

office should be graded lower than the large majority of Assistant Deputy Ministers."

His Status

Besides being hurt that his Department was "unpopular" and open to "suspicion", Pope seems to have resented the fact that for several years it was classified in the Auditor-General's annual reports as a branch or sub-division of the Secretary of State's Department, as an annex rather than as an independent and coeval Department (as it became listed after 1914).

The result of this was to give the impression that Pope was subordinate to the new Under-Secretary of State, Mulvey, instead of being his equal and, by background and experience, his senior. Senator Ferguson, in the debate on the 1912 Bill, hinted at this. He felt that by the transfer, "Mr. Pope would be turned over to this new appointment which would, in point of seniority, be inferior to the deputyship of the department as it is at present constituted": i.e. inferior to the position which Mr. Mulvey was now occupying in his place, at his former desk in the East Block. For his personal prestige and amour propre, Pope suggested changing his title to "Deputy Minister for External Affairs", but Mr. Mulvey brushed this aside, not wishing to tamper with the existing statute or "to excite opposition or suspicion".

Pope was many years older than his Ministerial chief, Mr. Murphy, and far more experienced than both his chiefs and his successor, Mr. Mulvey. He had held Mulvey's office for nine years before yielding it to