

timber cut, and the price per thousand feet in the water at Collingwood. The amount of timber cut was about 1,673,000 feet. He could not give an estimate on the price per thousand feet, as they did not sell the logs, but the timber. The items of the account figured up, to about \$25,000, and could be produced in duplicate by the bookkeeper in about a day if the committee desired them. The cutting, driving, skidding, etc., of the timber cost about \$16,000.

Capt. Sullivan's Account.

Mr. E. R. Wood, Manager of the Central Canada Loan & Savings Company, was next called, and produced a certified copy of the account of Capt. John Sullivan with the company. The first credit was \$4,500, deposited on July 30. The checks issued against the account were presented to the committee, with the exception of all issued before March 31, 1903, which had been given to Capt. Sullivan on April 14, and a receipt for them given to the company was presented.

At this point Mr. Latchford handed over a bundle of checks which had been produced by Mr. J. M. McEvoy, Capt. Sullivan's solicitor, and by this means the work of the committee was allowed to proceed on this point without delay.

Col. Matheson tried another fishing trip about an official of the company going to British Columbia. Mr. Wood said that Assistant Manager Morrow was now on his way to British Columbia on his honeymoon.

"Where is he now?" asked the Colonel.

"I don't know," replied Mr. Wood.

Col. Matheson thought Mr. Morrow might have some better knowledge of the Sullivan account than anyone else, but Mr. Wood assured him to the contrary.

In reply to further questions Mr. Wood said: Capt. Sullivan deposited a check for \$4,500 on July 30, and another check for \$4,000 on September 6. The withdrawals were as follows:—On August 1 a check for \$2,012.50, payable to John Sullivan, cashed at the Dominion Bank on August 5; on August 12 a check for \$200, payable to R. A. Grant; September 9, a check for \$300, payable to the Minister of Public Works. This check, as produced at the committee, was endorsed on the back, "Returned to the tenderer, Frank J. Sullivan, by order of the Hon. Minister of Public Works, the tender not being accepted. (Signed), Fred. Gelinas." The accounts and deposit slips showed that this check, as returned thus endorsed, had been redeposited on December 20, 1902.

"That settles that," said Mr. Latchford.

On September 6 a check for \$2,000 was drawn, payable to John Sullivan. It was accepted on the same day and was cashed by the Dominion Bank on September 25.

On November 1 a check for \$1,000 was drawn in favor of the Temiskaming Railway Commission. This was returned and redeposited in the same way as the check of September 10 had been for the Public Works Department. It was redeposited on December 10. On December 30 and on January 9, 1903, two checks for \$1,200 and \$500 respectively were drawn in favor of the Minister of Public Works and were also returned and redeposited on January 21, 1903, the tenders not having been accepted.

"So between the 6th and 9th of September, Sullivan drew checks for about \$3,000?" said Col. Matheson. "Two thousand didn't come in for 19 days, and \$900 for about three months."

Did Not Know of the Account.

Mr. Wood at this point explained that he hadn't known that "Cap." Sullivan

had an account with his company until he had been subpoenaed; that he had never seen "Cap." Sullivan until recently, and that he had \$2,500 accounts in the office, so he could have little personal knowledge of any of them.

Mr. Wood said he was positive the \$2,000 check, cashed by the Dominion Bank on the 24th of September, had been paid to Sullivan personally on that date. The endorsements showed that.

Mr. Patrick McDermott of South River was the next witness. He swore he had purchased the whole Township of Rutherford, with the exception of six quarter-sections, in 1901. In the last of April and first of May, 1902, he had correspondence with Frank J. Sullivan respecting purchasing the Killarney or "Shannon" sections. Mr. Latchford insisted that that correspondence be produced, and that the witness be not asked for a resume of the correspondence from memory. A motion was passed ordering McDermott to produce it on Thursday next.

Mr. McDermott said he had made a bet with J. Prenty of South River early in 1902 that the Killarney limit would be sold by private sale. This was based on the correspondence he had had with Frank Sullivan. He also swore that in the correspondence with Frank Sullivan he had offered \$4,200 for the limit. He never had offered \$6,000, but if he had known that was his last chance to bid he might have gone as high as \$7,000. He told of his travels about the limit, and that he had made an estimate of 1,500,000 feet—whether this was what he actually saw, or whether it was his estimate of all the timber on the limit, was a point of much argument. The witness' final answer was: "From what I saw and the observations I took, I came to the conclusion there was 1,500,000 feet there, and for that I offered \$4,200."

Mr. Davis asked Mr. McDermott about a limit known as No. 53, Secord. Witness said he owned it, that he had bought it in April, 1902, from Bernard Ryan of Toronto for \$4,240, plus a commission of \$500, and now he held it at \$30,000.

Cap. Sullivan in the Box.

It was now almost 1 o'clock, but Col. Matheson insisted that Cap. Sullivan be called, since they had him there. He was examined by Mr. Lucas respecting the various checks which had been produced during Mr. Wood's examination by Mr. McEvoy, his solicitor. He testified that the \$2,000 he drew on September 6 was cashed to Theodore C. Taylor, clerk in the Crown Lands Department. Taylor had put up the \$250 which had purchased the Killarney limit, and was to share equally in the profits. The \$2,000 was Taylor's share of the \$4,500 note of Charlton's, which he had discounted for \$4,000. The \$2,012.50 check was Taylor's share of the \$4,500 check after expenses had been deducted. It was Mr. Nihan of St. Catharines who had discounted the note. He had taken Taylor into partnership with him because they were old friends. Witness didn't have any instructions from Shannon, and Shannon had turned the Killarney limit over to him long before July.

Sullivan's examination will continue at 10 o'clock to-day. Messrs. George Cole, Killarney; C. H. Burns, bookkeeper for Charlton Bros.; W. Cannon of Killarney, and F. J. Sullivan will be asked to appear. Information will also be asked regarding the Secord limit.