

TO HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR GENERAL IN COUNCIL

I have the honor to submit the following report to Your Excellency in Council.

On the 27th of June last I was appointed Commissioner to conduct an investigation and report into the charges and imputations of the Honorable RODOLPHE LEMIEUX, Member of Parliament made from his place in the House of Commons in Committee of Supply in respect to an item submitted in the following terms: "Amount required to pay the Park St. Charles Company Limited, for land occupied by the Quebec Harbour Commission, as per verdict of Arbitrator, which verdict was later sustained by the Superior Court, in favour of the Plaintiff Company, \$60,000." as the whole is more fully set up in the said Commission and in the report of the Committee of the Privy Council, approved by His Excellency the Governor General on the 27th of June 1921.

On the 15th of July I prepared a notice to the Honorable RODOLPHE LEMIEUX, to THE QUEBEC HARBOUR COMMISSION and to THE ST. CHARLES PARK COMPANY to the effect that I would sit at Montreal, at eleven o'clock, at the Court House,

on the 3rd of August, for the purpose of fixing the place and date to proceed with the hearing of witnesses and do such other proceeding as might be desirable.

The notices were duly served on the parties, and on the 3rd of August, at the place fixed all the parties appeared by their attorneys. I appointed JOSEPH CASGRAIN, as clerk of the Commission and Stenographer, who took notes of all the proceedings.

The Hon. RODOLPHE LEMIEUX by his attorneys filed a declaration in writing declining to proceed with the proof of his charges and imputations upon the ground that it was by a committee of the Parliament that he desired to have his charges investigated.

A motion was made by the HARBOUR COMMISSION and the HARBOUR COMMISSION and THE PARC ST. CHARLES LIMITEE to have an order given to the Hon. R. LEMIEUX to appear before me to be examined. This motion was rejected for reasons stated in the judgment which accompanies the present report.

A written answer was filed by the QUEBEC HARBOUR COMMISSION to the declaration of the Hon. R. LEMIEUX.

There having been no proof made
by the Hon. R. LEMIEUX of his charges and imputa-
tions for the reasons given in his declaration, I
make the present return filing with it all the
papers in connection with this Commission as per
list annexed .

September 30th 1921

L. E. Parmenton
Commissioner