

THE SENATE.

THURSDAY, December 5, 1912.

The SPEAKER took the Chair at Three o'clock.

Prayers and Routine Proceedings.

FISH HATCHERY AT PRINCE ALBERT.

INQUIRY.

Hon. Mr. DAVIS inquired:

Is it the intention of the government to establish a fish hatchery at or near Prince Albert, Saskatchewan, as recommended by the Saskatchewan and Alberta Fisheries Commission Report, 1910 and 1911?
If so, when?

Hon. Mr. LOUGHEED—The matter is now under consideration.

AN ADJOURNMENT.

MOTION.

Hon. Mr. LOUGHEED moved:

That when the Senate adjourns to-day it do stand adjourned until Wednesday, 15th January next at three o'clock in the afternoon.

The motion was agreed to.

AN OFFICIAL HISTORY OF CANADA.

INQUIRY.

Hon. Mr. CHOQUETTE inquired:

Does the government intend to publish an official 'History of Canada,' and to appoint one or more writers, literary men or historians to prepare its publication?

If in the affirmative, shall a French Canadian be appointed on this commission?

Hon. Mr. LOUGHEED—The government has no such intention at present.

The Senate adjourned until Wednesday, the 15th of January, at three o'clock.

THE SENATE.

WEDNESDAY, January 15, 1913.

The SPEAKER took the Chair at Three o'clock.

Prayers and routine proceedings.

APPOINTMENT OF POSTMASTER AT WAKAW, SASK.

INQUIRY.

Hon. Mr. DAVIS inquired:

What is the name of the postmaster at Wakaw, Saskatchewan, when was he appointed and on whose recommendation?

Hon. Mr. YOUNG.

Hon. Mr. LOUGHEED—Alfred C. Miklossy, appointed 3rd September, 1912, by direction of the Postmaster General.

FIRE GUARDIANS IN SASKATCHEWAN.

INQUIRY.

Hon. Mr. DAVIS inquired:

How many fire guardians were there in the employment of the Dominion government in the province of Saskatchewan on August 1, 1912, how many are there now, and what salary do they receive?

Hon. Mr. LOUGHEED—There were thirty-two fire guardians employed on August 1, 1912. There are none now. The rate of pay is \$4 per day.

REDISTRIBUTION BILL.

INQUIRY.

Hon. Mr. BEIQUE inquired: :

Whether it is the intention of the government to present a Redistribution Bill during the present session of parliament?

Hon. Mr. LOUGHEED—From present intentions, no.

PANAMA CANAL TOLLS.

Hon. Mr. LOUGHEED—I may say, in answer to the motion of my hon. friend from Middlesex, made before adjournment, touching papers dealing with the copies of all correspondence between the government of Canada and the Colonial Secretary and the Foreign Secretary with respect to tolls on foreign or coastwise vessels using the Panama canal that these are confidential and cannot be brought down until a later date, when the government can properly lay them on the table. When they can be produced I will see that no time is lost in submitting them.

Hon. Sir GEORGE ROSS—Does that include the remonstrances of the Foreign Office of the United States government?

Hon. Mr. LOUGHEED—That is a public document. There is nothing confidential about it, because it has appeared in the newspapers.

Hon. Sir GEORGE ROSS—It would be convenient to lay it on the table.

BILL INTRODUCED.

Bill (D) An Act to restrict the evils of divorce.—Hon. Mr. Cloran.