

*Maritime Freight Rates*

Your Committee recommends that Subsection 4 of Section 335 of the Railway Act be amended and the freeze extended to December 31, 1969.

*Passenger Train Service in Newfoundland*

Your Committee recommends that the Order of the Canadian Transport Commission, authorizing the Canadian National Railways to suspend rail passenger service in Newfoundland on April 15, 1969, be left in abeyance, until your Committee tables its complete report in respect to this question.

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Mr. Marchand, a Member of the Queen's Privy Council, laid before the House,—Copies of Federal-Provincial Agreement for the Economic Expansion and Social Adjustment of Prince Edward Island. (English and French).

By unanimous consent, Mr. Macdonald (Rosedale), for Mr. Hellyer, seconded by Mr. Olson, introduced Bill C-182, An Act respecting Maritime Freight Rates, which was read the first time and ordered to be printed and ordered for a second reading at the next sitting of the House.

The text of the message and recommendation of the Governor General printed pursuant to Standing Order 62(2) in relation to the foregoing Bill is as follows:

His Excellency the Governor General recommends to the House of Commons a measure respecting Maritime Freight Rates to provide for the continuation for a further twelve months of certain freight rates in the select territory as defined in sections 2, 7 and 12 of the Maritime Freight Rates Act; to provide for the payment out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund of compensation to railways incurring a diminution in gross revenues by reason of the continuation of those rates not exceeding in the aggregate twelve million dollars; and to provide for advance payments of compensation not in excess of five million dollars.

Pursuant to Standing Order 39(4), the following eight Questions were made Orders of the House for Returns:

No. 891—*Mr. Howard (Skeena)*

1. What is the policy of the government with respect to employment in the service of the Government of Canada for Native Indian and Eskimo people in the Yukon Territory and the Northwest Territories?
2. In each of the years 1950, 1955, 1960, 1966, 1967 and 1968, what number of people, and what percentage of the total number of people employed in the government service in (a) the Yukon Territory, and (b) the Northwest Territories were (i) Native Indian people, and (ii) Eskimo people?
3. With respect to the information asked for in part 2, what was the situation with respect to employment by private businesses or corporations?
4. What is the forecast of the number and percentage of (a) Native Indian people, and (b) Eskimo people that will be employed in the service of the Government of Canada for each of the years 1969, 1970, 1971, 1972, 1973, 1974, 1975, 1976 and 1977 in (i) the Yukon Territory, and (ii) the Northwest Territories?