

APPENDIX No. 2.

Q. He had the right to deliver cedar, tamarac and princess pine?—A. There was no princess pine or tamarac in it.

Q. What is his name, John Culligan?—A. Yes, sir.

Q. Here is the contract furnished by the department—princess pine, tamarac, hemlock, cedar—these are all good ties, are they not?—A. Yes, sir.

Q. Ash; what do you say about ash?—A. I don't think ash is a very good tie, but that is a contract afterwards, altogether, sir.

Q. Oh, there is another contract, is there?—A. That is not the same thing at all; that is not 1891, if I remember right.

Q. No, no—A. Well, they were got out in 1891.

Q. This contract was October 15, 1900 to June 30, 1901, that is the period we are speaking about. According to this contract he had no right to deliver spruce of any kind?—A. I don't know what his contract was. He had the order, the order came to me to take spruce.

Q. By whom was the order given?—A. By the department.

Q. And then the minister gave you the further order you have spoken of?—A. Yes.

Q. Are you sure that it was not Mr. Ultican's contract had black spruce in it?—A. I am sure.

Q. Quite sure?—A. I am.

Q. When you make your returns to the engineer's office do you return the document you received giving you the ties to be inspected?—A. Return the document I received?

Q. Yes, you get a schedule or whatever it may be?—A. Yes.

Q. They get that back?—A. I don't know. No, I never do give that back, but they have a copy of it.

Q. What do you do with it, you have it I suppose?—A. Well, I suppose it is in the papers.

Q. You have it?—A. I don't know that I have it.

Q. What is become of it?—A. I don't know.

Q. It is the last year you inspected, Mr. McManus?—A. The last year I inspected, I did not inspect many ties for Ultican.

Q. You have not inspected since this complaint, do you mean to tell me you don't know where the paper is?—A. You see that is the contract he got in the fall of 1900, but they had a contract for spruce before this, contract at all, or order to take spruce, I don't know whether they had a contract or not before they commenced at all.

Q. How do you know that?—A. Well, I know it because I went to inspect these ties in August, commenced them in August.

Q. Were they under another contract altogether?—A. I think so, but I don't know that either, I know that the order was that I was to go and inspect ties, spruce ties.

Q. Were these orders in writing?—A. Yes.

Q. From whom?—A. From Mr. Burpee's office.

Q. Do you mean to tell me that these were from another year?—A. They were taken before.

Q. In August they would be for 1900, wouldn't they?—A. Yes, they were taken in 1900, but I think these other contracts went in afterwards you know.

Q. They were subsequent you think?—A. Yes, I think so, the spruce tie was before that if I remember right, but I don't know.

By Mr. Barker:

Q. If this witness is correct we must have that list, we asked for it, for all contracts for ties in the year 1900 and 1901, and I asked for them to be produced.

THE CHAIRMAN. If they are not here of course, they should be?—A. I don't know that, but what I had to take was spruce ties, I will swear that I had the order to take spruce ties.

Q. But you don't know what is become of the paper that contained that?—A. I can't tell you that, I haven't it here just now, I might get a copy of it in the office if I look.