

varied from five francs equals four shillings in 1915, to three and five pence in 1919.

2. All payments to members of the C.E.F. Overseas were made out of moneys at the credit of the Dominion Government in the Bank of Montreal, London, which moneys were received from the Imperial Government by way of advances for war purposes, at par, so that no benefit accrued to the Dominion Government by reason of exchange. Balances of pay and allowances held in England by Canadian soldiers were on their return to Canada converted into Canadian dollars at the par rate of exchange. The expenditure necessary to provide for this conversion being charged to Vote 544, 1919-1920.

CANADIAN GOVERNMENT MERCHANT MARINE FREIGHT RATES.

Mr. SINCLAIR (Antigonish and Guysborough):

Are the rates of freight charged by vessels of the Canadian Government Merchant Marine Limited, subject to the control in any way of the United States Shipping Board?

Hon. Mr. BALLANTYNE: No.

SPUR LINE BETWEEN STE. ROSALIE AND BAGOT.

Mr. MARCILE (Bagot):

1. Is the spur line of the railway between St. Rosalie and Bagot wholly constructed?
2. What amount has been spent up to date on that line?
3. Have the farmers been paid for their rights of way?
4. If so, what is the amount?
5. If not, why?
6. What is the level of the new line as compared with the old one?

Hon. Mr. CALDER:

1. No.
2. \$225,338.52.
3. Cheques have been issued for fourteen out of a total of twenty-one parcels of land.
4. \$7,821.70.
5. Negotiations have not been completed for the balance of the land.
6. Maximum grade, new line, 4/10 of 1 per cent. Maximum grade, old line, 1.07 per cent.

EXHIBITION BUILDINGS USED BY MILITIA.

Mr. FOSTER (York):

1. How much is the Government paying for the exhibition buildings in St. John, N.B., used by the militia during the war?
2. How much is the Government paying for the Toronto Fair buildings used by the militia during the war?

Hon. Mr. GUTHRIE:

1. Insurance premiums.....	\$ 918 85
In full and final settlement of all claims against the department..	35,000 00
	\$35,918 85

No rent was paid.

2. Construction work and outfitting.....	\$70,337 84
Maintenance (repairs, fuel, light, etc.)..	22,677 16
Restoration..	124,966 37
	\$217,981 37

No rent was paid.

BELL TELEPHONE RATES APPEAL.

Mr. FOSTER (York):

1. What is being done with the appeal to the Governor General in Council by the city of Toronto from the judgment of the Railway Commission granting a large increase in the rates of the Bell Telephone Company?
2. How long has this appeal been pending in the Department of Justice?

Rt. Hon. Mr. DOHERTY:

1. The appeal is fixed for hearing by the Governor General in Council on the 10th of May.
2. The appeal is to the Governor General in Council. It is not and never has been pending in the Department of Justice.

SUGAR IMPORTATIONS.

Mr. JOHNSTON:

1. What quantity of sugar was imported during the financial year ending March 31, 1920?
2. What was the value of said sugar?
3. What amount of duty was paid thereon?

Hon. Mr. BURRELL:

1. Imported and entered for consumption—	
	Lbs.
Raw sugar....	1,081,575,107
Refined sugar..	1,155,577
Total..	1,082,730,684
2. Imported and entered for consumption—	
Raw sugar..	\$ 68,343,171
Refined sugar..	114,190
Total..	\$ 68,457,361
3. Duty paid thereon—	
Raw sugar..	\$14,485,479.98
Refined sugar..	22,616.14
Total..	\$14,458,096.12

THE LAST CENSUS.

Mr. PARENT:

1. Is it true that, in the last census, in certain provinces, and especially in certain