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"Stewart, on his own initiative, promised Dunford 20 per cent. of the fines if he succeeded in getting information," said Mr. Flavelle. "The License Board carried out the promise and warned Stewart that it must not happen again." It was the only case they had of such an arrangement, he said.

Sullivan is Fined.

The percentage came from the fine imposed on a person named Sullivan. Sullivan had asked that his fine be remitted or reduced, but the board had advised against it. Later Stewart had said things about the Peterboro' police, and an investigation resulted in which the police were vindicated on all counts. Stewart was represented by counsel and the bill of \$700 was paid by the License Board.

"Why did you pay the costs of Stewart's counsel?" asked Mr. Sinclair. Mr. Flavelle said that it was the policy of the board to stand by a man when his error was an error of judgment only. Stewart was foolish and unwise, said Mr. Flavelle, but he believed that Stewart believed the Peterboro' police were crooked.

Friction Must Stop.

Mr. Flavelle admitted that even yet there was friction between their officer and the Peterboro' police. "Should you not either remove the friction or remove your officer?" Mr. Flavelle was asked. "We have impressed upon Stewart that the friction must stop," was the reply. It was a difficult thing to get an efficient inspector, and one that cooperated with the police, said Mr. Flavelle, and he thought it should be borne in mind that Stewart was Inspector for the whole county, of which Peterboro' was only a part.

S. K. Burden, Chief Clerk of the Records Office in the Crown Lands Department, and who formerly worked with the Steel Equipment Company of Renfrew, denied that in the purchase of office equipment from his former employers by the Government that he had ever accepted a commission or an allowance. Mr. Burden, in reply to questions, said that he was on leave of absence now for three months, and that he understood that no reason was given for this leave of absence in the order in Council.

R. P. Fairbairn, Deputy Minister of Public Works, was questioned regarding the Government's purchase of property at 44-46 Richmond street west. Mr. Fairbairn said that after estimating the total cost of purchasing and renovating the building the annual charges amounted to 74½ cents a square foot. Rentals in the same district downtown, Mr. Fairbairn estimated, ran to at least \$1 a square foot.

ROAD PARTY ✓ GETS REQUEST

Western Ontario Deputation Sees Biggs on Kitchener- Sarnia Route

HELP FRUIT SECTION

Representatives from municipalities between Kitchener and Sarnia were assured by Hon. F. C. Biggs, Minister of Public Works and Highways, yesterday that the route of the Provincial road from Stratford to Sarnia would be in principle what they suggested. The road proposed by the deputation was from Stratford to St. Mary's to the 12th concession of Biddulph and thence to Granton, then along the centre road to Lucan and to Ailsa Craig, then along the town line of McGillivray to Parkhill, south to the 16th concession of West Williams and west through Sylvan to the 2nd concession of Bosanquet township and up through Arkona to the Sarnia road and straight into Sarnia city.

Mr. Biggs said that he wouldn't promise all these turns would be as asked by the deputation, but that the route would be adopted in principle. The engineers might discover better routes for some short distances throughout the system. The road east from Stratford to Toronto has not yet been designated, except that it will run through the larger centres of Kitchener, Guelph and down to Toronto. The part from Guelph to Toronto is proving most difficult. Wellington county wants it kept north and Halton wants to bring it down farther south. Much care and consideration is being given by the Minister, as this road runs through the heart of western Ontario. The line from Stratford to Kitchener is practically straight, but there are arguments in favor of different routes on the remainder of the highway.

Road "Badly Bent."

Mr. Biggs, in his reply to the deputation, said that he had been shown a plan at Stratford last winter which made a straight road to Sarnia. "It has become badly bent," he continued. He was particularly sympathetic toward the serving of the prosperous fruit section in Arkona, where there is no close railroad transportation. He requested the co-operation of the municipalities in the construction of the highway.

Those on the deputation were: Jas. H. Robinson, G. Ropeland and Jas. Moore, Blanshard; Capt. Sanderson, Robt. Dickson and Dr. P. J. Copeland, St. Mary's; R. Radcliffe, Biddulph; Jas. Scott, Granton; Jas. Ross, Lucan; Warden J. McCallum, Perth county; Mayor Stevenson and Aldermen W. H. Gregory and W. Gowens, Stratford; Deputy Reeve L. S. Smith, Elma; A. G. Garner of the Central Ontario Highway Association; R. J. Orr, President of Stratford Chamber of Commerce; Mayor Wm. Nesbitt, Sarnia; A. E. Ready, Arkona; O. Langton, J. M. Hayes, Geo. Tudor, Fred Brewer, T. J. Lockhart, W. H. Bertram, J. W. McGregor, Parkhill; Thos. Ellison, Reeve of West Williams; J. E. Harrison, West Williams; Reeve of Ailsa Craig; G. A. Burgess, Ailsa Craig; W. L. Walker, Parkhill; R. F. Robinson, East Williams; J. D. Drummond, Ailsa Craig; Mr. Paton, Kitchener.