

connection with dominion telegraph and telephone services during 1940-41. I can give details of the amounts:

Maintenance Pelee Island (Ont.) telephone cable	\$2,000
Maintenance Timiskaming district (Quebec) telephone line	2,000
Maintenance Killarney telephone line and Cockburn island cable..	1,500
Maintenance Maniwaki telephone line (Quebec)	500
Total	\$6,000

Item agreed to.

General.

338. Miscellaneous works not otherwise provided for, not more than \$3,000 to be expended upon any one work, \$50,000.

Mr. ROSS (St. Paul's): What does this item cover?

Mr. CARDIN: This is a general item to provide for unforeseen expenditures, covering the whole of Canada.

Item agreed to.

Special.

Chief Engineer's branch.
Construction, repairs and improvements of harbours and rivers.

New Brunswick.

348. To close out contracts, \$85,000.

Mr. HAZEN: In 1939-40 the sum of \$193,000 was voted to New Brunswick for the purpose of closing out contracts. I should like to know from the minister the names of the contractors, to whom this amount of money was paid, how much money each contractor received, and where the work was done.

Mr. CARDIN: The amount of \$193,000 voted last year was not to close out contracts. It was voted to execute works, which, in fact, have been executed. I am sorry that the officers of the department have not with them at the moment particulars of the number of contracts which were executed last year and the amount paid to each contractor. If my hon. friend desires to have the information, it can be given to him. Unfortunately I cannot supply it to him to-night, but it can be very easily obtained.

Mr. HAZEN: Thank you.

Item agreed to.

Special.

Chief Engineer's branch—Telegraph branch.
Telegraph and telephone services.
Ontario.

353. To close out contract, \$6,200.

Mr. CASTLEDEN: This item seems to be a duplication of item 350, which is "Ontario—

to close out contracts, \$275,000." The present item is \$6,200.

Mr. CARDIN: No; item 353 on page 40 of the estimates relates to the telegraph branch; item 350 on page 39 has reference to harbours and rivers.

Mr. ROSS (St. Paul's): Just before the estimates of this department are finished, I would point out to the minister that, while there has been a reduction in the total estimates of approximately \$17,000,000, there has been a reduction of only \$905 in departmental administration. I suppose that as soon as all the contracts are closed out, there will be a big decrease in departmental administration costs.

Mr. CARDIN: Possibly.

Item agreed to.

LEGISLATION

Library of parliament.

132. General administration, \$78,145.

Mr. CASTLEDEN: There are two librarians. Are they both in office?

Mr. CRERAR: There is a vacancy in one position at the present time.

Mr. CASTLEDEN: Is it expected that \$12,000 will be paid just the same?

Mr. CRERAR: The position will be filled in due course. I cannot say when.

Item agreed to.

DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORT

Marine service.

433. Life saving service, including rewards for saving life, \$47,790.

Mr. HAZEN: At what points is the life saving service provided?

Hon. P. J. A. CARDIN (Minister of Transport): The stations are at:

Banfield, British Columbia; Clayoquot, British Columbia; Bayview, Nova Scotia; Little Wood island, New Brunswick; Cheticamp, Nova Scotia; Point Pelee, Ontario; Blanche, Nova Scotia; Canso, Nova Scotia; Devils Island, Nova Scotia; Duncan Cove, Nova Scotia; Herring Cove, Nova Scotia; Main-A-Dieu, Nova Scotia.

Mr. HAZEN: Does the department maintain life saving boats there?

Mr. CARDIN: Yes. We have boats at all these places.

Mr. HAZEN: At each of the places the minister mentioned?

Mr. CARDIN: We have boats at: Banfield, British Columbia; Clayoquot, British