

chief inspector, carried into the inspector's office and the deputy inspector then commences the grading. He takes a sample, empties it out, and after careful examination marks down what he thinks it will grade. To determine the dockage he takes a certain quantity of grain and weighs it carefully. After weighing it is then sieved through a sieve prescribed by law. The dirt is weighed and the amount per hundred computed. After this work is done the sample is put into a tin box with the number of the car and filed away for future reference, and it is held by the inspection department from three weeks to two months, according to the office space at their command. The car is now graded and a certificate to that effect is made out and sent over to whatever commission house may be handling it.

I said before that certain precautions could be taken to check up the work of the inspection department. I advised that when you ship a car you should write a letter of advice to your commission men. What should that letter have contained? First, the shipping bill made out so that it could be negotiated, then your instructions as to how you wished the car handled, and finally your own opinion regarding the grade. You may also advise them to ask for a reinspection if it does not equal the grade you expect.

### *Reinspection.*

Now, what is a reinspection. Your commission man goes down to the inspection office and asks for a sample of your car. This sample is produced and turned out on the table for his inspection. If you are one of those who believe that this work is not done in a careful manner, what have you to prove that that is a fair sample of your car or not? I advised when you were shipping this car that if it was special binned through an elevator, you could have had a proper sample of it drawn at the time of making delivery and preserved, or if you loaded over the loading platform that you might have drawn samples yourself in the same careful way. Now, we will presume that you have done so, and in this letter that you have written you say to your commission man that you are sending him forward a sample of your car which is a fair and honest one, and that if your car does not grade as you expect, when he goes down to ask for a reinspection you wish him to take this sample with him and compare it with the sample in the possession of the inspection department. When your commission man has examined this sample and called for a reinspection it is generally done by Mr. Horn, but sometimes by his brother, who is his chief assistant. These men have the power to change the grade of this car and to have a new certificate issued. If they decide that your car has been properly graded then the original certificate stands good. What other steps could you have taken? You might have gone further in this letter and said that if after reinspection the desired grade was not obtained you wished to call for a survey. A survey is held by making a deposit of \$3.00 to the secretary of the survey board, who then notifies three members of that board that a survey has been called. A survey board consists of twelve members, six of whom are nominated by the Winnipeg Board of Trade, and six by the three western provincial governments. While this is so, the board actually consists