

Mr. FISHER. It is included in the contract for the building.

Saskatoon public building, \$25,000.

Mr. ARMSTRONG. What is the cost of this building to be?

Mr. FISHER. The plans have not been yet completed and tenders have not been asked for.

Mr. ARMSTRONG. What is the estimated cost?

Mr. FISHER. Until the plans are completed I could hardly give a very close estimate.

Mr. LAKE. I think we were told last year that it was to cost about \$43,000. Saskatoon is likely to be a very large place.

Mr. FISHER. I think it will be more than that.

Mr. LAKE. Yes, and I hope the minister will take that into consideration.

Mr. FISHER. I think it will be \$50,000 or \$60,000.

Mr. LAKE. When does he propose to undertake the work?

Mr. FISHER. The plans are now, I believe, ready to submit for approval.

Mr. ARMSTRONG. What is the size of the lot?

Mr. FISHER. 60 feet frontage by 75 feet depth.

Mr. ARMSTRONG. What is the population of Saskatoon?

Mr. FISHER. I do not remember; it is quite a large place and growing rapidly.

Mr. LAKE. Over 3,000 according to the last census.

Mr. FISHER. I think it was 4,000 and over according to the census.

Mr. ARMSTRONG. You are paying \$9,000 for a lot 60 by 75. It is a most extravagant price.

Mr. MONK. Land is more valuable there than in Montreal.

Mr. SLOAN. I know something about Saskatoon property and I think the government could probably get \$15,000 for that site to-day.

Mr. MONK. What is land worth a foot there now?

Mr. SLOAN. It is pretty high. I know that the Bank of Commerce paid for a corner lot in the neighbourhood of \$20,000 recently. There are seven banks in Saskatoon at the present time.

Mr. MONK. How large was that lot?

Mr. SLOAN. It is two lots composed of two 25-foot lots and has a frontage of 50 feet.

Mr. FISHER. I am mistaken in giving the dimensions of the property. They are 90 by 100 feet.

Public buildings—British Columbia—Ferne public building, \$20,000.

Mr. FISHER. Tenders are in for that but the contract has not been signed.

Mr. MONK. What is the estimated cost?

Mr. FISHER. About \$40,000.

Mr. DANIEL. I see that the government paid \$5,000 for a site? How large was that site?

Mr. FISHER. 120 by 220 feet. I think the successful tender was something over \$40,000.

Mr. ALCORN. What is the population of Fernie?

Mr. FISHER. Fernie must have a population of 6,000 or 7,000 people.

Ladysmith public building, \$10,000.

Mr. FISHER. The plans are not quite prepared for that and the contract has not yet been let. Ladysmith is a mining town of about 5,000 people I am told.

New Westminster public building for Marine and Fisheries and Indian Affairs agencies, \$5,000.

Mr. ARMSTRONG. What is meant by that item?

Mr. FISHER. The Marine and Fisheries Department and the Department of the Indian Affairs have asked for a building for the accommodation of their officers. It is not attached to the present building but is adjacent to it.

Vancouver public building, \$100,000.

Mr. MONK. Is that under contract?

Mr. FISHER. Yes.

Mr. LEFURGEY. That is the post office, is it not?

Mr. MACPHERSON. Yes the post office.

Mr. ARMSTRONG. What is the total cost and the contract price of the building?

Mr. FISHER. The cost is \$544,000. The contract price was \$434,500.

Mr. ARMSTRONG. And the usual extras?

Mr. MACPHERSON. There were no extras.

Mr. FISHER. There was the heating, electric lighting, furniture, elevators, &c.

Mr. ARMSTRONG. Is it completed?

Mr. FISHER. No; we expect to have to pay \$100,000 on this next year.

Mr. ARMSTRONG. Is it built under a clerk of works or an architect?