

Mr. BENNETT: What papers were they published in?

Mr. ROGERS: I have not that information, but I will get it later for my right hon. friend.

Mr. BENNETT: If the minister will produce the commandant's report I think that will throw a lot of light upon this matter. With respect to the—

Mr. MACKENZIE (Vancouver): I am not aware of any report at all on the matter, but I will look into it right away.

Mr. BENNETT: There was one, I am informed.

Mr. MACKENZIE (Vancouver): Would my right hon. friend indicate the nature of the report?

Mr. BENNETT: The report was merely as to the question of the utilization of this stone by Stansbury, on his property.

Mr. ROGERS: Is this more stone, or is this the same old stone?

Mr. BENNETT: It sounds very ingenious, most ingenious.

Mr. ROGERS: I want to know.

Mr. HOWE: Is this the four dollars' worth?

Mr. BENNETT: I am glad the Canadian people have an opportunity to appraise the value of the government, at least, and its methods of transacting business.

Mr. HOWE: Four dollars is a lot of money.

Mr. BENNETT: It is not much to a millionaire, like the hon. member. It might be to some people.

Mr. HOWE: The right hon. gentleman certainly could answer on that.

Mr. BENNETT: The stone I had reference to was the stone hauled to Mr. Stansbury's place and utilized there, and a report was made to the Minister of Labour.

Mr. MACKENZIE (Vancouver): Was the stone to which the right hon. gentleman refers used in connection with the activities of the Department of National Defence?

Mr. BENNETT: I beg your pardon?

Mr. MACKENZIE (Vancouver): Was the stone used in my department?

Mr. BENNETT: The contracts were contracts made with the Department of Labour, and—

Mr. ROGERS: No, no; my right hon. friend is speaking about a report of the commandant. The commandant has not anything to do with the Department of Labour.

Mr. BENNETT: The contracts were contracts made through the Department of Labour with the Department of Public Highways of Ontario, as a matter of fact. The specifications bear the imprint of the highways department. Before that there were camps known as projects 37 and 42. I want the report of the commandant with respect to the withdrawal from within the curtilage of the Royal Military College of stone that went to this place of Stansbury's.

Mr. MACKENZIE (Vancouver): Where did my right hon. friend get the information? He knows more than the minister does, because the minister has not seen or heard of this report. How does he know there is a report of the commandant of the Royal Military College?

Mr. BENNETT: I will tell you my knowledge. In the course of my inquiries with respect to it, I inquired as to whether or not the military college authorities had taken action, and my information was that their people did inspect it. That was as far as it went—

Mr. MACKENZIE (Vancouver): Inspected what?

Mr. BENNETT: This stone that was taken away, and therefore I concluded there must be a report. I said at the very start of it—

Mr. MACKENZIE (Vancouver): May I ask my right hon. friend: Does he know, or does he not, if there is a report, because the minister does not know about it?

Mr. BENNETT: I said I placed myself in his hands with respect to the report which I believe was made by the commandant, and certain information given with respect to the removal of stone from land within the curtilage of the Royal Military College.

Mr. MACKENZIE (Vancouver): I thought my right hon. friend said there was a report.

Mr. BENNETT: I said I placed myself in the minister's hands. I believed there was a report and I mentioned my reasons for so believing. Obviously I could not communicate with council. That is the position. The point I wish to make with the minister is that there exists a condition which he should remedy. It is no good to refer to what somebody else did because he was elected to