

since? A.—No.

Q.—Do you know anything about a gentleman by the name of Lynch? Has he ever been introduced to you? A.—Yes; he was introduced to me by Wilkinson.

Q.—When? A.—I think on the 14th.

Q.—Where? A.—At the Walker House, in Mr. Wilkinson's room.

Q.—How came you there? A.—Mr. Wilkinson got me to go down and see him.

Q.—Are you sure it was Wilkinson's room? A.—It was the same room in which I had first met Wilkinson; and I presume it was occupied by him.

Q.—Did Wilkinson remain with you? A.—No; he showed me into the room, introduced me to Lynch, and left us together.

Q.—What took place? A.—Lynch asked—

Mr. Murphy objected to the conversation being taken as evidence.

Mr. Denison said it was his duty to get all the evidence he could; and if the legal gentlemen present did not succeed in drawing out all that could be got at, he would have to try himself.

Q.—What did you say? A.—There was something said.

Q.—What was the substance of it? A.—That the man Lynch wanted to see me.

Q.—How long were you in the room with Lynch? A.—About twenty minutes.

Q.—Tell us what Lynch said? A.—He asked me if I had been speaking to Wilkinson. He wanted to go right to business.

Mr. Denison—I don't see that this conversation should be taken against Wilkinson. I have no objection to any fact brought out, but as to their mere conversation and the gossip between them it should not be taken as evidence against Wilkinson.

Q.—What did he do? A.—He drew a large envelope out of his pocket.

Q.—Did you see the contents of the envelope? A.—I do not think there was anything in the envelope.

Q.—Lynch made a statement to you. Did you make any reply to him upon that statement? A.—Yes.

Q.—What was the result of the reply to the statement that you had made? A.—I went out of the room.

Q.—Had you any knowledge of what there was in that envelope? A.—I think the envelope was empty.

Q.—After you went out of the room was anything said to you further? A.—Yes.

Q.—Did you ever see Lynch since? A.—No.

Q.—Have you ever seen Wilkinson since? A.—Yes.

Q.—Have you had conversations with him since? A.—Yes.

Q.—When did you first see him after seeing Lynch? A.—He came to my room at the Continental Hotel.

Q.—Did you speak to him about Lynch? A.—It is possible I may have spoken about Lynch to him.

Q.—Did he speak to you about Lynch? A.—He may have; I do not recollect.

Q.—What conversation did you have with Wilkinson since? A.—About the same as before. He wanted me to oppose the Mowat Government. I saw him last Saturday night.

THE ROUND ROBIN AGAIN.

Q.—What did he say then? A.—He came to my room and wanted me to take \$2,000. He had only \$1,000—ten \$100 bills—and he wanted me to take those and sign a paper.

Q.—Did you read the paper? A.—Yes.

Q.—What was the purport of this paper? A.—To support a coalition Government and oppose the Mowat Government.

Q.—What time was this? A.—Eleven o'clock on Saturday night.

Q.—Did you sign the paper? A.—No.

Q.—Did you take the money? A.—No.

Q.—What was the effect of it? A.—Wilkinson went away and said he would see me again.

Q.—Have you seen him since? A.—I saw him on the following Monday in my room at the hotel.

Q.—What time on Monday? A.—In the afternoon, I think about 2 o'clock.

Q.—Was anyone with him? A.—He was alone.

Q.—What took place then? A.—Well, just the same thing again. He wanted me to take money to oppose the Mowat Government.

Q.—Was anything further said than what had been said before? A.—Yes.

Q.—When did you first come to know Mr. Kirkland? A.—I think it would be on Thursday, the 13th inst.

Q.—How was that? A.—I am not very sure who introduced me to Mr. Kirkland.

Q.—Where was it at? A.—I think it was at the Walker House or at the Continental Hotel.

Q.—At what time was this introduction? A.—I am not sure. I would not swear as to the time.

Q.—Had you any conversation with him? A.—Yes, we had some.

Q.—Where did that take place? A.—In my room at the Continental Hotel.

Q.—What took place then? A.—Mr. Kirkland said he was interested in some timber limits, and he would like it if some of the members of the Government would vote against Mr. Mowat. He did not care which Government was in, he said, for he was only looking for his own interests. He said if I would vote against the Government some election petition that was against me would be dropped.

