills against the government are excessive. The public will understand the value of certificates given by officers in the pay of contractors. For every dollar a contractor pays in commissions he receives many in extra profit. The Montcalm, the Arctic, and other government vessels have cost double the proper charge for maintenance, and this evidence explains it.

Cannot be Evaded

It is uesless for Sir Wilfrid and Mr. Brodeur to say that certain Tory officials are to blame. Most of the officers implicated are appointees of the Laurier government. All the contractors who paid the rake-off, and got extra profits out of the treasury are active government supporters, and doubtless generous campaign contributors. No evidence shows that this system of plunder goes back more than eleven years. It is a development of the present regime, and has become a regular way of transacting business. No one supposes that the custom could have been continued so long, and grown so general without the knowledge of men much higher in the administration than those mentioned. If some of the surviving officers appointed by the Conservatives are in the inner circle, the managers of the machine have made them as bad as themselves.

It is not New

Most of the facts brought to light at Quebec could have been discovered long ago if the parliamentary committee had not been blocked. The Arctic inquiry was held in 1906, but

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CONVENTION CALLED

Conservatives of the Province will Meet in Convention at Saskatoon on December 9th for Organization.

At a meeting of the Saskatchewan Executive of the Conservative Association held in the city last Wednesday it was decided to call a party convention to be held at Saskatoon, on December 9th. The convention is called for organization purposes.

WRITS ARE ISSUED

Bye-Elections to be Held in Saltcoats and Yorkton on December 7th—McNutt and Neeley Members of Ottawa House.

The writs have been issued for the bye-elections to be held in the constituencies of Humboldt and Saltcoats. These elections become necessary because of the retirement of Dr. Neeley from Humboldt and Speaker MacNutt from Saltcoats, both of whom have been elected to the house of commons.

Nominations take place on Monday Nov. 30th and polling on Monday, Dec. 7th.

Death of Simon Anticknap.

The death occurred on Tuesday evening of this week in the Regina district in the person of Mr. Simon Anticknap. For the past three years the deceased has been inflicted with cancer and every remedy available was used to kill its growth, but without avail. While he has a farm at Boggy Creek, yet he and Mrs. Anticknap have been staying in the city for the past year. Though he has undergone severe affliction these last two years he has borne it with great fortitude. The funeral takes place tomorrow afternoon, at two o'clock from 1772 Ottawa street. A wife, a son and two daughters are left to mourn the loss of a kind and indulgent father. Mr. Anticknap arrived in the west in the early eighties and after some time spent on the Portage plains, moved to the Regina district with his two brothers, Joseph and Hank. He was very widely known and respected by those who knew him. The West extends sympathy to the wife and family and sorrowing relatives.

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$30.00 Coats, $22.50.
Men's Bear or Astrachan Coats. Values to $30.00, for $22.50.
$35.00 Wombat, $25.00.
Men's Grey Wombat Coats. Regular $35.00, for $25.00.
Men's $85.00 Coon Coats. $65.00.
Men's Nice Skin Coon Coats, full furred. Values to $85 00, for $65.00.
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Girls' Tweed Coats, sizes to 16 years. Values to $10.00, for $5.00.
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