

The CHAIRMAN: Because the Civil Service Commission can have nothing to do with it and have nothing to say about it. Excuse me, 25 and 26 were also incorporated in the enactment.

WITNESS: 25 was.

The CHAIRMAN: 25 is out.

Mr. CHEVRIER: Just indicate it so we will have a clear statement, and as to 26 we can say what we like. I have no knowledge that it is not under jurisdiction.

The CHAIRMAN: Suppose we ask Mr. Bland to prepare a resumé from 11 to 24 inclusive; I think that covers everything you want, does it not, Mr. Chevrier?

WITNESS: May I ask if the committee wants a written resumé?

Mr. CHEVRIER: I think it would be shorter if you had a written resumé.

WITNESS: I will be glad to do that.

The CHAIRMAN: Would you be good enough to do that with reference to 11 to 24 inclusive of the previous committee's report? Twenty-four is merely a statement of fact. The Professional Institute of Canada made representations and we did not see fit to make recommendations. Eleven to 23 inclusive, Mr. Bland.

Mr. POULIOT: No. I would like to have 24, if you have no objection to it.

The CHAIRMAN: I have none, but what can we do about it?

Mr. POULIOT: Well, if it is not harmful it is just as well to deal with it.

The CHAIRMAN: How can the man possibly do anything about it? Twenty-four says, "representations were made to your committee"—that is, to the Civil Service committee—"on behalf of the Professional Institute of the Civil Service of Canada. It would appear that the subject matter of some of these representations have been considered by the Beatty Commission. They are sub-judice. Your committee does not, therefore, see fit to make any recommendations thereto."

Mr. POULIOT: That is all right. It is all right for you to read it, but I do not ask you to answer it. The answer should come from the Civil Service Commission.

The CHAIRMAN: No, pardon me. At the moment this committee is discussing the question as to what we will or will not ask Mr. Bland to supply to this committee, and, as a member of this committee, I, the same as any other member, have a perfect right to discuss what we are going to ask Mr. Bland to supply. I am opposed to your suggestion of asking anybody to answer something which he is not in a position to answer. The committee made no recommendation, therefore there is nothing that Mr. Bland or anybody else could do about it.

Mr. POULIOT: Well, Mr. Chairman, I do not want to take such a high tone, but I am here to get the information, and if Mr. Bland has some information to give let him give it, and if he has none he will say "we have no information about it."

Mr. CHEVRIER: That is the best way.

Mr. POULIOT: I often receive this answer in the House. I do not know why Mr. Bland could not give information to us if he has something to say to the committee, and if he has nothing to say he will say, "I have nothing to say". The chairman said that we are all on the same level. I am glad, and I do not wish to be disagreeable to anybody here. I am here to do my duty and get all the information you have from the Commission along this line. I do not wish to insist upon it, but my language is firm and definite.

Mr. CHEVRIER: I move that we ask for information from 11 to 26 inclusive.