

9. No patents have issued to the company or its assignees since the 19th July, 1904, the day on which the Honourable Clifford Sifton made the statement quoted in question 9, except patents covering four sections of land included in the 150,000 acres for which patents were applied for and payment made as aforesaid, and these issued on the department's consideration of substantial fulfilment of conditions.

10. (a) No.

(b) On the 1st August, 1902, there issued an order in council respecting the land grant of the Long Lake and Saskatchewan Railroad and Steamboat Company, of which order the following is an extract:

'The minister recommends as the company has refused to accept the offer of the Department of the Interior to allow it to select any available lands in Manitoba or the Northwest Territories for the purpose of their land grant that the area within which the land grant should be located be confined to that portion originally set apart for the grant to the company, and in addition those lands which are included in the schedule hereto annexed, and that the offer to allow selections in the province of Manitoba and other parts of the Northwest Territory be withdrawn, and that the lands so described be reserved for the purposes of such land grant.'

The order in council and the schedule thereto will be brought down on being moved for.

The assignment from the said Railroad and Steamboat Company to the Saskatchewan Valley Land Company is dated 25th October, 1902.

11. Answered by answer to tenth question.

LOUISBURG MARINE HOSPITAL.

Mr. DANIEL asked:

1. When was the Marine Hospital at the port of Louisburg, Nova Scotia, completed?

2. What was its cost?

3. Has any keeper been appointed? If so, when and at what salary?

4. Has his salary been paid quarterly? If not, how otherwise?

5. Has any physician been appointed to attend the hospital? If so, who has been appointed, at what date was he appointed, and at what salary?

6. What report, if any, has been made to the department respecting the condition of the foundation of this hospital?

7. Has any report been made to the department as to the condition of the roof of this hospital?

8. Does such report indicate that the roof or any portion thereof has sagged or is otherwise defective?

9. What information has the department as to the condition of the foundation and of the roof of the hospital generally?

10. Is the hospital equipped and ready to re-

ceive patients? If so, since what date has it been so equipped?

11. What period elapsed after the completion of the hospital before it was equipped and ready to receive patients?

12. How many seamen have been admitted and treated in the hospital?

13. How many persons, other than seamen have been admitted to or treated in this hospital?

14. Since the completion of the hospital how many seamen landed at Louisburg have been treated in private houses in that town, or sent to St. Joseph's hospital at Glace Bay, or to the hospital at Sydney?

Hon. L. P. BRODEUR (Minister of Marine and Fisheries):

1. Final certificate from inspector that building was completed dated 20th December, 1904.

2. \$15,280.

3. Ronald McLean, Louisburg, instructed to take charge of the hospital as keeper on 31st October, 1904. No salary stated.

4. No salary has yet been paid.

5. Dr. C. D. Barnaby appointed port physician at Louisburg, 1st October, 1900, at a salary of \$250 per annum. No physician appointed specially for hospital. Dr. Barnaby supposed to attend seamen admitted to the hospital without further remuneration.

6. The building has been thoroughly inspected this spring by the resident engineer of this department at Halifax, who reports that the foundation would be improved by the insertion of beam filling between the joists at a probable cost of \$100.

7. In the above mentioned report the engineer states that the roof of the kitchen is leaking slightly around one of the chimneys. He does not recommend any repairs to the roof, so that presumably it is in good condition structurally.

8. See answer to question 7.

9. The above report from the resident engineer is the latest and most reliable information the department has. At the time the building was erected the contractors inserted a few tie braces across the main ward as they considered they would stiffen the building. The department has received no complaints since regarding the stability of either the foundation or roof of the hospital.

10. Instructions given to equip the hospital to receive patients on the 20th February, 1906.

11. Final completion of hospital reported on 20th December, 1904. Equipped February, 1906.

12. No seamen have as yet been admitted to the hospital.

13. None that the department is aware of.

14. 98 sick seamen received medical treatment at Louisburg since the completion of the hospital. 4 sick seamen treated in private houses. No report of any seamen sent to St. Joseph's hospital, Glace Bay, or to the hospital at Sydney from Louisburg.