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Campbell, A. (Centre York)—Con.

statement he made was a lie; the Campbell Milling Company had a perfect right to tender and it put tenders in for the supply of flour to certain penitentiaries. This man (Mr. Bennett) has been throwing insinuations against the hon. member for Parry Sound, the hon. member for Rainy River, and the hon. member for North Ontario, that he dare not and would not make where they could be met—4136-7.

Deputy Speaker, Mr.—4135.

That is out of order—4135. That expression is out of order. Any discussion not relative to subject is out of order—4140. The subject to which hon. member (Mr. Fowler) now refers is the construction of a new lighthouse, but the item before the committee is the maintenance and repair of lighthouses and lightships; if he will confine his remarks to the subject before the chair he may proceed—4143.

Fielding, Hon. W. S. (Minister of Finance)—4129.

The fact that an account has had some figures changed in it does not necessarily prove that there has been any fraud. It is not the business of the government to investigate the charge, that an hon. member of this House has been guilty of conduct which destroys his right to a seat here, until hon. gentleman (Mr. Bennett) takes the usual mode of procedure—4129. If the hon. gentleman (Mr. Bennett) means what he says, he has simply to stand up in the usual way, with the Speaker in the chair, make his accusation and ask that it be investigated by a special committee which is in existence to deal with such matters—4131.

Fowler, G. W. (King's and Albert, N.B.)—4117.

Explain—4117. What pay does Mortimer get as captain of the boat?—4126. Understood the hon. member for East Simcoe (Mr. Bennett) to ask the minister for an investigation before a special committee with respect to lighthouses; wishes to corroborate statement that hon. gentleman (Mr. Bennett) made with regard to change of figures—4142-3.

Hughes, Sam (Victoria and Haliburton)—4145.

Who owns the tug 'Heeler'? Quotes page P—100 of Auditor General's Report. Why was there such a variation in the prices for labour?—4145. Does the minister know what price he pays for gasolene?—4146. What was the form of the tender asked for?—4147. Does the minister intend to call for tenders through the public press or ask for private bids? Quotes letters from Auditor General to the deputy Minister of Marine and Fisheries—4150. Will the minister inform me how many months the steamer 'Arabian' was chartered for; did the government charter her entirely; and were the owners allowed to do trading and passenger carrying as well—4151.

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Miller, H. H. (South Grey)—4139.

If we are to take the 'Globe' as a proper and a reliable witness, it is not necessary for a minister to prove the member for East Simcoe an untruthful man, because the 'Globe' has already proved it—4139.

Northrup, W. B. (East Hastings)—4141.

It is the practice of the hon. gentleman's (Mr. Brodeur) department to find some one who has a monopoly whenever the department wants something—4141.

Reid, J. D. (Grenville)—4147.

Has not seen any advertisement of any kind calling for tenders for any of these supplies; items for maintenance of lights are very large. If minister intends calling for tenders for all these supplies he should do so by public advertisement—4147-8. The government should give the public the advantage of public competition; quotes page P—208 of Auditor General's Report—4149-50.

Roche, Wm. (Halifax)—4142.

Does minister intend, at an early date, giving us the lightship which was promised at the entrance of Halifax harbour?—4142.

Savoie, F. T. (Megantic)—4151.

For the last four years we have bought no gasolene for less than from 20 to 25 cents per gallon, and that was the regular price per barrel—4151.

Taylor, Geo. (Leeds)—4146.

The highest price for gasolene sold along the River St. Lawrence last year for gasolene launches was 15 and 18 cents—4146. How is it that minister is asking for \$500,000 for nine months when he only had \$500,000 for the whole of last year?—4147.

Watson, R. J. (Parry Sound)—4121.

Where did hon. gentleman (Mr. Bennett) get this information; was it from the defeated candidate?—4121. The information of the hon. gentleman (Mr. Bennett) came from the defeated candidate, one Dr. Freeborn. The condition on which Captain Mortimer was to take charge of that lighthouse was \$3.50 a day—4123. There is not an account on that file but what is absolutely correct, and in every particular an honest, straightforward account; the account for lighthouse did not exceed \$700, and the construction is one of the cheapest put up last year; explains conditions to the minister (Mr. Brodeur)—4124. If all government works were built as economically as this lighthouse there would be very little room for criticism—4125.

Further amount, maintenance and repairs to lighthouses, \$30,000—4867.