

sonally, I believe that Garnet in itself and by itself has very high qualities. It must have high qualities; and that being so there is certain to be use for it somewhere.

*By Mr. Vallance:*

Q. Have you any knowledge whether your company got any of the trial shipment that was sent over some years ago? Did they try it out?—A. I do not know.

Mr. VALLANCE: Mr. Chairman, it seems to me that Mr. Jackson has been a very good witness from his own standpoint, and when he makes the statement that speaking for his own company they prefer to grade Garnet separately I think nothing more can be said. We may argue with Mr. Jackson all we like about Atlantic spreads and Pacific spreads, but those are the facts. With all due respect to Mr. Jackson, I think the committee will agree he has given us his opinion on the question under discussion.

The CHAIRMAN: He has given us the opinion of his society.

Mr. DAVIES: Of course, he has not answered the most important point, namely, why.

Mr. BROWN: He does not know.

Mr. DAVIES: I think this committee is entitled to know why. May I say, Mr. Chairman, that as far as the grain grower is concerned, in dealing with the mill he is in the same position as the hog producer in dealing with the packing house, and surely this committee would not merely accept a blank statement from a packing house proprietor and accept it in its fullness without asking for some explanation as to why they arrive at a certain conclusion. I do not think we should accept a statement from a miller who may stand to benefit financially. I dare say that the milling interests of Great Britain would at the outset stand to benefit financially by the separate grading of Garnet wheat particularly when we view the fact that it would go on the board at the outset at a lower price than the other wheats. Now, the witness has said there was too much variation in those cargoes but the charts that we have before us on the wall actually indicate that there is a greater variation in the cargoes of 2 Northern ex Montreal than there is of 2 Northern ex Vancouver.

The WITNESS: It may possibly be that the variation is in the Garnet itself.

Mr. DAVIES: It may possibly be also, Mr. Jackson, that it is not in the Garnet itself; that it is a characteristic of northern wheat irrespective of what particular kind it is, might it not? All the protein tests seem to indicate that the northern wheat has on the average a lower protein content. May it not be attributable to that rather than to the fact that it is a particular kind of wheat?

The WITNESS: I could not answer that. I would like to give you all the information I can to satisfy you, but I am not in a position to state.

Mr. DAVIES: Could you get a brief from your company as to why they attribute this to Garnet? I think that is a reasonable request, Mr. Chairman. I do not think it is an unreasonable request at all. I think in fairness to the Garnet growers that before anything is done in this direction we are entitled to this information.

Hon. Mr. MOTHERWELL: Quite reasonable.

Mr. PERLEY: I think it would be a reasonable request to make of Mr. Jackson that he should tell us why his company does not like the mixing of Garnet with northern wheat. I think it is unreasonable to ask him or his company to explain all these variations and statistics and to say why they thus and so in view of the infinite number of factors that may enter into the problem; but if Mr. Jackson could tell us the reason why they do not like Garnet included in their mixtures, I think, perhaps, we would be asking a perfectly reasonable ques-