

7. What sum, if any, does the government propose to spend in armament at Halifax in the immediate future?

Hon. H. R. EMMERSON (for Minister of Militia and Defence):

1. Yes.
2. Staff, Nos. 1 and 2 companies, Royal Canadian Garrison Artillery; one company, Royal Canadian Engineers; headquarters and Nos. 1 to 6 companies, Royal Canadian Regiment; No. 9 section, Ordnance Stores Corps; No. 4 detachment, Canadian Permanent Army Service Corps; detachment Permanent Army Medical Corps.
3. Forty-three officers; 1,117 non-commissioned officers and men.
4. 149 were taken over from the imperial garrison; 1,112 either belonged to the permanent corps, or were recruited subsequently to the decision to take over the garrison. The number under each heading cannot be accurately ascertained without obtaining returns from the several stations of the permanent corps.
5. \$800,000 approximately.
6. There is no present intention of increasing or diminishing the forces at Halifax.
7. No expenditure necessary.

SALVATION ARMY IMMIGRANTS.

Mr. URIAH WILSON asked:

1. How many immigrants did the Salvation Army bring to Canada in the year ending June 30, 1905, and from July 1, 1905, to March 1, 1906, respectively?
2. Where were they located, and were they located in colonies by themselves, or were they distributed?
3. What sum did the government pay per head to the Salvation Army for bringing out these immigrants?
4. What arrangements has the government made with the Salvation Army for bringing immigrants to Canada?

Hon. FRANK OLIVER (Minister of the Interior):

1. Year ending June 30, 1905—3,097 persons. July 1, 1905 to March 1, 1906—702 persons.
2. They were not located in colonies but were distributed throughout the Dominion.
3. The government paid a bonus on farmers, farm labourers and domestic servants and persons intending to follow those occupations in Canada, of twelve shillings on those over twelve years of age and six shillings on those between one and twelve years of age.
4. The arrangements with the Salvation Army are:
 - (1). To pay bonuses as stated in answer to question 3.
 - (2). To pay Salvation Army £20 per month to augment its fund for immigration work, the army to advertise Canada in its papers.
 - (3). To pay the Salvation Army \$2,000 towards the expenses of a lecturing tour in Great Britain.

(4). To pay the Salvation Army for fiscal year 1905-06, \$1,000 as a grant towards looking after immigrants after arrival.

(5). To pay the Salvation Army a further grant of \$1,000 for calendar year 1906 in connection with looking after immigrants after their arrival in Canada.

LEASE OF J. W. WOODS BUILDING, OTTAWA.

Mr. INGRAM asked:

1. What portion of the Woods building on Slater street, in the city of Ottawa, is occupied by the Militia Department?
2. How many rooms are there in the building, and what number or proportion of the rooms does the Department of Militia occupy?
3. What rental does the government pay for the rooms it occupies?
4. What is the length of the lease?
5. Do any other government departments occupy any portion of the Woods building? If so, how many, at what rent, and on what terms?
6. What information has the government as to the cost of the building?
7. What is the assessed value of the said building for taxes?
8. Are any taxes paid on the said buildings to the city of Ottawa? If so, what amount yearly?

Hon. CHARLES S. HYMAN (Minister of Public Works):

1. The east half and the top floor of the west half.
2. 107 rooms. The Department of Militia occupy at present 58 rooms.
3. 36 cents per square foot, or about \$12,500.
4. Lease for ten years from the year 1903.
5. The Department of the Interior (the Geographers Branch) occupy two floors, containing ten rooms, at the rental above given, 36 cents per square foot.
6. No information.
7. \$115,000.
8. The minister intends to abide by the statement made by him to the House in February, 1905, with reference to all new leases to be made under his control, whereby the city of Ottawa will receive taxes on property leased by the government. The arrangements for the leasing of the building above referred to were made prior to that statement.

CAVALRY DEPOT AT FREDERICTON, N.B.

Mr. CROCKET asked:

1. Is it the intention of the Militia Department to establish a cavalry depot at Fredericton, N.B., during the present year?
2. If not, is it intended to re-establish No. 4 Company, R.R.C.I., which was removed from Fredericton to Halifax last year?

Hon. H. R. EMMERSON (for Minister of Militia and Defence):

1. No.
2. Not at present.