

in the various provinces, but I will say that while certain provinces may not have expended the money in accordance with the wishes of some people, I have no doubt whatever that this money must eventually benefit, and has already benefited, agriculture.

Mr. BELAND: Is the sum of \$20,000 given to each province without any condition imposed?

Mr. BURRELL: The money will have to be expended of course in accordance with the provisions of clause 5. While the province of Ontario and the province of Quebec may in a sense suffer some diminution under the general grant by reason of their comparatively large population, yet I think every member of the House agrees that it is desirable to give this additional help to the smaller provinces.

Mr. BELAND: I see the point there.

Mr. KYTE: In a province where there is no veterinary college, for example in Nova Scotia, what disposition will be made of the money appropriated for veterinary education?

Mr. BURRELL: In that case the province would get nothing so far as that \$20,000 goes. The design of this grant is to help these institutions from which we are drawing our officers who have charge of the health of animals throughout the Dominion.

Mr. CLARK: Has there been any communication with any of the governments with a view to this agreement that has been spoken of?

Mr. BURRELL: Such discussions as have taken place between the governments and our own representatives or myself have been of a very informal character, because we could not proceed very much before the Bill was through the House.

Mr. OLIVER: I desire to move to strike out section 5. This section is the one which provides for the adjustment between the Governor in Council and the governments of the provinces for the expenditure of this money. It was because of section 5 that I asked for the amendment of section 3. Now that the amendment of section 3 which would bring the consideration of any arrangements that were made or proposed between the Government of the Dominion and of the provinces under the review of Parliament has been negatived, I am desirous of following the principle to its logical conclusion and moving to strike out section 5, inasmuch as it provides for control by the Governor in Council, which is not subject to the control of Parliament.

Amendment negatived.

Mr. BURRELL.

On section 6—officers and salaries:

Mr. NESBITT: Do I understand that this expenditure would require a special vote? What is the use of this?

Mr. BURRELL: That will be a special vote put in the estimates, and my hon. friend will have an opportunity to discuss it.

Mr. KYTE: Does the minister say that the officers he intends to appoint for the expenditure of this will be separate and apart from the Department of Agriculture officers?

Mr. BURRELL: This was designed for the purpose of giving us power to appoint such officers as are necessary to the administration of this law. For, as the hon. gentleman knows, it is a comprehensive Act, requiring very careful consideration, and also, as the hon. member for Edmonton says, a reasonable control, and it may be necessary, in exercising that reasonable control, to have some assistance which will be provided for out of the special vote and accounted for to Parliament. That amount will go in the estimates.

Mr. BUREAU: These officers are spoken of here as making inspection and report. Is it the intention to have these inspectors go around the various provinces and examine into conditions, the money to be spent on the report of such inspection? Or is the minister to have the inspectors go round after the money has been expended to see that it has been expended as agreed upon? What will be the duties of these inspectors?

Mr. BURRELL: The whole thing is largely in the experimental stage. (We may find it necessary to appoint officers to go round and do the first thing the hon. gentleman has spoken of, and also to have them do the second, that is to see that the work is properly done to satisfy Parliament, and lay information before Parliament. It was simply to provide powers, and I can assure hon. members that there will be full explanation of any money expended, and Parliament will not lack any detail, as to this expenditure, and the fullest criticism will be invited.

Mr. BUREAU: I understand that these officers will be technical men.

Mr. BURRELL: To some extent. At the same time, we would want some clerical assistance also. If we are going to lay these reports before Parliament, that will involve very considerable work.

Mr. McKENZIE: Does the minister propose to enlarge the departmental staff and the inside service by these appointments?

Mr. BURRELL: No, that is not our idea in this Bill.