

CHARGES AGAINST
THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS.

1.

“CROSS-WALL” CONTRACT, 26TH MAY, 1883.

That while the tenders for the Cross-wall were being examined and the quantities applied in the Department of Public Works, the said Thomas McGreevy obtained from the Department, and from officials of the Department, information as to figures and amounts and in other respects as to the said tenders, and in consequence of such information, and by improper manipulations in connection with the said tenders, the contract was awarded to Larkin, Connolly & Co.

17. That while all the tenders were being examined and the quantities applied in the Department of Public Works of Canada, the said Hon. Thomas McGreevy, then and now a member of the Parliament of Canada, and a member of the Quebec Harbour Commission by appointment of the Government, promised to obtain, and did obtain, from the Department of Public Works of Canada, and from officials of that Department, in relation to the said tenders, to figures in connection therewith, and to the amounts thereof, information which he offered to communicate before the result was officially known, and which he did communicate to the firm of Larkin, Connolly & Co., and to certain members of the said firm individually.
18. That to the knowledge of the said Thomas McGreevy, the tenders of Messrs. Gallagher and Beaucage were lower than those of Larkin, Connolly & Co., but that in consideration of the promise of the sum of \$25,000 to be to him paid, he, the said Thomas McGreevy, agreed to secure the acceptance of the tenders of Larkin, Connolly & Co., and that he suggested to that firm and to certain members thereof individually, to make arrangements in connection with the said Gallagher and Beaucage, and to so manipulate matters as to render the tenders of those two parties higher than those of the said firm, or, at all events, to secure the contract for Larkin, Connolly & Co., and that said arrangements and manipulations were carried out as suggested by him.
19. That in consequence of the said arrangement and manipulations, wherein the said Thomas McGreevy directly participated, the contract for the Cross-wall and lock in connection with the Quebec Harbour Works was awarded to Larkin, Connolly & Co. on a report to Council made by the Hon. Minister of Public Works, under date 26th May, 1883.

2.

CONTRACT FOR THE COMPLETION OF THE ESQUIMALT DOCK, 8TH NOVEMBER, 1884.

That after tenders were asked for by the Government for the completion of the Esquimalt Dock and before Larkin, Connolly & Co. tendered for that work, Thomas McGreevy obtained from the Department of Public Works, information, figures and calculations which he communicated to Larkin, Connolly & Co., and that during the execution of the contract, the said Thomas McGreevy, acting as agent of Larkin, Connolly & Co., obtained from the Department important alterations in the plans and works and more favourable conditions enabling the Contractors to realize to the detriment of the public interest very large sums of money.

27. That before tendering, the said Larkin, Connolly & Co. had with Thomas McGreevy, then and now a member of the Parliament of Canada, communications and interviews wherein they secured his services to assist them in dealing with the Department of Public Works in order to secure the said contract.

28. That he agreed to help them, and that he did in fact help them in divers ways, and, amongst others, by obtaining from the Department of Public Works information, figures, and calculations which he communicated to them.

30. That during the execution of the said contract, the said Thomas McGreevy was the agent or one of the agents in the pay of Larkin, Connolly & Co. in dealing with the Department of Public Works; that he endeavoured to obtain, and did obtain for them, at their request, important alterations in the works and more favourable conditions.

33. That in consideration of the sums of money so received by him and of the promises to him made, the said Thomas McGreevy furnished to Larkin, Connolly & Co., a great deal of information; strove to procure and did procure to be made by the Department and the Hon. Minister of Public Works, in the plans of the Graving Dock and the execution of the works, alterations which have cost large sums of money to the public treasury.