

Mr. PRICE: Your administration made the first expenditure.

Mr. VENIOT: The hon. member is wrong when he says this money is required to complete work started by the former government. That is not true. The Shippigan wharf was built years ago, and lately there has been a demand for an addition.

Mr. PRICE: The other government justified it and started the expenditure.

Mr. VENIOT: That addition is demanded in order to afford the shipping interests greater facilities. Last year nine steamers were loaded at Shippigan with wood pulp for different parts of Canada and the United States. Those steamers could take on only part of their cargoes at the wharf; then they had to lay out. I did not recommend an addition to this wharf, and I know the minister will support my statement. I did recommend an expenditure of some \$2,500 for improvements to the wharf which would allow these steamers to load there. I have not uttered a word of criticism with regard to any expenditures in the constituency of Westmorland. I asked for information, and that information was given to me. Let me tell the hon. member that if I feel like going into the county of Westmorland, to the Cape Bald district, I will go without any fear of him or the people living there.

Now, Mr. Chairman, I should like to get some information before we adjourn. I should like to know where this \$149,000 is to be expended.

Mr. STEWART (Leeds): I am sorry I cannot give my hon. friend full information as to where this money will be spent. The program is only tentative; it is still under consideration, and details will have to be settled later.

Some hon. MEMBERS: Carried

The CHAIRMAN (Mr. Sullivan): Carried.

Mr. HAY: Before the item carries—

The CHAIRMAN (Mr. Sullivan): Carried.

Mr. HAY: Surely the item could stand until to-morrow—

The CHAIRMAN (Mr. Sullivan): Carried.

Item agreed to.

Progress reported.

At eleven o'clock the house adjourned without question put, pursuant to standing order.

[Mr. Veniot.]

Friday, April 7, 1933

The house met at three o'clock.

PRIVILEGE—MR. POULIOT

Mr. JEAN FRANCOIS POULIOT (Témiscouata): Mr. Speaker, I should like to draw your attention to Hansard of Wednesday, April 5 which contains your ruling as to the expunging of certain passages. This ruling having been made, I would direct your attention to the first column of page 3748 of Hansard. I have no complaint to make but in view of your ruling my expectations are high.

Mr. SPEAKER: The hon. member is entirely out of order in the remarks he has made.

Mr. POULIOT: I am referring to a reference made to me in Hansard.

Mr. SPEAKER: There is no question of privilege involved. An hon. member when speaking in the house made a certain reference to the hon. member for Témiscouata (Mr. Pouliot) and the hon. member for Témiscouata is entirely out of order in seeking to discuss this matter at this time. The matter might be discussed in an ordinary debate but it certainly should not be taken up in this way.

Mr. POULIOT: On a question of privilege—

Mr. SPEAKER: There is no question of privilege involved.

Mr. POULIOT: I should like to know whether the word "clowns" is parliamentary.

Mr. SPEAKER: It has not been used.

Mr. POULIOT: Yes, it has.

Mr. SPEAKER: Will the hon. member point it out to me?

Mr. POULIOT: The following appears on page 3748:

As long as these inferences were made by the hon. member for Témiscouata only I did not object very much to them; I was even pleased at the free advertising for my brother and I did not object for the reason that clowns are never taken seriously.

Mr. SPEAKER: Probably the hon. member should not have used the word but it escaped my attention at the time.

Mr. POULIOT: In order that proper decorum be maintained in this house, would Your Honour be kind enough to order that the above-mentioned quotation be expunged from the record?

Mr. SPEAKER: If the hon. member for Témiscouata believes that the word referred to him, I will direct that it be expunged from Hansard.