

2. When has each one been laid?
3. How many belong to private corporations, and how many, if any, to the Canadian people?
4. Is any one owned by the Canadian people, partly or wholly? If so, how many purchased, from whom, and how many laid by the Government?
5. Has any one been built or laid by the Government? If so, at what cost?
6. Has any one been purchased by the Government? If so, from whom and at what cost?
7. What revenue has this country derived from these cables?
8. Under the administration of what minister of the Crown did the laying or purchase of such submarine cable or cables take place?
9. What department is in control of such cable or cables, and who are the employees connected therewith in this country and outside of this country, respectively?
10. Have any messages, from ministers of the Crown or under their direction, such messages paid by the public treasury or sent free of charge, been transmitted through submarine cable belonging partly or wholly to the Canadian people, said messages having something to do directly or indirectly, with the soldiers' votes overseas and also the return to this country of officers and soldiers before demobilization took place?
11. If so, from whom did such messages come, and to whom have they been addressed?

Hon. Mr. BURRELL: No information.

QUESTIONS PASSED AS ORDERS FOR RETURNS.

Mr. MURPHY:

1. Were tenders submitted to the Department of Public Printing and Stationery on September 25, September 29, and October 16, 1919, respectively, for the following supplies of envelopes: 1 Mil. 100M. No. 11 White Wove Envelopes; 1 Mil. 100M. No. 8 White Wove Envelopes; 1 Mil. No. 11 Manila Envelopes; 100M. No. 14 White Wove Envelopes; 300M. No. 12 White Wove Envelopes; 1 Mil. No. 7 Manila Envelopes?

2. If so, how many tenders were submitted in each case; who were the tenderers and what were their prices; and to whom was the contract awarded in each case?

3. If, in any instance, the lowest tender was not accepted, why was an award made to a higher tenderer?

Mr. CURRIE:

1. Are any soldiers belonging to the Canadian Expeditionary Force serving terms in British or French prisons or detention camps?

2. If so, how many?

3. What are the names of said soldiers, the nature of the offence, and terms of imprisonment?

4. Is it the intention of the Government to grant an amnesty to soldiers convicted of military offences? If so, when?

5. How many soldiers of the C.E.F. are serving terms in British or French prisons for criminal offences?

UNOPPOSED MOTIONS FOR PAPERS.

Mr. McLEAN (Royal):

For a copy of all correspondence, telegrams and other documents exchanged between the Federal Government and the Government of New Brunswick with regard to the transfer of

wharves on the St. John river and tributary waters, including a copy of all correspondence regarding the liability of the Dominion Government in maintaining and repairing these wharves.

For a copy of all reports and recommendations made by the officers of the Department of Public Works during the years 1918-1919, on the condition of the wharves in the St. John river and tributary waters, and the repairs required there-to.

INQUIRIES AS TO QUESTIONS NOT ANSWERED.

On the Orders of the Day:

Mr. J. E. ARMSTRONG (Lambton, E.): Might I ask that the answer to question No. 6 be sent in by the Government at their earliest convenience?

Mr. H. A. MACKIE (Edmonton): I would like to ask what is the meaning of saying that a question "stands," when no answer is given by the Government? Does it mean that this session's questions will be answered next session?

Mr. SPEAKER: If a question on the Order Paper is not answered it lapses at the close of the session.

Mr. H. A. MACKIE: That is what I thought, Mr. Speaker; but on account of what occurred last year I would like to call attention to the fact that question No. 5 standing in my name has been on the Order Paper since October 23 last.

Mr. W. L. MACKENZIE KING: In that connection, Mr. Speaker, I do not see why it is impossible for the Government to bring down answers to a great many of these questions. One or two of them I think I could answer myself with the knowledge I have of the facts. The information requested in these questions is no doubt quite reasonable, and it seems to me that it might just as well be understood now that when the House meets again, whether it be in January or February, any questions that have not been answered this session will be put on the Order Paper. Perhaps between now and the next two or three months ministers may have an opportunity to obtain the required information and present the answers when the House sits again.

Mr. DOHERTY (Minister of Justice): If any of these questions are urgent I will be very glad to see that as soon as the information is gathered it shall be furnished to the members in whose names the questions stand. Of course, as to the intimation that those questions will be asked again next session, that is a dire threat and