

Hydrographic Survey and to provide for the maintenance and repairs of Hydrographic steamers, \$350,000.

Mr. GOOD: The minister explained that the work involved here was a survey of the coast. Is this survey never to be completed? If it is not completed now, how long before it will be completed?

Mr. GRAHAM: This survey will be continued for a long time. As my hon. friend here says, like the brook it goes on forever. Changes, of course, are taking place all the time, and the survey will probably continue as long as my friend and I last, at all events, as long as I last.

Mr MEIGHEN: There is an increase of \$35,000 this year. This is a very large item, and I do not think the increase is really necessary. It is not necessary to push the item through before six o'clock.

Progress reported.

At six o'clock the Speaker resumed the Chair and the House took recess.

After Recess

The House resumed at eight o'clock.

PRIVATE BILLS

CONSIDERED IN COMMITTEE—THIRD READINGS

Bill No. 24, respecting The Quebec Railway Light and Power Company.—Mr. Mitchell.

Bill No. 44, to incorporate The General Missionary Society of the German Baptist Churches of North America.—Mr. Hudson.

Bill No. 53, respecting Itabira Corporation, Limited, and to change its name to "Itabira Corporation."—Mr. Maclean (Halifax).

Bill No. 63 (from the Senate), for the relief of Ethel Turner.—Mr. Duff.

Bill No. 64 (from the Senate), for the relief of Walter Michie Anderson.—Mr. Rankin.

Bill No. 65 (from the Senate), for the relief of Mary Elizabeth Fredenburg.—Mr. Rankin.

Bill No. 66 (from the Senate), for the relief of Sheriff Elwin Robinson.—Mr. Rankin.

Bill No. 67 (from the Senate), for the relief of Rhoda Renfrew McFarlane Brown.—Mr. Macdonald (Pictou).

Bill No. 69 (from the Senate), for the relief of Abraham Leibovitz.—Mr. McQuarrie.

[Mr. Graham.]

SECOND READINGS

Bill No. 72 (from the Senate), for the relief of Joseph Robert Lloyd Beamish.—Mr. Duff.

Bill No. 73 (from the Senate), for the relief of Clarence Robinson Miners.—Mr. White.

Bill No. 74 (from the Senate), for the relief of Mary Eleanor Menton.—Mr. Duff.

Bill No. 75 (from the Senate), for the relief of Harvey Easton Jenner.—Mr. Duff.

Bill No. 76 (from the Senate), for the relief of Marie Louise Dagenais.—Mr. Duff.

Bill No. 77 (from the Senate), for the relief of Alexander Lawrie.—Mr. Gordon.

THE CANADIAN TRANSIT COMPANY

The House in committee on Bill No. 52, respecting the Canadian Transit Company.—Mr. Rankin—Mr. Gordon in the Chair.

Mr. McBRIDE: I should like to say a few words in connection with this bill. I do not want the committee to think I am criticising their work in any way, but I think this bill passed the committee in somewhat of a hurry, as the committee was in session only about twenty minutes. This company, which goes under the name of the Canadian Transit Company, wants to change its offices from Windsor, Canada, to the American side, and I think we should look into this bill a little more carefully before we pass it. We must stand up for the good name of Canada, and if any company comes over here in order to get prestige from the name of Canada, I think Canada ought to be good enough for it and to keep, its headquarters in. Not only do the directors of the company want their headquarters transferred to the other side; but they want to sell bonds in Canada and when they do so, they want to have the right to mortgage the property. I know, on a number of occasions when this sort of thing was carried out in British Columbia, bonds were sold up to pretty nearly the limit of what the company intended to do. They sold the bonds to people who did not expect that there would be anything crooked about the matter. They sold the bonds to men working for \$30 a month. I know men working for that amount who invested over \$2,000 in such a company. They then mortgaged the property and allowed the mortgage to lapse, so that the people lost everything they had. I do not think this bill should be passed as it is. I do not think it has had the consideration