

Hon. RAYMOND PREFONTAINE (Minister of Marine and Fisheries) :

1. Total expenditure to date, \$49,415.32. Paid W. H. Plummer, purchase price, \$7,000; Joseph Battle, on contract, \$41,500; advertising, &c., *re* contract, \$41.32; G. A. Boyd, inspector, \$474; expenditure incurred from date of taking possession of wharf, in 1888, and the letting of contract for extension in 1904, \$9,894.78.

2. Contract given by public tenders.

3. Twelve tenders received; contract given to lowest tenderer.

4. Yes.

5. Yes.

6. \$65,000; yes.

7. Joseph Battle; contractor supplied timber.

8. Yes; \$1,200; quarter oak walling not provided for in contract.

9. No.

10. Under supervision of Geo. A. Boyd.

11. \$3 per day.

12. The wharfinger appointed by the Department of Marine and Fisheries was retained in office. George A. Boyd. He was paid at the rate of \$142 per month during the season of navigation, to be paid out of the fees collected by him. The wharfinger pays for all necessary assistance.

13. No, so far as the Marine Department is concerned.

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17. The rates fixed by the tariff of tolls contained in the regulations for the government of wharfs, piers, &c., under the control of the Department of Marine and Fisheries.

18. Yes; 1892.

19.

	Collections.	Expense.
1899-1900 . . .	\$1,612 98	\$1,017 85
1900-1901 . . .	2,093 18	1,253 75
1901-1902 . . .	4,163 75	3,498 71
1902-1903 . . .	3,126 21	1,759 98
1903-1904 . . .	1,321 30	1,211 68

20. Yes, by town council, on the 15th February, 1905.

21. Matter under consideration.

POSTMASTER AT WAVERLY, ONTARIO.

Mr. BENNETT asked :

1. Who is the postmaster at Waverly, Ontario ?

2. Does he personally conduct the office ?

3. Does he reside at the post office premises ? If not, how far therefrom ?

Hon. Sir WILLIAM MULOCK (Postmaster General) :

1. Mr. John Anderson.

2 and 3. The department has no information as to whether the postmaster personally conducts the office or resides at the post office premises or elsewhere.

Mr. BOYCE.

GOVERNMENT DOCK AND STOREHOUSE,
MIDLAND, ONTARIO.

Mr. BENNETT asked :

Who are the tenants of the government dock premises and storehouses thereon at Midland ? What rent is annually paid therefor ?

Hon. RAYMOND PREFONTAINE (Minister of Marine and Fisheries). The storehouses at Midland are occupied jointly by Playfair, Preston & Company and the wharfinger. The rent is \$100 per year, fixed in accordance with value thereof, as estimated by resident engineer.

REPORTS PRESENTED.

Report of the Board of Civil Service Examiners for the year ending December 31st, 1904.—Sir Wilfrid Laurier.

Report of the Secretary of State for the year ending December 31st, 1904.—Sir Wilfrid Laurier.

SPACE IN ATLANTIC STEAMERS.

Sir WILFRID LAURIER. Mr. Speaker, some few days ago my hon. friend from Leeds (Mr. Taylor) asked me a question with reference to a rumour to the effect that all the shipping space available in the harbour of Montreal for the shipping of cattle had been obtained by the Armours, of Chicago. The inquiry I made leads me to the conclusion that there is no foundation for the rumour. I have received information to this effect, dated 28th of April. Regarding the cattle situation, there is no space let to American shippers, either on the Canadian Pacific Railway line, the Allan line, the Dominion line, the Donaldson line or the Manchester line. For the month of May there is available at the present time 9,000 spaces, and probably 100,000 for the season.

Mr. TAYLOR. I may say in reply to the Prime Minister that he deals altogether with the shipping of cattle. I spoke of freight space.

Sir WILFRID LAURIER. I understood the hon. gentleman referred to the space for cattle alone.

Mr. TAYLOR. No; freight space.

PRIVILEGE—RECORD OF DIVISION ON AUTONOMY BILL.

Mr. GILBERT H. MCINTYRE (South Perth). Mr. Speaker, I would like to take up the time of the House for a moment on a question of privilege, to deal in the matter relating to myself. The question is as to the accuracy of the report of the proceedings of this House. I find in the Votes and Proceedings that the motion for the second reading of the Autonomy Bill last night was declared agreed to on the same division reversed as the amendment. As I heard the decision of the chair here in my