

ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS

The following answers, deposited with the Clerk of the house, are printed in the official report of debates pursuant to standing order 39:

RURAL MAIL TENDERS, GLOUCESTER COUNTY, N.B.

Question No. 120—Mr. Robichaud:

1. Have public tenders been called for the following rural mail routes in Gloucester county, New Brunswick: (a) Robertville, R.R. No. 1; (b) Clifton, R.R. No. 1?

2. If so, who submitted tenders and what were the respective amounts?

Answer by: Hon. W. M. Hamilton (Postmaster General):

1. (a) No; (b) Yes.

2. John Richard Peters, Clifton, \$2,200; George Raymond Glendenning, Clifton R.R. No. 1, \$2,300; Thomas E. Early, Clifton, \$2,500.

ARMOURY BUILDINGS, GRANBY, QUE.

Question No. 180—Mr. Boivin:

1. What building or buildings are being used in connection with the armoury in the city of Granby, Quebec?

2. Who are the owners of such properties and what rental is paid by the department for such buildings?

3. Have ground tests been made and plans prepared for a new armoury?

4. If so, in what location?

5. What steps have been taken to construct a new armoury in the city of Granby?

Answer by: Hon. G. R. Pearkes (Minister of National Defence):

1. The armoury building in the exhibition grounds in the city of Granby.

2. The city of Granby, the owner of the building, receives an annual rental of \$1,500.

3. Ground tests were made on a parcel of land offered to the department by the city of Granby in 1955. No action was taken to acquire the site and plans have not been prepared for a new armoury in that city.

4. Denison avenue, Granby, Quebec.

5. Answered by No. 3.

TEXTILE INDUSTRY STATISTICS

Question No. 189—Mr. Cardin:

1. What was the number of employees engaged in textile industry in Canada during the fiscal years 1955-56, 1956-57, 1957-58?

2. What was the number of employees engaged in textile industry in the province of Quebec during the same period?

3. What was the yearly production of textile in Canada for the same period?

4. What was the yearly production of textile in Quebec for the same period?

Answer by: Hon. Gordon Churchill (Minister of Trade and Commerce):

1 and 2. Note: figures shown are on a calendar year basis.

NUMBER OF EMPLOYEES IN TEXTILE INDUSTRY

Industrial group	1955		1956		1957*	
	Canada	Quebec	Canada	Quebec	Canada	Quebec
Textiles, except clothing.....	69,144	39,496	70,873	39,760	—	—
Knitting mills.....	21,658	10,193	21,913	10,490	—	—
Clothing.....	89,686	56,508	89,799	56,497	—	—
Total.....	180,488	106,197	182,585	106,747	—	—

*Data collected in the census of industry are not yet available for 1957. However, the employment index which includes firms with 15 or more employees (for the textile industry this includes over 75 per cent of all firms) shows the following trend based on 1949=100—Canada, textiles except clothing 1956: 86.8, 1957: 85.1; knitting mills and clothing (combined) 1956: 94.2, 1957: 94.4. Quebec, textiles except clothing 1956: 86.1, 1957: 85.1; knitting mills and clothing (combined) 1956: 100.8, 1957: 101.1.

3 and 4. Data on production are not collected by the dominion bureau of statistics. Figures shown are for value of factory shipments.

Industrial group	1955		1956		1957	
	Canada	Quebec	Canada	Quebec	Canada*	Quebec**
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Textiles, except clothing	734,515,445	396,695,292	766,977,127	412,018,417	755,118,000	—
Knitting mills.....	155,186,763	70,112,820	165,149,727	77,757,340	905,457,000	—
Clothing.....	684,361,902	436,026,753	733,769,962	469,088,037		
Total.....	1,574,064,110	902,834,865	1,665,896,816	958,863,794	1,660,575,000	—

*Estimated

Estimates not yet available on a provincial basis.