

115. Will you add it up?—It is the same.
116. To the 1st of July, 1867?—It will make the same amount.
117. Then the account shows that the amount was carried on?—Of course. The only difference is, that it was kept in our books in the other account.
118. Then it was not abstracted but duly accounted for?—Yes.
119. Are there Orders in Council and warrants in existence with regard to this fund since 1867?—Yes.
120. Then Mr. Charlton, who seems to think that these expenditures were made on the authority of an Order in Council of 1866, is in error?—The Order in Council of 1866 provided for the management of the Secret Service Fund by a certain Committee of the Council; and since that Order in Council is referred to on subsequent occasions, and I suppose it meant that the Public Accounts were to be treated in the same manner as if that Order in Council issued each year.
121. I understand that the total amount of moneys expended since Confederation for Secret Service appears to have been \$125,000, plus the balance carried forward some \$8,000. The total amount is \$133,000, less what is refunded?—Yes; less what is refunded.
122. What amount was refunded?—\$25,579.04.

By Mr. T. N. Gibbs :—

123. The total amount expended since the first of July, 1867, on Secret Service account was \$107,019. 19. Is that correct?—I was not attending to the question.
124. After the issue of these warrants you ceased to have anything to do with it?—I had nothing further to do with the matter. It was entered in the Public Accounts as so much money paid.
125. You did not know anything about the unexpended balance?—No.

By Mr. Blain :—

126. Can you tell me whether the Order in Council authorizing this Committee to deal with that fund, authorized its members to deal with it jointly or separately, or had the power of chequing out?—The Order in Council is there. The last Order in Council was rather different from the others, because the Minister of Militia was in England at the time.
127. Does it appear from any source how the money was chequed out?
Mr. Blake: Mr. Drummond is here. He will tell us presently.

By Mr. Kirkpatrick :—

128. Do you know whether any considerable sum of this money was sent to Judge Coursol?—I do not know anything at all about that—absolutely nothing.

By Mr. Charlton :—

129. I wish to establish an entry with reference to the vote of \$75,000. I stated that it appeared from the entries in the Public Accounts that these appropriations were made by virtue of the Order in Council of 1866. This is the entry :—“For the amounts of appropriation for Secret Service, approved by His Excellency the Governor General in accordance with the Order in Council dated August 7th, 1866, for \$75,000.” That is the form in which all these entries are made?—If that was supposed to mean that the money was paid on virtue of that Order in Council, the Public Accounts are altogether wrong. I have no doubt as to what was meant. This was Secret Service money to be managed in the way decided upon by that Order in Council. But individual payments were made on separate Orders in Council.

By Mr. T. N. Gibbs :—

130. And which manner the bank account will show?—*No answer was made to this enquiry.*