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In my report to you of 22nd
October, 1887, I stated that "the
"validity of this grant (Mr. Byrnes)
"is, I believe, contested by the
"Dominion government, and is now
"under adjudication by the Supreme
"Court of Canada."

I wish to explain that at
that time a case was pending before
the Courts at Ottawa, viz: The Queen
v. Farwell, in regard to the title
to certain land at Farwell, within
the Railway belt; and judgment
given in favor of the Crown; this
decision it was believed would
govern the validity of Mr. Byrnes'
claim, and all others within the
Railway belt, but I am not in
a position to say how far this
view can be upheld.

The case above referred to, viz:
"The Queen on the information
"of the Attorney General of Canada
v.
"Arthur Stanhope Farwell"
was