

Sir RICHARD CARTWRIGHT. What is this \$200 to pay inspector Borradaile for work in connection with this service?

Mr. COSTIGAN. Mr. Borradaile is an inspector in the Excise Department, and when a vacancy occurred in Prince Edward Island, that district was handed over to Nova Scotia and made part of the division of which Mr. Borradaile is the inspector. Although I have not been able to meet his wishes and recommend the increase of salary he expected, I am bound to admit that the extra work thrown upon him during the last year entitled him to some consideration, and I preferred to give him the \$200 for that year, because he had done special services for it, to giving him an increase of salary, which would become a permanent charge.

Sir RICHARD CARTWRIGHT. This is for next year.

Mr. COSTIGAN. The work is going on; this is a compensation for the other.

Mr. VAIL. Mr. Borradaile's salary has been increased two or three times. I admit that he is a good officer, but his salary has been increased quite recently, and I do not see why it should be further increased.

Sir RICHARD CARTWRIGHT. What is his salary?

Mr. COSTIGAN. \$2,200.

Sir RICHARD CARTWRIGHT. How does that compare with the salaries given to other inspectors?

Mr. COSTIGAN. \$1,800 is the minimum; \$2,400 is the maximum.

Mr. VAIL. How many are receiving more than he is.

Mr. COSTIGAN. There are four, I think, receiving \$2,400.

Mr. VAIL. The former inspector did this work, leaving out Prince Edward Island, which cannot be much, for \$1,600 or \$1,700. Mr. Borradaile is appointed at \$2,200.

Mr. COSTIGAN. There was one at \$1,700 and one at \$1,600, making \$3,300.

Sir RICHARD CARTWRIGHT. How is that?

Mr. COSTIGAN. There was an inspector for Prince Edward Island.

Sir RICHARD CARTWRIGHT. Where does that saving appear?

Mr. COSTIGAN. I was trying to explain this vote.

Sir RICHARD CARTWRIGHT. But the hon. gentleman stated just now that a considerable saving was made in connection with the inspector; inasmuch as Mr. Borradaile was doing for \$2,500 work that had cost \$3,000.

Mr. COSTIGAN. That change was made three years ago.

Mr. VAIL. The salaries are out of all proportion to the salaries of the other officers in Nova Scotia. By raising Mr. Borradaile's salary you create discontent among the other officers, and I do not see upon what principle you can give one man a large salary and refuse it to others.

Mr. COSTIGAN. I do not propose to increase this officer's salary at all. When he went down there it was understood he was to get this increase of salary, inasmuch as he would replace these two officers, which he has done for the last three years. A sum was voted for his salary, making it \$2,400, but it was never paid him. I am quite aware that other officers would feel aggrieved if they saw an officer getting an increased salary which was refused to them. I have tried to avoid that cause of complaint, and that is the reason I refused to give him the increase. But we did

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acknowledge that he had rendered very important services, outside of his regular duties, for which he ought to get this \$200.

Mr. VAIL. It is impossible that he can have been doing any work outside of his regular duties. If you give this man \$200 extra, why should you withhold a similar increase to the inspector of Customs, for instance, whose duties are much more important, and who does much more work? This man's expenses are all paid, wherever he goes; it is one of the best positions in the gift of the Government. Will the Minister tell us what duties he has performed outside of his office?

Mr. COSTIGAN. He has performed important duties, with regard to the inspection of fish, all through the Province, and has made valuable reports and collected information which will be of value in dealing with this subject. He has consulted over 400 deputies on the subject.

Adulteration of food—To meet expenses under the Act..... \$20,000

Mr. COSTIGAN. There is an increase here of \$5,000. It will be needed to extend the operation of the Act, and to enforce it more vigorously. Up to the present time it has not been applied to many places, but the public expect that it will be extended to other places.

Mr. WILSON. Has the hon. gentleman made a division of the territory into different sections, in which to send his inspector?

Mr. COSTIGAN. As soon as Parliament votes the money we will divide the territory.

Mr. WILSON. I think the Minister ought to have an idea as to the division of the territory, the probable expense, and the cities he is to include under the Act, before he asks us for this vote.

Mr. COSTIGAN. The larger cities of the Dominion—Montreal, Toronto, St. John, Halifax and Quebec, are now under the operation of the Act, and we desire to include the cities of London, Hamilton, Winnipeg, and perhaps St. Thomas, and some other of the smaller towns.

Department of Indian Affairs—Grant to supplement Indian fund..... \$34,938

Sir RICHARD CARTWRIGHT. What does the hon. gentleman propose to do with this money? Is it to impart constitutional learning to juvenile Indians, in order to fit them to exercise the franchise?

Sir JOHN A. MACDONALD. There is an increase of \$2,850. This amount is to supplement the Indian school fund in Ontario and Quebec, to increase the salaries of teachers of schools in Nova Scotia, and like purposes.

Mr. MILLS. How is this money expended?

Sir JOHN A. MACDONALD. Through the Indian agents.

Mr. MILLS. There has been some correspondence, with a view of placing these Indian schools—subject to the oversight which the constitution gives the Government—to the educational authorities of the Provinces, a system under which, I think, they could be more efficiently managed.

Sir JOHN A. MACDONALD. The schools are now inspected by the provincial inspectors, but the appointment of teachers is not made by the provincial authorities. That would involve a complete change of system.

Mr. MILLS. I am inclined to think that the system of industrial schools will be found to be very expensive, and the results very limited.