

Mr. DONAGHY: Mr. Chairman, did we not make an order the other day that the Clerk of the Court which heard this case should be required to produce the record or an exemplification of it?

The CHAIRMAN: That is true.

Mr. DONAGHY: I think this examination should be postponed until we have the proper record before us, so we will know what we are acting on. I want some information as well as Mr. Stevens. I do not know what information he has of a fragmentary character, but I want this whole record before us so that we will know what we are doing.

Hon. Mr. STEVENS: I will take care of the fragmentary nature of it.

Mr. DONAGHY: I think this should be left over until the Clerk of that Court complies with the order of this Committee made the other day.

The CHAIRMAN: I think there will be no prejudice. The objection is well taken—

Hon. Mr. STEVENS: Just a moment; Mr. Chairman, before you rule I would like to say a word. I hope you will not rule on this offhand—

The CHAIRMAN: It seems very clear, as far as the Evidence Law is concerned.

Hon. Mr. STEVENS: I am anxious to respect your rulings in all matters, but really I think it would be a most unfair thing to prevent me from proceeding with the examination of Mr. Farrow at this point. I personally am only too anxious to have the fullest information before the Committee. I asked for it long ago, but I have not as yet received it.

Mr. DONAGHY: We have made an order.

Hon. Mr. STEVENS: But on another point, Mr. Chairman.

Mr. DONAGHY: We had better have an order made on the Clerk of this Court—

Hon. Mr. STEVENS: Just a moment, Mr. Donaghy, as a matter of fact you are raising a point which applies more to strict rules of the Court, but if I am not mistaken, under the rules of evidence, or under the rules of the court, in cross-examination I am entitled to a very wide latitude in asking questions.

Mr. BELL: Undoubtedly.

The CHAIRMAN: On what has been mentioned in chief.

Hon. Mr. STEVENS: I am mentioning this in chief—very chief.

Mr. DONAGHY: Nobody would attempt to restrict the examination; it is only a question of conducting this cross-examination at the proper time and when the proper record is here, and no one will be restricted in cross-examination when the proper time arrives, and the proper documents are here for our consideration. Mr. Farrow will always be available to us here.

Mr. BELL: Documents are not being put into evidence at all.

Hon. Mr. STEVENS: I ask, Mr. Chairman, for the privilege of proceeding.

Hon. Mr. BENNETT: What was the question?

Hon. Mr. STEVENS: Mr. Farrow has already stated he was unfavourably impressed regarding the perusal of this evidence—

Mr. DONAGHY: That is something we have not before us; that is what we want.

Mr. BELL: You have Mr. Farrow before you.

Hon. Mr. STEVENS: Mr. Chairman, if I am to supply the Committee in advance with all material upon which I base questions, we will never get anywhere.