

**SUPPLY — INTERIOR — INDIAN AFFAIRS — MANITOBA, SASKATCHEWAN, ALBERTA AND THE NORTHWEST TERRITORIES—Con.**

*Bennett, W. H. (East Simcoe)—Con.*

ing by department with any person or persons as to maple or other kinds of timber on island? Will minister please inform me how far negotiations have proceeded and who is acting in negotiations? Who has been acting on behalf of Mr. Ryan in negotiations?—933. How many acres of land, and what amount of timber is estimated on island, and what is its approximate value? Is department prepared to sell whole island for \$9,000? Does minister consider that island should be sold by private sale or auction?—934. Indian tribes always believed island belonged to Indian Department, but since change of government train has been laid to pass timber on island to party supporters; Mr. Ryan and Mr. Beck are one and same in interest—935. Would hon. minister bring down report of Mr. Chitty valuing timber at \$9,000? Would be in public interest that there should be a public auction sale rather than a private sale—936. Can well understand hon. friend from South Grey (Mr. Miller) approving of sale by tender—939. Minister of Interior is advertising to-day for sale of a single little island up back of Peterborough or Cobourg—941. Did not say anything was wrong with tenders; said it was matter of suspicion that hon. member for Centre York (Mr. Campbell) should be lowest by four cents—942-3.

*Fitzpatrick, Hon. Charles (Minister of Justice)*  
—940.

Statement made by hon. member for Simcoe (Mr. Bennett) re matter of flour for penitentiary is absolutely unfounded in fact; tenders were called for in public press—940. Quotes memoranda re tenders for penitentiary—941-2.

*Miller, H. H. (South Grey)—938.*

Agrees with minister that the better method and the one by which the highest price would be realized is to sell by public tender—938.

*Oliver, Hon. Frank (Minister of the Interior)*  
—932.

Has been no sale of timber on island to Mr. Peter Ryan. Pine and oak on Giant's Tomb island is under license to Mr. Alexander; license is now held by Canada Furniture Company—932. Have correspondence from Mr. Peter Ryan, Mr. Beck, of Penetanguishene, and from Canada Furniture Company, applying for timber on land—933. Department is not in position to sell either island or timber because of timber license which now exists upon island—937-8.

*Telford, W. P. (North Grey)—938.*

As purchaser of Griffith Island, believes he paid \$1,000 more than thing was worth—938.

Seeds, field and garden, \$1,689—735.

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*Blain, Richard (Peel)—735.*

How does it come that the government has to supply seeds for the Indians every year?—735.

*Oliver, Hon. Frank (Minister of the Interior)*  
—735.

Indians on the reserves supply the bulk of their own field seeds. Garden seeds are supplied year after year from outside, as Indians to not grow their own—735.

To provide an additional amount for provisions, etc., \$4,000—5990.

*Hughes, Sam. (Victoria)—5990.*

Is that the same old amount or a new one?—5990.

*Oliver, Hon. Frank (Minister of the Interior)*  
—5990.

This item is intended to pay for maintenance of insane Indians in the asylums of Manitoba, at Selkirk and Brandon—5990.

**SUPPLY—INTERIOR—INDIAN AFFAIRS—MARITIME PROVINCES, ONTARIO AND QUEBEC.**

Indian school, Maritime provinces, Ontario and Quebec, attendance and medicines, \$4,200—717.

*Oliver, Hon. Frank (Minister of the Interior)*  
—717.

For all services under which expenditure is continuous throughout the twelve months a reduction has been made in items on basis of nine months. This applies to expenses of management, school grants, medical attendance, miscellaneous charges, implements, live stock, etc. Certain sub-heads under which reduction cannot be made as the expenditure takes place early in the year. For the partial reduction of twenty-five per cent the estimates are less than for 1895-96 by \$325,601—717.

Indian school, Maritime provinces, Ontario and Quebec, \$40,072.50—717.

*Barr, John (Dufferin)—717.*

How many schools are there? Have all teachers certificates?—717. Are Indians taught to work on farms in Ontario—718. Are medical men paid by contract or for work they actually do? Medical charge per capita for Indians is greater than it is for whites—720. Who prepares and revises books—721.

*Blain, Richard (Peel)—717.*

Where are these schools located?—717. Is there any system of inspection in these schools, and if so, what is the system?—718. Is same standard asked on Indian reserves that is found in other counties? What kind of books are used? Who engages teachers?—721.

*Borden, R. L. (Carleton, Ont.)—719.*

Has endeavoured to find out what advantage it is to Indian children to receive