

SUPPLY—PUBLIC BUILDINGS — QUEBEC  
—*Con.*

*Magrath, C. A.* (Medicine Hat)—941.

Urges again the necessity of a post office at Lethbridge. The minister's answer to a question, 941. Statistics of the growth of the place, quotes the Montreal 'Star,' 942. Hopes he has convinced the minister of the necessity for granting his request, 943. Would like to get the minister in touch with the Post Office Department, 944.

*Owen, C. L.* (Northumberland)—930.

The claims of the town of Campbellford, its population, &c. Not a public building in the riding, 930-1.

*Pugsley, Hon. William* (Minister of Public Works)—927.

Gives details of estimate, revenue, volume of business, etc., 927. May say 'no' to both questions, 928. If Grimsby will be content with a \$4,000 public building, will consider the case, 929. Has had the claims of Parry Sound under consideration, will not be long before action is taken, 930. He is taking the village of Roberval as it was in 1901, 931. Grand-Mère, Campbellford and Muskoka, 933. His policy, 934. Understands Roberval has a population of some 3,000 and is rapidly growing, 936. Did not lay down a hard and fast rule, that would be impossible, 937. There was a petition from the municipal council, and a strong recommendation from Mr. Girard, the member, 938. The people in the smaller towns just as much a part of the Dominion as the people in the larger cities, 939. It appeared before the general election, 940. The amount of \$20,000 is only for work during the coming year, 941. Is informed that there was no late request from the Postmaster General, 942. The figures show that Lethbridge has taken recently a very rapid growth, 943. The post office not at all suited to the public convenience, a public building wanted, 944. The policy is, to a reasonable extent to construct public buildings where they are wanted, 945. These selections never came to his knowledge, were made by departmental officials, 946.

*Schaffner, F. L.* (Souris)—935.

Souris has never had one dollar of public money expended on it, depreciates expensive building, 935. The case of the dismissal of the postmaster; the political complexion of the place affects these votes, 936.

*Smyth, W. R.* (East Algoma)—940.

Providence and Little Current the only points in his riding taken notice of, 940. Some large towns giving large revenues which have great need of good building, 941.

*Wright, W.* (Muskoka)—931.

The riding he represents has no public building, no place in which to do their customs work, 931. There is no one here who can tell us whether this post office ought to be built or not, 932.

Rock Island public building, \$5,000—946.

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*Fisher, Hon. Sydney* (Minister of Agriculture)—948.

The real business of the post is done at Rock Island and the customs want the accommodation, 948.

*Foster, Hon. Geo. E.* (North Toronto)—947.  
Asks revenue, estimated cost, etc., 947-8.

*Magrath, C. A.* (Medicine Hat)—947.

The department being served should be obliged to produce evidence of the need of service, 947.

*Pugsley, Hon. William* (Minister of Public Works)—946.

The building is urgently required for customs purposes and post office purposes, 946. This item was agreed to after consideration extending over several weeks, 947. Thinks the actual customs post is about three miles away, 948.  
Shawinigan Falls, \$8,000—948.

*Blondin, P. E.* (Champlain)—951.

Shawenigan Falls justify the vote. All the argument applies doubly to Grand-Mère, 951. The deputation did not think \$5,000 would erect the building they wanted, 952.

*Bureau, Hon. Jacques* (Solicitor General)—949.

The development of Shawenigan Falls, concerns that have come in there, 949. Action of the Shawinigan Water and Power Company, 950. It will grow more in future, putting up new plants every day, 951.

*Lancaster, E. A.* (Lincoln and Niagara)—949.

There are a great many places where comparatively small buildings, costing \$10,000 to \$12,000 would answer the purpose, 949. Asks the minimum amount spent on each building, 950. All you would need is practically three good large rooms, 951.

*Pugsley, Hon. William* (Minister of Public Works)—948.

To make provision for the construction of a public building, 948. Statistics of Shawenigan Falls. The building to accommodate three departments, 949. Does not think that a suitable building could be erected for less than \$30,000, 951. That was only to make a start, 952.

St. Jacques de l'Achigan public building, \$15,000—952.

*Foster, Hon. Geo. E.* (North Toronto)—953.

Must protest strongly against this. Should be a request from a responsible minister, 953. One of the worst cases yet. Moves that the vote be reduced by \$10,000—954.

*Lennox, H.* (South Simcoe)—954.

The minister, simply because he gets a petition decides to erect a post office, 954. Protests as earnestly as he can against the manner in which they have been proceeding, 955.