

APPENDIX No. 3

Q. So that they are the only agents of the government in immigration matters in central and northern Europe.

A. Central Europe, yes.

Q. Is it not a fact that the bulk of the immigration comes from these countries, comes from that direction, northern Europe and central Europe?

A. We do get some Italians, but not any great number of them.

Q. But I mean the people, who for instance, settle in the Northwest, on the farms of the Northwest, they come from central Europe and northern Europe?

A. Yes.

Q. The Italians—

A. Are not agriculturists.

By Mr. Foster:

Q. With reference to the first question, you said, Mr. Scott, that most of the European countries, with the exceptions you had named, had practically prohibited, certainly hindered, immigration work being done for Canada in their country?

A. Yes.

Mr. LEMIEUX.—Not only for Canada; it is against all countries.

By Mr. Foster:

Q. It does exist against Canada—I mean, Canada is included amongst those against whom the prohibition exists. Would you consider that this was a *modus operandi* by which Canada may be able to get immigration from those countries, solicit them and bring them by evading the known laws of those countries through an agent?

A. Well, I think in their contract they undertake not to break the law in the country.

Q. That is just the point I wanted to bring out. There is a clause in the contract by which they are prohibited from doing anything in contravention of the laws of the country in which they operate; isn't that there?

A. I think it is in the contract.

Mr. BARKER.—Yes, here it is: 'It is further agreed that the company shall not in carrying out their contract with the government act in contravention of the laws of any countries in which it is operating.'

By Mr. Maclean (Lunenburg):

Q. Might not this company undertake to carry on a propaganda? They can circulate literature setting forth that Canada is a desirable place for settlement. That would not be a violation of the continental laws?

A. I cannot say that. I do not know what would constitute a violation of the laws.

By Mr. Hughes (Victoria):

Q. Don't you know what the nature of these provisions is?

A. No, I only know that the High Commissioner went over once, and I understand that they are going to put him in jail.

By Mr. Foster:

Q. Can you find out for us these provisions?

A. I will try.

By Mr. Sinclair:

Q. You know that they do advertise in the European papers?

A. I get copies of the advertisements, I think.