In reply to query No. 5 reading as follows:-

"The amount paid to the Insurance Company in 1886 and 1887 to assure said employees."

We beg to state that the amount paid for 1886 was \$914.83, and for 1887,

\$1,044.78.

In reply to query No. 6, reading as follows:

"The amount paid to the assured or their families in 1886 and 1887, either on account of death or for being incapacitated from work."

The claims paid during 1886 amounted to \$703.40, and for 1887 to \$686.22, to

which must be added for medical fees and cost of collection the sum of \$484.18.

We would also state that under this particular policy our Company has been fortunate enough to escape any death claim, the accidents thus far having been of a temporary disabling nature only, but you will see, from the above figures, that the margin for this contingency is a very small one and that therefore the rate is the minimum that would be charged.

Yours truly,

GERALD E. HART,

General Manager.

27th day of February, 1888.

At a session of the Royal Labour Commission, at Montreal, this day, on motion of Mr. Helbronner, seconded by Mr. Freed, it was

Resolved,—That the Hochelaga Cotton Company be requested to furnish for the Commission:—

1. Statement of the rules and regulations, printed or otherwise, established by their superintendent or foremen for the imposition of fines, giving the nature of each offence and the amount of fines imposed for each of these offences.

2.—Total amount of fines collected during the year 1887 by the Company in each of their mills, and also the total amount of fines collected in each department

of said mills.

3. The amount of wages confiscated in the two mills during the year 1887.

4. The number of day's work and amount of wages abandoned by operatives who voluntarily left the mills during the year 1887.

These statements to be furnished separately for each of the mills.

THE HOCHELAGA COTTON MANUFACTURING COMPANY, Limited.

MONTREAL, March 1888.

RETURN FOR THE ROYAL LABOR COMMISSION.

Fines:—There are no regulations, either private or otherwise, made by the Manager or Superintendent for the imposition of fines. We have requested each Overseer of a department to state, in writing, the reason for which fines are imposed in his department, and we now enclose these statements for the information of the Commission. In making the Return of Wages and Days Work confiscated, we have been obliged to include the Voluntarily Abandoned, as it has been found impossible to separate them.