

Sir HENRY DRAYTON: Can you suggest any better method of assistance than that put forward in the McGrath plan.

The WITNESS: No, I do not know of any. I do not know of any better method than the one we are pursuing at the present time, notwithstanding the McGrath plan.

Sir HENRY DRAYTON: What are you doing now?

The WITNESS: At the present time we have an organization on the other side to get these immigrants, to bring them here, and it is not so much a question of getting the immigrants at all, the question arises after you get the immigrants, placing him on the land and taking care of him and making him contented. That has been the whole trouble in this country, with the settler in the Dominion of Canada.

Sir HENRY DRAYTON: You are stating a general result desired, but not the business you are doing.

The WITNESS: Of course, you must bear in mind, you must remember that we have only got started. You take our competitor, for instance; they have been at this thing for from 25 to 30 years, and we only started last year, so you have to give us time to grow.

Sir HENRY DRAYTON: What are you doing in the way of assistance? You agree that assistance is necessary, what assistance are you giving?

The WITNESS: We are getting assistance—

Sir HENRY DRAYTON: What assistance are you giving the immigrant?

The WITNESS: We are giving the immigrant assistance; we are bringing him out here and we are taking care of him. I quoted you the case of this man Foster; what more do you want?

Sir HENRY DRAYTON: I want your general policy. There is a man in England; what are you going to do for him?

The WITNESS: I have already outlined the general policy.

Sir HENRY DRAYTON: What do you give him?

The WITNESS: We give him help, assistance, and advice.

Sir HENRY DRAYTON: Do you give him any money?

The WITNESS: Not at the present time, we do not. In the group system we will help these men.

Sir HENRY DRAYTON: Under the group system, how much money would you give?

The WITNESS: Under the group system we will give this man about \$2,500.

Sir HENRY DRAYTON: How? Under what terms?

The WITNESS: The terms will be spread over a period of years.

Mr. STEWART: I take it that you have some definite policy of scheme worked out?

The WITNESS: Yes, we have. I cannot remember all the details of it, but Mr. Price-Green read it a while ago. I will send you that if you want it; I cannot remember it all.

Sir HENRY DRAYTON: Under the group system you would give \$2,500?

Mr. PRICE-GREEN: That is the advance for the Overseas Settlement Committee.

Sir HENRY DRAYTON: Where does that money come from?

The WITNESS: That money will come—we would arrange a company to advance this money, and it is guaranteed. The man would pay it all back and half of any loss is guaranteed by the British Government.