

Mr. DALY. He is a second-class clerk. He has been in the outside service, but his services as secretary will be dispensed with after the 1st of July.

Mr. DAVIES (P.E.I.) Does he return to his former position?

Mr. DALY. No. He remains in the service here.

Mr. DAVIES (P.E.I.) I understood he was brought from the outside service.

Mr. DALY. He was, and he is now in the inside service.

Mr. DAVIES (P.E.I.) What position does he hold?

Mr. DALY. I think it will take a second-class clerkship. The item will come up in the Supplementaries.

Immigration--Salaries of agents  
and employees in Canada. . . . \$22,000

Sir RICHARD CARTRIGHT. Before this resolution is passed, it is proper that the Minister should give us a general summary of the mode in which he proposes to employ this vote, and what he expects to do. I need not tell you that the state of this department has been not only unsatisfactory, but extremely disgraceful to Canada for a great many years back. The grossest mis-statements have been perpetually made by the officers of the department, and the census shows conclusively that of all the immigrants brought here, not one-sixth have remained. Now, I desire to know what policy the new incumbent of the office proposes to adopt, and, in particular, how he proposes to make use of the general sum placed at his disposal for immigration purposes.

Mr. DALY. In reply to the hon. gentleman, I will, as briefly as possible, outline the work that is being done at present in reference to immigration. I may say, in the first place, that we have dispensed with the services of the agents that used to hold office in Canada, that is in the old provinces of Ontario and Quebec, and in this way a saving has been effected of \$22,000. That saving was made in the Canadian agencies. There appears here to be an increase of over \$14,000, but that is providing specifically for salaries which formerly were taken out of the general vote. Then, as to the salaries of agents and employees in Great Britain and Ireland, it is my intention to dispense with the services of the present incumbent at Dublin, and the present incumbent at Belfast, who seem to have outgrown their usefulness. As concerns their remuneration, and the remuneration of the other agents in Great Britain, the practice which formerly prevailed of giving them a per diem allowance for travelling expenses, will be done away with, and they will be placed upon a direct salary and allowed only actual travelling expenses. Now, I will describe the work that is being carried on to-day in Great

Britain. Mr. Bailey Stewart has been lecturing in the north of Scotland since last November. That gentleman spent some six months in this country last year, seeing it in both winter and summer, travelling from Cape Breton right through to British Columbia, and consequently, he has a splendid idea of the country and its resources. Mr. Stewart was highly recommended by leading people in Scotland, and seems to be giving great satisfaction to the Commissioner, Sir Charles Tupper, and we expect good results from his work in the north of Scotland. In the south of Scotland, we have employed Mr. Peter Lang, who was, for twenty years, connected with Australian emigration. He does the same work in the south of Scotland that Mr. Stewart does in the north of Scotland. We have employed these two men for one year at a salary of \$1,200, and so much for travelling expenses—I have forgotten the exact amount. They are provided with magic lanterns and different shades, containing views of this country from ocean to ocean, and are doing splendid work, according to the newspaper reports we receive from time to time from different parts of Scotland. In the south of England, we employ a Mr. Ritchie, a Scotch farmer, now settled in the county of Essex, who, with a party of Scotchmen, went to the south of England a couple of years ago, and came out to Canada last year. He spent the whole of last summer, and most of last fall, in Manitoba and the North-west, and has written a pamphlet describing his visit to Canada. He has been employed for the season in the south of England, delivering lectures and distributing literature. We have made an arrangement with the different steam-ship companies in Great Britain and Ireland to distribute our literature. In order to induce them to give the same attention to the booking of passengers to Canada, we raised their commissions by \$1.70, that is, the Government pay them \$1.75 for each booking to Winnipeg, after a certificate has been obtained that the passenger who is booked, has arrived in Winnipeg. The reason for giving that \$1.75 was that it brings up the commission that they receive from the steam-ship companies equal to the commission that they receive from Australian bookings. It was ascertained by our agents in Great Britain that these men were neglecting entirely the booking of passengers to Canada, simply because they could not earn the same commission as they could on bookings to Australia. In addition to Mr. Ritchie, in the south of England, we have Mr. E. I. Wood late of Holland, in the province of Manitoba, and a resident there for ten years, who has also been employed for one year at the same salary as Mr. Bailey Stewart and Mr. Peter Lang in Scotland. Mr. Wood has the advantage of ten years' actual farming experience in the province of Manitoba, where he has been successful. He is a man of unusual intelligence, and good education, is very well con-