

pany in carrying the Canadian and English mails under the contract now in force between the Canadian Government and that company?

2. How many trips has each of such steamships made under the said contracts, and what is the record of each trip of each steamship as to the time consumed in making the voyage?

3. What is the number of letters carried on each voyage?

4. Will the Government lay on the Table the contract above referred to?

The **MINISTER OF TRADE AND COMMERCE** (Sir Richard Cartwright). 1. The steamships regularly employed by the Beaver Line in carrying the Canadian and English mails are the "Gallia," "Lake Ontario," "Lake Huron," "Lake Superior," "Lake Winnipeg." 2. So far the "Gallia" has completed three round trips and is now on her return voyage to Liverpool on her fourth trip. The "Lake Winnipeg" has made three round trips, and is now on her way to Halifax on her fourth. The "Lake Ontario" has made two and a half round trips. The "Lake Huron" has completed three round trips, and is now on her fourth trip. The "Lake Superior" has completed two round trips, and is now on her voyage from St. John to complete her third. In addition one round trip has been made by the "Numidian," of the Allan Line, which took the place for that trip of the "Lake Ontario" damaged by collision. The record of each trip as to time consumed between Merville and Halifax, and vice versa, so far as yet reported, is as follows:—West-bound trips: "Gallia," 9d. 4h. 56m.; 10d. 23h. 40m.; 7d. 19h. 45m. "Lake Superior," 9d. 1h. 31m.; 8d. 12h. 41m.; 9d. 0h. 10m. "Lake Ontario," 9d. 1h. 8m. "Lake Huron," 10d. 4h. 15m.; 9d. 23h. 35m. "Lake Winnipeg," 12d. 6h. 31m.; 11d. 23h. 0m. East-bound trips: "Gallia," 8d. 2h. 50m.; 8d. 18h. 50m. "Lake Superior," 8d. 17h. 29m.; 9d. 5h. 10m. "Lake Ontario," 8d. 21h. 50m. "Lake Huron," 9d. 23h. "Lake Winnipeg," 10d. 17h. 1m.; 9d. 15h. 5m. 3. The letters are not counted, and, therefore, the information asked for cannot be supplied. 4. A copy of the contract will in due course be laid upon the Table of the House in compliance with the order of the House of date the 14th of February, 1898.

#### ONTARIO VOTERS' LISTS—REVISING OFFICERS—COST OF PRINTING.

Mr. **BENNETT** asked,

1. How many revising officers for the revision of voters' lists in Ontario were not senior or junior county judges, and what were their names and districts in which they acted?

2. What was the total amount paid to revising officers in Ontario under last revision of Dominion voters' lists?

3. What was the total cost of printing voters' lists for different ridings in the province of Ontario?

The **SOLICITOR GENERAL** (Mr. Fitzpatrick). 1. For the revision of 1894-95,

there were in Ontario 14 revising officers, who were not county judges. 2. The total amount paid to revising officers in Ontario for last revision was \$71,660.20. 3. The total cost of printing the voters' lists for the different ridings of Ontario was \$34,306.88. I shall send over to the hon. gentleman (Mr. Bennett) the names of the revising officers referred to as not being county court judges, and also the detailed cost of printing the voters' list for each riding.

#### YUKON TERRITORY—LIQUOR PERMITS.

Sir **CHARLES HIBBERT TUPPER** asked,

Under what authority and in whose name were the licenses or permits to sell liquor in the Yukon territory in 1897 and 1898 issued?

The **MINISTER OF THE INTERIOR** (Mr. Sifton). All permits to take liquor into the Yukon territory issued since the 1st of January, 1897, which includes the period specified by the hon. gentleman, have been issued in the name and under the authority of the Lieutenant-Governor of the North-west Territories.

#### LIGHTHOUSE SUPPLIES.

Mr. **MACLEAN** asked,

To whom has the contract for the delivery of lighthouse supplies from Montreal westward been given, and at what figure? Were there other offers?

The **MINISTER OF MARINE AND FISHERIES** (Sir Louis Davies). The Collin's Bay Rafting and Forwarding Company, amount of contract, \$3,750. The other offers were \$3,749 and \$3,840. The lowest tender which was \$1 below that of the Collin's Bay Rafting Company, was passed over because the inspector of lighthouses reported against the steamer "Michigan," which the tenderers proposed employing for the work.

#### KINGSTON PENITENTIARY—MEDICAL OFFICER.

Mr. **ROCHE** asked,

1. What is the name of the medical officer attached to the Kingston Penitentiary?

2. Has he been appointed permanently?

3. What is his salary?

4. Does the law allow him to practice his profession outside of his position?

5. Are the Government aware, or have they information to the effect that the medical officer at Kingston Penitentiary is practicing his profession outside of his position?

The **SOLICITOR GENERAL** (Mr. Fitzpatrick). 1. Dr. Daniel Phelan. 2. Yes. 3. \$1,500 per annum. 4. No. 5. No.