

VOLUNTEER BOUNTY ACT AMENDMENT—
Con.

the hon. member for Pictou. I beg to say that Liberal members supported their administration when in power and declined to have these grants voted to the Fenian raid veterans, but they did not have the courage of their convictions to oppose it when the positions were reversed and when the Conservative Government proposed the grant, 4348.

McKenzie, D. D. (Cape Breton North and Victoria)—4363.

I rather regret that it remains for us from the province of Nova Scotia to be wrangling politically over the virtues of this particular Act, 4363. I believe that every man in Nova Scotia who is receiving a dollar of this money is receiving it actually and altogether within the law and because he is entitled to it, 4364. It is extremely disagreeable that political cantankerousness has been introduced into this matter, and particularly by a mild-mannered man like Mr. McCurdy, 4365-6.

McLean, A. A. (Queens, P.E.I.)—4357.

There is evidence on record in Prince Edward Island that the Prince Edward Island militia were called out to drill just the same as the militia of Nova Scotia were called out to drill under the proclamation of the 17th of March, in preparation to repel the invasion, 4358.

Oliver, Hon. Frank (Edmonton)—4340.

Asks if Manitoba forces would be eligible under this Act, 4340-41.

Rhodes, E. N. (Cumberland)—4354.

Hon. gentlemen opposite were in power for fifteen years but never enacted any legislation of this kind. When the question was put to the Minister of Militia in the late government, he stated that the government did not intend to do this sort of thing. Shortly after the present administration came into power, this Act was placed upon the statute-books and the credit is due to the Borden administration, 4354.

Sinclair, J. H. (Guysborough)—4348.

It is perfectly clear to any man who will honestly look into the facts, that the number of Nova Scotia veterans who are applying for the bounty at the present time is not excessive, considering the population of the province in 1866, 4348. Quotations from Hansard, 4349. Letter quoted, 4350.

Sutherland, Donald (Oxford South)—4362.

I wish to say a few words in regard to a number of veterans in the county which I represent. As this is a matter that is going to be dealt with in history and literature, according to the minister, I wish to say a word or two in behalf of these men who have been refused the \$100 grant that has been given in other cases, 4362.

WAYS AND MEANS—THE SUPPLY BILL.

House in committee on following resolution:

1. Resolved, that towards making good the supply granted to His Majesty, on account of certain expenses of the public service for the financial year ending the 31st March, 1914, the sum of \$1,891,661.-05 be granted out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund of Canada.
2. Resolved, that towards making good the supply granted to His Majesty, on account of certain expenses of the public service for the financial year ending the 31st March, 1915, the sum of \$50,361.-346.66 be granted out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund of Canada—Mr. White, 2378.

WAYS AND MEANS—THE SUPPLY BILL.

Motions:

Resolved that towards making good the Supply granted to His Majesty on account of certain expenses of the public service for the financial year ended March 31, 1914, the sum of \$1,365,370 be granted out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund of Canada.

Resolved that towards making good the supply granted to His Majesty on account of certain expenses of the public service for the financial year ending 31st of March, 1915, the sum of \$126,465.-667.86 be granted out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund of Canada—Mr. Rogers, 5271.

WAYS AND MEANS—THE BUDGET.

Annual statement—Mr. White, 2440-71.

Aikins, J. A. M. (Brandon)—2645.

The thing that should be aimed at by all persons in Canada is the creation of a common sentiment as well as common business relations between the East and the West, 2645. We know that the late administration, from 1896 onward, tickled the ears of the people of the West with the suggestion: that they were going to give them the Hudson Bay railway, 2646. I intend now, as representative of a rural constituency, to take a brief for the farmers of that constituency, 2647-8. Another argument used against a free United States market for wheat is that it would involve loss to our railway transportation system, 2649. The price of wheat can be improved also by a reduction of freight rates to the ocean and across it and, as I have pointed out, by the completion of the Hudson bay route. I press upon the government these considerations, 2650. The reason assigned why the Canadian farmer of the West is not placed on an equality with his American competitor is that it would cripple the manufacturer of agricultural implements in the East, 2651. When the late administration had been in office some time they thought they would tear a hole for the United States