

certificate from the Treasury Board might be obtained.

2. W. R. Travers deposited, on October 23, 1906, \$250,000 to the credit of the Minister of Finance and Receiver General in the Bank of Montreal, Toronto, and the following day the receipt of the bank for this deposit was received in course of mail in the Department of Finance.

3. A statutory declaration by Walter R. Travers, the general manager of the bank, together with exhibits attached, setting out in detail the manner in which the requirements of the Bank Act and of the special Acts of incorporation were complied with, was filed on the application for the certificate under the provisions of the Bank Act. The evidence of publication of the various statutory notices was verified. This evidence was submitted to the Deputy Minister of Justice, who stated that the statements in the statutory declaration of Mr. Walter R. Travers were sufficient, if accepted, to show compliance with the statutory provisions, and that on such evidence the Treasury Board might lawfully accept, under the Act, and thereupon issue the certificate referred to. The certificate authorizing the bank to commence business was accordingly issued by the board on November 30, 1906.

5 and 6. As it is not possible to give an answer to these questions in the absence of the Minister of Finance, a reply is for the present deferred.

CANADIAN COMMISSIONER TO FRANCE.

* Mr. MONK :

1. On what date did the position of Canadian commissioner for Canada in France become vacant?

2. Has the government received any applications for the vacant situation?

3. What is the cause of the delay in providing a new commissioner?

4. Is it the intention of the government to make any changes in the organization of the said office? If so, what are the changes and alterations contemplated?

Sir WILFRID LAURIER. The position of Canadian Commissioner for France became vacant about the first of September.

2. The government has received no official application for the same.

3. The matter of the appointment of a new commissioner is now under consideration.

NATIONAL TRANSCONTINENTAL RAILWAY—SECURITY RE CONTRACT.

Mr. LENNOX :

1. What is the total amount on deposit with the government as security for performance of contract in connection with the National Transcontinental railway?

Sir WILFRID LAURIER.

2. What rate of interest is allowed or paid by the government on these deposits?

3. Is this interest periodically paid or is it allowed to accumulate?

4. If not periodically paid, is it periodically entered up, and at what intervals, to the credit of the contractor?

Sir WILFRID LAURIER :

1. \$1,424,933.18.

2. The same rate of interest as that allowed by the post office and Government Savings Banks, namely, 3 per cent.

3. Interest is allowed to accumulate.

4. Interest is credited the account on the 31st March, each year.

GOVERNMENT STEAMER 'EARL GREY.'

Mr. STANFIELD :

1. What is the name, place of residence and occupation on ship of each member of the crew, men and officers, of the ss. 'Earl Grey'?

Mr. BRODEUR : Answer is as follows :

LIST OF CREW, WITH PLACE OF RESIDENCE AND OCCUPATION ON CANADIAN GOVERNMENT STEAMER "EARL GREY".

Name and occupation.	Place of residence.
Angus Brown, master.....	Wood Islands, P. E. I.
John L. Read, 1st officer.....	Pictou, N. S.
Fergus Ferguson, 2nd officer.....	Chance Harbour, N. S.
H. R. Cook, wireless ".....	Pictou, N. S.
John MacMillan, boatswain.....	Wood Islands, P. E. I.
L. Williamson, carpenter.....	Belfast, P. E. I.
John Blue, quartermaster.....	Little Sands, P. E. I.
John Campbell ".....	9-Mile Creek, P. E. I.
Geo. LeBlanc ".....	Charlottetown, P. E. I.
Mungo Ferguson, watchman.....	White Sands, P. E. I.
Dougal McIsaac, deckhand.....	Charlottetown, P. E. I.
John McDonald ".....	Charlottetown, P. E. I.
Wallace McDonald ".....	Charlottetown, P. E. I.
Jas. Shephard ".....	Charlottetown, P. E. I.
Geo. Birch ".....	Lot 16, Central, P. E. I.
Murdock McDonald ".....	High Bank, P. E. I.
Gilbert Desroches ".....	Miscouca, P. E. I.
Wm. Poole ".....	Souris, P. E. I.
Archie Arsenault ".....	St. Gilbert, Prince County, P. E. I.
Wm. Cousins ".....	Campbellton, P. E. I.
Geo. Roberts ".....	Pictou, N. S.