

away from headquarters. September 1, 1901, salary increased to \$1,200 per annum. (b) The amount paid to Mr. Burriss on account of bonuses for persons settled by him in Canada in, 1899-1900 was \$209. 1900-1901 was \$113. The number of settlers actually located is not available.

3. (a) December 31, 1911. (b) No information.

4. It was not considered necessary to continue an immigration agent at Port Arthur to encourage settlers from the United States; such work is better accomplished by Canadian agents resident in the United States. A full time inspector was appointed at Port Arthur in 1921 and this arrangement is still in effect.

QUESTIONS PASSED AS ORDERS FOR RETURNS

CIVIL SERVICE ACT—EXEMPTIONS

Mr. GARLAND (Bow River):

1. In each department, what is the total number of persons who are filling positions that have been exempted from the operation of the Civil Service Act: (a) as full time employees; (b) as part time employees?

2. What are the names and salaries or wages of clerks or other employees in any department who have been taken on as labourers or in other exempted capacities, but who are being utilized in occupations that are not so exempted?

GOVERNMENT CONTRACTS SUPERVISION COMMITTEE

Mr. GARLAND (Bow River):

For the fiscal year 1927-28 what is the total amount of purchases made by the following departments (exclusive of any purchases made on their behalf by the "Government Contracts Supervision Committee"): (a) Indian Affairs; (b) Interior; (c) Justice; (d) Marine; (e) Fisheries; (f) National Defence; (g) Mines; (h) Royal Canadian Mounted Police; (i) Post Office; (j) Public Works; (k) Public Printing and Stationery; (l) Railways and Canals; (m) Pensions and National Health?

IMPORTS OF WEAVING YARNS

On the orders of the day:

Mr. D. B. PLUNKETT (Victoria): I wish to direct the attention of the Minister of Finance to a telegram I received this morning from the city of Victoria. This telegram reads:

Recent removal of 12½ per cent duty on imported worsted weaving yarns is jeopardizing ultimate success of plant recently established here. City vitally interested in undertaking owing to having guaranteed bond issue. Understand matter has been discussed in house. Can you advise me what prospects are to get duty reimposed this session.

Mayor H. Anscombe.

[Mr. Rinfret.]

I would ask the minister to give me some assurance which will enable me to send back a satisfactory reply to this city. I explained during the budget debate how the city of Victoria—

Some hon. MEMBERS: Order.

Mr. SPEAKER: Order. The hon. member must confine his remarks to a question; he must not make a speech.

Mr. PLUNKETT: May I ask, then, what relief will be given to the city of Victoria in this matter?

Hon. J. A. ROBB (Minister of Finance): The changes affecting worsted yarns were determined upon after a careful investigation of the whole industry, and this industry to which my hon. friend refers was started after those changes had been made.

HUDSON BAY EXPEDITION SUPPLIES

On the orders of the day:

Hon. R. B. BENNETT (Leader of the Opposition): I have been asked to direct the attention of the Minister of Marine and Fisheries to the fact that in the advertisements now appearing in Nova Scotia for supplies for the Hudson Bay expedition Campbell's soups are specified, and I understand that these soups are really an American product. The same thing may be said with respect to other supplies. I would respectfully direct the minister's attention to this fact in the hope that he may be able to provide that Canadian goods shall be utilized and not American products.

Hon. P. J. A. CARDIN (Minister of Marine and Fisheries): I shall be pleased to look into the matter and try to meet my hon. friend's request, which is a reasonable one.

CONTROL OF RADIO

On the orders of the day:

Mr. L. G. BELL (St. Antoine): There is a rumour to the effect that all radio will be under the control of the Canadian National Railways. Can the Minister of Marine and Fisheries tell us whether there is any truth in that report?

Hon. P. J. A. CARDIN (Minister of Marine and Fisheries): I shall look into the question.

BUSINESS OF THE HOUSE

TIME OF MEETING OF PARLIAMENT

On the orders of the day:

Mr. G. G. COOTE (MacLeod): Will the Prime Minister be good enough to inform the