

- Q. Did you meet John J. Macdonald?—A. Yes.
- Q. He was negotiating with the Government for the building of this road, was he not?—A. Yes, sir.
- Q. And with Mr. Pacaud?—A. Yes; I was told so.
- Q. Were you told by John J. Macdonald?—A. I think probably he did tell me; we had several conversations.
- Q. He told you about the bargain Mr. Pacaud wanted to make with him?—A. No.
- Q. Whom did you learn that from?—A. I don't think I ever learned it.
- Q. You know that Mr. Pacaud wanted to make a bargain?—A. I know they were negotiating.
- Q. And John J. said that Pacaud wanted too much?—A. I was under the impression that he had made his arrangements.
- Q. And you learned what the arrangement was?—A. No, sir.
- Q. Did not John J. tell you?—A. No.
- Q. How did you find it out?—A. I have not found it out.
- Q. You knew there was an arrangement?—A. I was under that impression.
- Q. An arrangement to pay Pacaud some money?—A. I did not know what the amount was.
- Q. You went to Pacaud yourself?—A. Yes.
- Q. And told Pacaud that you knew there was an arrangement with John J.—A. No, sir.
- Q. What did you tell him?—A. I did not tell him anything of that kind.
- Q. What did you tell him?—A. Simply asked whether he was willing to work for me or other parties in a position to take up the subsidy and do the work.
- Q. That is under the Subsidy Act. You asked him if he was willing to carry out with any company the arrangement he had with John J.?—A. I asked if the Government was willing.
- Q. You told him that if the Government were willing you would get a new set of men and make it all right with them?—A. No, sir.
- Q. Was that about the substance of it?—A. No.
- Q. What did you say about the new syndicate?—A. I asked if the Government were ready to deal with the new syndicate, as the arrangements with Mr. Macdonald and Mr. Cameron were not going through.
- Q. And you told him you knew what the arrangements were?—A. No.
- Q. The arrangements I refer to were as between the company and himself?—A. I am talking about the arrangements between Mr. Macdonald's syndicate and him. I told Mr. Pacaud no such a thing as you state, and I never said I said so.
- Q. If anyone said that would you deny it?—A. I would deny it.
- Q. Even if Senator Robitaille said it?—A. Yes. Because he would be under a mistake if he said that.
- Q. You have talked with somebody over the little arrangement with Mr. Pacaud since this Bill came before the committee?—A. Several people attempted to get information from me.
- Q. Several people who, you think, have given you away?—A. I don't know that anyone has given me away.
- Q. Where were you last Sunday week?—A. I was in Sorel.
- Q. And travelled up to Ottawa on Sunday?—A. No, sir; I did not.
- Q. When did you come?—A. On the Sault train on Monday.
- Q. Do you remember whom you travelled with?—A. There were quite a number of people I knew on the train.
- Q. Were you in the dining-car?—A. Yes; part of the time with Mr. Tassé.
- Q. And you told him all about it?—A. No; I refused to tell him all about it.
- Q. Now where did this interview with Mr. Pacaud take place?—A. It was not much of an interview; it only lasted a minute or two.
- Q. Where was it?—A. In the St. Louis Hotel.
- Q. On the 28th of April?—A. Long before that.