Mr. HAZEN:

- 1. Twenty-two vessels of all kinds.
- 2. Gross tonnage 28,791.
- 3. Three to Newfoundland; three to Barbados; one to France; fourteen to United States of America; one to Spain.
- 4. One hundred and twenty-seven steamers of 45,026 gr. tons; 67 sailing of 20,816 gr. tons; total 194 vessels of 65,842 gr. tons.

ST. JOHN VALLEY RAILWAY.

Mr. CARVELL:

1. Is the Intercolonial railway operating any portion of the Valley railway, so called, in New Brunswick? If so, between what stations?

2. Is the said railway being operated by the Intercolonial railway between Fredericton and Gagetown? If not, why not?

3. Is not the railway completed between Fredericton and Gagetown for a distance of

about thirty miles?
4. Is the present operation under the statutes

and leases made in 1912?

5. What proportion of the gross receipts, under present arrangements, goes to the railway company and the province of New Brunswick?

Mr. COCHRANE:

- 1. Yes; between Fredericton and Centreville.
 - 2. No; not required under the statutes.
 - 3. Not completed to statute requirements.
 - 4. No.
- 5. The gross receipts are not proportioned between the railway and the province.

INTERCOLONIAL RAILWAY—BATHURST HARBOUR SPUR LINE.

Mr. TURGEON:

Is it the intention of the Minister of Railways and Canals to build a spur from the Intercolonial railway at Bathurst to the harbour at the earliest practical moment?

Mr. COCHRANE: The matter is under consideration.

BATHURST HARBOUR DREDGING.

Mr. TURGEON:

1. What is the lowest depth of water at low tide at present in Bathurst harbour?

2. Is it the intention of the Department of Public Works to proceed further with dredging in Bathurst harbour during next season?

Mr. ROGERS:

- 1. There is a depth of 14 feet, at low water, in that portion of the channel which has been worked over.
- 2. It is not customary to give such information until the Estimates are submitted to Parliament.

Mr. TURGEON:

What was the amount of dredging by cubic yard done by the contractors in Bathurst har-[Mr. Sinclair.] bour during the months of May, June, July, August, September, October and Novemoer, 1914, and what amount of money was paid to them for each month?

Mr. ROGERS: The Northern Dredging and Construction Company in 1914:

		Removed cubic yards.	Paid.
May	 	8,154	\$ 1,908 04
June			13,300 79
July	 	78,972	18,479 45
August			26,646 13
September	 	70,543	19,703 42
October	 	65,682	*12,000 00
November	 	43,751	
			\$92,037 83

* On account.

Mr. TURGEON:

What is the amount of dredging by cubic yard done in Bathurst harbour by the Government dredge Restigouche during the summer of 1914?

Mr. ROGERS: The Government dredge Restigouche removed 87,407 cubic yards during the summer of 1914.

MIZONNETTE LIGHTHOUSE.

Mr. TURGEON:

- 1. To whom was the contract awarded for the building of the lighthouse at Mizonnette, Gloucester county, N.B., and what was the price of contract?
- 2. Was the contract awarded to the lowest tenderer?

Mr. HAZEN:

1. Samuel Gammon, carpenter and builder, of Bathurst, N.B., \$2,700.

2. Yes.

ANTIGONISH-SHERBROOKE MAIL SERVICE.

Mr. WILLIAM CHISHOLM:

1. Has the contract for the mail service between Antigonish and Sherbrooke, N.S., been awarded? If so, to whom and at what figure?

2. When were tenders called at what figure?

2. When were tenders called, and up to what date were they received?

3. Who were the persons tendering for said service and at what figures respectively?

4. If the contract has not been awarded, why

Mr. CASGRAIN: Tenders were invited and were due at the department on the 11th December last. Seven out of a total of nine tenderers asked permission to withdraw their tenders. In these circumstances the department considered it in the public interest to invite tenders again, and instructions have been given to that effect.

MAIL BAG LOCKS.

Mr. LEMIEUX:

1. How many padlocks for mail bags have been ordered by the Post Office Department