

Then under Chapter 21, R.S.C. 1927, we find:—

1. This Act may be cited as the Canadian Nationals Act.
2. The following persons are Canadian Nationals, viz:—
 - (a) Any British subject who is a Canadian citizen within the meaning of the Immigration Act.

I think perhaps that might clear up any doubt the members of the committee may have had in connection with the question of citizenship.

Mr. REID: It is a good thing to have in the record.

Mr. MACINNIS: That latter refers to British subjects only residing in Canada.

The CHAIRMAN: Yes, Canadian citizens within the meaning of the Immigration Act; the three statements that I just read.

Mr. HARTIGAN: It says British citizen with Canadian domicile. You would have to clear up what domicile means.

The CHAIRMAN: Yes. Perhaps it might be well for the members of the committee to get both Acts and read them fully. The provisions read are fundamentals. Of citizenship a question which has constantly been coming before the committee in connection with this reference.

We have Mr. F. E. Bawden, director of steamship subsidies in the Department of Trade and Commerce, with us this morning. You will remember that we had Mr. Bawden here before when he made a good submission before the committee. Members of the committee were of the opinion that, until they read his submission, it would be well to leave off a certain number of questions and answers. Therefore the sub-committee was directed to have him back with us again. We have him here this morning, and Mr. Bawden has, I think, quite a full statement to make, after which he will be ready for any questions pertaining to the reference before the members of the committee.

Mr. REID: Might I be allowed to ask six questions of Mr. Bawden? I ask that privilege on account of the fact that I am due in another committee. I am on the Pensions Committee and I should be there.

The CHAIRMAN: That will be all right. We will just swear Mr. Bawden first, and then you may have the privilege of asking the questions you desire to ask.

FRANCIS ERNEST BAWDEN called and sworn.

By Mr. Reid:

Q. After looking over your statement, I have six questions that I should like to ask you, Mr. Bawden. The first one is: Have you any data regarding the number of passengers and the nationality carried from the Pacific coast to the orient?—A. I have the number of passengers carried from the Pacific coast, but I have not got their nationality.

Q. Could you obtain that?—A. I could ask the steamship company for it, or they could be asked directly when they appear before the committee.

Q. The reason I ask that is that I think it is important, because a submission has been made by the steamship company that 60 per cent of the passengers carried were orientals. I think we should have the data officially from the company itself on the records.—A. Yes. I rather think that some of that 60 per cent were passengers carried at the other end, between China and Japan, between Japan and China or between Manila and China, and that they do not come all the way to or from Canada. However, I shall inquire as to that.

Q. The second question is: Has Japan any subsidized ships going directly to Canada? The information I have is that Japanese boats make the United States their port of call first and that they come up into Vancouver and run out?