

Mr. ILSLEY: I did not say it.

Mr. ROGERS: I did not say it.

Mr. DUNNING: Be a man; retract it.

Mr. KINLEY: When a member asked me what the beer account meant, I said "free beer." I suppose that is what the right hon. gentleman heard.

Mr. BENNETT: The hon. gentleman accepts the position of a vicarious sacrifice for others.

Mr. KINLEY: I said it.

Mr. FRASER: If you had used the phrase "Barnum was right"—

Mr. BENNETT: Now, Mr. Chairman, perhaps you would exercise your powers and direct attention to the fact that the observation just made by the hon. member for Northumberland is unparliamentary.

Mr. DUNNING: What is unparliamentary about it?

Mr. BENNETT: I just raise the question and leave it to the chairman.

The CHAIRMAN: The word "Barnum" is not on the list—

Mr. DUNNING: He was a great man.

The CHAIRMAN: —of unparliamentary words, and in my judgment I cannot rule it as such.

Mr. BENNETT: Very good, Mr. Chairman. I am glad you have so ruled, because it gives me a chance to say what I wanted to say but did not for fear of being called to order. I desire to say that Barnum did say, "You can fool some of the people all of the time and all of the people some of the time—"

Mr. DUNNING: No.

Mr. BENNETT: At least that is attributed to him, but it may be that the Minister of Finance has a closer association with Barnum than I.

Mr. DUNNING: But I can read; that was Lincoln.

Mr. BENNETT: It must be a matter of profound satisfaction, Mr. Chairman—

Mr. DUNNING: Mixing Barnum with Lincoln is terrible.

Mr. BENNETT: As a matter of fact Lincoln did not say it; it was Barnum.

Mr. MACKENZIE KING: Does the leader of the opposition know that of his own knowledge?

[Mr. Dunning.]

Mr. BENNETT: It might be regarded as a very great offence even to refer to one as Hitler, in some sections of the country; but he occupies such a warm place in the minds of hon. gentlemen opposite that I assume I may accept that as a compliment.

Now, Mr. Chairman, may we deal again with Mr. Stansbury for a moment. I said there were quantities of supplies in this storehouse. I said they had been sacrificed; horses, Bain wagons, tarpaulins—one of which was found and the offender sent to penitentiary—and concrete. And there were twenty-five cartons of white lead that went from Fort Henry after midnight, with the knowledge and assistance of the storekeeper. Do we know anything about that?

Mr. ROGERS: Do I? Certainly not.

Mr. BENNETT: I see.

Mr. DUNNING: Does my right hon. friend know anything about it?

Mr. BENNETT: Yes, he does.

Mr. DUNNING: My right hon. friend is making a charge against a civil servant on his own responsibility.

Mr. BENNETT: Well, he was dismissed for it.

Mr. DUNNING: Well, that answers it; he was found out and dismissed. Why not say so?

Mr. BENNETT: But he was given a new position at the Rockwood hospital, on the recommendation of Mr. Stansbury.

Mr. DUNNING: What hospital?

Mr. BENNETT: Rockwood; that is an Ontario hospital.

Mr. GRAY: Is that a federal institution?

Mr. BENNETT: Not as far as I know.

Mr. DUNNING: How does that reflect on the Minister of Labour?

Mr. BENNETT: It indicates the type of recommendations that have been made by one who has been making them to the minister, who has acted upon them. That is what I am putting to the committee. I want to indicate to this committee, sir, that this whole business in Kingston is as bad as it is possible for anything to be, and reeks to high heaven. That is what I want to make clear. What is more, I want to say this, and I said it the other day: I do not believe the Minister of Labour would do it. I made that clear to him. It is no good for him to say that I am endeavouring to make charges against him with respect to