

Questions

Canadian ports is, nevertheless, the basic policy of both the Canadian National Railway management and the Canadian government.

CANADA COLONIZATION ASSOCIATION

Mr. COOTE:

1. What was the number of families brought to Canada during the year 1923-24 by the Canada Colonization Association?

2. What amount was paid to the Canada Colonization Association during the said fiscal year, by the government?

3. What amounts were paid to the said association by other parties during the said fiscal year?

Hon. Mr. ROBB:

1. Thirty-five settlers; no record as to actual number of families.

2. \$100,000.

3. \$100,000, borne equally by the Canadian National and the Canadian Pacific railways. No information as to other grants.

CANADIAN GOVERNMENT MERCHANT MARINE
—WAGES

Hon. Mr. STEVENS:

What monthly rate of wages has been paid to firemen and sailors on the Canadian Government Merchant Marine ships on the Pacific during years 1921-22-23?

Hon. Mr. GRAHAM:

Coastal Service—1921, first two months of operation August to October \$60 per month; October to December \$67.50 per month. 1922, \$67.50 per month. 1923, \$67.50 per month.

Australian and Oriental service—1921, January to July, \$75 per month; July to December, \$60 per month; 1922, \$60 per month; 1923, \$60 per month.

Vancouver—U. K. Service—1921, commenced operation November, 1923, \$60 per month.

CANADIAN APPLES—AUSTRALIAN EMBARGO

Mr. MacKELVIE:

In connection with negotiations between this government and that of Australia regarding trade arrangements, has this government made any request that Australia remove its embargo on Canadian apples?

Hon. Mr. ROBB: Yes.

HEBRIDEAN IMMIGRANTS

Mr. SPENCER:

1. How many Hebrideans entered Canada in 1923 and 1924?

2. How many of these were placed on farms?

3. How many are now on farms?

4. For what number of these immigrants did the government advance passage money?

5. What was the total amount advanced?

[Mr. Graham.]

6. How many of these immigrants have repaid passage money advanced to them, and what is the total amount?

7. How many are in arrears for repayment of passage money?

8. How many Hebrideans, who came to Canada in 1923 and 1924, have emigrated to the United States?

9. Were any of these still in debt to the government for money advanced for their passage? If so, how many, and what is the aggregate amount outstanding?

Hon. Mr. ROBB:

1. 580—(exclusive of two parties of Hebrideans who were brought out under the auspices of the Ontario government).

2. All placed on farms except four families, two of whom are now arranging to go on the land.

3. All who were originally placed.

4. All of the party brought in 1923, namely 291. The complete report of the 1924 party numbering 289 persons, has not yet been received.

5. The amount advanced for the 1923 party was \$26,098.39, of which \$16,311.49 was refunded by the British government, leaving \$9,786.90 as the federal government's share of the loans.

6. None.

7. Answered by No. 6.

8. None of the Hebrideans who came under Dominion government direction in 1923 and 1924.

9. Answered by No. 8.

MR. THOMAS SHANKS

Mr. GRIMMER:

1. Is Mr. Thomas Shanks an employee of the Department of the Interior, and if so, what position does he occupy?

2. Was he promoted from the position of Assistant Surveyor General of Dominion Lands, to the position of Assistant Director General of Surveys in said department? If so, when and by what authority?

3. What is the salary range attached to such positions respectively?

4. Has the said Mr. Thomas Shanks discharged the duties of Assistant Director General of Surveys since his promotion to said position? If not, who is discharging same?

5. Is the said Thomas Shanks in receipt of the salary attached to the position of Assistant Director General of Surveys, and if so, from what date has he received same?

Hon. Mr. STEWART:

1. Yes; Assistant Director General of Surveys.

2. Yes; October 1, 1923, promotional certificate from the Civil Service Commission.

3. The position of Assistant Surveyor General has been abolished; the salary range of Assistant Director General of Surveys is \$3,900-\$4,800.

4. Yes.

5. Yes; October 1, 1923.