

3. From the following persons:—Arthur Allen Cook, A. D. McPherson, F. M. Jarrett, John C. English, Guss. McDougall, Jas. Schippers, Gustave Granatier, Alfred Utendall, J. K. Rittenhouse, H. J. Stapleton, J. F. McLaren, Michal Furman, Michal Remenda, Tomasz Ksiandzna, Jan Derkacz, Michal Hladybrods, Franko Wilgosz, Jan Marcinkin, Jan Ksiandzna, Jan Kyryluk.

4. They have been simply acknowledged and referred to the Commissioner of Immigration to be investigated.

5. No.

EAST ELGIN IMMIGRATION AGENTS.

Mr. MARSHALL asked:

1. How many immigration agents are employed in East Elgin, and what are their names?

2. How many immigrants have they located?

3. What amount was paid to each agent?

Hon. FRANK OLIVER (Minister of the Interior):

1. Three: C. Showers, J. Hilman, William Aitkin.

2. None.

3. Nothing.

INDIAN RESERVE, SWAN LAKE.

Mr. STAPLES asked:

1. Has the government taken any action towards acquiring the Indian reserve near Swan lake, Manitoba?

2. If so, of what nature has the action been, and what has been accomplished?

Hon. FRANK OLIVER (Minister of the Interior):

1. Yes.

2. The Rev. Mr. McDougall, under instructions, has taken up the question of surrender of a portion of this reserve with the Indians, and a report has just been received from him to the effect that the Indians are willing to surrender a portion of their reserve at Swan Lake, comprising sections 7, 18, 19; south $\frac{1}{2}$ of section 30; south $\frac{1}{2}$ of 28; and south $\frac{1}{4}$ of 27, all in township 5, range 11, west of 1st meridian, and the 2,400 acres held by them near Battleford, on the following conditions:—

(1) That the minimum price of the Swan Lake land be \$10 per acre.

(2) That the minimum price of the Battleford lands be \$6 per acre.

(3) That the Indians' equity be one-third the price of the land.

(4) That the first payment made to the Indians at the time of their formal surrender be equal to \$100 to each soul of their population.

(5) That the second payment of the balance of the one-third being the Indians equity be paid to them as soon as a sufficiency of funds arising from the sale of these lands is realized by the department.

(6) That the interest on the funded moneys coming to the Indians' credit for these lands be paid to them on the per capita basis at the time of the annual treaty payments.

This proposition is now under consideration by the department.

COAL LANDS, EAGLE LAKE.

Mr. LAKE asked:

1. Has the government surrendered to the province of Saskatchewan any coal lands in the neighbourhood of Eagle lake?

2. If so, where are these lands located, and what is their extent?

3. When were they transferred to the provincial government, and what were the conditions of the surrender?

Hon. FRANK OLIVER (Minister of Interior):

1. The government has not surrendered to the province of Saskatchewan any coal lands in the neighbourhood of Eagle lake.

In July last the agent of Dominion lands at Battleford was instructed to reserve from all applications until further instructed certain lands in township 32, ranges 20 and 21 west of the 3rd meridian, at the request of the premier of the province of Saskatchewan. This reservation included the coal mining and surface rights of these lands which were available for disposal by the Crown. A discovery of a small seam of coal had been reported, and as the existence of any large coal measures in that part of the province was at that time very doubtful, the reservation was made to enable the provincial authorities to make a thorough test with the view of establishing beyond doubt whether or not coal of economic value existed there.

2. The lands included in this reservation were: Sections 11, 12, 13, 14 and 23, in township 32, range 21, and section 18, in township 32, range 20 west of the 3rd meridian.

3. The lands have not been transferred to the provincial government.

MR. JAMES WHITE.

Mr. AMES asked:

1. Is Mr. James White, the Canadian geographer, in England at the present time in connection with the All-Red line project?

2. If so, of what nature are the instructions under which he is acting?

Right Hon. Sir WILFRID LAURIER (Prime Minister). Mr. White is in England for the purpose of collecting information and data on all lines now plying between Europe and America, on the Atlantic, and cognate subjects.

WHARF AT HIGGIN'S SHORE, P.E.I.

Mr. LEFURGEY—by Mr. Alex. Martin—asked:

Has the government received a request for the extension of the wharf at Higgin's shore,