

Mr. COPP: I would like to ask my hon. friend also in regard to the item of \$28,000 for travelling expenses and sundries under the heading of "Contingencies." How much of that was expended last year, and what part was for sundries? What is included under the word "sundries?"

Mr. CALDER: Take the whole vote for contingencies of \$40,000, we over-expended last year some \$4,000. That included provision for these temporary clerks. In addition that item covers all the printing—forms, envelopes, record books, letterheads and everything of that kind for the department.

Mr. COPP: That would be under printing and stationery?

Mr. CALDER: Yes. The travelling expenses cover the travelling expenses of the chief officers of the department.

Mr. COPP: I understand that.

Mr. CALDER: My hon. friend will see the list of officers. Those officers have a good deal of travelling to do. Take for example the chief inspector of immigration—take the officer in charge of juvenile immigration, and other of our chief officers—they travel a great deal throughout the country. I have not the details here of the expenditures for travelling expenses last year; I simply have the total amount expended under the head of contingencies.

Mr. COPP: My hon. friend misunderstood me. I did not ask particularly about the travelling expenses, although they are under the heading of sundries—I asked particularly, what was under that heading—what would be included in sundries that is not provided for in the other votes?

Mr. CALDER: I think that is intended to cover items like telegrams and telephone messages, and so on, expenditures incurred directly by the department itself.

Mr. COPP: You have not those particulars separate from the travelling expenses?

Mr. CALDER: I have not.

Mr. JACOBS: I notice we are providing for the salary of "Supervisor of Personnel." Who is that official and why should this department particularly have a supervisor of personnel?

Mr. CALDER: Mr. Featherstone is acting in that capacity; he is an old officer in the department and has been there a [The Chairman.]

great many years. I understand they have an officer doing similar duties in connection with nearly all the departments. Mr. Featherstone has work outside of this. In a general way he looks after all appointments to the service, carries on all the work that is necessary to be carried on with the Civil Service Commission—at least a great deal of that work—and generally has charge of the details connected with the personnel of the staff. That does not occupy all his time. As members are aware he assists me a good deal here while the House is in session, in connection with my own work in the House and also in connection with departmental matters.

Mr. CHISHOLM: What are the duties of this Division Immigration Inspector, grade 2?

Mr. CALDER: I think the vote will show it. We have three officers of that class. Canada is divided into three immigration districts, the Eastern District, the Western District—that is the prairie district—and the Mountain District, with three commissioners in charge. Under each of these commissioners there is a division inspector. That inspector has the supervision of the work of all the boundary inspectors under the jurisdiction of each of these commissioners. Mr. Willans is the gentleman who occupies that position in Eastern Canada, and it is his duty to oversee the work of the boundary inspectors along the borders in Eastern Canada and see that everything is running properly.

Mr. CAHILL: Does the Supervisor of Personnel draw a salary for performing the duties of that office and another salary for doing some other work?

Mr. CALDER: No.

Mr. MURPHY: Referring again to an item which the hon. gentleman has partially explained, I would like some further explanation with regard to it. That is the "Supervisor of Women's Division Immigration" at a salary of \$2,700. I observe that this is a new vote, therefore I take it this is the creation of a new position. Is that correct?

Mr. CALDER: Yes.

Mr. MURPHY: The hon. gentleman has explained that the duties pertaining to this office have been discharged temporarily by a lady who has been in all respects satisfactory. That also is correct?

Mr. CALDER: Yes.