

ment of Public Works at Vegreville, Alberta, and Lloydminster, Saskatchewan, for the erection of public buildings in those places?

2. Is the government aware that provision was made in the original estimates for 1911 and 1912 for the erection of such buildings, and that five-twelfths of the amount was voted by the last parliament at its last session?

3. Is the government aware that the estimates for 1912 and 1913, submitted to this parliament, did not contain any provision for the erection of public buildings at these points?

4. What are the intentions of the government with regard to public buildings at Vegreville and Lloydminster?

5. If it is not the intention of the government to proceed with the buildings, what are the government's intentions regarding the sites?

Mr. MONK:

1. Yes.

2. Yes.

3. Yes.

4. The Government will proceed with these works as soon as circumstances permit.

5. To hold the sites for public purposes.

LA BANQUE DE ST. HYACINTHE.

Mr. LEMIEUX:

Is it the intention of the government to investigate the circumstances of the liquidation of La Banque de St. Hyacinthe?

Mr. WHITE (Leeds).—No.

MR. TANCREDE MARCIL.

Mr. CARVELL:

1. Has Tancrede Marcil, of Montreal, applied for a position in any of the departments? If so, to which department?

2. What is his position and his salary?

Mr. BORDEN. I cannot answer if Mr. Marcil has applied for a position in any department. If any particular department can be named further inquiry will be made.

Mr. PUGSLEY. My hon. friend will allow it to stand until the hon. member is here?

Mr. BORDEN. It is no use allowing it to stand, as that is the only answer that can be given at the present time. I have made inquiries and I cannot find that Mr. Marcil has made application in any department. If any particular department is named more definite information can be obtained.

Mr. PUGSLEY. The hon. gentleman (Mr. Carvell) can put another question.

MONTREAL HARBOUR COMMISSION.

Mr. LEMIEUX:

1. Has the Minister of Marine and Fisheries received the following resolution passed unanimously by the Montreal Corn Exchange on Tuesday, January 23, 1911:

Resolved, that, understanding that there is a movement on foot to induce the government to replace the present members of the Montreal Harbour Commission, the Montreal Corn Exchange Association hereby protests in the strongest possible manner against such action and records its high appreciation of the work of the three gentlemen who have done so much for the port since their appointment as commissioners on January 1, 1907.

That, in the opinion of the association, the removal of the present most capable commissioners under the present circumstances, while the work of modernizing the harbour is only partially completed, would be resented by the community of this city and of Canada generally.

2. What action does the honourable minister intend to take in this matter?

Mr. HAZEN. The Minister of Marine and Fisheries has not received such a resolution, but he was present when it was presented to the Prime Minister. In view of the answer I have given to question No. 2 on the order paper to-day it seems unnecessary to answer the second question of my hon. friend.

Mr. LEMIEUX:

1. Is it true that a delegation composed of Messrs. Andrew Allan and R. W. Reford, of the Shipping Federation, Huntly Drummond, Vice-President of the Board of Trade, A. H. Harris, representing the Canadian Pacific Railway, William Wainright, Vice-President of the Grand Trunk, J. E. MacFarlane, of the Corn Exchange, and J. H. Sherrard, President of the Montreal Branch of the Canadian Manufacturers' Association, met the Right Honourable Mr. Borden, Prime Minister, on Wednesday, January 24, 1912?

2. Did that delegation represent to the Prime Minister that the Montreal Harbour Commission is composed of high-class and competent men, whose work has been highly satisfactory, and that it would be a grievous error to make any change when the scheme for the national port is being so satisfactorily carried out?

3. Was any members of the House of Commons present at that interview?

4. If so, what is the name and constituency of said member or members?

5. Did said member or members ask for the dismissal of the Montreal Harbour Commissioners? If so, upon what grounds?

Mr. BORDEN. A delegation composed of the gentlemen mentioned, and, I think, of some other gentlemen, did meet the Prime Minister on Wednesday the 24th of January, 1912, and on that occasion gave to the Prime Minister strong commendation of the work which has been carried on by the Harbour Commissioners of Montreal.

Mr. LEMIEUX:

1. Has the attention of the Prime Minister and the Minister of Marine and Fisheries been called to the following article published in the Montreal 'Star,' Wednesday, January 24, 1912: