

The CHAIRMAN: Is there anything further from Mr. Edwards?

Mr. McMILLAN: I think Mr. Edwards has given us a very good statement respecting the jurisdiction of the Federal authorities.

*By Mr. Neill:*

Q. Would it be quite in order for the Dominion authorities in proposing what you say would have to be practically a grant to the provinces, to go so far as to advance the funds; that is, we would not just have to stand back and say to the provinces, "Now you start an unemployment system of your own, and we will help;" we would be able to prescribe the terms on which we would give that grant?—A. Absolutely so, yes.

Q. As we did in the Old Age Pensions?—A. Yes.

The CHAIRMAN: It would be a matter, perhaps, in which co-operation between the Dominion and the provinces could very well take place.

Mr. NEILL: It would be an optional matter.

WITNESS: The Dominion might pass an Act to the effect that a grant would be made upon and subject to certain conditions.

Mr. NEILL: Yes, that is what I wanted.

Witness retired.

Mr. HEAPS: Is it not advisable, Mr. Chairman, that the Committee get down to considering a report? That suggestion was made last meeting that meanwhile we could begin considering the report.

The CHAIRMAN: Yes, that was a suggestion. We could begin considering the report, and also have this other man here next Tuesday, and we could then have his evidence incorporated into the reports. Is that the wish of the Committee?

Carried.

The Committee adjourned until Tuesday, May 15th, 1928.