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## On the Supplying of Oil and Coals to Lighthouses.

MR. JENNINGS Mr. Chairman, I ing to the cloth, if so, there ought to would like at this juncture in the es- be a move made in the direction of timates to make a few remarks in con- levelling down the salaries of those nection with the department of Mar-, who only perform the same duties. ine and Fisheries. I am well aware that retrenchment in the lighthouse service, that would interfere with or injure its efficiency would be almost a crime. Yet there are some matters

where there is room for reform with

out having an injurious effect. I would like to say that I have had occasion to approach the Minister of Marine and Fisheries several times in regard to rearranging fishery rules and have always found him very fairminded and willing to meet me in any proposition that was advantageous to the people, and the alterations of some of these rules means hundreds of dollars added to the earnings of the fishermen in the district of Twillingate last spring. Any remarks, therefore which I may make will be with the best intention and only with a view of pointing out needed reforms.

Low Test Oil is Supplied.

Dr. Lloyd, in the course of his remarks the other day suggested the ad visability of appointing a purchasing agent for the civil service. I believe his would be a good thing in connec tion with lighthouse supplies. I had the opportunity lately of visiting the station at Sergeant's Cove Head. As no doubt the Hon. Min. of Marine and Fisheries is well aware the machinery connected with the light there is very delicate and complicated. The oil is held in a tank fixed by the side of the tower and is pumped into that a short distance from the generator. There is a very small hole in that car which only the finest needle can per etrate. It will easily be seen that it is very important that the oil used . should be of the best quality as the smallest particle of dirt will close the aperature and injure the efficiency of the light. I found that the oil supplied to that station was only 120 test and nothing less than 150 test should be used. Now, I don't suppose the Mindon't blame him in that respect. As understand, the contracts are given to certain parties to send these supplies and they are paid for the best quality and it seems someone here saw their chance and took the advantage by supplying an inferior article This, however, is a serious matter. department, and they at once sup-lingate. plied a better quality.

The Matter of Supplying Coal,

Then again as regards the measuretract to supply coal to a number of quantity is landed or not. He will probably be able to form some estimate when he stores it. but this is referred to the difference in the salaries received by those keepers. we have to cut the garment accord- societies are operating to outside Lord Derby's help in grinding it.

Suggests Iron Rail for Sergeant's which I would like to refer. The and made travelling safe, and if I relighthosue is built very near the edge- member correctly the dates of the reof the cliff, probably a distance of ports they were dated February;

to look down over the edge and see Doesn't Believe In Promising Jobs.

the sea breaking at its base. There is no protection whatever on the edge Just one word in relation to the of the cliff and I would suggest to the Minister that a rail consisting of wire cable passing through iron posts would be a reliable and yet inexpensive protection on the edge of the possibly not more than a hundred were only asked by me as I am acquainted with lighthouse matters ow-However it is very necessary. I do not think the Minister of Marine and had. The keeper there is the kind of Fisheries knew anything about it or man that would put up with a lot of wind from the west to north-west time and trouble trying to make with great force and on one occasion the keeper very nearly lost his two boys who were carrying coal from

Minister knows about it I trust he Then, again, I think I may safely say that I have no Uncle George or There is one other matter to which Uncle Dick to whom I have promised I would like to refer and that is the a job. I have always tried so far to tank, and the compressed air forces salary paid to the Inspector of Log- keep clear of this kind of thing, whatthe oil through a small tube which ging Camps. He is paid a salary of ever I may do in the future. The only has a steel cap fixed on the end of \$700, and I think it is altogether out man I ever tried to get a job for is

work performed this season did not longer than a month, and I am sure it lasted as long as that. Now I think honourable members will agree that \$700 is too large a salary for that amount of work. There are hundreds of men in Twillingate district, who would be glad to perform that work for \$200 a year. When appointing a man for that work I think the man appointed should be in the neighbourhood of Lewisporte where there is railway connection that would enable him to travel easily to his work, not a man who lives on the outside and cannot get in to the camps only at certain times. The inspection There is one other item in connecthis year did not take place until tion with Sergeant's Head station to January when the runs caught over thirty feet more or less. The cliff which shows that the work did not goes sheer down a height of three take more than a month. I think a hundred feet without a break and you salary of \$700 is out of all proporwant a fairly strong nerve to be able tion for this amount of work.

No Seed Available

matter I spoke of. I hope I did not make any insinuation in regard to that official that he was trying to make any complaints. I might say that he only discussed this in reply to quescliff the distance to be railed being tions which I asked. These questions he would have had it remedied. The inconvenience and spend a lot of

Department on account of anything I the store to the house. Now that the have said, and I take all the responsibility for it myself.

of proportion to the work done. The the one-armed man at Campbellton.

