

APPENDIX No. 6

Q. Are you familiar with the racing conditions as they were then in South Africa?
—A. Yes.

Q. And as they exist to-day?—A. As they were then, yes.

Q. What is the practice there with regard to betting on the race track?—A. Both by the bookmaker and by the machine they call the Totalizer.

Q. Which is the same as the Pari-mutuel?—A. I have never heard it called that until I came back to Canada, we called it the 'Tote.'

Q. We will call it that in your examination. Are there many large tracks there?
—A. There are tracks at all the large towns there; it is a very popular sport.

Q. And are those tracks largely attended?—A. Oh, yes, the sport is very popular.

Q. And does the bookmaker ply his trade there, does he move about or is he stationary?—A. He is stationary.

Q. Is that the law of the country?—A. He is a licensed bookmaker.

Q. And he has a stationary booth?—A. Yes, he has a stand.

Q. And the 'Tote,' as you call it, is a machine?—A. It is legalized there, yes.

Q. And what have you to say as to the advantages of the Totalizer, compared with betting with the bookmaker?—A. It is an alternative.

Q. I will put it in another way, what do the mass of the people who attend the race tracks there, do, that is the bettors, I am speaking of?—A. The small men, the majority, we will say, bet on the Tote, that is the man like you and myself, for instance, we will bet on the Tote.

Q. What is the bookmaker for?—A. Oh, he is there to gratify the desires of the big moneyed men, as far as South Africa goes, I mean, in other words, the small man bets with the Tote and the real race course man goes to the bookmaker.

Q. That is the plunger?—A. Yes, the plunger goes to the bookmaker, and the public, generally speaking, go to the Tote.

Q. Mr. Nelson has told us that in his opinion it is a clean way of betting and that it practically eliminates the tout and the camp followers?—A. Entirely.

Q. What have you to say about that?—A. I should agree with Mr. Nelson, that it would practically eliminate any possibility of doubtful occurrences.

Q. There is no confusion on the tracks there at all?—A. None.

Q. There is a bill at present before Parliament which aims to abolish bookmaking but still preserves the right of individual betting. Having regard to the conditions in South Africa and your experience there what would you say of the abolition of bookmaking, also bearing in mind that we have no Totalizer here?—A. I should be inclined personally to advocate the replacing of the bookmaker by the Totalizer or a combination of both but not the annihilation of either or both.

Q. You agree with the last witness then that there would be confusion or disorder if open betting were abolished?—A. It would be in the hands of the racing mob.

Witness discharged.

Mr. MEREDITH.—Some days ago Mr. Raney asked that the list of the Montreal Jockey Club, be furnished. In accordance with his request I have had the list prepared and Mr. Raney, having perused it, has returned it with the intimation that he has no further use for it. Having gone to the trouble of preparing it I ask that it be put on the record.

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