

offered by the Russian government much more than he was being paid here, but that he had refused to go. I am informed by Doctor Archibald that he never received any offer from the Russian government. He made many statements like that, and that is why I said that I did not believe the hon. member was making misrepresentations, and that I was making full allowance, in all sincerity for his illness, his age and his—

Mr. MOTHERWELL: You can cut that out, or you will get more than you are bargaining for and we won't prorogue at all to-night. Those are downright stupid statements. Having regard to the hon. member's inherent stupidity in—

Some hon. MEMBERS: Order, order.

Mr STEVENS: Oh, put a little grace into it.

Mr. BENNETT: He is talking about stupidity; let him prove it.

The CHAIRMAN (Mr. Smith, Cumberland): I would ask the hon. member to refrain from those expressions.

Mr MOTHERWELL: To read from page 2159 of Hansard:

He may use it to produce any commodity he wishes—

Speaking about what could be done with milk.

—or any form which he can derive the greatest amount of money. I wonder if the minister had the data concerning the number of pounds of milk produced. If he has not, I may tell him that I have the figures before me.

That is to be found at page 2159 of Hansard.

Mr. WEIR (Melfort): No question is asked there.

Mr. MOTHERWELL: Let us see what the committee understood. At page 2160 I find the following:

Mr. McIntosh: Let us have the correct figures.

Mr. McIntosh made that statement when hon. members had jumped on my figures like a meat axe, trying to make out that they were wrong. Mr. McIntosh said, "Let us have the correct figures." Then Mr. Casgrain, about a couple of inches further on in Hansard said:

We ought to have a statement from the minister so that we may find out whether the figures placed on record by the hon. member from Melville are correct.

Now, isn't that asking for something? Was not the minister asked at that page by the hon. member for Charlevoix-Saguenay

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and by the hon. member for North Battleford to put the correct figures on Hansard if my figures were not correct? That was the whole issue for the two days, and now he is trying to get out of it. Is not what I read on that page of Hansard?

Mr. WEIR (Melfort): What my hon. friend read about his own statement does not contain a question.

Mr. MOTHERWELL: But did not the others ask the question? The hon. member for Charlevoix-Saguenay said:

We ought to have a statement from the minister so that we may find out whether the figures placed on record by the hon. member for Melville are correct.

That is on the next page, and now the minister is trying to squirm out of it. Is that statement on that page, or is it not? I think the hon. gentleman was in a trance all the way through, so we will let it go at that.

Mr. VALLANCE: I was rather surprised to hear the Minister of Agriculture state that on a previous occasion the opposition took up one hundred pages of Hansard in connection with his estimates. He must expect that.

Mr. WEIR (Melfort): Did I say the opposition took up one hundred pages of Hansard?

Mr. VALLANCE: The minister said the house took up one hundred pages of Hansard.

Mr. BENNETT: The opposition took up most of it.

Mr. VALLANCE: You can talk when I get through. It is obvious why that was done. As I pointed out in the very beginning, the minister announced so many different policies that what we wanted to know, and what we want to know now, is what is his policy. The reason I rose on Saturday night was because I was interested in live stock and I wanted to know his policy in that regard. I have in my hand a pamphlet having to do with the bull-loaning policy, and I should like the minister to tell us just what that policy is. On the bottom of the pamphlet is printed "By the direction of Hon. Robert Weir," not the late minister but the present Minister of Agriculture. I think it is only fair to the minister that he should have a chance to tell us just how he arrived at that new policy, and all about it. Another item was passed having to do with assistance to fairs and exhibitions, including the royal agricultural winter fair. Most of us are interested in fairs, and I think the minister should have the opportunity of telling us just what is his policy with regard