

Hon. FRANK OLIVER (Minister of the Interior) :

1. John Maughan, of the city of Toronto, insurance agent; Zebulon Alton Lash, of the same place, barrister-at-law; and Edward Roper Curzon Clarkson, of the same place, accountant, in trust, for the St. Ann's Island Shooting and Fishing Club.

2. Yes.

3. Ninth day of August, 1906, issued in renewal of lease for ten years from 1st October, 1894. New lease is for a term of ten years from the 1st of October, 1904, at an annual rental of \$750, payable half-yearly in advance.

4. Copy of lease herewith.

#### POLLUTION OF RIVER ST. JOHN.

Mr. WILMOT asked :

1. Is the government aware that the city of Fredericton, New Brunswick, has recently established a sewerage system, no provisions being made to prevent the raw sewerage from entering the River St. John, notwithstanding protests being made by the Provincial Board of Health, and of the people residing along the river, for a distance of thirty miles below the city?

2. If it is shown that in thus polluting the river, the fishing interests will be injuriously affected and human life endangered, will the Dominion authorities interfere and insist upon the Fredericton municipality sterilizing the sewage, or otherwise secure the people from danger and loss?

Hon. A. B. AYLESWORTH (Minister of Justice) :

1. No representations have been made to the government on the subject.

2. Should circumstances arise such as are described in the question, the matter would appear to be of a local nature and would no doubt engage the attention of the provincial authorities.

#### SUPPLY.

House in Committee of Supply.

Harbours and rivers, Nova Scotia—Annapolis—repairs to Queen's wharf, \$1,300.

Mr. AMES. How much more is required to complete this work?

Hon. SYDNEY FISHER (Acting Minister of Public Works). This vote will complete it.

Mr. AMES. Is it being done by day's work?

Mr. FISHER. Yes.

Mr. AMES. Last year a stricture was made on the way the work was being done, as there appeared to be an inspector, a superintendent and a walking boss for eleven men. The government had no explanation. Was that looked up afterwards?

Mr. FISHER. I am informed that that is not the case. I am told that there is just one superintendent.

Mr. AMES. What is his name?

Mr. FISHER. Whitman.

Mr. AMES. The point I was raising was that F. C. Whitman is reported as being an inspector. Now is James Parks superintendent, and is Carmen Odell the walking boss, and are those three men all engaged in superintending the work?

Mr. PICKUP. Whitman was the commissioner and Parks was the foreman, Odell was a common labourer on the work the same as any other man.

Mr. FISHER. There is only one superintendent to look after the work generally. On very large works there are sometimes more than one superintendent. I do not know whether he is called a superintendent or an inspector, I think they are the same person. Sometimes he is called an inspector and sometimes a superintendent.

Mr. PICKUP. As I have just stated, there is a foreman and also commissioner.

Mr. SPROULE. What is the salary allowed for an inspector or a superintendent?

Mr. FISHER. Generally \$3 a day. There is a foreman of the carpenters who generally gets a little more than ordinary carpenters, probably half a dollar more. Ordinary carpenters get \$1.50 or \$1.75, and the foremen \$2.50.

Mr. BLAIN. Are we to understand then that there are two inspectors, that is men who are not labourers? As I understand, there is one man who assembles the materials, and in addition there is an inspector of construction.

Mr. FISHER. The man who does that is called by the department the inspector. I am informed that sometimes the Auditor General calls him the superintendent. In the department the man who has general charge of the work, who buys the material and authorizes the employment of men, is called the inspector. There is only one such man.

Mr. PICKUP. That is a correct statement of the facts.

Mr. BLAIN. Are we to understand that there is a man who purchases the raw material for the work, and then another man who superintends it?

Mr. FISHER. The information I have from the department is that there is an inspector appointed by the department who looks after the construction of the work. He probably has a foreman or boss carpenter who actually works with his hands and directs the other men on the work. Then there is an inspector who is sometimes