

horrible record this Manpower has right here. You can go to Fredericton and you can see black clerks in Fredericton. I don't know why it is impossible to do it here. They have not made any effort as far as I am concerned.

The Chairman: Who has not made any effort?

Mr. Drummond: The Manpower people.

The Chairman: Why would they make it in Fredericton, and not here?

Mr. Drummond: I can't answer that, sir. Perhaps my colleague, my brother Fred Hodges could answer that.

Mr. Fred Hodges: I don't stand for Manpower.

Senator Quart: Mr. Drummond, you mentioned that a number of coloured folks leave for lack of opportunity here. Do you hear from them that they are being better treated in the other parts of Canada to which they go?

Mr. Drummond: Well, far away fields always look greener. Even though there is the same discrimination, as far as I am concerned, that exists in Montreal and Toronto, at least you can get paid a little bit better for undergoing it. The dollar bill always helps. I have even met some in Atlanta when I was down there in the spring, two blacks from New Brunswick in of all the unlikely places—Atlanta, Georgia. They were there.

Senator Quart: The discrimination is dreadful. Do many of the coloured folks return here after they have been to greener pastures?

Mr. Drummond: Some return for visits and some don't return at all. Some come back having been unable to cope with the larger city life, the environment, and various things.

Senator Quart: I was very, very interested in what you said regarding the money that you give for scholarships. I don't know how you get it. How do you succeed in raising money? Is it through your own group?

Mr. Drummond: We have angels and also some of our own black people who do have a few cents and they all chip in and try and do it. Some people say the money comes from a communist source. I fail to see any coming from Russia, although I would accept it.

Senator Quart: You would accept communist angels?

Mr. Drummond: Yes.

Senator Quart: I think it is very regrettable that things are as they are.

Senator McGrand: Going back to the question of migration that Senator Hastings asked you about. He wanted to know if the migration rate among blacks was greater than the migration rate among whites. You gave the impression it was the same. If the black population of Saint John was 4,500 people some 50 years ago and is down now to 1,000, then the migration rate among blacks must have been higher than among whites.

Mr. Drummond: I realize I did give him that impression. Thank you, senator. It has been greater than whites.

We used to have a saying here in the black community of Saint John, and I think you almost used it yesterday. Every time over in Digby the boat blew all the people came on the underground railway and stayed here six months and when they heard the train blow that was the other part of the underground railway and they went to greener pastures and it was always full. In the days of the old Boston boat, that is when you really saw migration. The black people from here are going every day.

Senator McGrand: You were asked why they go to the larger cities. Of course, the larger the city the greater the turnover of opportunities and jobs, and naturally anybody who comes from here will perhaps do better in a large city. On the other hand, in Toronto and places like that we heard about so many people from the Maritimes, and that meant mostly the white people, who went to Toronto or to Montreal and they ended up on welfare. In no case was a black person mentioned as having gone on welfare.

In Montreal I asked the question as to the number who were on relief in Montreal and I asked "What about the Caribbean population?" I had heard there were people from the Caribbean there. The man who spoke said they only had one or two on relief. The impression I got from it was the black community in Montreal or in Toronto makes an effort to look after its people and not let them go on relief.

Mr. Drummond: This is what we call a soul concept, although I would have to disagree with part because there are a couple on welfare of our community who live in Toronto, but very small. I think it is very small in