

Q. My learned friend says we want to lay this report before the Committee. We will not publish them—the reports you made to the Minister?—

A. Our reports as regards the Customs Department go to the Chief Preventive Officer.

Q. Who is that?—A. Mr. Wilson.

Q. And you have been reporting to him since you took office as commissioner?—A. In 1923—I am not quite sure of the date—we used to report to the Deputy Minister, but some change was made in their organization and we were requested to send our reports to the Chief Preventive Officer.

Q. That being Mr. Wilson?—A. That being Mr. Wilson.

Q. And you have since sent your reports to him?—A. Yes.

Q. You have copies of them?—A. Yes.

Hon. Mr. BENNETT: Will Mr. Wilson produce the originals of those reports? (To witness) You need not bother about that; I was asking generally.

The WITNESS: I might say I do not send the originals; I keep the originals, and the copies are sent to Mr. Wilson.

*By Hon. Mr. Bennett:*

Q. That is better still. You will produce the originals? You can do that?—A. I can do that.

Q. What reports do you make to the Department of Justice with respect to these matters?—A. None.

Q. Do you make a daily report or a weekly report to the Department of Justice?—A. No.

Q. None at all?—A. No, except on matters of administration, to the Minister; but whenever we do work for any department, we report direct to that department, whether it is Health, Post Office, Customs, Secretary of State—all the departments virtually.

Q. And they have a right to requisition your services directly?—A. Yes.

Q. And not through the Minister of Justice?—A. No. Whenever a request is made by one of the departments, unless there is objection to it, we comply; if we have the men and the facilities, we comply with it.

Q. Now, has your Department made investigations with respect to the conditions prevailing at Rock Island, Quebec?—A. No, sir.

Q. You were not requested so to do?—A. No; we make no investigation for any department unless we are requested by that department.

Q. Have you a member of the Police at Rock Island?—A. No.

Q. There is none there?—A. No.

Q. At what border points have you detachments?—A. We have none in the province of Quebec; we have in Ontario.

Q. At what points?—A. At Niagara, Windsor, Sarnia and Sault Ste Marie.

Q. Then you proceed west along the boundary line?—A. We have one at Fort Francis, and some along the borders of Saskatchewan and Alberta, and some in British Columbia.

Q. Do they report direct to you or to their several superintendents or inspectors?—A. They report to their several officers commanding the districts.

Q. And these reports are transmitted to you?—A. Yes, transmitted to me.

Q. And are on file in your office?—A. On file in my office.

Q. That is the position in respect to that?—A. Yes,

Q. I take it you have these reports?—A. Yes, I have these reports.

Q. What are the duties of these men at these various points—the members of the Police?—A. Those on the border carry out the Federal laws, and assist the Customs or Immigration departments, or whatever department—