Then follows a statement showing the extra cost in wages in replacing the Chinese by whites. The figures are based on actual operations for the year 1935; when times recover and traffic conditions improve, the additional cost in operation by Canadian crews as against Chinese would proportionately grow.

Then follows a statement per month during the selected period which is

as follows:-

Jan. 1st to June 15th

Average number of Chinese...17 ships

Average number of whites...17 ships

64

Average number of whites...17 ships

650

To replace the 64 Chinese would require 118 whites.

Extra cost in wages—\$9,399.30 per month.

During that time it would cost roughly \$9,300 a month—that is wages alone; and during the busy season the situation is shown in the following table:

June 15th to September 15 inc.

Average number of Chinese... 17 ships 99
Average number of whites... 17 ships 917
To replace the 99 Chinese would require 172 whites.
Extra cost in wages—\$12,758.15 per month.

For the whole year the table shows:-

Average number of Chinese... 17 ships
72
Average number of whites.... 17 ships
717
To replace the 72 Chinese would require 132 whites.

Extra cost in wages—\$10,239.01 per month.

Now, sir, I might direct your attention there to one thing that may strike you as being strange, that is that in this case of the B. C. coast to replace 64 Chinese would require 118 whites in the slack season, and to replace 99 Chinese would require 172 whites.

By the Chairman:

Q. Are you sure of those figures?—A. Yes.

Q. Mr. O'Donovan, I think, mentioned it in his evidence and put it the other way?—A. No, these are actual figures.

Mr. MacInnis: I do not think Mr. O'Donovan dealt with this.

Mr. FLINTOFT: No. I think he was speaking of the Transpacific. Mr. O'Donovan made the statement that it took three Chinese to do the work of a white man.

The CHAIRMAN: Yes. That is the statement I was referring to.

Mr. FLINTOFT: He was referring, I think, to the Transpacific service. We have given you a statement of a reduction from 1,700 odd to 1,400 odd, being the replacements of Chinese by whites.

By Mr. MacInnis: .

Q. How does that number compare with the number of the crews on comparable ships where whites are altogether employed?—A. On the Pacific?

Q. Yes. On any route?—A. I would not say that it was very much out of

line. You mean our business?

Q. Yes.—A. It is much the same as the Atlantic; but we give a service on the Pacific on the four Empress boats which we think, and our opinion is borne out by the opinions of not only United States passengers but passengers from all parts of the world we give a service on those four Empress boats that is the equal of if not superior to any other passenger service in the world, and, certainly, that service for a generation has been the best service on the Pacific.

[Mr. E. P. Flintoft.]