

Senator ROSS (Middleton).—Mr. Read ought to be notified that his letters have been read before the Committee.

Mr. MACLEAN.—Let it be taken up when the clause is reached.

Senator BEIQUE.—As Mr. Read's first letter deals with section 161 it might possibly be well to have it printed so that when we come to examine 161 we would have the subject there for consideration.

Senator YOUNG (Chairman).—We have with us the solicitor of the city of Montreal, who wishes to address you and present some documents.

Mr. J. L. ARCHAMBAULT, K.C.—With the kind permission of the Committee I appear in the name of the city of Montreal. This morning I received documents with instructions to appear before you, though I did not expect to come here as I was called before the Supreme Court yesterday. I have a very important document to lay before your Committee in connection with this Bill, from our Chief Engineer in charge of the railway business of the city of Montreal, Mr. McLeod. This is all technical work with which I am not very familiar, yet we are bound to leave the document before you and express our view on the matter, or else I would put the document into the hands of the Chairman to read over. It is a long document, and very important, dealing with certain clauses of this Bill, with the remarks of our engineer attached to the different clauses to which we wish to call the attention of your Committee.

Senator KERR.—What sections are affected?

Mr. ARCHAMBAULT, K.C.—They are quoted each in turn—section 162 and then 169 with the remarks attached to each clause, and section 194.

Senator BEIQUE.—The document will be read.

Mr. ARCHAMBAULT, K.C.—It is better that the document should be read at your own convenience; I do not insist on every clause today if you are not ready to go on with all of them. The best thing is to present the document.

Senator POWER.—I think we had better have it read.

Mr. ARCHAMBAULT, K.C.—You will excuse the fact that the matter has been sent in such a hurried way that the document is not signed with the proper signature of Mr. McLeod, but this is a copy which has been sent to me by special delivery this morning. I will have a copy made.

Senator YOUNG (Chairman).—Have you any comments to make on the communication.

Mr. ARCHAMBAULT, K.C.—The comments are given with each clause.

Senator YOUNG (Chairman).—You have nothing to add?

Mr. ARCHAMBAULT, K.C.—I have nothing to add, no. The best argument I can put before you, gentlemen, is to read the remarks attached to each clause upon which we desire to call the attention of your committee.

Senator YOUNG (Chairman).—Will you undertake to furnish the committee with a properly signed document?

Mr. ARCHAMBAULT, K.C.—Yes, on my return to Montreal I will send copies signed by Mr. McLeod.

Senator YOUNG (Chairman).—Has Mr. McLeod prepared this with the sanction of the city of Montreal.

Mr. ARCHAMBAULT, K.C.—Oh, yes, the first paragraph shows that the matter has been submitted to the law department; it was prepared by the legal department of the Board of Control.

Senator YOUNG (Chairman).—Pardon me, but this document starts out addressed to "Mr. George Janin, Chief Engineer of Public Works, City Hall." This is addressed