

*By Mr. Mills (Bothwell):*

57. Are there other accounts not so included here, interest accounts?—Oh, yes, there are some that are not included in the estimation of the net debt.

58. Now, will you state to the committee the arrangement for including these four items and not including others?—If you will look in the sundry investments consolidated fund investment account, second item, you will find some things. Bank of Upper Canada stock which is absolutely dead and worthless is not included. These four were looked upon as available assets.

*By Mr. Davies:*

59. Which four?—Three Rivers Harbour Commission, Quebec Harbour Commission, Fredericton and St. Mary's Bridge Co. and Albert Railway Company.

*By Mr. Mills (Bothwell):*

60. They are taken at par and deducted from the gross debt?—Yes.

*By Mr. McMullen:*

61. Are you prepared to say that we have no other assets or investments which stand in the same shape as these. Are these the only items we have that are looked upon as questionable whether the Dominion may realize on them?—I do not express any opinion as to whether they are questionable or not. They are the only four items from which nothing has accrued in the way of interest.

62. Still you look upon them as available assets to the extent of deducting them from the gross debt?—We have treated them in that way.

*By Mr. Mills—(Bothwell).*

63. When was interest paid on the Quebec Harbour Commission bonds?—Well, I could not tell you. I read up the Fredericton and St. Mary's because I expected to be examined on it, but I did not expect to be examined on the others, or I would have looked them up.

*By Mr. Davies:*

64. Is there anything in the accounts which you could look up now and find out when interest was paid?—I do not think so, I can tell you next day.

65. Do I understand you to say that at the next meeting you will have a statement showing when each of these investments began to get into arrears and how much each of them has got into arrears?—I will get whatever the committee want.

*By Mr. Haggart:*

66. Have you any other balance sheet than that?—No.

67. None whatever?—That is the balance sheet of the Dominion.

*By Mr. McMullen:*

68. Since this investment got into arrear has the Department of Finance ever made a report to the Department of Justice with a view to pressing for payment?—Are we not at the Fredericton and St. Mary's bridge business.

Mr. FOSTER—We were on the Fredericton bridge, but we have wandered off on to other things.

Sir RICHARD CARTWRIGHT—We had better confine ourselves to the Fredericton bridge.

*By Mr. McMullen:*

69. You say in the case of the Fredericton Bridge Company there was no report made to the Department of Justice?—There was no communication with the Department of Justice.