

*By Hon. Mr. Bennett:*

Q. Assuming that there comes to Port McNicoll or Midland 1,000,000 bushels from Milwaukee to Midland, and that it goes through in bond, is there not any way of tracing that?—A. Yes, that would be found in the Grain Trade Report for the season of 1919, that is if you take public elevators.

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Q. The point I am driving at is that not only can Canadian grain be handled by our system of railways, but also a large quantity of American grain; do you think it would be possible to find out the volume of that trade?—A. Yes, sir, our reports from public elevators separate the handlings of Canadian and American grain. I can secure the handlings for the last crop year at Georgian Bay ports. I can get you the total handlings of grain at Georgian Bay ports during the crop year of 1920, divided as to Canadian grain and United States grain.

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Q. I would like to have the information not only as to the Georgian Bay ports, but as to Port Colborne?—A. One total for the whole system would be sufficient, I presume. (*Vide* Schedule H).

Then the eighth question we were asked, "was the amount shipped by rail on the Soo Branch from Moosejaw to Duluth in bond, if any, and from Duluth by water, showing the kinds of grain, quantities and destination of same by water."

The total receipts at Duluth during the crop year of 1920 were 975,264 bushels of wheat, and of all grains 1,118,201 bushels.

Q. That was from Canada?—A. Yes. In addition to the shipments from North Portal, this includes shipments via Fort Frances. These shipments would come to Fort Frances on the Canadian Northern Railway. All we have in our total receipts is the destination; the origin is not shown. Once the grain has crossed the Custom port of exit, we have finished with it. (*Vide* schedule I).

*By Hon. Mr. Watson:*

Q. Have you the total amount of wheat exported to the United States?—A. Yes. Wheat exported during the fiscal year ending March 31, 1921, amounted to 42,324,894 bushels. (*Vide* Schedule A.).

The ninth question we were asked was, "Quantity of grain, and kinds at Port Arthur and Fort William on January 1, 1920, in elevators."

The only record we have for January 1, 1920, deals with the public terminal elevators only and not with the private elevators. I have the figures for the 1st of January, 1920; wheat, 6,794,146 bushels and the total of all grains, 10,845,581 bushels.

That answers the first series of questions that were asked.

Hon. Mr. BENNETT: The reason I put in these questions was for the purpose of securing information for the Committee and I do not want the Committee to run away with the idea that I want to run the Committee. I put these questions in with the idea of having something for the Committee to start off with. The honourable Senator Willoughby also put in some questions. Our idea was that the members of the Committee when they met would each have certain information that they required in addition to the information already given.

Hon. Mr. WILLOUGHBY: The preparation of the report will take some time, and I would suggest that all these statements that have been put in should be typewritten so that each member of the Committee could have a copy.

Hon. Mr. WATSON: I think you will find that members of the House of Commons will be interested in this question and they will be asking for copies of these statements.

The CHAIRMAN: When we have everything prepared we will give copies to the members of the House of Commons.