

months in which to obtain complete information. It may be quite true that the money has not been paid, but there is no doubt that the department can furnish the information for which I asked.

Mr. DURANLEAU: My information is that these payments are never completed before March 15. During January and February we were still receiving applications from these fishing companies, so we must wait until the claims are all in before we can adjust and pay them, since we have only a certain amount appropriated for the payment of these bounties.

Mr. NEILL: Has the minister considered giving British Columbia and the Pacific coast its share of that fund?

Mr. DURANLEAU: The money will be divided according to the statute.

PRIVATE BILLS

FIRST READINGS—SENATE BILLS

Bill No. 31, for the relief of Margaret Borham Willson.—Mr. Bell (St. Antoine).

Bill No. 32, for the relief of Clarence Eldon Durham.—Mr. Garland (Carleton).

Bill No. 33, for the relief of Maurice Pashlink Simon, otherwise known as Maurice Simon Pashlinski.—Mr. Hanson (York-Sunbury).

Bill No. 34, for the relief of Marjorie Elizabeth Rae Dixon.—Mr. Bell (St. Antoine).

Bill No. 35, for the relief of Joseph Adrien Desmarteau.—Mr. Bell (St. Antoine).

Bill No. 36, for the relief of Henry Norman Bethune.—Mr. Anderson (Toronto-High Park).

QUESTIONS

(Questions answered orally are indicated by an asterisk.)

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT—DISMISSALS

Mr. FOURNIER:

1. How many persons, if any, residing in the city of Hull and employed in the Department of Public Works, in any capacity whatever, were dismissed since August 7, 1930?

2. What are the names of these persons?

3. Have these employees been replaced?

4. If so, who replaced them?

Mr. STEWART (Leeds):

Workshop Staff

1. Owing to reduction of appropriation the workshop staff at Ottawa was reduced March 31, 1932, by 82. The following are the names

[Mr. Duff.]

of employees from Hull who were retired:—J. Normand, J. Marion, L. Pucard, A. Roy, D. Joannis, J. Patry, A. Magnon, L. Labelle, W. Meloche, D. Dube, P. Canuel, G. Rochon, J. Lapierre, Z. Baudry. None of these have been replaced.

E. Larocque of the elevator staff was dismissed May 15, 1931, on account of misconduct after repeated warnings. The Civil Service Commission appointed J. St. Amour to replace him.

2 to 4. Answered by No. 1.

Char Service

1. Five, who did not come under the regulations of the department as they had husbands to support them.

2. Mrs. Florida Madore, Mrs. Oliva Paquette, Mrs. Valorie Demers, Mrs. V. Fournier, Mrs. Alexina Dupuis.

3. Yes.

4. The next five appointees to the char service from Hull were: Mrs. Domina Hebert, Mrs. Cordelia Geick, Mrs. Laura Lebrun, Mrs. R. A. Maisonneuve, Mrs. M. Doran.

MONTREAL INCOME TAX DIVISION

Mr. TETREAULT:

1. What is the total number of employees on the staff of the income tax division in Montreal?

2. How many French-Canadians are employed?

3. How many employees are seventy years of age and over?

4. Does the government intend retiring any such employees who are seventy years of age and over in accordance with the established practice in the other departments?

Mr. RYCKMAN:

1. 238.

2. Information is not available from departmental records.

3. 2.

4. Matter is under consideration. There is statutory provision for an officer possessing peculiar fitness and efficiency for his position to be retained beyond the age of seventy.

CANADIAN NATIONAL RAILWAYS—TOTAL WAGES

Mr. COOTE:

What was the total amount of wages paid by the Canadian National Railways during each of the years 1920 to 1932, inclusive?

Mr. MANION:

The Canadian National Railways as presently operated date from January 1, 1923. From 1923 to 1932, inclusive, the wages paid