

Questions

assure the hon. member the change referred to is in the way of increasing the protection to the society.

Mr. CALDWELL: That is all I want to know.

Mr. MARCIL (Bonaventure): Will the hon. member give us a summary showing what the general purpose of the bill is?

Mr. HANSON: The bill changes the method of government of the society, and re-enacts in a proper form the French sections which, I understand, have been improperly translated in the original bill. The powers of the society are also increased.

Section agreed to, bill reported, read the third time and passed.

QUESTIONS

(Questions answered orally are indicated by an asterisk).

POSTMISTRESS—MORINVILLE

Mr. DENIS (St. Denis):

1. In what year was Mrs. Gibeau appointed postmistress at Morinville?
2. Did the Civil Service Commission institute an inquiry before making the above appointment?
3. If so, who had charge of said inquiry?
4. Did the Civil Service Commission not follow the recommendation of its inspector? If not, why?
5. What is the name of the person recommended by the inspector?
6. Who recommended Mrs. Gibeau?

Hon. Mr. COPP:

1. Mrs. Gibeau was never postmistress at Morinville. In July, 1918, following a vacancy in the postmastership at Morinville, the Civil Service Commission approved of the temporary appointment of Mr. Trancrede Gibeault, pending the return of a qualified returned soldier for the position. Mr. Gibeault was temporarily placed in charge of the post office, and from the official records it appears that Mrs. Gibeault was actually performing the duties. This arrangement was in effect until 6th August, 1919, the date on which a returned soldier, appointed by the Civil Service Commission, was placed in charge as postmaster.

2, 3, 4, 5, and 6. No information.

EXPERIMENTAL FARM, SAINTE ANNE DE LA POCATIERE

Mr. BOUCHARD:

1. On what date was Théogène St. Marie appointed herdsman at the experimental farm of Sainte Anne de la Pocatière, Quebec?
2. Who was intrusted by the Civil Service Commission with the examination of the above candidate?
3. What was the result of this examination?
4. What recommendations were furnished by the candidate?

[Mr. Hanson.]

Hon. Mr. COPP:

1. August 23, 1922.
2. The superintendent of the experimental farm at Ste. Anne de la Pocatière, Mr. J. H. St. Marie, where the vacancy occurred, was instructed to receive applications and forward them with all other papers and his report to the commission.
3. Mr. L. T. Ste. Marie was the only candidate and he was found to possess the necessary qualifications. He was accordingly assigned to the position. There was one other applicant from Western Ontario whose non-residence disqualified him.
4. As to experience and qualifications: Mr. Henri Gerin, Coaticook, Que., Mr. Leo Broderick, Mr. P. O. Lock. As to character: Mr. Oscar Lessard, secretary, Agricultural Council Quebec; Mr. Louis Philip Roy, agronomist; Mr. Emile Belanger, manager of the Central Co-operative Society of Agriculturists, Princeville.

DISPOSAL OF WASTE PAPER

Mr. DENIS (St. Denis):

1. How do the various departments dispose of the waste paper coming out of their offices: (a) in Montreal; (b) in Ottawa?
2. Is the waste paper sold under contract for a given period or otherwise, to any firm or individual in particular: (a) in Montreal; (b) in Ottawa?
3. Are the departments under contract at the present time? If so, with whom and when does the contract expire: (a) in Montreal; (b) in Ottawa?

Hon. Mr. COPP:

Post Office Department:

1. (a) In Montreal the postmaster is authorized to sell waste paper to the highest bidder. (b) In Ottawa, Post Office Department waste paper is disposed of under contract made by the King's Printer for the disposal of all waste paper from government offices.
2. (a) Answered by No. 1. (b) No information as to terms of contract in Post Office Department.
3. (a) No. (b) Yes.

Public Works Department:

- 1, 2, and 3. (a) In Montreal, the waste paper in the Customs buildings is baled and sold to the best advantage by officials of this department. The paper in the post offices is baled by this department but disposed of by the Post Office Department. (b) Understand that all waste paper is disposed of under contract, by the Department of Public Printing and Stationery.

Department of Public Printing and Stationery:

1. (a) No knowledge; (b) by contract.