

Mr. St. Laurent, a Member of the King's Privy Council, presented,—Return to an Order of the House of April 24, 1944, for a Return showing:—

1. Did the government, since January, 1940, appoint guards or officers at St. Vincent de Paul penitentiary?

2. If so, how many were appointed during the years 1940, 1941, 1942, 1943 and 1944?

3. What are the names of these guards or officers, and their respective places of residence?

4. Was the appointment of these guards or officers recommended by other persons than the Minister of Justice, and if so, who are these persons?

He also laid before the House,—Copy of Exchange of Notes between Canada and the United States of America constituting an Agreement for the temporary additional diversion of water at Niagara for power purposes, dated at Washington, U.S.A., May 3, 1944. (Treaty Series 1944/13). (English and French Editions).

Mr. Macdonald (Halifax), Parliamentary Assistant to the Minister of National Defence, laid before the House by Command of His Excellency the Governor General,—Report of the Department of National Defence, Canada, for the fiscal year ended March 31, 1943. (English and French Editions).

He also laid before the House,—Copy of General Orders (Part "A"), promulgated and issued to the Canadian Army from December 3, 1943, to March 16, 1944 (English Edition), and from November 26, 1943, to March 2, 1944 (French Edition), under the provisions of Section 141, Chapter 132, R.S.C. 1927.

And also,—Copy of Order in Council P.C. 2443, approved May 2, 1944: amending National Resources Mobilization Act (Army) Regulations, 1943, with respect to the discharge of "R" recruits in low medical categories. (English and French Editions).

The following Bills from the Senate, were respectively read the first time, Divorce Bills on division, and ordered for a second reading at the next sitting of the House.

Bill No. 102 (Letter B of the Senate), intituled: "An Act respecting Vancouver, Victoria and Eastern Railway and Navigation Company, The Nelson and Fort Sheppard Railway Company and Great Northern Railway Company".—*Mr. Reid*.

Bill No. 103 (Letter Z-3 of the Senate), intituled: "An Act for the relief of Maragaret Millar Short".—*Mr. McIlraith*.

Bill No. 104 (Letter A-4 of the Senate), intituled: "An Act for the relief of Mary Annesley Iverson".—*Mr. Factor*.

Bill No. 105 (Letter B-4 of the Senate), intituled: "An Act for the relief of Annie Drewniak Sonberg".—*Mr. Macdonald (Brantford City)*.

Bill No. 106 (Letter C-4 of the Senate), intituled: "An Act for the relief of Celia Zlatkes Azeff".—*Mr. McIlraith*.

Bill No. 107 (Letter D-4 of the Senate), intituled: "An Act for the relief of Louisa O'Tool Shelley".—*Mr. Factor*.

Bill No. 108 (Letter E-4 of the Senate), intituled: "An Act for the relief of Miriam Schwartz Silcoff".—*Mr. Macdonald (Brantford City)*.

The House then resumed the adjourned Debate on the proposed motion of Mr. Ilsley, for the second reading of Bill No. 91, An Act respecting Banks and Banking, and on the proposed motion of Mr. Coldwell, in amendment thereto.