

Mr. NIELSEN: Is the department giving any thought to the possibility of establishing any additional permanent offices north of the 60th parallel?

Dr. HARRISON: Certainly not for the time being.

Mr. SLOGAN: I see there was a triangulation party which operated in southern Manitoba and northwest Ontario. Could you tell me in which areas they worked, particularly?

Dr. HARRISON: I think that would come under the head of the mapping branch rather than that of the geological survey. We would not be operating a triangulation survey.

Mr. SLOGAN: It is a geodetic survey?

Dr. HARRISON: Yes. I report for the geological survey. The two words are spelled somewhat alike, but the work is quite different.

Mr. SLOGAN: In which areas in southern Manitoba did they work?

Dr. HARRISON: I cannot say. Mr. Gamble will be available for discussion later.

Mr. SLOGAN: Is any work being carried out in Manitoba east of lake Winnipeg?

Dr. HARRISON: No.

Mr. SLOGAN: Is any work planned?

Dr. HARRISON: No. That has been pretty well covered in reconnaissance investigation of earlier years. Detailed studies have been made by the Geological Survey in the region, and the Manitoba government is working on special investigations with respect to mineral deposits.

Mr. NIELSEN: What was the total amount of the vote last year for this work?

Dr. MARC BOYER (*Deputy Minister, Department of Mines and Technical Surveys*): \$3,114,720.

The CHAIRMAN: You will find that in your estimates at page 41, Mr. Nielsen.

Mr. NIELSEN: Could you tell me what the gross vote was for the whole department last year?

Dr. BOYER: \$29,742,151.

Mr. NIELSEN: So there is an increase of approximately \$7 million this year. Is that right?

Dr. BOYER: That is right.

Mr. KINDT: Mr. Whittaker, who headed the coal mission to Japan last November, is in town. I wonder if we could have him appear to give evidence before this committee at an appropriate time? Could the minister arrange this?

The CHAIRMAN: How long will Mr. Whittaker be in town?

Mr. KINDT: That I do not know.

The CHAIRMAN: Speaking for the minister, I might indicate that Mr. Whittaker would come when called. So when the estimates are up for the Dominion Coal Board, he could be called.

Mr. KINDT: Would he have to remain in town?

Hon. PAUL COMTOIS (*Minister of Mines and Technical Surveys*): Mr. Whittaker is from Calgary and he could come back.

Mr. KINDT: Of course; but he is in town today and I had it in mind to ask the chairman if he could appear before this committee.

Mr. COMTOIS: I think this can be done.

The CHAIRMAN: I see no reason why it cannot be done.