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This historic book may have numerous typos and missing text. Purchasers can usually download a free scanned copy of the original book (without typos) from the publisher. Not indexed. Not illustrated. 1922 edition. Excerpt: ...in orders of 5,000 ears of material, due to high freight rates and the use of local materials. These illustrations of loss of business to producers and the railroads due to high freight rates indicate that present rates are restricting and curtailing the production of established plants as well as the movement by railroad. Irrespective of the fact that the Commission has, in numerous cases, ruled that one of the tests of the reasonableness of a rate and the maximum level which should be applied, is a level which represents what the service is worth to the producer or the consuming public, the Examiner in this report apparently tries to sidestep this issue when he says, The reasonableness of the rates in issue, however, can not be gauged by the ability of complainants to compete successfully under them with local producers. Why entirely overlook the immense loss of tonnage and revenue on the one side, where we find the following phrases in Examiner Hosmer's tentative report dismissing the National Association's Central States complaint. The examiner refers to the National's presentation, the phrases seem to imply PERHAPS and MAYBE. On the other side, where the examiner refers to the railroads' defense, the phrases seem to imply, IT IS SO! dues to the railroads caused by the use of local materials? The Commission under Section 15a of the Act to regulate Commerce, is admonished to fix a certain rate of return for the railroads and to so adjust rates as to allow this return. If the level of rates are so high as to cause a loss of tonnage and revenues to the railroads, which fact has been established in this case, are they not failing in their duty under the law in permitting the higher level to remain in...

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