

SUPPLY—PUBLIC WORKS—*Con.*

Paterson, Hon. William (Minister of Customs)—848.

Hon. gentleman (Mr. Foster) is asking too much; these questions can only be discussed when post office estimates are before committee—848. The remuneration given postmasters for services is an unreasonable question to ask Minister of Public Works—849. The customs duties collected at Antigonish last year were \$7,702.17—861.

Schaffner, F. L. (Souris)—857.

Am surprised that \$25,000 should be placed in the main estimates for a public building in Antigonish, a town of 1,800 inhabitants; there is no comparison to be made between the east and west—857-8.

London drill hall and armoury—electric wiring and fixtures, grading sidewalks, &c., \$6,000—6732.

Bergeron, J. G. H. (Beauharnois)—6732.

There is a difference there of \$60,000 over the original contract—6732. According to the figures Fielding gave there is a sum due their architect. What is that for?—6733.

Fielding, Hon. Wm. S. (Minister of Finance)—6732.

The contract was for \$133,897. The total cost to March 1, 1905, is \$193,944.67—6732. The chief architect says the work is practically completed—6733. So far as the maintenance of the building is concerned, the government will keep it up—6734.

Hughes, Sam (Victoria and Hallburton)—6733.

What was the original estimate for this work?—6733. Can Fielding tell us what is the accommodation in this drill shed, what forces it can accommodate?—6734.

Taylor, Geo. (Leeds)—6733.

I understand Fielding to say that this work is all completed—6732. But why should the government go and build granolithic works?—6733.

Ottawa, Dominion Archives building, \$45,000—603.

Foster, Hon. Geo. E. (North Toronto)—603.

How much has been spent on work so far, and what is to be spent on building by July 1st?—603. Something must be done sooner or later to provide additional accommodation for the library—604. What stone is to be used in this building, and where are the Dominion Archives kept now?—605. In what way does the minister provide against destruction by fire?—606.

Henderson, David (Halton)—605.

Where are all these public documents for which provision is now being made been stored during the last 20 or 30 years?—605.

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Hyman, Hon. Chas. S. (Acting Minister of Public Works)—603.

This building is to provide a safe keeping place for the archives and public documents; the contract has been let to Wm. McGillivray, of Ottawa, for \$49,847; gives estimates for various accessories—603. The foundation and trimmings will be of limestone and the roof of iron; it is supposed to be fire proof—605. The Archives building is intended to be more of a store house, and in regard to it the question chiefly considered was of safety—606.

Ottawa departmental buildings—additional fittings for treasury vault, \$3,000—6825.

Fielding, Hon. Wm. S. (Minister of Finance)—6825.

I think our vaults generally are up to date—6825.

Osler, E. B. (West Toronto)—6825.

Are these vaults up to date and modern?—6825.

Ottawa public buildings—elevator attendants, \$1,900—6816.

Fielding, Hon. Wm. S. (Minister of Finance)—6816.

This is asked to supplement a vote of \$10,000 which was made by parliament last year—6816.

Dominion public buildings—furniture \$5,000—6817.

Fielding, Hon. Wm. S. (Minister of Finance)—6817.

The number of these buildings are increasing and consequently this item increases—6817. There is a special vote for that. It is not covered by this vote—6818.

Taylor, George (Leeds)—6817.

The government are lavish in buying furniture both for Dominion buildings and Ottawa buildings—6817.

Ottawa public buildings—heating including salaries of engineer, firemen, and watchmen, \$18,000—6816.

Daniel, J. W. (St. John City)—6816.

Is the coal that was burnt in this building included?—6816.

Fielding, Hon. Wm. S. (Minister of Finance)—6816.

The appropriation in the main estimates was \$87,000—6816.

Ottawa public buildings, including repairs, ventilation and lighting, furniture, &c., \$40,000—6815.

Fielding, Hon. Wm. S. (Minister of Finance)—6815.

There was an appropriation in the main estimates of \$125,000. We are asking for