

Sir WILFRID LAURIER:

1. Preliminary assistance was given towards the establishment of a fishermen's bait freezer at Barrington Passage, N.S. It was to have been of about fifty tons capacity. March, 1908.

2. From the Barrington Passage Fishermen's Bait Association, through Mr. Peter MacFarlane, the outside officer of the department in charge of the establishment of such freezers. It was signed by William Duff, Wm. Acker, Gilbert E. Atkin, Elijah Ross, Floyd Ross, Joseph Ross, Moses Atkinson, Charles E. Ross, Samuel P. Ross, Ernest Brown, Horatio Brownen, Henry Ross, Alfred K. Ross, James J. Ross, Archie Scott, William R. Reid, Barkley S. Reid, Warren Ross, Smith G. Penny, and George E. Kenny.

3. The usual advance of \$500 was made to the association, on the recommendation of Mr. Peter MacFarlane.

4. The freezer was never completed.

5. Answered by No. 4.

6. No.

7. The provisional directors of the association are William Duff, William C. Acker, Gilbert E. Atkins, Smith G. Penny, and Charles E. Ross.

8. Answered by No. 4.

NEWSPAPER POSTAGE TO UNITED STATES.**Mr. JAMESON:**

1. Upon what class of newspapers or publications mailed out to the United States of America is postage charged and not charged, respectively?

2. What number of newspapers, if any, mailed out to the United States of America is exempted from paying postage, and upon what number is postage charged?

3. When was postage first charged on newspapers going to the United States of America?

4. What discrimination has since been made, if any, as to the class to be charged, when did it become operative, and why was it made?

5. What amount has been paid yearly as postage on daily newspapers and other than daily newspapers, respectively?

6. What reduction in the circulation in the United States of America of the class of newspapers on which postage is charged, has followed the imposition of such postage?

Hon. R. LEMIEUX:

1 and 2. Postage is charged on all classes of newspapers and periodicals addressed to the United States.

3. In the year 1783.

4. No discrimination.

5. No separate account of postage collected on papers addressed to the United States is kept at the Post Office Department. The rates applicable to such papers being the same as those charged on some other classes of mail matter, it would be impossible to make any separation at this date.

6. This department has no statistics relative to the matter for the reasons given in answer to No. 5.

MESSRS. SULLIVAN AND LANGDON.**Mr. EDWARDS:**

1. How much money has been paid by this government from 1896 to the present time to the firm of Sullivan & Langdon, contractors, of Kingston, or to Mr. Sullivan, contractor, Kingston?

2. What public buildings or other public works have been let by contract to either of the above firms since 1896, what was the contract price in each case, and what was the total amount paid to the said contractors in each case?

3. What was the total cost of each building or public work in which either of the above mentioned firms was interested?

Mr. SPEAKER. Stand as notice of motion.

ELLIOT BROTHERS AND R. CARSON.**Mr. EDWARDS:**

How much money has been paid by this government in each year from 1896 to 1909, both years included, to the firms of Elliot Bros., and of R. Carson, of Kingston, Ontario, for supplies furnished to, or services of any kind performed by the government?

Mr. SPEAKER. Stand as notice of motion.

TEULON BRANCH C.P.R., MANITOBA.**Mr. BRADBURY:**

1. Has the government approved of the extension of the Teulon branch of the Canadian Pacific railway, Manitoba?

2. If so, was such approval made contingent upon the company agreeing to extend the Winnipeg Beach branch northerly by way of Gimli to some point on or near the Icelandic river?

3. If such approval was so contingent, is it the intention of the government to insist on the company extending this branch this year?

Mr. GRAHAM:

1. Yes.

2. When the government approved of the extension of the Teulon branch of the Canadian Pacific railway, it was made contingent, upon the company agreeing to extend the Victoria Beach railway, northerly by way of the village of Gimli. This agreement has been carried out. The above line is also subsidized for a further distance northerly of twenty-five miles from Gimli to Riverton.

WIRE FENCING, I.C.R.**Mr. WILCOX:**

1. Did the Department of Railways and Canals, or the purchasing agent of the Inter-