

Mr. LOGGIE: The quantity decided upon by the Marine and Fisheries Committee was thirteen ounces. The change was made by Parliament, not by the Committee.

Mr. DUFF: I understood the hon. gentleman to say that the Marine and Fisheries Committee decided on fourteen ounces, and that Parliament afterwards made it thirteen.

Mr. LOGGIE: The hon. gentleman is mistaken; I said nothing of the kind. The finding of the Marine and Fisheries Committee was thirteen ounces, and this was changed by this House to sixteen ounces. The Bill went to the Senate; the Senate changed it, and this House made the quantity fourteen ounces.

Resolution reported and concurred in.

Hon. A. K. MACLEAN (Acting Minister of Marine and Fisheries) moved for leave to introduce Bill No. 31, to amend the Meat and Canned Foods Act.

Motion agreed to, and Bill read the first time.

REPRESENTATION ACT, 1914, AMENDMENT.

On the motion of Hon. J. D. Reid, the House proceeded to the consideration of Public Bills and Orders.

The House again in committee on Bill No. 2—Mr. Stacey—to amend the Representation Act, 1914, Mr. Boivin in the Chair.

Mr. STACEY: I have but little to add to the information given to the House when this Bill was introduced. It is simply to provide that the name of my constituency be changed. It is now known as the "Electoral District of Westminster District," a somewhat cumbersome term, which is much confused with that of the adjoining district known as New Westminster. The Bill asks that the name "Electoral District of Westminster District" be changed to "Electoral District of Fraser Valley."

Mr. CAHILL: Are my hon. friend's constituents in favour of the change?

Mr. STACEY: I am pleased to say that the change is desired by all concerned, irrespective of party affiliations or relations. "Fraser Valley" is the proper and suitable name for the constituency. I am sure that hon. members on both sides of the House who know the situation are unanimous as to the suitability of the term.

Bill reported, read the third time and passed.

On motion of Hon. J. D. Reid, the House proceeded to the consideration of the order; "Questions."

QUESTIONS.

(Questions answered orally are indicated by asterisks.)

NEWSPAPER POSTAGE.

Mr. SINCLAIR (Antigonish and Guysborough):

1. What was the gross postal revenue derived from newspapers for the year 1918?
2. What is the estimated expenditure for the same year in so far as newspapers are concerned?
3. What is the average daily weight of newspapers carried in the mails?

Hon. Mr. ROWELL:

1. \$291,539.21.
2. The department has no data on which a close estimate of the expenditure involved in handling newspapers can be made, except that newspapers make up about 65 per cent of the bulk of the mails. The total expenditure for the carriage of mails and the cost of mail bags during the fiscal year 1918 was \$8,293,515.24.
3. 239,731 pounds.

NEW CARLISLE POSTMASTER.

Mr. MARCIL (Bonaventure):

1. Has a postmaster been appointed at New Carlisle, Quebec? If so, what is the name of the appointee.
2. Who were the applicants for the office, how were applications asked for, and how was the selection made?
3. What is the salary attached to this office?

Hon. Mr. ROWELL:

1. Yes. Private Bertram Wilfrid Blois.
2. Pte. Bertram Wilfrid Blois, Sgt. Lionel Caldwell, Albert Mathew Caldwell, Lee R. Caldwell, Pte. Richard Flowers, George Milne Kempffer, James Octavius Shearer, Pte. M. Wheelhouse. When the office became vacant, the Civil Service Commission was asked to make a new appointment, and the selection of the new postmaster was made by the commission.
3. \$1,410.

CARLETON MAIL SERVICE.

Mr. MARCIL (Bonaventure):

- 1: Who is the contractor for the mail service at Carleton, Quebec, for the service between the railway station and Carleton, Carleton Centre and Point Bourque offices?
2. What is the amount paid, and what is the duration of the contract?
3. Has any change been made in the last two years in this service?