

Personal.

House of Commons,

Jan'y. 22nd. 1898.

Hon. Sir,

I have the honour to call your attention as Minister of Militia to a matter with which your predecessor Mr Dickey is fully familiar. The details are somewhat as follows.

Just prior to the unveiling of the Monument at Cryslers Farm in Sept. last I made an urgent application to the then Minister of Militia for two guns to be placed at the base of the Monument. In reply he kindly consented to send two guns from Quebec, and in due course they were placed in position. There being no provision by the Estimates for the expense attending their removal from Quebec, we arranged for payment of the freight in the meantime, but pressed upon Mr Dickey the full propriety of this change being provided for this session. This claim was based upon the fact that these guns were sent to be placed upon Government property, as an appropriate and fitting addition to the Monument. I do not know that I need say anything as to the way in which Mr Dickey received this proposition, I shall merely make the request that you kindly refer this matter to him. I feel certain he will remember the circumstances, and will I trust, endorse the provision I ask for.

Your obedient servant,

(Sd) H. H. Ross

(Dundas)

Hon. Mr Desjardins,

Min. Militia & Defence

Ottawa.