

Industry and Commerce, and there was an exchange of views with my department, on the external trade situation in Prince Edward Island.

Mr. Coates: Mr. Speaker, I would like to ask the Minister of Industry, Trade and Commerce if he would consider for the Atlantic provinces the type of undertaking that a former minister of trade and commerce undertook for all businessmen in order to develop new markets in foreign countries, especially in the United States?

Mr. Pepin: Mr. Speaker, I might look at it with suspicion now that I know the origin of that idea.

Some hon. Members: Oh, oh!

Mr. Speaker: Order, please.

Mr. Hees: Mr. Speaker, I resent that, but I would be glad to tell the minister how to do it. It may take a while but I will tell him.

Some hon. Members: Hear, hear!

POSSIBLE SALE OF ELECTRICITY TO UNITED STATES THROUGH DEVELOPMENT OF FUNDY TIDAL POWER

Mr. H. Russell MacEwan (Central Nova): Mr. Speaker, I wish to direct a question to the Prime Minister following the question asked by the hon. member for Cumberland-Colchester North. Would the Prime Minister and the government now reconsider the decision they have made on the Bay of Fundy tidal power project in order to provide badly needed electrical energy to the eastern seaboard of the United States, which would be an excellent export from the Atlantic area to the United States?

Some hon. Members: Hear, hear!

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PENITENTIARIES

PRINCE ALBERT—REQUEST FOR TABLING OF REPORT ON ESCAPES

Mr. Frank Howard (Skeena): Mr. Speaker, yesterday I asked the Minister of Justice if he would be prepared to table the report of the board of inquiry into the escapes from the Saskatchewan penitentiary at Prince Albert. Is he now in a position to reply favourably to that request?

Hon. John N. Turner (Minister of Justice): I have looked into that, Mr. Speaker. It has been brought to my attention that these reports have always been considered to be confidential and for purposes related to the internal management of penitentiaries, and so I decline to table the report.

Mr. Howard (Skeena): Is the minister aware that the board of inquiry report into the riot at St. Vincent de Paul penitentiary in the mid-1950s was made public and tabled in the House? May I ask the minister whether, if he is not prepared to table the report of the board of inquiry into the escapes, he will at least table the report of the Royal Canadian Mounted Police inquiry under

Inquiries of the Ministry

Inspector Mosher, which was highly critical of the warden of the penitentiary?

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EXTERNAL AFFAIRS

INVOLVEMENT OF FOREIGN COUNTRIES IN RECENT TROUBLES IN QUEBEC

Mr. Henry Latulippe (Compton): Mr. Speaker, I wish to put a question to the Secretary of State for External Affairs.

With regard to the international implications of the terrorism that occurred in Quebec, is the minister in a position to state that foreign governments were not involved in the troubles of the last months?

[English]

Hon. Mitchell Sharp (Secretary of State for External Affairs): Mr. Speaker, I have seen no evidence whatever that foreign governments are involved.

FLQ MEMBERS TRAINED IN FOREIGN COUNTRIES

Mr. W. B. Nesbitt (Oxford): I have a supplementary question for the hon. Minister of Justice in his capacity as Solicitor General, Mr. Speaker. Could the minister tell the House how many members of the FLQ who have been apprehended and questioned were trained for their activities in foreign countries such as Jordan, Algeria or Cuba?

Hon. John N. Turner (Acting Solicitor General): No, I could not, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Nesbitt: Would the minister undertake to obtain this information from the RCMP and perhaps communicate it not only to the House but to the Secretary of State for External Affairs?

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TRADE

DEVELOPMENT OF U.S. MARKETS FOR ATLANTIC PROVINCES' PRODUCTS—TRANSPORTATION FACILITIES

Mr. Heath Macquarrie (Hillsborough): I should like to direct a question to the right hon. Prime Minister, Mr. Speaker, also based on his forecast in his recent Saint John speech about unprecedented opportunities for Maritime provinces' products in the eastern United States. With a view to furthering this desirable goal, can the Prime Minister advise if he and his government will contribute toward the rapid and efficient transport of such goods by reconsidering the decision to abandon the P.E.I. causeway and by reappraising its contribution toward the cost of construction of the corridor road?

Right Hon. P. E. Trudeau (Prime Minister): Mr. Speaker, I am happy to see that this speech in New Brunswick