

It is only the improper questions that the government are willing to answer. Let this one stand till Tuesday.

Hon. Mr. SCOTT—I cannot say when it will be ready.

The question was allowed to stand.

QUEBEC BRIDGE AND RAILWAY COMPANY.

INQUIRY.

Hon. Mr. LANDRY inquired :

1. Has there been at any time, and particularly during the period comprised between the 1st July, 1906 and the 1st May, 1908, at Quebec, a committee known under the name of the Quebec Terminus Committee?
2. From what company, association, or organization, did this committee proceed?
3. Who was its president?
4. Who acted as secretary?
5. Who were the members of it?
6. Where were its sittings held?
7. How many sittings has that committee held? On what dates?
8. Has the government paid anything whatsoever to the president or to the secretary of that committee?
9. How much to each?
10. And under what authority?

Hon. Mr. SCOTT—The answers to the hon. gentleman's questions are as follows :

1. Yes, the Quebec Terminal Committee.
2. It was called on the initiative of the National Transcontinental Railway Commission.

3. Mr. Rodolph Audette.

4. Mr. Ulric Barthe, on motion of the committee.

5. Representatives of the Allan Lines, representatives of the Canadian Pacific Railway Company, representatives of the Grand Trunk Railway, representatives of the Grand Trunk Pacific Railway, representatives of the Canadian Northern Railway, representatives of the Delaware and Hudson Railway, representatives of the Quebec Central Railway, representatives of the Quebec and Lake St. John Railway, representatives of the Quebec Railway, Light and Power Company, representatives of the Dominion Steamship Line and Lloyd's, &c., representatives of the Quebec Transport Company, representatives of the Intercolonial Railway, representatives of the City Council of Quebec, representatives of the Board of Trade, representatives of the Harbour Commissioners, representatives of the Quebec Bridge and Railway Com-

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pany, and Messrs. A. E. Doncet, district engineer Transcontinental Railway Commission, E. A. Hoare, chief engineer, Quebec Bridge and Railway Company, St. George Boswell, engineer, Harbour Commissioners as engineers to the said committee.

6. At Quebec.

7. Seven meetings, including subcommittee meetings. On October 12, 1906, November 7, November 20, 1906.

8. Nothing was paid to anybody.

9. Answered by No. 8.

10. Answered by No. 8.

OPERATION OF MARITIME COAL AND RAILWAY COMPANY.

INQUIRY.

Hon. Mr. McSWEENEY inquired :

What were the revenues and expenses, as well as the costs of operation and the receipts of the company called the Maritime Coal and Railway Company (formerly Joggins) for the years 1906 and 1907?

Hon. Mr. SCOTT—The answers are as follows :

Canada Coal and Railway Company, formerly Joggins' Railway :

GROSS EARNINGS.

1906..	\$43,080 46
1907..	38,448 48

OPERATING EXPENSES.

1906..	\$30,651 74
1907..	22,272 53

QUEBEC BRIDGE AND RAILWAY COMPANY.

INQUIRY.

Hon. Mr. LANDRY inquired :

1. Over and above the sums which have been paid to Mr. Ulric Barthe as salary as secretary of the Quebec Bridge and Railway Company, or as reimbursement of his travelling expenses, have the commissioners of the Transcontinental Railway paid any other moneys to the same Mr. Barthe?

2. When, for what services and what amount?

3. Amongst these payments are there any whatsoever which have relation to his presence at meetings of a committee known under the name of the Quebec Terminus committee?

4. Under this head, how much has been paid to him, and at what date was each of such payments made?

5. What was the amount of each of such payments?

Hon. Mr. SCOTT—The answers to the hon. gentleman's questions are as follows :

1. The commissioners have nothing to do with the payment of the salary and disbursements referred to.