Q.—What did you say to that? A.—I did not

say anything about it. I thought it was rather a scandalous piece of business, and said so very often to him. He called on me several times.

FEARS OF PENITENTIARY.

Q.—What took place on the subsequent occasions? A.—About a repetition of what took place at the other interviews. He told me on Saturday last that some of the members had told the Government of the transactions, and he was afraid the first thing we knew they would all get into the penitentiary. I told him he had better be careful. I think I told Mr. Wilkinson the same thing.

Q.—Was there anything more said on that occasion? A.—He said he was very anxious. He wanted to buy up some timber lands, and he thought if there was a change in the Government he could get these limits.

Q.—Was anything offered to you at all by Kirkland? A.—Yes; I said that Kirkland said if I would support a coalition Government the protest against me would be dropped, and if I would resign my seat they would give me \$2,000 or \$3,000.

Q.—You were not asked to sign anything? A.—No.

Q.—And no money produced? A.—No money produced.

Q.—Only he said they would give you two or three thousand dollars. How was that brought in? A.—In his conversation he referred to Wilkinson and Bunting, and I understood he meant they were to give me the money.

Q.—Did you ever say anything about a round robin? A.—I said Wilkinson had a round robin for me to sign.

This closed Dr. Dowling's examination.

DR. DOWLING'S CROSS-EXAMINATION.

Mr. D. MacMaster, Q.C., M.P., of Montreal, then proceeded to cross-examine the witness. He asked:—What were you unseated for? A.—Because I treated the enormous number of three times.

Q.—Did not two judges find that you were guilty of corrupt practices? A.—Yes.

Q.—How was it that this whole affair in your mind was a very secondary matter? A.—Yes; I looked upon it as a very secondary matter.

Q.—When did you first hear of money being offered to members? A.—I heard it at the first of the session, but I had no positive knowledge of it until last Thursday week.

Q.—When the first offer was made to you did you feel insulted? A.—Mr. Bishop and Mr. McKim came to my room and they commenced to laugh and said that Mr. Wilkinson wanted to see me at the Walker House, and I asked why he wanted to see me. They said, "Well now, you would be surprised," and they then told me he was trying to buy up some of the members. I said, "Well, Mr. Bishop, if it is anything crooked I don't want to have anything to do with it."

Q.—Why did you see him at all then? A.—I thought that in the election there was most unfair means resorted to against me, and I went there as much for my own interest as anything else, for I never dreamt that there was a trap going on to catch these men. I thought it was not a very creditable piece of business they were engaged in. After I had been there I returned and told the members of the Government what I had done.

Q.—How about going to the Mail office when the appointment was made for you to go there. Why did you go? A.—Because the members of the Government told me to go and see how far they would go.

Q.—You went there as a spy? A.—No, I went for my own satisfaction.

Q.—If it had not been for your being urged you would not have gone? A.—No; I would not.

Q.—You acted as an informer then? A.—No, I think not. I went there to endeavour to put a stop to the whole thing.

Q.—When you went there you wanted to see Mr. Bunting? A.—Yes.

Q.—Did you give him the impression that you would be willing to be bribed? A.—No, I did not.

Q.—You made no objection to these dishonourable transactions? A.—I listened to them.

Q.—You did not say "yea" or "nay"? A.—I did not; I said very little.

Q.—Can you swear you did not? A.—I cannot.

Q.—Did you tell Mr. Bunting that you were Dr. Dowling? A.—Yes, I mentioned my name, and he came forward smiling as if he expected me.

Q.—Did you tell him you wished for a private conversation? A.—I am quite positive that I did not.

Q.—Can you swear positively that Mr. Bunting locked the door when you went in? A.—Yes.

Q.—Did you complain that your party had not aided you to the extent of five cents in your election expenses? A.—I said that I was able to

PAY MY OWN ELECTION EXPENSES.

Q.—Did you tell him that you could not afford to pay between \$3,000 and \$4,000 expenses? A.—No.

Q.—Did you say that it came hard upon you, that you were a young man, and it was a large burden upon you? A.—No.

Q.—Did you tell him that they had spoken of