

Q. Or, are you committed to the practice of mixing as a policy?—A. We run our big terminals, Mr. Millar, as public, in which no mixing takes place. That is four and six, the big terminals out there will not have. Any mixing we have is at comparatively small houses; No. 1, 2 and 3, and No. 5. And we use that very largely for the condition of lower grades.

Q. Can I say this; that the Pool is opposed to the policy of mixing?—A. No, I would not like to say that.

Q. They are in favour of the policy, then?—A. No.

Q. You would not say that either?—A. No, I would not. I think individually, the members object to it, but we have not seen our way yet to clear up the situation.

*By the Acting Chairman:*

Q. You say it is a practical situation you have to meet?—A. Yes, we have to apply a practical remedy to the marketing of this grain.

*By Mr. Donnelly:*

Q. Are there not some members of the Pool who are in favour of mixing?—A. No, I do not think so. There are some of them willing to abandon it.

Q. Are there some of them in favour of doing away with mixing?—A. Yes, quite a few.

Q. And would you not also say that there are some who are in favour of it?—A. Yes, possibly there are. When you consider the export situation where you must have uniformity of shipment, it is difficult to see how you can get away without it.

Q. There are some that are neutral?—A. Yes, quite a few sitting on the fence.

Q. They are not unanimous?—A. No, it is a very debatable question at the present time.

Q. Then what I referred to in regard to Mr. Fraser's evidence is this. The question was asked, page 57 of the Minutes of Proceedings and Evidence:

What about our wheat going over to the Old Country this year. Have you any complaints?

Mr. FRASER: You mean our shipments? There have been a few.

Mr. DONNELLY: Any last year?

Mr. FRASER: In some cases they consider the wheat too poor for the grade given. In one complaint there was a case of some mixtures that had taken place.

Mr. DONNELLY: Where do you think this mixture had taken place?

Mr. FRASER: I think in the United States, the mixtures might have taken place in some of the transfer houses—the Bay ports, Port McNicholl, Buffalo or Montreal, or in the States at some of the Atlantic ports down there.

There apparently he says there is mixing taking place at our lake ports, and at our seaboard as well. Now, do you not think that the inspectors should see that this mixing did not take place at the ports?—A. It would be very nice to be sure that there were no abuses taking place, and if an inspector could do that, it would certainly help.

Mr. MILLAR: Here is a statement Mr. Ramsay made when we were discussing this question of mixing in 1925, right in the same Committee. Mr. Murray stated: "May I take a moment to explain the views of the pools on the subject. The pools have during the past year been operating a mixing house, and they hope that they will not be deprived by the Act, of continuing the operation of this house." I do not ask whether you concur with that or not,

[Mr. E. B. Ramsay]