

The CHAIRMAN: Any further questions of the witness? Is it the wish of the Committee to discharge the witness? Very well, Mr. Coldwell, you are discharged.

Witness discharged.

The CHAIRMAN: I have a letter here from M. Owen Culshaw, on behalf of the Salvation Army, who was a witness here a few days ago, which reads as follows:—

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*Re Mr. Spotton's Question on Medical and Civil Examination  
 in Great Britain*

DEAR SIR,—As desired by the Chairman of the Committee, I beg to send herewith the correspondence which has now reached me in regard to Flora MacDowall. I have already written you in regard to the mistake I made in giving the girl's weight as 150 pounds instead of fifteen stone, but I wish to make it quite clear that was not the point I was endeavouring to make when giving the illustration of Flora MacDowall to the Committee. It will be recalled that the point at issue was that this girl had passed the medical test and her card issued. She was only stopped coming to Canada by the fact that she was denied the Reduced Passage. *If she had been in a position to pay her ordinary passage she could have gone to any Steamship Agent, booked her passage and come to Canada.*

It will be seen, from the Medical Identity Card sent herewith, that Miss MacDowall passed by the doctor on the 17th February, but it was not until the 6th March the girl was told she was certified under Section 3 subsection "C", ample time for her to have sailed for Canada if she had been in a financial position to do so.

My attention has been called to the statement made in the *Toronto Star* of Saturday, to the effect that the girl was certified three "C" owing to marked obesity and stunted height, and because of her obesity is decidedly unemployable. If this is the reason then (1) according to the **regulations governing the issue of Medical Cards**, the doctor should have retained the card and not give it back to the girl, and (2) if the girl is decidedly unemployable why is she approved by the Director (see endorsement on back of Certificate) to come to Canada as a full paying passenger.

I leave the members of the Committee to judge if my statement is a "gross misrepresentation of the facts", as stated in the *Toronto Star* referred to. In view of all that has transpired in this particular case I should be obliged if this letter could be included with my statement.

I am, sir,

Yours faithfully,

M. OWEN CULSHAW.

*Staff Captain.*

P.S.—It would be esteemed if the correspondence could be returned after the Committee have finished with the same.