

COAL FAMINE IN THE NORTHWEST—*Con.*

Laurier, Rt. Hon. Sir Wilfrid (Prime Minister)—*Con.*

Is at a loss to know what measures should be taken by the government—220. The government would not be justified in laying a high hand on any private property—221. The ordinary laws ought to be sufficient to cope with such an evil—222.

No further news—423.

Lemieux, Hon. Rodolphe (Minister of Labour)—276.

Had an interview yesterday with the managing director of the Lethbridge Coal Company—276. He is lending his services towards a prompt settlement of the strike—277.

Reads telegram from Shaughnessy—424-5.

Expects telegram from Mr. King at any moment—425.

Reads telegram from Mackenzie King that strike is off; no need to fear a coal famine—514.

COAL STRIKE AT LETHBRIDGE.

Statement that negotiations for a settlement are progressing favourably—Hon. Rodolphe Lemieux—174.

Lemieux, Hon. Rodolphe (Minister of Labour)—174.

A message from Mr. King states that negotiations are progressing favourably—174.

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Attention called to a telegram from Calgary—Mr. M. S. McCarthy (Calgary)—6908, 7131, 7309, 7694.

Armstrong, J. E. (East Lambton)—7140.

Asks the minister to provide three instances where the Act has been of such valuable service—7140.

Blain, R. (Peel)—7167.

In eastern Canada people got in their coal now for next winter, why not in the west—7167. The foundation of the trouble is with the people themselves—7168.

Bole, D. W. (Winnipeg)—7131.

A practical strike is on at the present time—7131. Reads a telegram from C. N. Bell urging immediate action to prevent a fuel shortage—7132.

Borden, R. L. (Carleton, Ont.)—6909.

Is the telegram Lemieux mentioned, the one he has just read—6909.

What proportion of the men who were at work are at work now—7140. Asks if a telegram in the 'Citizen' is correct—7141. Knowles moved an amendment, which meant nothing, and which he was probably asked by the government to move—7142. Thinks it the duty of

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the Minister of Labour to give them further information—7143. In the interest of the public the law should be enforced—7144. Does Ross suggest that he had anything to do with the sending of the telegrams—7145. That was not the experience in Australia—7150. Why is it that private capital is not invested so that the supply would be greater—7151. Asks if Oliver submitted these statements to the railway companies—7163. It would be interesting to have the statements of the coal companies, and those of the railways—7164. Cannot understand why it should not be filed—7166. Thinks there would be a great deal of loss in shutting down and leaving the mines idle—7167. Asks information as to the present conditions—7309-10. Would not have asked for the other telegrams had he known how bad they were—7543. Has any further news been received—7985.

Crawford, John (Portage la Prairie)—7134.

Reads a communication from N. K. Fieldhouse, Neepawa Board of Trade—7134. The situation is very serious and will become more so if continued—7135.

Fielding, Hon. W. S. (Finance Minister)—7176.

Two branches into which the question resolves itself—7176. If we are to accomplish any purpose we must not resort to any extreme measure—7177. Hopes that excellent judgment will bring about a happy solution—7178. Reads a despatch dated Toronto: men at work in seven out of ten mines—7179. The question of transportation—7180. A letter from the C. P. R.—7181-2. That statement should be presented to the House—7183. Messages sent out by Mr. Butler, deputy of railways, and replies—7184. The various offices doing all that they possibly can—7185.

Are so hopeful they have not worked that out—7694. There is nothing new unless Mr. Lemieux received a telegram this morning—7985.

Foster, Hon. Geo. E. (North Toronto)—6909.

Have the men gone from work? Has the operation of the mines ceased?—6909.

Did Oliver use the information for the purpose of rectifying the trouble—7164.

It seems then the government have stopped half way. It was their duty to press the matter home—7169. Have been giving our minds too much to the present state of things—7170. An attempt to represent the telegrams received as being made to fill a party interest—7171. Unfair to condemn the railway companies on ex parte statements—7172. We should keep the pressure on steadily and constantly—7173. That is what most touches us—7175. Is there any reply from the Canadian Northern—7185. It is very essential that justice should be done to both parties—7872.