

Mr. BLAKE. What is delaying the settlement with Mr. Onderdonk ?

Mr. McLELAN. I cannot say that anything is delaying it.

Mr. BLAKE. Has the Government engineer made a final estimate of what is due to Mr. Onderdonk ?

Mr. McLELAN. I know of no final estimate.

Mr. MULLOCK. What is the price of the cars ?

Mr. McLELAN. From \$600 at \$700.

Mr. MULLOCK. What sort ?

Mr. McLELAN. Flat cars, first and second class. There are 64 first class, 38 second class, 55 third class, 240 fourth class. The prices are \$730, \$725, \$720, \$700, \$690, \$695.

Mr. BLAKE. They are second-hand flat cars ?

Mr. McLELAN. That is what is on the memorandum.

Mr. MITCHELL. We can get hundreds and thousands from contractors at from \$400 at \$500 new.

Mr. MULLOCK. A new flat can be purchased for under \$300.

Mr. BLAKE. Is that the chief engineer's estimate ?

Mr. McLELAN. That is the valuator's. The chief engineer has struck out \$3,325.

Mr. BLAKE. It seems a most extraordinary estimate for second hand flat cars.

Mr. McLELAN. There is a statement signed by M. J. Haney, W. T. Reid and P. Clark as valutors.

Carillon Canal..... \$24,000 00

Mr. CASBY. This item is an instance of the folly of trying to discuss estimates at this hour of the morning. In connection with the Carillon Canal there were undoubted scandals, undoubted improprieties of management and conduct on the part of the Government, which really ought to be discussed. I shall not of course attempt to discuss them at this hour of the morning, but I shall simply enter my protest and reserve my right to say something on this item on concurrence.

Kingston Penitentiary..... \$11,000 00

Sir HECTOR LANGEVIN. There is \$3,000 of this for furniture of the warden's house, and the balance is for plumbing, fitting in gas works and a number of small expenses.

Mr. BLAKE. Do we supply the warden with furniture ?

Sir HECTOR LANGEVIN. Yes. We do in all the penitentiaries.

Mr. BLAKE. This is the warden recently appointed. I do not remember that we furnished the late warden with furniture.

Sir HECTOR LANGEVIN. The late warden owned the furniture and took it away with him.

Mr. BLAKE. Exactly. Then this is a new expense. What will be the cost of putting gas into the main structure ?

Sir HECTOR LANGEVIN. I cannot say.

Mr. BLAKE. This is contrary to the usual care with which the hon. gentleman's estimates are prepared.

Sir HECTOR LANGEVIN. There are a number of small items which I might read to the hon. gentleman, but he cannot expect me now to be able to collect the different amounts relating to gas together and give him the total.

Public Works, chargeable to income—Public buildings, Ontario..... \$19,961 17

Mr. CASEY. I see an amount of \$2,225 for the St. Thomas post office, Custom house, &c. I thought that was finished last year.

Sir HECTOR LANGEVIN. This is a small balance of the work done last year which we had no money for. In the Supplementary Estimates for 1886-87 there is another small sum of \$2,400 to complete that.

Public Buildings, Manitoba \$30,975 50

Mr. CASEY. What will be the total cost of the Winnipeg post office ?

Sir HECTOR LANGEVIN. \$205,300.

Public Buildings, North-West Territories..... \$43,000 00

Sir HECTOR LANGEVIN. The total cost of the Regina gaol and lunatic asylum, for which \$11,500 is asked, will be \$52,000. The additional barrack and stabling accommodation for the Mounted Police force will cost altogether \$125,000.

Mr. BLAKE. Is this all at Regina ?

Sir HECTOR LANGEVIN. All at Regina.

Repairs, Furniture, Heating \$40,575 00

Sir HECTOR LANGEVIN. The amount of \$6,500 is to make good the damages caused by the fire of 22nd February last. It is the intention of the Government to give \$200 of this money to the Firemen's Benevolent Society as a reward for the services they rendered on that occasion.

Roads and Bridges—Ottawa City..... \$19,174 50

Sir HECTOR LANGEVIN. This is to cover the expenses of keeping these bridges in order, as well as the approaches and Major's Hill Park. The street in front of the buildings is now under our charge, and the sidewalks also, and will have to be repaired. Then \$2,000 is required for the park to keep up the walks, the flower beds and trees, and to water the park.

Department of Indian Affairs—Manitoba and North-West Territories..... \$399,617 00

Sir RICHARD CARTWRIGHT. I understood the First Minister wanted to make special explanations about this item.

Mr. McLELAN. He will on concurrence, perhaps.

Sir RICHARD CARTWRIGHT. Hum ! It would be a pity that he should not, because we were informed in the Senate that he was most anxious to make them.

Mr. McLELAN. So he is.

Sir RICHARD CARTWRIGHT. Hum !

Sir HECTOR LANGEVIN. Unfortunately his health will not permit him to be here this time of night.

Mr. CASEY. We should not be here at this time of night, either.

North-West Mounted Police..... \$154,541 00

Sir RICHARD CARTWRIGHT. Is Lieutenant Colonel Irvine leaving the force ?