

SUPPLY—HALF-BREED SCRIP—*Con.*

Foster, Hon. Geo. E. (North Toronto)—Con.

title to it under the Torrens system—6565. It seemed that a departmental order had overridden a regulation—6568. No, that was a mere matter of assignment—6569. I do not understand that they were half-breeds who had crossed to the United States and gone on reservations—6571. I might ask Laurier in reference to the matter brought up yesterday as to the issue of scrip to those holding half-breed scrip—7020. The must have these papers—7021.

Haggart, Hon. John G. (South Lanark)—6565.

Should have no trouble whatever in correcting this fraud if it is a fraud—6565. The other departmental regulation setting aside that has been approved by order in council—6566.

Hughes, Sam. (Victoria and Haliburton)—6563.

Are homestead lands being withheld from settlement by agreement with certain companies or certain bodies of men—6563. To what extent that practice has been carried on in recent years—6564.

Laurier, Rt. Hon. Sir Wilfrid (Prime Minister)—6569.

It is impossible to discuss the matter intelligently in all its bearings until all the papers have been brought down—6569. The only fact which gives evidence of fraud is that the scrip will not be very profitable to the half-breeds—6570. The half-breeds who had been in the United States could not participate in this scrip—6571. Upon inquiry I am informed that these patents have been issued all told—7020.

Olver, Hon. Frank (Minister of the Interior)—6403.

I wish to place before the House an answer to an inquiry made yesterday by the hon. member for North Toronto (Mr. Foster—6404-5. I am not able to answer off-hand, but I shall be able to give the information to-morrow—6561. I think it would be fair to draw a distinction between the question of policy and administration of the department—6564. The restriction on the entry of the land is by departmental regulation—6566. It has always been the rule that the scrip is issued to the half-breed who is entitled to it—6568. No assignment is recognized under any of the Orders in Council, departmental letters or system of administration—6569.

SUPPLY — IMMIGRATION OF PAUPER CHILDREN—2125.

Fisher, Hon. Sydney (Minister of Agriculture)—2126.

At present the question is entirely in the air—in the respect, that it has not been decided upon even by the authorities—2126. Until there seems to be more definite prospect of anything being done, I would not say anything in the name of the government—2127.

SUPPLY — IMMIGRATION OF PAUPER CHILDREN—*Con.*

Sproule, T. S. (East Grey)—2127.

Even with the greatest care and the most rigid inquiry and examination, it is impossible to know the inherent ailments—2127.

Wilson, Uriah (Lennox and Addington)—2125.

Does not even propose that these children whom she intends to bring here shall be permanent settlers in Canada—2125. I do not see anything in this proposition that will promote the best interests of this country—2126.

SUPPLY—INQUIRY FOR RETURNS—2594.

Borden, R. L. (Carleton, Ont.)—2594.

I mentioned several returns at the time when the Bill was introduced—2594.

Daniel, J. W. (St. John City)—2595.

Laurier promised that he would bring down shortly the interim report of the transportation commission—2595.

Foster, Hon. Geo. E. (North Toronto)—2595.

I beg to remind commission that the first part of that cargo of hay intelligence has not yet come down—2595.

Lalor, F. R. (Haldimand)—2594.

Asks for a return of supplies to Fisheries Department—2594.

Laurier, Rt. Hon. Sir Wilfrid (Prime Minister)—2595.

There are some returns which were asked for by Borden and I hoped they will be brought down on Monday—2595.

McCarthy, M. S. (Calgary)—2594.

Asks for return of election lists used in N.W.T.—2594.

Monk, F. D. (Jacques Cartier)—2595.

I wish to remind Laurier that the copies of correspondence with the imperial authorities in regard to the Royal Mint—2595.

SUPPLY—KENTVILLE RIFLE RANGE—9584-9706.

Borden, Hon. Sir Frederick (Minister of Militia and Defence)—9710.

Everything in this matter, as far as the Militia Department is concerned, has been straightforward—9710. I thought there was no question at all that the land would at least be worth \$20 an acre—9711.

Borden, R. L. (Carleton, Ont.)—9584.

Fitzpatrick mentioned that he proposed to make some statement with regard to the Kentville rifle range—9584.

Fielding, Hon. Wm. S. (Minister of Finance)—9706.

We have no more estimates to deal with but it is understood that in order that certain matters may be brought forward—9706.