

SUPPLY—GRAIN CONGESTION IN THE WEST—*Con.*

Oliver, Hon. Frank—Con.

ledge of how it could have been saved—3997. Cannot stand such shocks and losses at the hands of Mr. Foster and his colleagues—3998.

Schaffner, F. L. (Souris)—3984.

It has never been the practice of the western farmers to ship all their grain out—3984. It would not have been shipped had there been ever so many cars—3985.

Speaker, His Honour the—3986.

It is not permissible to refer to a previous debate—3986. Thinks Mr. Fowler should withdraw his remark. Only making it worse by attempting to justify it—4033.

Staples, W. D. (Macdonald)—3986.

Understands Mr. Oliver to say that in his part of the country the threshing machines have been idle—3986.

Stevens, H. H. (Vancouver)—3986.

Mr. Oliver estimates a loss of fifty million bushels, and then say thirty millions of it are damaged and would go forward—3986. It would be right to cut down his estimate. We want a fair estimate—3987. Mr. Oliver's speech, does not agree with him in the conclusions he draws. His attempt to make the government responsible—3998. Some of the causes which have led to existing conditions. Natural causes; the system of harvesting; granaries wanted—3999. The men who cause this congestion are the large farmers. The man who suffers is the homesteader. Cannot blame the government because green grain is threshed—4,000. If farmers had granaries the bulk of the damaged grain would be moved gradually. Why the market is unsteady—4001. Mr. Oliver's estimate is exaggerated. No need to exaggerate. His sole object to cast reflections on the present administration. Mr. Oliver would not have done more than Mr. Foster did—4002. Grain not threshed because there have not been threshing facilities available. Weather conditions—4003. The car shortage. The blockade due chiefly to natural causes. Should assist rather than hamper the government—4004.

SUPPLY—GRAIN TRANSPORTATION IN THE WEST.

Attention called to a 'Globe' article—Hon. F. Oliver—5928.

Foster, Hon. G. E. (Minister of Trade and Commerce)—5929.

Noticed the report. Cannot vouch for its accuracy. Has communicated with Winnipeg. Will have information on Monday—5929.

Oliver, Hon. F. (Edmonton)—5929.

Calls attention to and reads an article from the 'Globe'—5929. The main point is that the relief expected is not secured. No prospect of the congestion being relieved—5930.

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SUPPLY—GUYSBOROUGH BRANCH RAILWAY.

Remarks on motion to go into Supply—Mr. J. H. Sinclair—1445.

Borden, Rt. Hon. R. L. (Prime Minister)—1460.

No one can appreciate more than he does the importance of the fishing industry of Nova Scotia—1460. Does not propose to deal with the question of I. C. R. branch lines exactly along the lines spoken of in the past—1461. Cannot undertake all these things at once. Asks Mr. Sinclair not to be downhearted about railway development in Nova Scotia—1462. Anxious to do all he can to give railway facilities to every one of those counties to encourage the fishing industry—1463. Everything cannot be done in one year at one session—1464. There is good hope now that a progressive government is in power—1465.

Chisholm, W. (Antigonish)—1460.

Suggests that the road start at South River, Antigonish, and pass up the South River valley to Country Harbour—1460.

Cochrane, Hon. F. (Minister of Railways)—1445.

Has not noticed it—1445. Vote struck out. The last government could not make up its mind as to which route it should take—1459. Not prudent to build any more narrow gauge branches in P.E.I. in view of the proposed ferry—1460. No figures in the department on which he could base that claim—1465. The hon. gentleman has no right to make that assertion—1466.

Crothers, Hon. T. W. (Minister of Labour)—1468.

Mr. Macdonald has made an eloquent speech based upon absolutely nothing—1468.

Kyte, G. W. (Richmond)—1464.

Asks if at an early date the government will carry out the policy of acquiring branch lines. There will be great disappointment otherwise—1464.

Macdonald, E. M. (Pictou)—1465.

This railway to Guysborough received the unqualified approval of Mr. Borden in the last parliament. Pledged to it in his manifesto—1465. What the late government did. They say in Nova Scotia that the Minister of Railways regards the maritime provinces as an incubus on the Dominion—1466. The fisheries of the maritime provinces barred by want of facilities from the interprovincial trade—1467. The premier falsified his promise to the people of Nova Scotia on the eve of the last election—1468.

Maclean, A. K. (Halifax)—1460.

It is hardly fair to the contractors to delay the work any longer. Much could be done in winter—1460.