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*Hughes, S.* (Victoria, Ont.)—7831.

He has repudiated having anything to do with the composition of this article, 7831. The contents of the letter have been frankly repudiated by every respectable gentleman who has spoken, 7832.

*Lemieux, Hon. Rodolphe* (Postmaster General)—7800.

I declared that if such a thing occurred again I would take prompt measures to stop it, 7800. No regulation can destroy the effect of a statute passed by this House, 7801. During the session of parliament every member is given, by law, the privilege of franking, 7802. Would not stay in the government ten minutes if he were to do that, 7803. To my mind there has been no trespass of the law, 7804. No contradiction between regulations and statute, 7808. I stated that the statute was very clear, 7826. It was found that the officials were abusing the franking privilege, 7827.

*Meighen, Arthur* (Portage la Prairie)—7807.

The Department of Justice on no higher plane than any other department, 7807. The post office regulations either mean something or they mean nothing, 7808. It can not be franked during recess either by a member or a department, 7809. The Minister of Justice endeavoured only to befuddle the House as to the law, 7810. If there is one member of the House whose position is less enviable in this matter it is the member for Grey, 7811.

*Middlebro, W. S.* (North Grey)—7798.

It seems to him that the question before the House is a very important matter, 7798. Holds in his hand an envelope addressed to the 'Advocate,' Balfour, Sask., 7799. Supposed the Postmaster General would make regulations to prevent it, 7800.

*Miller, H. H.* (South Grey)—7805.

Reference to some of the literature sent out by the Conservatives during the last campaign, 7805. That would not do any credit to any man or any party, 7806.

*Staples, W. D.* (Macdonald)—7804.

How he came to ask for a frank on a bag of oats; different from letters, 7804. Misrepresentation of facts; fabrication, in connection with the Gambling Bill, 7805.

*Taylor, G.* (Leeds)—7832.

The Conservative party and the literature of the campaign of 1904, 7832. I franked a portion of it and sent it into good Liberal constituencies, 7833.

*Taylor, J. D.* (New Westminster)—7784.

Calls attention anew to a subject which has been already discussed, 7784. The weekly letter of the Liberal party franked by the Department of Justice. Sec-

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tion 75, 7785. A cause for the gaiety exhibited by the Minister of Justice and the Solicitor General, 7786. A bold challenge thrown out by the Solicitor General last year, 7787. Liberals attempt to stop race track gambling. Obstructed by Tory race track owners, 7788. This is the literature being distributed by the Solicitor General of this country, 7789. Must ask the Postmaster General what he thinks of this performance, 7790. Action is for the Postmaster General upon information given him, 7791. Moves an amendment, 7792. No limit on the franking power of a member, 7794.

## SUPPLY—FRUIT TARIFF.

Attention called to the matter, Mr. G. H. Bradbury, 6646.

*Blain, R.* (Peel)—6649.

Urges no action until the market gardeners have been heard, 6649.

*Borden, R. L.* (Halifax)—6649.

Asks regarding information as to tariff changes, 6649-50.

*Bradbury, Geo. H.* (Selkirk)—6646.

Reads a letter from the reeve of Kildonan, 6646. Reads a copy of the petition. Doubts if it would help the consumer very much, 6647. Hopes the government will take this into serious consideration, 6648.

*Burrell, M.* (Yale Cariboo)—6648.

Would utter a very strong protest if a matter of that sort were dealt with without the fullest consideration, 6648.

*Currie, J. A.* (North Simcoe)—6649.

This is a matter of placing all our vegetables and fruit in the hands of cold storage people, 6649.

*Fielding, Hon. W. S.* (Finance Minister)—6648.

Has received the petition from importers; there are two sides to the question, 6648. Fair matter for enquiry. Nothing will be done at this session, 6649. Will have it on the table on Monday, 6650.

*Staples, W. D.* (Macdonald)—6648.

Possibly as many market gardeners in Macdonald as in Selkirk, 6648.

## SUPPLY—GOVERNMENT BUSINESS.

Inquiry *re* date of introduction of the Banking Bill, Hon. Geo. E. Foster—926.

*Fielding, Hon. W. S.* (Minister of Finance)—926.

Cannot promise the Banking Bill before Christmas; will announce the budget next week, 926.