

ferred, but I think it stated that the Canadian Northern had advised the municipality that they were prepared to build to the wharf, provided the wharf was completed. If my memory serves me well, the minister promised me last year that he would send his engineer there and make a re-survey of the wharf. Did he send his engineer there during the summer according to promise?

Mr. PUGSLEY. What I think I stated was, that I would have the resident engineer made acquainted with the remarks of my hon. friend (Mr. Staples), and that the resident engineer would be asked for a further report. That was done—the 'Hansard' report of my hon. friend's report were sent to the resident engineer, Mr. Dufresne, and Mr. Dufresne took the matter up again and made a report that he did not think it would be in the public interest to make this further expenditure.

Mr. LENNOX. The hon. minister will remember an application made in reference to a work at Big Bay Point, sometimes called Peninsula Park on Kempenfeldt bay or Lake Simcoe. Mr. Claxton a worthy gentleman, though belonging to the political party of the Minister of Public Works, has written the minister on many occasions. It is a place where a wharf is very much needed. I think the minister has made some investigation and I would remind him of this work and ask him to see if it is possible to have the work gone on with this season. I am led to believe that the minister entertained the proposition favourably. There is a large summer travel there, it is a beautiful place, and this wharf would accommodate not only many summer visitors, but also a large and thriving agricultural district. The work would not be expensive as there is deep water quite near the shore.

Mr. PUGSLEY. I will ask the deputy to see if the report has been made.

Mr. WHITE (Renfrew). I would again call the attention of the hon. minister to the unsatisfactory condition of the wharf at Petawawa, I have pointed out to him on several occasions that it was impossible for the steamer to land there safely during low water. Last summer the district engineer, Mr. Corriveau, and I looked over the ground, but I have had no intimation as to whether the department intends making any improvements there. It would appear to be a matter of either dredging the river, because a sand bar runs out at one end of the dock, or extending the dock out 50 or 75 feet so that the boat could use the north channel. The Slide and Boom Company sort their logs where the dock is situated and they have to haul in their boom to allow the boats to pass

which causes loss of time to the boom company, as well as inconvenience to the navigation company.

Mr. PUGSLEY. The engineer made an examination I presume in consequence of the representations made of the last session. I shall ask the deputy to see if Mr. Corriveau has made a report and shall then give the matter my best consideration.

Mr. CAMPBELL. The minister will recollect that previous to the election in 1908, he had a dredge working at Swan Creek, a few miles north of the wharf I spoke of. Work ceased two days after the election and as far as I know has not been resumed. Is there any reason why that work was left undone?

Mr. PUGSLEY. I cannot call the matter to mind, but I will have it looked into.

Mr. CAMPBELL. Can the minister offer any reason for the cessation of that work and will it be gone on with until completed?

Mr. PUGSLEY. I cannot remember that it has been brought to my personal notice, but I will look into it and see when it was undertaken, and why it was stopped.

Mr. CAMPBELL. Last year I called attention to the dredging at the mouth of Mossy river at the mouth of Lake Winnipegosis. The work was done in a very poor way. The minister informed me he was sending his engineer there and that he realized the requirements of the people, that the mouth of the creek had to be kept open to facilitate navigation into Lake Winnipegosis. I do not know of any work being done there since.

Mr. PUGSLEY. I will have the information looked up and when we come to the dredging vote for Manitoba it will be my duty to give the information.

Mr. CAMPBELL. At the mouth of Pine creek, 35 miles from the mouth of Mossy river, sand is deposited in the lake in time of storm to such an extent that the mouth of the creek is almost blocked. The Hudson Bay post and the Pine Creek mission transact all their freighting business by boat, and if the dredge from Lake Winnipegosis was sent out for a week twice a year it would facilitate freighting, both for the Hudson Bay Company and the people resident there and the Indian school.

Mr. PUGSLEY. I remember receiving a petition from the Indian mission and some merchants asking that dredging at Pine creek be done. I had it referred in the ordinary way to the resident engineer, but I have not seen the report yet.

Mr. MEIGHEN. The minister will remember a cut made by his department in the Assiniboine river near Rat Portage, in