

Mr. ROGERS:

1. (a) Yes; (b) general foreman for the county of Bonaventure; (c) \$100 per month.
2. (a) In May, 1912; (b) Mr. J. A. Mousseau.
3. Temporary.

WORKS OVERSEER IN BONAVENTURE.

Mr. MARCIL:

1. Has the Department of Public Works a general overseer, superintendent or foreman of works in Bonaventure county?
2. If so, what is his name, residence, salary and duties, and on whose recommendation was the appointment made and when?
3. If the department has not now such an official, did it have one within the last two years? If so, who was he and on whose recommendation was he appointed?
4. If the service of such an official has been dispensed with, what was the reason therefor, and on whose recommendation was the change made?

Mr. ROGERS:

1. Yes.
2. (a) Maurice LeBlanc; (b) Rivière Bonaventure; (c) 100 per month; (d) to superintend works under construction and to instruct other foremen; (e) Mr. J. A. Mousseau; (f) in May, 1912.
- 3 and 4. Answered as above.

FLORENCEVILLE-UPPER WICKLOW MAIL SERVICE.

Mr. CARVELL:

1. Who is the present contractor for rural mail service from Florenceville, N.B., to Upper Wicklow, Summerfield, and return?
2. What is the amount of the contract?
3. Has the department decided to divide this service into two contracts?
4. If so, what will be the cost of the service when divided?
5. Who has the contract for that portion of the service starting from Bath, N.B.?
6. What is the amount of his tender?
7. What is the amount of the contract entered into with him?

Mr. PELLETIER: This service was superseded on March 1, 1913, by two rural mail routes. (a) Bath Rural Route No. 1, under contract with J. Drost at \$332.80 per annum. (b) Florenceville Rural Mail Route No. 1, under contract with J. D. Oliver at \$300 per annum. Both contracts were awarded after public tenders had been invited.

ST. ANDREWS-BAYSIDE MAIL SERVICE.

Mr. CARVELL:

1. Were tenders called for the mail service between St. Andrews and Bayside, N.B.? If so, when?
2. Who were the tenders and the amount of each such tender?
3. Were any of the tenderers asked to reduce their offers?
4. Did any of such tenderers reduce their former offers? If so, to what amount?
5. To whom was the contract awarded and at what amount?

Mr. MARCIL:

Mr. PELLETIER: This contract not having yet been awarded it is thought advisable to give this information a little later on.

BATH MAIL SERVICE.

Mr. CARVELL:

1. Who has the contract for carrying the mail from the railway station to the post office at Bath, N.B., and return?
2. How many trips does he make daily?
3. Was the service put up to public tender?
4. What amount is paid annually for the service?

Mr. PELLETIER:

1. Ezekiel Secord.
2. Two.
3. No. The contract was arranged, the amount being under \$200 per annum.
4. \$100 per annum.

GRONDINES TELEPHONE OPERATOR.

Mr. DELISLE:

1. Is the Government aware that, as alleged, it is not J. O. Paradis, but Telesphore Paradis, who does the duty as operator of the Maritime telephone in the parish of Grondines?
2. Is the Government aware that it is one M. Paradis, of Rawdon, who performed the duty for two months at the same telephone?
3. Does the Government know that Laurent Paradis, who performed this duty last year, was only fifteen years of age?

Mr. HAZEN:

1. The Department of Marine and Fisheries, on inquiry, learns that, while Joseph Odilon Paradis was the person who was appointed operator, the duties of the office have been performed by his brother, Joseph Octave Telesphore Paradis. The latter is reported as being one of the best operators in the service, and steps will be taken at once to appoint him if Joseph Odilon Paradis will not attend personally to the work.
2. The day operator, Mr. J. O. T. Paradis, was replaced by his nephew, Mr. W. Paradis, from 1st November to 15th December, 1912. He obtained leave of absence from the superintendent of the signal service on account of illness. Mr. W. Paradis performed his duties very satisfactorily.
3. It was known that Laurent Paradis was about seventeen years of age. He was only employed temporarily, and is not now in the service.

RIGAUD ARSENAL REPAIRS.

Mr. BOYER:

1. To whom has been granted the present contract for repairing the arsenal at Rigaud?
2. What is the amount of this contract?
3. Were requests for tenders made in the newspapers?
4. If so, what are the papers?
5. How many persons tendered, and for what amount each?
6. What is the date of the report of the engineer recommending the works in progress?