## Jennings Shows Up Morris's Agricultural Policy as it Really is.

#### ister knows anything about this and Gets After the Experts and Clearly Proves the Whole Business a Huge Fizzle.

MR JENNINGS-I do not intend places where the societies never to delay the House with my few re- touched, hauling up loads of hay. ing to the glowing speech of the Honourable member on the Agricultural I saw some sheep that were said to This station is an important one, and policy of the Government coming to have come from the Society, and I am glad to be able to say that the the conclusion that there has been must say they were good sheep; but keeper is a very capable conscientious unfair distribution. I will confine my I am sorry to say they were owned man, who, although he had the mis- remarks to what has come to my ac- by one of the best off residents of fortune to lose one of his arms, at- tual knowledge, not to what I have the place—a man with a pretty good tends to his duties properly and keeps heard from reports. Now in the Agribank account behind him. Those the light in good condition, and it is cultural Report there are only three sheep that were said to be provided not right that his trouble should be societies in the District of Twillingate by the Agricultural Society did not increased by having to use bad oil. referred to. Whether or not there belong to a poor man at all. Now in I have had some experience of the have been any more societies formed the District of Twillingate I think we same kind myself. I spent over four in that District I am not aware; but have one of the best kind of potatoes years at a lighthouse station and the the actual knowledge I have of the grown in the country—the Black Migoil supplied one years was so bad condition of affairs there will not al- non. The trouble the people find who that the kitchen lamp would go out low me to speak very favourably of grow that potato in the District of when one third full of this oil. How- the agricultural policy as, it has been Twillingate is that it rots in the ever, I reported it to the lighthouse brought out in the District of Twil- ground. Now I would like the Society

will remedy it.

The Inspector Of Logging Camps.

No Seed Available

With regard to the potatoes which from rotting. the hon, member mentioned as havment of coal. The keeper has no ing such a beneficial effect in the tlemen to come down to the District means whatever of ascertaining country, I may say that on two occas- of Twillingate next summer and let whether he receives his proper mea- ions I applied for seed for people the District have the benefits of his sure or no. The plan usually fol- who sent to me who said they were knowledge, and he will see it my relowed is this. Certain parties con- destitute of seed, or in all probability marks will not be borne out in regard they would be, and, therefore, I tried to unfair distribution. stations, the coal is brought and gen- to procure this seed from the agrikeeper doesn't know if the certified sions I received the reply that there Cabinet Crisis was none to be had. Now that was very discouraging, and certainly does not speak well for somebody. If one not often done till months after 'tis part of the country had lots of seed landed. Rumours have been notorious, and was getting the advantage, and ly circulated that coals were left be- another part of the country could not hind in the bottoms of vessels supply- procure any, it goes to prove the ing. I do not say this always happens, point I made when I commenced that There is certainly room for improve- there had been unfair distribution. ment in this direction. Mr. Halfyard Policy A Failure In Twillingate

District when those keepers are pensioned could be bought outside of the society ment, issued this afternoon. the same unfair conditions will obtain at a cheaper rate than through the if they receive two thirds of their society. Now, that again is very dis-

marks, but I cannot help after listen- Invites The "Experts" To Visit The

to introduce the Bordeaux mixture or whatever it is that prevents potatoes

Now I would like for the hon, gen-

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Cabinet Agrees On A Proposal Re Recruiting Which Will Be Submitted To Parliament On Tuesday Coalition Candidate Is Elected Over Independent

LONDON, April 20.—At a meeting of the Cabinet to-day, an agreement I had occasion to find out from the was reached upon the proposals which There are certainly a number of cas- secretary of a certain society in the the Ministers will make to Parliament es where the duties incurred are very district of Twillingate, as to the cost on the subject of recruiting. Their much the same and the situation of of fertilizer as to whether you could proposals will be submitted at a fers no special advantage one more procure it through the Society, and secret session of each House of Parthan another where a great difference at what cost The information that I liament on Tuesday. The foregoing exists in the salaries received and received from him was that fertilizer was announced in an official state-

salary. We hear a great deal about couraging for anybody who wanted to Lord Derby has had to engage anraising salaries, but I do not venture purchase it. Now, one of the best other secretary. Since he became the to suggest that those salaries should societies working in the District of most popular man in England—he has be evened up by raising the one be- Twillingate has to go to outside places paid the usual penalty. Hundreds of low for the very good reason that our in the bay and buy potatoes from letters and telegrams and telephone country cannot afford it. The earn- folks who never had anything to do messages reach him daily asking his ing power of the people who have to with these societies in the way of opinion on all sorts and conditions of pay the revenue is not large enough procuring seed. They have got things. Speciments of patent medito justify an increase and as, the to come down to buy hay. I have seen cines arrive by the sackful, and ev-Prime Minister said the other day men coming from the vicinity where eryone who has an axe to grind wants

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