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fee to enable you to meet the cost of administering the Act, a fee sufficient to recoup yourselves for the additional outlay in the rigid enforcement of these regulations you are going to help us for a certainty.

Mr. THORNTON.—That is not a very unreasonable proposition—I think it is a very reasonable proposition which would not bear unduly on the consumer.

Mr. DOUGLAS.—If it works out as you suppose it will.

Mr. FOGGO.—Well, gentlemen, I have put up the case on the broadest lines, and I have endeavoured to show you the disadvantages we are under just now, the unfair conditions that we are labouring under just now. I have not entered into detail, I would be glad to supply any information that I can, to answer any particular question you may desire to ask me but I do not know that I can, usefully, go any further on this matter now. I thank you, gentlemen, for the patience with which you have listened to me, and the courtesy you have extended to me.

The CHAIRMAN.—Gentlemen, I am sure you have all listened with a great deal of pleasure and interest to what Mr. Foggo has said with regard to the fruit industry of British Columbia. We have now had evidence given before the Committee from the most extreme points of Canada in connection with this important subject, particularly with regard to the apple industry; we have had representatives from the Maritime Provinces, from Ontario and from British Columbia and I think that perhaps it would round out the subject if we had before the Committee one of the Fruit Inspectors, perhaps from the Province of Ontario. What do you think, Mr. Burrell?

Hon. Mr. BURRELL.—There will be no difficulty in getting one of the inspectors if the Committee wishes.

The CHAIRMAN.—If the Committee is of the opinion that it would be of any advantage to have one of these Fruit Inspectors appear before it and give us information in connection with the packing and the condition he found the apples in, arrangements will be made for his appearance. If you think it is not worth while to do so, perhaps, as there has been considerable complaint from different points about the freight and express rates, it will be well to have a man who can give us information upon that subject.

On motion of Mr. Douglas, seconded by Mr. Thornton, it was ordered that Mr. Hardwell, Chief Traffic Officer of the Railway Commission, be requested to appear before the Committee on the subject of Freight and Express Rates.

Committee adjourned.