

## APPENDIX No. 6

HOUSE OF COMMONS ROOM No. 32,

FRIDAY, February 18th, 1910.

The committee met at three-thirty o'clock p.m., the Chairman, Mr. Miller, presiding.

Dr. ROUTLEDGE called, sworn and examined.

*By Mr. Beaton:*

Q. You live in the county of Middlesex?—A. I do.

Q. You are a practising physician?—A. I am.

Q. And you have always taken considerable interest in horses?—A. I have.

Q. Principally the standard bred?—A. Principally the standard bred.

Q. Do you know much about the running horse?—A. Well not a great deal. I know a little about the racing of the thoroughbred but I have had some little experience along breeding lines.

Q. Of thoroughbreds?—A. Some little experience, not very much. I do not profess to be an expert on thoroughbreds.

Q. How long does your experience of the standard bred extend?—A. Well I have been dealing more or less for the last thirty-three or thirty-four years.

Q. Buying and selling horses?—A. Buying and selling.

Q. And breeding to some extent?—A. Some, not very much.

Q. Developing and racing?—A. Developing and racing occasionally.

Q. I understand that you have also done some judging?—A. What do you mean?

Q. Some judging at race meets?—A. Yes, sir.

Q. And at county fairs?—A. Yes, sir.

Q. And at horse shows?—A. Yes, sir.

Q. In the United States as well as Canada?—A. Yes, sir, all the way from—

Q. Briefly what has been your experience in the matter of judging, just state it concisely?—A. Do you mean with regard to horse racing or fairs?

Q. Just briefly state your experience in judging all around; how far has it extended?—A. Well, I do not know that I just understand your question.

Q. How much have you been engaged throughout the States for instance in horse shows and race meets?—A. Well I have judged, you might say, all the way from Philadelphia to Winnipeg in different cities, not in all, and in a great many in Western Ontario, at Toronto Exhibition, some at London, St. Thomas, Exeter, two or three times at Philadelphia, at Winnipeg, at Woodstock, at Stratford, Galt, Brantford and many other places that I cannot just bring to memory.

Q. Many other places in Ontario?—A. Many other places in Ontario.

Q. Your judging has been principally with the standard bred, I suppose?—A. Principally with the standard bred. I have judged some on the harness horses, but I was generally called to handle the standard bred.

Q. In Ontario, I believe, you are considered as somewhat as an authority on the standard bred horse?—A. Well, that would be for somebody else probably to say.

Q. I think it is a fair assumption.

Mr. RANEY.—We will take it for granted.

Q. Have you any idea, Dr. Routledge, how many race meets there would be through the province of Ontario every year—trotting?—A. Well, it is probably any-