

in that Office; their tenure was generally brief, averaging about two years. They were, of course, Cabinet members of the political party in power.*

The reputation of the early Colonial Office was preserved, however, by its permanent officials who by long service were men of great experience. Sir Henry Taylor was associated with the Office for nearly fifty years, Sir William Bailie-Hamilton for forty-four years, Sir James Stephen for thirty years, Sir John Bramston for forty years, Sir Frederic Rogers, Sir T.F. Elliot, Sir R.G.W. Herbert, and Sir R. Meade each served in the Office for twenty-one years.

In the nineteenth century the Colonial Office was small. One journal⁽¹⁾ in 1894 remarked: "Look at the map, with our possessions dotted and sprawling over the globe, and compare their demands with the capabilities of that

* "Secretaries of State come and go, sometimes with disconcerting frequency, according to the disposition of Providence, of Prime Ministers or of the electorate, but the Office goes on." (Sir Charles Jeffries: The Colonial Office. p.14).

Note: For the period under the present review, the first quarter of the twentieth century, the Secretaries of State for the Colonies, with whom the Canadian Government had officially to correspond, through the Governor General, were the following:

June, 1895 - Joseph Chamberlain	Dec. 1916 - W.H. (Viscount) Long
Oct. 1903 - Alfred Lyttelton	
Dec. 1905 - Earl Elgin	Jan. 1919 - Lord Milner
Apr. 1908 - Earl (Marquis) Crewe	Jan. 1921 - Winston S. Churchill
Nov. 1910 - Lewis Harcourt	
May, 1915 - Andrew Bonar Law	Oct. 1922 - Duke of Devonshire
	Jan. 1924 - J.H. Thomas
	Nov. 1924 - L.C.M.S. Amery

The Permanent Under-Secretaries during the same period were:

1897-1900 - Sir Edward Wingfield
 1900-1907 - Sir Montague Ommaney
 1907-1911 - Sir Francis Hopwood (later Lord Southborough)
 1911-1916 - Sir John Anderson (who first entered the
 1916-1921 - Sir George Hides Colonial Office in 1879).
 1921-1925 - Sir James Easterton Smith
 (1) Examiner, London, April 2, 1894.