

QUEBEC HARBOUR WORKS.

Mr. LEMIEUX:

1. Has the attention of the Government been called to the following item which appeared in the Quebec Telegraph of April 15, in regard to the works in the harbour of Quebec: 'Mr. S. George Boswell, chief engineer of the Quebec Harbour Commission, has just returned from a six weeks' trip to the old country. The object of Mr. Boswell's trip was the inspection of the new apparatus for the Quebec harbour, now under construction on the other side. This includes a crane, a dredge, a floating grain elevator and a service boat. The fifty ton crane is being built by a well known Glasgow firm, and the dredge, which is of the ladder pattern, is being constructed in the same place by Wm. Simons and Company. The service boat, which will be a 125 foot, 1,000 h. p. craft, built on similar lines to the tug Sir Hugh Allan, used by the Montreal Harbour Commission, is being built by the Smith Stock Company, of Middlesboro, as is the floating grain elevator. The grain elevator, when completed, will be capable of taking a load of 35,000 bushels and will be able to load in about four hours. All the new purchases are expected out here in the month of June, and with the exception of the crane, all will cross the Atlantic on their own steam. The crane will probably not be assembled until it arrives in Quebec.'

2. Has any of that expenditure been authorized by the Department of Marine and Fisheries?

3. (a) Have any tenders been asked from any of the Canadian firms for any of the above proposed works? (b) If so, from what firms?

4. In what papers have such advertisements for tenders been published?

Mr. HAZEN:

1. Yes.

2. Yes.

3. (a) Yes. (b) The Polson Iron Works, Toronto; Bosse and Banks, Quebec; Musens, Ltd., Montreal; G. T. Davie, Lévis; Allis Chalmers, Toronto; Canadian P. O. Mitchell Company; Collingwood Shipbuilding Company.

4. Tenders were not invited in the public press.

ST. LAMBERT RETAINING WALL.

Mr. LANCTOT:

1. Is the Government or the Minister of Public Works aware that the late Administration caused stone to the value of \$5,000 to be carried on either side of the road between the town of Laprairie to the high lands of St. Lambert?

2. What part of that stone already paid by the department has been covered by other stone carried there by the present contractors?

3. Was the retaining wall, for a length of more than 700 feet, built with that stone under the late Government?

4. Has the minister given orders to the district engineer to charge to the new contractors the cost of said stone, which is there and belongs to the Government?

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Mr. ROGERS:

1. Yes.

2. All of it is placed in the work.

3. Partially.

4. Based on unit prices, the present contractors will only be paid for the portion of the work they do and the material they supply.

INDIAN HARBOUR LAKES POSTMASTER.

Mr. SINCLAIR:

1. Who is the present postmaster at Indian Harbour Lakes, Guysborough county, N.S., and when was he appointed?

2. What was his remuneration for the year ending December 31, 1913?

3. What were his proceeds from postage stamps at that office for 1913?

Mr. PELLETIER:

1. William Riley, jr.; appointed 1st June, 1909.

2. \$43.25.

3. \$71.05.

SPANISH SHIP BAY WHARF.

Mr. SINCLAIR:

1. On what date was work started on the public wharf at Spanish Ship Bay, N.S.?

2. Is the wharf completed?

3. What is the value of the material at present on hand?

4. If the work is being done by day work, who is foreman?

5. What remuneration has been paid to the foreman?

6. If there were other foremen employed, what is the name and remuneration of each?

7. How much has been spent on the wharf up to this date?

8. On what date does the department estimate this wharf will be completed?

9. Who is the inspector and what remuneration has he received?

10. If the wharf has not been completed, why not?

Mr. ROGERS:

1. Only materials purchased, 1913.

2. No.

3. \$625.

4. Arthur McKinlay.

5. \$80 per month, amounting to \$115.38.

6. None other.

7. \$300 spent in fiscal year 1913-14.

8. This depends on when appropriations are available.

9. None.

10. Could not be completed last year, because timber could not be delivered in time and vote available then was not sufficient.

GOVERNMENT STEAMERS WINTER SERVICE.

Mr. MACDONALD:

How many tons of coal were supplied to the Dominion Government steamers Earl Grey and