

that he received the money. Would he not have remembered that date if he was planning for the downfall of the Government? Was it likely, Mr. Stratton asked, that he would give \$3,000 to Mr. Gamey the day after he had attended a Conservative convention, without some explanation of why he was at that meeting? If Mr. Gamey had spread that \$3,000 upon the floor of the House the day after he received it, he would have done good service to his party in the bye-elections in the three Norths.

Mr. Gamey said that he had only \$1,100 going through the bank on Sept. 11. They had discovered that he had \$2,500 going through on that day. Why were the cash books not disclosed? Why the deposit slip not presented?

The Aylesworth letter was the genesis of the whole thing, and if they had had anything to fear they could have destroyed that letter, and all evidence would have been gone. He had shown that letter to Mr. Gamey, and the latter had taken it away.

Where the Money Came From.

Mr. Gamey said that he had deposited his money on the afternoon of Sept. 11, and Mr. Crossin said it was in the forenoon. Mr. Crossin was subsequently called, the \$900 was discovered, and the books were mutilated. No doubt the \$900 and the \$1,500 came from the same place, and if the books were searched they would show where the money came from. Mr. Gamey had said that the \$900 came from Manitoulin. He felt sure that if the mutilated book were produced intact it would show where the money came from. It was very singular that the member for Manitoulin had taken these strange steps unless for the purpose of covering up some crime that had been committed.

If he had been bought, why did Mr. Gamey become weaker and go into the three Norths to show his fidelity to the Government which he was paid to support? He said he got \$1,000 for The Globe interview. There was no need for Gamey's support then, as the bye-elections were over. If they had wished to make his movement public they could have said so in a statement to the effect that they had his previous letters offering support.

A Straight Denial.

Mr. Gamey said that he (Stratton) had told him the denominations of the bills about to be given him. Why should he tell him the denominations? No one would believe such a story. Why did the prosecution not try to trace the nine \$50 bills? Were they Ontario Bank bills? There was no evidence that they were Ontario Bank bills, and they could trace until the crack of doom, until the end of all time, and they would never find that any money was given by him to anyone to give to Mr. Gamey. Three thousand dollars in any person's hands was a difficult thing to hide in these days of commercial transactions.

What was there to pay Gamey for in The Globe interview? All the members of the Opposition supported the Government in matters that they were satisfied with, as Mr. Gamey promised to.

If Mr. Grant's statement with regard to the protest were not true, all that the prosecution had to do was to put Mr. Bristol in the box to contradict his evidence. They did not do so, and Mr. Grant's evidence must be accepted as true.

As to the patronage, what he stated to Mr. Gamey was that when he was a supporter of the Government he would receive the same consideration as any other supporter of the Government. If there had been a corrupt bargain, he thought Mr. Gamey would surely have obtained a little appointment of an issuer of marriage licenses

at Gore Bay. The fact that he had received recommendations from the member for Manitoulin for appointments, and had not acceded to any of them, was sufficient proof that there had been no corrupt bargain.

Mr. Stratton was going on to speak of the money consideration, but Mr. Whitney reminded him that an arrangement had been made to adjourn at 10 o'clock each night.

Mr. Stratton said he would like to go on, as he could finish in half an hour. Mr. Ross, however, thought it would be best to stick to the arrangement, and the House adjourned at 10 o'clock.

Question by Mr. Powell.

Mr. Powell will inquire of the Ministry whether Frank J. Sullivan, a son of Captain Sullivan, was an employee of this Government in the Public Works Department in 1902, when he tendered for the 175,000 ties required for the construction of the Temiskaming Railway. Are civil servants permitted to tender on any Government or outside contracts?

The annual report of the Beekeepers' Association of Ontario has been published, giving an account of the annual meeting held in Barrie.