

you that you are the man who had the most to do with the business?—A. That is just what I am after telling you, that I never lost an hour from my Customs work for that enterprise; I used to go there after my day's work was completed at the Customs Department, or during meal hours, or at night. I did not neglect my work at the Customs, except probably during the holidays when I gave about my whole time to the business. R. C'est justement ce que je viens de dire; je n'ai jamais perdu une demie-heure de mon temps de la douane, pour cette affaire-là; j'y allais après mes heures d'ouvrage ou pendant mes heures de repas, ou le soir. Je n'ai pas négligé mon ouvrage de la douane; excepté, probablement, durant mes vacances je dois y avoir donné tout mon temps.

Q. In the affairs of the business, did you do more than Bisailon, or did he do more than you?—A. Oh, about the same. R. A peu près pareil.

Q. Again I recall to you that Bisailon on the 26th of April, 1926, pledged his oath here,

“The man who was controlling was Mr. Brien. Brien was a partner in the Belisle business?—A. Yes.

Q. So were you?—A. He was the main man.”

Is that true or false?—A. I admit that I had five-sixths.

Q. You were the main man, the controlling man?—A. Yes, sir.

Q. Now, you told me a moment ago that Belisle had no office in the partnership place where the business was carried on; you told me that, didn't you?—A. Yes.

Q. Can you suggest what it was that Bisailon was referring to when on the 17th of March last he swore before this Committee, when asked, at page 595,

“Where are the books of J. E. Belisle, in whose possession were they when you saw them last?—A. I saw them April, 1921.

Q. In whose possession were they then?—A. In J. E. Belisle's private office.”

A. On the door, on the glass, there was the inscription, “J. E. Belisle's office”.

Q. Was it true, or not that he had a private office?—A. There was the general office and the private office.

Q. Was it untrue that J. E. Belisle had a private office there, or not?—A. If you go by the inscription on the door, it was J. E. Belisle's office. R. Si vous voulez prendre ce qu'il y a sur la porte, c'était désigné dans l'office par J. E. Bélisle.

Q. I never saw the inscription on the door, and I am not interested in it. I am asking you whether it was or not, in truth J. E. Belisle's private office.—A. J. E. Belisle merely gave us the use of his name; consequently he did not have a private office of his own. R. J. E. Bélisle avait seulement prêté son nom; alors, il n'avait pas de bureau privé.

Q. That is exactly what I thought. Did you tell Mr. Calder this morning that the purchases that were made for your business were made from various supply houses?—A. Yes, sir.

Q. You told him that, did you?—A. Yes.

Q. Having that in mind, I recall to you or bring to your attention, a statement by Bisailon that Gelinas was the man who was supplying all the goods; was that true or not?—A. That who?

Q. That Gelinas was supplying the goods. Was that true, or false?—A. We bought the goods wholesale at a certain price; we purchased those goods, as I stated this morning, from the majority of the wholesale dealers. It used to depend upon the orders which we had received. There were certain brands of goods that were not sold at certain places, others were only sold at other places. When we had orders, we had to buy them there, where those goods