

SUPPLY—FINANCE—CIVIL GOVERNMENT—
Con.

ister at the rate of \$3,600 per annum from Nov. 1, 1906, notwithstanding anything in the Civil Service Act, \$1,500; further amount required for contingencies, \$1,200, \$2,700—7452.

Borden, R. L. (Carleton, Ont.)—7454.

\$25,000 is not unusual for a manager of a large bank in Canada to-day—7454.

Fielding, Hon. W. S. (Minister of Finance)—7452.

I am proposing to make an appointment as deputy minister at a less salary than I am entitled to allow under the law, and to strengthen the department by bringing in an outside gentleman as assistant deputy minister—7452. There is really no increase in expenditure, and it is a strengthening of the staff—7453. With regard to these high class officials our salaries are not as liberal as they should be; this may be remedied in the future. This plan will, I am sure, prove satisfactory—7454.

Fowler, G. W. (King's and Albert)—7453.

It is of great importance that the Deputy Minister of Finance should be one of the very best financial men in the country, and to reduce the salary from \$5,000 to \$4,000 would not produce that result—7453.

Sproule, T. S. (East Grey)—7454.

It would be necessary that the deputy should be a man familiar with the work of the department or there might be interminable trouble—7454.

Wilson, U. (Lennox)—7455.

What advantage is there in calling this new officer 'assistant deputy'?—745.

SUPPLY—FINANCE—CHARGES OF MANAGE-
MENT.

Charges of management, \$218,937.50—7451.

Fielding, Hon. W. S. (Minister of Finance)—7451.

These are the usual items of the vote on the basis substantially of the appropriation for the past year. We are asking \$218,937.50, a little less than three-fourths, but it is fair to add that in connection with Dominion notes there will have to be a supplementary estimate later in the year—7451-2.

Fowler, G. W. (King's and Albert)—7451.

Why is there such a difference in the cities?—7451.

Charges of management—Assistant Receiver General's office. Charlottetown—further amount required, \$300; additional amount required for printing Dominion notes, \$30,000; additional amount required in connection with the issue and redemption of Dominion notes, \$2,000—7451.

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MENT—Con.

Borden, R. L. (Carleton, Ont.)—7451.

If these services are usual and customary, why do you put them in the main estimates?—7451.

Fielding, Hon. W. S. (Minister of Finance)—7451.

The first item represents a few small increases in the salaries of officials for whom a sufficient provision has not been made. The second item is the usual supplementary vote for the printing of Dominion notes. The third item is for the employment of the young ladies who countersign the notes—7451.

SUPPLY—FINANCE—ROYAL COMMISSION ON
INSURANCE.

Amount required to provide for expenses, \$20,000—305.

Borden, R. L. (Carleton, Ont.)—306.

Extremely desirable that some authority should define rights which counsel for any provincial government should have before commission—306-7. Commissioners should arrange their procedure so there will be no difficulty—308.

Fitzpatrick, Hon. Charles—(Minister of Justice)—307.

Mr. Hellmuth thought that examination of witnesses should be proceeded continuously from day to day until completed; Mr. Shepley will be in regular attendance hereafter—307.

Laurier, Rt. Hon. Sir Wilfrid (Prime Minister)—306.

Investigation of first two or three days only preliminary—306. Not prepared to admit that parliamentary committee is preferable to royal commission for investigating insurance—311. Any man who has information to give will be heard by commission; not a matter of very infrequent occurrence to see counsel protest when not satisfied with proceedings—312.

Lennox, Haughton (South Simcoe)—309.

Will the Insurance Commission make its report before close of session?—309. Regrets that government has not succeeded in expropriating whole of Mr. Shepley's time; prefers a parliamentary investigation—310-1.

Maclean, W. F. (South York)—305.

Counsel from Ontario had to publicly protest against way the commission was conducting proceedings—305. Attempt was made to have Mr. Hellmuth state questions which he wished to have asked through counsel appointed by government—308. Was not a nominal protest, was a protest involving whole procedure of commission—309. Character of New York state commission was its thoroughness and quickness; confident that investigation will justify revision of insurance system—313.