

Q. Are you willing to part with them now providing that when you need them you can get possession of them?—A. Yes.

Q. Will you prove this letter?—A. It is a letter dated the 7th May.

Q. What year?—A. There is no year to it. It is signed by Thomas McGreevy.

Q. In whose handwriting?—A. The body of the letter and the signature are in the handwriting of Thomas McGreevy.

Q. And addressed to whom?—A. To me.

*By Mr. Edgar:*

Q. Upon what paper is it written?—A. It is addressed from the House of Commons, Canada.

“HOUSE OF COMMONS, CANADA.

(Exhibit “C 2.”)

7th May.

“MY DEAR ROBERT,—There is nothing new in the intercolonial matter since I wrote you Saturday. I am quite sure now that there will be nothing done for estimates for any of the claims this session, that nothing will be put in until all are finished. Of course, this will meet the requirement for the moment. All the Supplementary Estimates will be finished in Council to-day, and laid before the House to-morrow. That is the last of them. I hope to let you know to-morrow about the result of cross-wall tenders. have your arrangements right with Beaucage before result is known. I will give you timely notice. I think the House will close about the 15th. Inquire how O'Brien is doing, or what is his intentions about work on examining warehouse. I think if he was promised to be re-imbursed he might give it up, and if Charlebois got out of the way, it might reach Beaucage's tender, but you must not do it. It must be done by some one else. Murphy might approach O'Brien about the matter, but he would have to promise to get Charlebois away. All the others might be passed over. I am told that he has done nothing yet. What are you doing about water pipes to Lorette. I wish you would send me the conditions that the work is to be done on. I do not think it will be necessary for you to come here this week. I think I will go to Quebec by the end of this week, and before going fix a day to come back and meet the old fellow on your intercolonial matter and have it settled. He has promised to sit down with Clark and settle the matter after the session. I will ask him before leaving to fix a day and him to have Clark here to finish report. I will have his answer before I leave.

“Yours truly,

“THOMAS MCGREEVY.”

Q. What would be the year?—A. That would be 1883.

Q. Here is another letter.—A. This letter is dated 17th May, from the House of Commons. The body of the letter is in my brother's handwriting as also the signature. Do you wish me to read it?

Q. Yes?

(Exhibit “D 2.”)

“HOUSE OF COMMONS, CANADA, 17th May.

“MY DEAR ROBERT,—I received your letter about Morris coming back here. What can he do in the face of all the blunders he has made? As I told you yesterday to try and get a good plan and as quick as possible in answer to letters that Gallagher and Beaucage will receive about their tenders to bring them over L. & C. so as their tender will be the lowest. The contract will be awarded from Ottawa direct. I think I will go down Saturday to be in Quebec Sunday morning. The house, I think will prorogue about the 23rd or 25th. I had a conversation with Sir Charles Tupper about the Intercol to-day and he agreed to fix a day immediately after the session, to have a conference with Sir John and agree on a bass for your claim on equity and have it done at once, so as they might dispose of it within a few days afterwards. I think you were wrong in tendering without a cheque accepted by such a pair of cut-throats.

“Yours truly,

“THOMAS MCGREEVY.”