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prices and a host of other ills, such as secret commissions, rebates, etc, that grow around a monopoly.

ULTRA VIRES

I have but one more submission to make, - namely, that these proposed amendments, although originating in the Department of Marine, and as amendments to the Shipping Act, are really an attempt to regulate trade and commerce in one particular commodity, and I suggest that the explanatory notes raise a strong inference that only Canadian shipping interests have been considered in these proposed amendments and that no consideration has been given to the effect that they will have on the Canadian grain grower and exporter. And I submit that under the disguise of amendments to the Canadian Shipping Act there is an attempt being made to interfere with contractual rights; that there is no general Governmental policy behind these amendments, but the sole object is to give to one interest, namely the shipping interests, an advantage over and at the expense of the grain grower and exporter, and that these amendments are not in substance amendments to the Shipping Act but is an attempt to dictate to the individual where and how he will make his contract for the export of his grain, and it is my submission that these amendments are ultra vires.

Superficially the proposed legislation has the appearance of being legislation affecting "shipping and navigation" or "lines of steamships", or even "regulation

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