

**AGRICULTURAL COMMITTEE, REPORT OF—  
DISCRIMINATION IN RAILWAY RATES  
—Con.**

*Taylor, George (Leeds)*—Con.

against the companies—5020. The companies have power in their own hands—5021.

*Walsh, R. N. (Huntingdon)*—5028.

Discriminations exist in other provinces—5028. Want to have an opportunity of presenting view widened—5029.

**AMERICANIZATION OF CANADIAN TELE-  
GRAPH LINES.**

Attention called to the matter, *Monk, F. D.*—7642.

*Foster, Hon. Geo. E. (North Toronto)*—7646.

And there is no appeal?—7646.

*Laurier, Rt. Hon. Sir Wilfrid (Prime Minister)*—7645.

We did not take the precaution of providing that there should be on the board of directors a certain proportion of British subjects—7645. The act to which Monk objects would not have been committed by a Canadian board or sheltered by their authority—7646.

*Monk, F. D. (Jacques Cartier)*—7642.

I wish to call the attention of the government to a matter of some urgency—7642. Reads amount of G. N. W. charges—7643. A plan is in contemplation of importing from Boston and other points in the United States linemen and other men—7644. I question whether it is in our interests as Canadians that the service of that important system should be entirely placed in the hands of aliens—7645. As I am informed, they are not consulted—7646. The matter ought to be looked into immediately to prevent Canadians losing their positions—7647.

**AMERICAN FISHERMEN ON NOVA SCOTIA  
COAST.**

Attention drawn to—7907.

*Maclean, A. K. (Lunenburg)*—7907.

Quotes correspondence in Halifax 'Chronicle'—7907. Desires that American fishermen have no further privileges allowed them—7908.

*Préfontaine, Hon. E. (Minister of Marine)*—7908.

Over 600 nets have been confiscated from American poachers—7908.

**ANNUITY TO EX-CABINET MINISTERS.**

Notice of motion to go into committee on the resolutions—9702.

*Belcourt, Hon. N. A. (Ottawa)*—9739.

We have overlooked the principal officer of this House, the Speaker—9739.

**ANNUITY TO EX-CABINET MINISTERS—Con.**

*Bergeron, J. G. H. (Beauharnois)*—9792.

When a man has served as minister three years he should be entitled to a pension—9792.

*Borden, R. L. (Carleton, Ont.)*—9735.

This proposition is not without precedent in English-speaking countries—9735. The difficulty, as Fielding has pointed out, is to decide where the line should be drawn—9736. A man who devotes his best years to the service of the country should not find himself indigent and needy—9737.

*Fielding, Hon. W. S. (Minister of Finance)*—9702.

Moves a resolution regarding annuity to ex-cabinet ministers—9702. The case of those who serve the public in a department of life which is no less responsible than that of judges—9733. The same system should apply to Privy Councillors and heads of departments—9734. I am persuaded that the more the matter is thought of, the more this motion will meet the favour of the people of this country—9735. I have had a list made up of all the gentlemen who fall within the provisions of the resolution—9737-8. We are not desirous of broadening the term too much, only taking in those who have served for the period mentioned—9739. I would therefore ask that the committee rise, report progress and ask leave to sit again—9792. From a personal point of view, there may be some gentlemen we regret are not included, but that cannot be helped—9792.

*Fitzpatrick, Hon. Chas. (Minister of Justice)*—9738.

Moved to amend resolution—9738.

*Lennox, H. (South Simcoe)*—9738.

I presume that the second amendment would cover the case of a cabinet minister changing places—9738.

*Maclean, W. F. (South York)*—9737.

Will Fielding please say how many members of former cabinets are not included in this proposal?—9737. It is a very desirable thing that administrations should change every parliament—9738. Should reduce term in regard to likelihood of administration changing with every general election—9739.

*Sproule, T. S. (East Grey)*—9792.

The only fault I would be disposed to find with the terms is that it is too short—9792.

**ANTHRACITE COAL AND RAILWAY COM-  
PANY.**

Motion by Mr. Gallher (Kootenay) to refer back petition of Patrick Burns and others to Standing Orders Committee; motion withdrawn—4550.