

SUPPLY—TRADE AND COMMERCE—*Con.*

Maclean, W. F. (South York)—974.

Why is there not a report furnished by the Department of Trade and Commerce with reference to each vote?—974. Canadian and steamship services should be used altogether for the interest of the Canadian public; is provision made for increase in the number of ships?—978. We should have a report of the steamship companies, a report of the Minister of Trade and Commerce, and a report of our consular agent—979.

Martin, A. (Queen's, P.E.I.)—977.

What restrictions are there on those vessels with regard to freight rates?—977.

Monk, F. D. (Jacques Cartier)—979.

In the United States, wherever there is a grant, a sworn return must be made—979.

Paterson, Hon. William (Minister of Customs)—971.

The contract for this service was entered into with Messrs. Furness-Withy & Co. and Messrs. Elder-Dempster & Co.—971. Reads letter received from Mr. D. W. Campbell, agent of the Elder-Dempster Line—972-3. We cannot keep up the transportation long unless there are return cargoes—973. If we had insisted that the vessels should be restricted to take Canadian goods alone, the probability is that no contract of this nature would have been made—975. American goods shipped in American bottoms might be of the same class as the Canadian goods shipped in those subsidized vessels—976. Canadian freight has the preference over American freight—977. We are doing what we can to encourage trade—981.

Sinclair, J. H. (Guysborough)—974.

Do these ships call at ports of the United States as well as Canada?—974.

Wilson, Uriah (Lennox)—979.

When will the minister lay the contract on the table?—979.

Wright, Wm. (Muskoka)—978.

Does the American government subsidize steamships to carry goods from the United States to South Africa?—978.

Mail subsidies and steamship subventions—amount authorized by statute, \$73,000—7094.

Daniel, J. W. (St. John City)—7095.

I presume the terminal points on this side of the Atlantic are left to the option of the steamship company?—7095.

Laurier, Rt. Hon. Sir Wilfrid (Prime Minister)—7094.

What we propose to expend this year out of this amount of \$224,000—7094. The Minister may at any time revise the freight rates to be charged on articles or classes of goods—7095.

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Monk, F. D. (Jacques Cartier)—7094.

Is there a contract signed for the service with France?—7094.

Mail subsidies and steamship subventions—
For services of wrecking plant on the St. Lawrence for the year ending June 30, 1906, \$10,000—7094.

Laurier, Rt. Hon. Sir Wilfrid (Prime Minister)—7094.

I beg to move to drop that vote—7094.

Mail subsidies and steamship subventions—ocean and mail service between Great Britain and Canada, \$260,000—864.

Ames, H. B. (St. Antoine, Montreal)—881.

Is the butter that comes in at a high temperature generally delivered as package freight in Montreal, or does it come on through shipment by rail?—881. Is provision being made for cold storage compartments in connection with the new sheds in Montreal?—882.

Bergeron, J. G. H. (Beauharnois)—872.

With what companies have we contracts for carrying the mails between Canada and England, and what is the contract price?—892. There is no reason why we should not have a Canadian line between Canada and England which would carry not only our own mails, but the mails of the western states as well—893. What is the proportion of mail matter carried by Canadian and American vessels?—894.

Borden, R. L. (Carleton, Ont.)—865.

When does the hon. gentleman expect the new steamships to be in operation?—865. When did Mr. Smith make the statements?—874. It would have been far better if the hon. minister had not waited until Mr. Smith is not here to make what were undoubtedly very serious reflections upon him—878. Quotes Minister of Trade and Commerce (Sir R. J. Cartwright); how does it happen that the attention of the government was not called to this fact by the government inspectors?—880. Did the hon. gentleman (Mr. Fisher) take any steps in consequence of the reports of the inspectors?—881. Have there been any complaints made by shippers with regard to this particular line?—887. Why should shippers in Canada have to pay higher freights to such a subsidized line than the rates paid by shippers in the United States by the same line?—890.

Daniel, J. W. (St. John City)—864.

Will the hon. minister (Mr. Paterson) explain what change there has been in this subsidy as compared with last?—864. Has the new style of steamer been tested yet?—865. Are these steamers supplied with wireless telegraphy?—880. Would like to know what has been done towards providing increased aids to navigation?—891. Explains method by which contract is being carried out—894.