

Thursday, August 30, 1917.

The House met at Three o'clock, the Speaker in the Chair.

QUESTIONS.

(Questions answered orally are indicated by asterisks.)

ADMINISTRATOR YUKON TERRITORY.

Mr. KYTE:

1. Who is the Administrator of Yukon Territory?
2. When was he appointed, what is his salary, and what amount is paid for living allowance?
3. How much has he received for each since the date of his appointment?

Mr. ROCHE:

1. G. N. Williams.
2. First appointed 9th October, 1915, acting until 9th June, 1916. Re-appointed 13th October, 1916, and is still acting. Salary, \$500 per month. He does not receive any living allowance.
3. From 9th October, 1915, to 9th June, 1916, \$4,020.97. From 13th October, 1916, to 31st July, 1917, \$4,806.45. Total, \$8,827.42.

ENLISTMENT OF VOLUNTEERS AT MOOSEJAW,

Mr. KNOWLES:

1. Is there any arrangement by which volunteers may enlist in Moosejaw, Saskatchewan?
2. If so, before whom may they be attested?
3. How long has the present arrangement been in effect in Moosejaw?

Sir EDWARD KEMP:

1. Yes.
2. Before a justice of the peace.
3. Always; but, in addition thereto, there were recruiting officers at this point so long as the results warranted it.

THE JAMES SIMMONDS CO.

Mr. J. J. HUGHES:

1. Has the James Simmonds Co., Ltd., Halifax, any contract with the Militia Department for the supply of any goods?
2. If so, what is the date of the contract?
3. What is the amount involved?
4. What character of goods have been supplied?
5. Who were the president, general manager and secretary-treasurer of this company, respectively?
6. Have any goods been purchased from this company other than under special contract?
7. If so, when, and for what amount?
8. Is Lieut.-Col. R. B. Simmonds of the 66th Princess Louise Fusiliers interested in this company?

Sir EDWARD KEMP:

1. No.

[Sir Robert Borden.]

- 2, 3 and 4. Answered by No. 1.

5. The department is not informed.

6. Yes. Hardware for engineer services.

7. Since April 1st, aggregating two thousand five hundred and fifty dollars for engineer services, one hundred and ten dollars for ordnance services, twenty-two dollars and fifty cents for barrack services.

8. The department is not informed.

MARCONI STATION AT LOUISBURG.

Mr. KYTE:

1. Has Marconi wireless station at Louisburg, N.S., been closed, and, if so, at what date?
2. Are the censors who were stationed there employed anywhere else, and if not, do they still receive their salary as censors?
3. Is it the intention of the Department of Militia to keep at that wireless station the soldiers who were there?
4. What is the number of officers and soldiers at that station?
5. Is, or has, W. W. McVicar been one of the censors employed at that station? What is his salary and the date of his appointment?

Sir EDWARD KEMP:

1. On 4th August, 1917, the Marconi Wireless Telegraph Company was ordered to cease to transmit traffic.
2. The services of the present censorship staff will be dispensed with on the 1st September, when the office will be abolished. The censors will receive pay during this time (4th August to 1st September), as their services are necessary in winding up the business.
3. Under consideration.
4. The necessary guards as recommended by the General Officer Commanding for the protection of the station.
5. W. K. McVicar was appointed decoding clerk on 25th June, 1917. He received \$2.50 per diem and 75 cents per diem living allowance. His employment terminates with the closing of the station.

IMMIGRATION OFFICIALS AT QUEBEC AND MONTREAL.

Mr. EDWARDS:

1. Is it not a fact that the great majority of the immigrants arriving at the ports of Quebec and Montreal speak only the English language?
2. How many immigration officials are employed at the said ports, and how many of said officials are able to converse freely in the English language?

Mr. ROCHE:

1. Yes.
2. Twenty-seven officials at Montreal. All converse freely in English.
2. Thirty-two officials at Quebec. All but eight converse freely in English, and of