QUESTIONS.

(Questions answered orally are indicated by an asterisk.)

INTERCOLONIAL RAILWAY EMPLOYEES' PROVIDENT FUND.

*Mr. EMMERSON:

1. What was the amount to the credit of the Intercolonial and Prince Edward Island Railways Employees' Provident Fund under the Intercolonial and Prince Edward Island Railways Employees' Provident Fund Act on the 1st day of October, A.D. 1911, and what proportion of said balance has been contributed by the Intercolonial railway and the Prince Edward Island railway, and the employees of the said railways respectively?

2. What was the amount to the credit of the said fund on the 1st day of October, A.D. 1912, and what was the amount paid into said fund during the period between October 1, A.D. 1911, and October, A.D. 1912, the last date excluded and the first included, and what proportionate amounts of said payments during said period of twelve months had been contributed by the said railways respectively, what proportionate amounts were contributed by the employees of said ralways respectively, and what was the amount paid out of said fund during said twelve months?

3. What was the amount to the credit of the said fund on the 1st day of October, A.D. 1913, and what was the amount paid into said fund during the period between October 1, A.D. 1912, and October 1, A.D. 1913, the last named date excluded and the first date included, and what were the proportionate amounts contributed during said period of twelve months, by the said railways respectively and by the employees of said respective railways, and what amount was paid out of said fund during said last named period?

4. What was the amount to the credit of the said fund on the 1st day of January, A.D. 1914, and what was the amount paid into said fund between the 1st day of October, A.D. 1913, inclusive, and the 1st day of January, A.D. 1914, exclusive, in what proportionate amounts were the contributions made by the said railways and the employees thereof respectively during said last mentioned period, and what amount was paid out of said fund under the provisions of said Act during said last named period?

5. Have any retirements been made under the provisions of said Act since the 31st day of December, A.D. 1913, or arranged for to take effect in the near future? If so, who were the employees so retired or arranged to be retired under the provisions of said Act, what were the positions held by them respectively, where were they respectively employed, and where did they reside respectively, and if any such retirements were so made or arranged for, what would be the amount of the burden entailed on said fund by such retirements so made or arranged for, if any?

6. Have any retirements been made or arranged for under the provisions of the said Provident Fund Act since January 1, A.D. 1913, to the present date without application from the parties so retired, or whose retirement has been arranged for? If so, what are the names and addresses of the employees requested, if any, to apply for their retirement under the

said Act, and without their voluntarily applying to be retired under said Act?

Mr. COCHRANE:

1. (a) The amount to the credit of the Intercolonial and Prince Edward Island Railways Employees' Provident Fund, under the Intercolonial and Prince Edward Island Railways Employees' Provident Fund Act on the 1st day of October, A.D. 1911, was \$286,008.11.

(b) Of this amount \$131,801.49 was contributed by the Intercolonial and Prince Edward Island railways; \$131,801.49 by the employees of the said railways, and \$22,-405.13 was for interest and refunds.

2. (a) The amount to the credit of the Intercolonial and Prince Edward Island Railways Employees' Provident Fund on the 1st day of October, A.D. 1912, was \$322,-894.46.

(b) The amount paid into the said fund during the period between October, A.D. 1911, and September 30, A.D. 1912, was \$174,770.35. Of this amount \$82,612.45 was contributed by the Intercolonial and Prince Edward Island railways; \$82,612.45 by the employees of the said railways, and \$9,545.45 was for interest and refunds. Of the above total \$78,091.30 was contributed by the Intercolonial railway and \$4,521.15 was contributed by the employees of the Prince Edward Island railway.

(c) The amount paid out of said fund during the said 12 months was \$137,884.

3. (a) The amount to the credit of the Intercolonial and Prince Edward Island Railways Employees' Provident Fund on the 1st day of October, A.D. 1913, was \$364.068.16.

(b) The amount paid into the said fund during the period between October 1, A.D. 1912, and September 30, A.D. 1913, was \$196,-698. Of this amount \$87,956.77 was contributed by the Intercolonial railway, \$4,840.70 was contributed by the Prince Edward Island railway, \$87,956.77 was contributed by the employees of the Intercolonial railway, \$4,840.70 was contributed by the employees of the Prince Edward Island railway, and \$11,103.06 was for interest and refunds.

(c) The amount paid out of the said fund during the above period was \$155,524.30.

4. (a) The amount to the credit of the Intercolonial and Prince Edward Island Railways Employees' Provident Fund on the 1st day of January, A.D. 1914, was \$371,581.97.

(b) The amount paid into the said fund between the 1st day of October, A.D. 1913, and the 31st day of December, A.D. 1913,