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name of Crown Fuel Coy. The coal was purchased by him from the Kensington Collieries Mining Coy., who have a mine at Ladysmith near Nanaimo.

As will be noticed above there is some variation in the price of coal between that purchased from Kingham & Co., and that from Kirk & Co., and the Crown Fuel Coy. I do not feel, however, that Mr. Henderson should be severely censured for this. He is an old employee of the Government having been appointed in 1897. From inquiries I have made in Victoria I can assure you he is a gentleman of the highest reputation, and is regarded by the general public as a man of rugged honesty. Mr. Price on the contrary is———Mr. Price.

For the fiscal year 1915-1916 tenders were called and the contract was awarded to the lowest tenderer, the Victoria Fuel Coy., and they have received all the orders for coal since then at the contract price.

I desire, Sir, to express to you my appreciation of the uniform courtesy and kindness displayed towards me by Mr. Jackson and Mr. Moore. I feel very much indebted to both of these gentlemen for the very great assistance they were to me in ascertaining the facts set out in this report.

I beg to hand you herewith the stenographic copy of the evidence taken at the inquiry.

I have the honour to remain, Sir,
Your obedient servant,

Ottawa, Ont.

February 17, 1916.

(Sgd.) HAMNETT P. HILL.