

All contact or suspected dogs were isolated and ordered to be securely chained until danger of infection was past.

A bulletin giving a full description of the disease and also including the regulations relating to rabies was freely distributed in each district where the disease was found or suspected. Copies of this bulletin were sent to medical health officers and other medical officers.

The existence of rabies was demonstrated in thirteen cases by animal inoculations from specimens sent to the biological laboratory.

3. (a) Yes. (b) In the localities mentioned above.

4. No.

5. No compensation will be given.

IMPORTATIONS OF MILITARY ARTICLES.

Mr. WORTHINGTON:

1. Is the government prepared to favourably consider the importation, free of custom duty, of special articles of uniform, arms, or accoutrements, for the use of the Canadian militia, and for authorized cadet corps, respecting which it is established to the satisfaction of the treasury board that such are not manufactured, and that facilities for the manufacture thereof, do not exist in Canada?

2. What amount of money has been collected as customs duty on Windsor uniforms imported by Canadian Privy Councillors during the five years ended 31st March, 1909?

3. Have any such Windsor uniforms been imported free of Custom duty? If so, under what authority?

Hon. WM. TEMPLEMAN:

1. No. The government do not propose any amendment of the law in that respect.

2. Uniforms and other clothing are classified together in the tariff, so that the customs statistics do not show separately the amount of duty collected on any particular uniform.

3. Uniforms of all kinds arriving with the owner have been admitted free of duty as travellers' baggage, under the provisions of tariff item No. 703.

LACHINE CANAL—T. EVERS.

Mr. VERVILLE:

1. What was the total amount of money received by T. Evers as expenses, employed on the Lachine canal, from April 1, 1909, to date?

2. What was the nature of the work that brought about those expenses?

3. How many times during the same period was T. Evers called for repairs of telephone, and what was the nature of those repairs?

4. Who is the proper authority to judge of the competence of electricians or any other persons who may have anything to do with electricity on the Lachine canal?

5. Is the government obliged to furnish the light to the establishment of the Inland Navigation Company? If so, on what condition?

Mr. FISHER.

Hon. GEO. P. GRAHAM:

1. Thos. J. Evers received from the Department of Railways and Canals the sum of \$131 for transportation allowance in connection with his duties. He is allowed a fixed monthly allowance of \$15, dated from July 1, 1909.

2. Thos. J. Evers has charge of the repairing and maintenance of the telephone instruments, interior switches, and inside wiring, in connection with the private telephone system, along the entire line of the Lachine canal, also the superintendent's office and government stores, Mill street.

3. Mr. Evers makes the required visits along the line of the Lachine canal whenever his duties demand it; sometimes complaints are made through no fault of Evers, as the telephone wires are strung on the same poles as the electric light and power wires of the Lachine canal.

4. D. O'Brien, the officer in charge of the operating and maintenance of the Lachine canal staff and repairs, certifies to the competency of the electricians on the Lachine canal. All matters requiring expert knowledge in this connection are referred to Mr. John Murphy, electrical engineer, Department of Railways and Canals.

5. The Inland Navigation Company of Hamilton, Ontario, made application in the regular way to have the wire system run through the sheds which are on the lighting circuit of the canal at basin No. 1; this was granted in the interest of canal navigation, and no charge is being made. The other sheds on the Lachine canal are treated in the same manner.

MARITIME DREDGING AND CONSTRUCTION COMPANY.

Mr. CROCKET:

Referring to the answer given by the Minister of Public Works on the 27th January, instant, to a question as to what payments had been made to the Maritime Dredging and Construction Company for dredging at Gaspereaux, New Brunswick, in which the minister stated, 'No dredging was done by the company at Gaspereaux during the present fiscal year, as by reason of the alleged difficult and exposed location where the work was being performed, they declined to return to it last spring at their tender price of the previous year. They also gave as a further reason for declining to accept an extension of their contract and as evidence of the unusual difficulties attending this work, that one of their tugs had been wrecked, resulting in large financial loss'—

1. On what date respectively was the work of 1908 begun and concluded, for which the payment of \$33,969 was made?

2. What is the date of the contract under which the above payment was made?

3. What is the date of the order in council authorizing said contract to be entered into?

4. Did said order in council authorize a contract for work to be done beyond the close of the calendar year 1908?