

Q. Yes.—A. Some of them, of course I don't know them all.

Q. Were there any good horses there at all?—A. I think so, quite a number.

Q. Have you any idea what proportion there were?—A. Good ones or bad ones?

Q. Yes.—A. I didn't judge them.

Q. I mean of the horses that were purchased by the Government.—A. Oh, the ones that were purchased by the Government?

Q. Yes.—A. What do you mean by good horses or poor ones? There is quite a difference.

Q. There was a certain number of horses purchased for the Government.—A. Yes, sir.

Q. Were there any horses purchased that day that you considered were suitable for the work they were being purchased for?—A. Certainly.

Q. You did?—A. I would suppose there were.

Q. Could you give us any idea what proportion there would be?—A. I don't think I could.

Q. You could not?—A. No. That is as far as the exact proportion—whether it would be a quarter or a half. I consider that the majority of horses that were sold there were of an inferior class.

Q. What do you mean by an inferior class?—A. I would call horses of an inferior class that were not worth we will say from \$150 to \$200.

Q. Well, take these horses of Hutchison's, is that the name?—A. I never saw them.

Mr. CARVELL: That is at another place.

By Hon. Mr. Reid:

Q. The evidence goes to show that there were between 30 and 40 horses purchased at Berwick. Do I understand you to say there were 60?—A. I think there were more, but I understood there were 60.

Q. Who told you?—A. I understood it from Mr. McKay. I asked him: "How many were there bought to-day?"

Q. And Mr. McKay told you?—A. He was busy writing and I said, "How many horses have you bought on the ground to-day?" I would not be certain, but he told me, if I understood him right, "60 or over." Maybe he meant all the horses he had bought up the line until he came there.

Q. Doctor Chipman swore this morning there were 30 or 40.—A. Yes, I heard his evidence.

Q. Some gentleman here states that 38 were all that were purchased at Berwick. Did you see the 38 or 40 horses that were purchased?—A. Not all of them, I don't suppose. I saw the men leading them out and down to the shed, where they were taken and put in. I did not count them but I saw them when they were passing.

Q. You did not know that they were sold?—A. Certainly, when they were there and the harness pulled off them, and the men started to put them into the shed, they certainly were sold.

Q. Did you yourself personally see 38 horses sold?—A. I did not count them. I simply sat there and saw them examined.

Q. About how many did you see?—A. About how many?

Q. Yes.—A. I would not be sure, sir, how many I saw. I got there when they were buying, and I sat there in my carriage until the last was bought.

Q. Did you see 30 purchased?—A. Did I see 30?

Q. Yes, that you knew were purchased by the Government?—A. I would not swear I did.

Q. Will you swear you saw 20?—A. Yes, I would be prepared to swear I saw more than 20 led out, but I did not count them.

Q. I don't mean led out. Out of these 38 horses that you saw personally, how many were sold to the Government?—A. I can tell you what I heard them say here.

Mr. S. SELFRIDGE.