

Mr. RHODES: 1. (a) \$6,500,000; (b) \$153,739.73.

(While these loans were authorized under the general heading "governmental services" it may be pointed out that at the same time the province was financing certain relief undertakings on its own account.)

2. September 19, 1931, P.C. 2336, \$2,000,000; October 28, 1931, P.C. 2707, \$500,000; November 2, 1931, P.C. 2723, \$500,000; November 17, 1931, P.C. 2890, \$500,000; December 17, 1931, P.C. 3131, \$3,000,000; December 17, 1932, P.C. 2757, \$153,739.73.

3. None.

LOAN TO MANITOBA FOR GOVERNMENTAL SERVICES

Mr. POWER:

1. What amounts were advanced by the Dominion government to the government of the province of Manitoba for governmental services, that is to say, for assisting in defraying the expenses of the administration of the said province (a) during the year 1931; (b) during the year 1932?

2. What were the dates and numbers of orders in council authorizing the said advances, and the amount covered by each such order in council?

3. How much has been repaid on the said advances?

Mr. RHODES:

1. (a) and (b) Excluding loans for unemployment and farm relief, and for maturities in New York, none.

2. and 3. answered by 1.

LOAN TO BRITISH COLUMBIA FOR GOVERNMENTAL SERVICES

Mr. POWER:

1. What amounts were advanced by the Dominion government to the government of the province of British Columbia for governmental services, that is to say, for assisting in defraying the expenses of the administration of the said province (a) during the year 1931; (b) during the year 1932?

2. What were the dates and numbers of orders in council authorizing the said advances, and amount covered by each such order in council?

3. How much has been repaid on the said advances?

Mr. RHODES:

1. (a) and (b) Excluding loans for unemployment relief, and for maturities in New York, none.

2. and 3. answered by 1.

LOAN TO ALBERTA FOR GOVERNMENTAL SERVICES

Mr. POWER:

1. What amounts were advanced by the Dominion government to the government of the province of Alberta for governmental services, that is to say, for assisting in defraying the expenses of the administration of the said province (a) during the year 1931; (b) during the year 1932?

2. What were the dates and numbers of orders in council authorizing the said advances, and amount covered by each such order in council?

3. How much has been repaid on the said advances?

Mr. RHODES:

1. (a) and (b) excluding loans for unemployment and farm relief, and for maturities in New York, none.

2. and 3. Answered by No. 1.

ILES AUX GRUES, QUE., SIGNAL AGENT AND SEMAPHORE OPERATOR

Mr. POWER:

1. Who was employed by the Department of Marine as signal agent and semaphore operator at Ile aux Grues, Quebec, during the summer of 1932?

2. Was he a permanent employee?

3. For how many years has he been an employee of the department?

4. Have the conditions of his employment been altered from that of permanent employee to that of temporary employee, and if so, why?

5. Were there any complaints lodged against him on grounds of his political activity or partisanship?

6. If so, was an inquiry held, and what was the result thereof?

Mr. DURANLEAU:

1. Joseph D. Vezina and Edouard Dancause.

2. Yes, both.

3. Joseph D. Vezina, since June 1, 1908, and Edouard Dancause, since May 7, 1925.

4. Their appointments have been cancelled by order in council dated March 15, 1933, for political partisanship. It is necessary, however, to retain both in a temporary capacity until such time as the vacancies are filled by the Civil Service Commission.

5. Yes, against both.

6. An inquiry was not held inasmuch as the hon. member for Montmagny made representations that to his personal knowledge these two men have taken an active part in politics.