

Atlantic?—A. I think that the wheat that is grown in the northern section we may regard as having a lower protein content than that grown in the south, and when we have very bad crops in the southern part of the provinces and a good crop in the northern part of the provinces, naturally the protein content on the average would be less at Vancouver; and it would be less at Fort William too than in years when it was grown generally all over the country, no matter what variety it is.

Q. That is right. Now, Dr. Newman said that there were cargoes going from the Atlantic with 60 per cent Garnet, and Mr. Hamilton indicated that there was some creeping into the Atlantic shipments. It has been going on all the time since 1928. It was easier to make a complaint against Vancouver, the charge being chargeable to northern grown wheat, say, from the Peace River country, which is a wonderful grain country. Now, that northern country is being peopled by farmers who have been driven out of the south by drought, grasshoppers and what not and they are flocking up to grow Garnet wheat in the north—or whatever wheat is best in that country. We follow them up and say that they cannot put their wheat into Manitoba grades. That is the proposal. You can make a separate grade. If that could be carried out in a practical way I suppose that would be the solution, but with regard to separate grading in the past it has meant the death of that variety. Manitoba wheat has got such a good reputation that anything that is not Manitoba wheat is unfavourably considered, although there is little wheat grown in Manitoba today compared with what is grown in Saskatchewan and Alberta; but Manitoba wheat as such has got such a good reputation that if you call a type of wheat anything else it is not well favoured on the market. We might as well face this fact that when you put Garnet wheat into a separate grade it is as good as a gone goose. Now, with so many farmers growing Garnet wheat we have to study their side of it also. Have we or you, Mr. Smith, interest in the producer of that wheat?—A. In the grain trade in Winnipeg whom I represent here in an informal way before this committee, I know opinion is divided. The grain trade in Winnipeg is entirely interested in the welfare of the producer in that they depend upon producers as their customers. Opinion is divided. I think there are some who believe that Garnet wheat should be separately graded for the reason that they think if Garnet wheat is as good as the preponderance of Garnet wheat supporters believe and it is put into a number 1 and number 2 Garnet, its price and its value and its demand would naturally be shown by separately grading Garnet. Those who believe in that say it would bring out the true facts of the case. It would show that Garnet is worth more or less than the others according to what the markets of the world demanded.

Q. What would be the natural effect for the first year or two while Garnet was getting to be known?—A. It would be difficult to say what the price would be. That is one thing we have been puzzled about. We would have to find out how it would find acceptance in the import market.

Q. What is the natural result of an unknown commodity going on to a market?—A. Of course, once the grades are established it will not be an unknown quantity.

Q. It will until it gets onto the rolls. If you have a new grade of 1 Garnet or 2 Garnet, whatever it is—you said yourself that it was unknown on the continent—will not that be what it will be still if you christen it 1 Garnet?—A. What I think will happen is this. I am speaking of the argument of those who believe it should be graded separately, and what they think would happen. When 1 and 2 Garnet are graded separately—people know Garnet wheat, generally speaking, in the Old Country; they know what it is; and those fellows on the continent, although they never mention it to us, they must know something about it—I think what would happen first is that standard samples would be sent over, as I understand they always are, and people would know about