

Q. But you cannot give me the details of disbursements?—A. I cannot, and I could not find the accounts. There is one item here of \$996.90, but my impression is there was another one of \$700, but I am not at all sure and could not authenticate that.

Q. You have no disbursement accounts in the office?—A. No, and I do not see any in these accounts you got from the Railway Department.

Q. Well, now, in addition to the amount paid to Mr. Hall for these services and disbursements in connection with the St. Louis case, how much was paid to Mr. Bisailon?—A. \$1,571.

Q. Now, would you take Mr. Bisailon's bill, which amounts to how much?—A. It amounts to \$1,726.

Q. And was taxed down by you?—A. \$225.

Q. That is to say you allowed him——?—A. \$1,571.

Q. At the rate of \$500 retainer and \$50 a day?—A. And \$50 a day. I may explain that this taxation—as his fee had been fixed beforehand—the only taxation it was possible for me to make, because I had nothing to do with the settlement of fees, was that in some cases he charged the full fee where I thought he should only get half or part of the day.

Q. Did you make a deduction for the 15th of June?—A. Yes.

Q. What did you deduct there?—A. \$40.

Q. And he claims how much?—A. \$50.

Q. Why did you deduct \$40?—A. There is a memo. on the page “only occupied half an hour or so.”

Q. You made the memo. yourself?—A. I did.

Q. Generally, can I say that as far as you are concerned you had nothing to do with employing solicitors or agents?—A. Nothing; I have nothing to do with the appointing of agents or fixing fees in that way.

By Mr. Powell :

Q. You gave us the total of the bill as \$1,726?—A. \$1,571 was allowed.

By the Solicitor General :

Q. Now, in connection with the same matter, was there an amount paid to Mr. Atwater for attendance before the commissioners who were appointed to investigate this?—A. There was.

Q. How much did he get?—A. Mr. Atwater's bill is \$3,816.

By Mr. Gibson :

Q. For the same services?—A. No, for appearing as counsel before the commission that investigated the Curran bridge charges. There was an engineering commission that examined the whole thing; this was Mr. Atwater's bill for appearing before them.

Q. As solicitor for the commission?—A. As solicitor for the Crown to assist the commissioners.

Q. And his bill was?—A. \$3,816.

By the Solicitor General :

Q. And he is allowed by you to charge forty-six days?—A. Well, I do not think he was allowed at the rate of forty-six days; it was estimated he was employed forty-six and he was allowed \$35 a day.

Q. And \$500 retainer?—A. Yes.