

Q. In regard to the practice in Manitoba with regard to witness fees, who, as a rule, makes the affidavit before the taxing master?—A. The clerk in the office.

Q. Where did you get this bundle of affidavits?—A. Mr. Howell sent them to me.

Q. Since you were here?—A. Yes.

Q. Did you ever hear of them before?—A. No.

Q. You do not know where he got them from?—A. No.

Q. He sent them to you since you came here on your subpoena?—A. Yes, sir.

*By the Solicitor General :*

Q. You said that you had no recollection of Mr. Sifton having been at the office; do you know whether there were frequent conferences between Mr. Howell and Mr. Sifton?—A. I do not know of my own knowledge. I know Mr. Howell was often up at the government offices. I know Mr. Sifton might have been in to see Mr. Howell without my knowledge.

The witness was discharged.