## Questions

the disposal agencies of Canada and the United Kingdom, namely that the disposal agency in one country will not offer goods in the other country. There is no prohibition against bringing goods across the border, if they are bought in the United States from the United States disposal agency, provided there is no law of the land which prevents them from being brought into Canada.

I think that answers questions 1 and 2. It also answers questions 3 and 4, since in the circumstances there is no occasion to notify customs officers.

Mr. FRASER: Can the minister now go .ack and answer the question I asked?

2. Country	1939 Lbs.	1940 Lbs.
Country United Kingdom	81,153,800	103,192,400
United Kingdom	4,500	
Malta	184,700	
Belgium	152,400	60,500
France	75,500	
Germany	135,000	-
Italy	1,000	-
Norway	18,000	2,200
Iceland	—	$\overline{1}$
	1943	1944
Country	Lbs.	Lbs.
United Kingdom	126,604,700	128,872,900
Malta	16,000	8,000
Italy	-	—
Norway	1	-
Iceland	75,600	7,700

\*EDWARDS PROPERTY ON OTTAWA RIVER

Mr. FLEMING:

1. For what purpose is the crown acquiring the property of Mr. Gordon C. Edwards of Ottawa. located at a point overlooking the Ottawa river and Governor's bay?

2. When is it intended to be put to the purpose for which the crown is acquiring it?

Mr. MACKENZIE KING: With regard to part 1 of this question, the property is being acquired in pusuance of the government's policy of securing title to valuable properties on the banks of the Ottawa river in order to preserve them for special purposes and particularly to prevent their acquisition for undesirable uses. The hon. member may be interested to know that just prior to the last war the Right Hon. Sir Robert Borden, then Prime Minister, arranged for the acquisition of properties along the west side of Wellington Street for some distance beyond Bank, and between Wellington street and the [Mr. Howe.]

## CHEESE EXPORTS

## Mr. GAUTHIER (Portneuf):

1. How many pounds of cheese were exported by Canada in each of the years 1939, 1940, 1941, 1942, 1943, 1944, and 1945?

2. How many pounds were exported to each European country?

Mr. MacKINNON:

1.	Year		Pounds
	1939		90,944,800
	1940		106,631,100
	1941		92,331,000
	1942		141,503,900
	1943		129,741,000
	1944		131,429,200
	1945		135,409,300
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	1939	1940	1941	1942
	Lbs.	Lbs.	Lbs.	Lbs.
	81,153,800	103,192,400	89,089,100	131,374,000
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	184,700	<u> </u>		
	152,400	60,500		
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	18,000	2,200		
			1,100	29,500
	1943 Lbs.	1944 Lbs.	1945 Lbs.	
	126,604,700	128,872,900	132,855,400	
	16,000	8,000		
		—	95,300	
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	75,600	7,700	-	
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river. He regarded those properties as valuable for future use for governmental purposes. They have since become the site of Confederation building, the Justice building and other departmental buildings in that vicinity.

The second part of the question is:

When is it intended to be put to the pur-pose for which the crown is acquiring it?

The answer is, at an appropriate time, depending on circumstances. Perhaps my hon. friend does not know, and I might inform him that in the meantime the property continues to be occupied by Mr. Edwards.

My purpose in answering this question orally, Mr. Speaker, is to direct attention to the wisdom of the policy of acquiring certain properties . in the interests of the crown. In this connection I should like to draw attention to the emphasis that the fire in Hull on Friday night last has given to the desirability of careful and proper use of land in and about the national capital. That fire endangered the