

Paquette

A If the statement of the manufacturers to the effect that they cannot sell their goods with the tariff is true, then they ought to have more. If it is not true, - well somebody has to prove it to us. What I think is this, it is a pretty serious question.

If the company was not making any money the workers would have been willing to submit to a reduction of ten per cent, but the company is making money. While the Valleyfield workers were on strike the company declared a dividend. If they were not making money then why should not the workers be told so. If they were not making money the workers would ~~not~~ submit to a reduction, but if they are making money why should we suffer?

Q Are you aware whether or not after this reduction of ten per cent the salaries of the managers and superintendents and overseers were reduced.

A I don't think so.

Q Can you say definitely?

A I cannot say.

Q What would be your idea?

A Well, if I had anything to do with it I would cut every one of them from the top right down to the bottom.

Q You think if there ~~should~~ should be any reduction at all it should be a reduction all a round?

A The man who gets a salary of five thousand dollars a year would not feel a cut as much as a man who only gets eighty cents a day four days a week.

W. L. Mackenzie King Papers
Volume C 36

PUBLIC ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES
CANADA