

*By Mr. Griesbach:*

Q. What do you mean by without advertising?—A. They do not advertise in the papers for the applicants.

Q. How do they advertise?—A. They do not advertise at all.

*By Hon. Mr. Calder:*

Q. Then how do they get the man?—A. Through the inspector.

Q. Take my own district. There is a place I have in mind 35 miles from a railway. Suppose the country postmaster there dies. How would they get a man out there?—A. It must be taken through the Commission.

Q. Does the inspector go out?—A. He may correspond.

Q. With whom?—A. With the residents around.

Q. How does he know with whom to correspond?—A. He does not know especially, except that probably he ascertains from the member or some person acquainted with the constituency.

Q. No inspector has ever written to me in my district.

Mr. CURRIE: I never had any communications.

*By Hon. Mr. Calder:*

Q. How can he start in unless he goes right over the ground and sees the people?—A. He does not go in regard to the larger offices, it is the smaller offices.

Q. Let us stick to that case. Here is a place 35 miles from a railway, and you say he doesn't go out there.—A. It would depend on the circumstances.

Q. It is a small country office.—A. I believe he would have to use his judgment.

Q. And using his judgment, what would he do?—A. He would appoint a man, he would recommend a man.

Q. How would he find out the man?—A. By correspondence largely.

Q. With local people?—A. With local people.

Q. How in the world would he get their names?—A. The inspector knows his county pretty well.

Q. I doubt it very much. The inspector is located at Moose Jaw and this post office is 100 miles from Moose Jaw. It is just a small country post office.—A. He would not know anything about it.

Q. He would not know a single soul there. It is away out, 20 miles from the railway near the international boundary.—A. I should think he would have to confer with the member.

Q. I would not let him confer with me, because the Act says that he shall not confer with me, because if he approached me, I would say, "I have nothing to do with it, go and find your man." But how is he to find his man?—A. I am not exactly certain.

Mr. GRIESBACH: The witness cannot know; he does not know.

Mr. CHARTERS: He goes to the clergyman in some instances, and the clergyman gives him advice, or he goes to the doctor, and the doctor gives him advice, or he goes to the blacksmith.

Mr. GRIESBACH: The livery stable-man is very important.

Hon. Mr. CALDER: He does not go there at all. He finds out the names of some people, and writes to those people.

*By Hon. Mr. Calder:*

Q. I would like to know what class he writes to, how he gets their names and how he knows whether they are the right kind of people to correspond with, whether they are the right kind of people in the district?