

cheese and butter will be done on the basis of this classification.

BONUS FOR FARMER IMMIGRANTS.

Mr. MONK asked :

1. Does the government pay any bonus for farmer immigrants to this country ?
2. To whom is said bonus paid, and what is the amount paid ?
3. How much has been paid under the above head during the past year ?

Hon. FRANK OLIVER (Minister of the Interior) :

1. Yes.
2. In the United States the department has seventy-six agents who are paid commissions on all settlers of the agricultural class who are induced by them to settle in western Canada. The commission is as follows :

(a) \$3 for each man, \$2 for each woman and \$1 for each child.

(b) In Great Britain the bonus or commission is \$1.75 for each adult of the agricultural or domestic servant class and half this amount for children of 12 and under ; this bonus is paid to the booking agents of the several steamship lines.

(c) A commission of \$2 is paid on children emigrated to Canada by philanthropic societies.

(d) A commission of £1 is paid to the North Atlantic Trading Company of Amsterdam, Holland, on all emigrants of the agricultural class emigration from certain countries on the continent.

3. The amounts paid during the last fiscal year for bonuses to immigrants coming to Canada was as follows :

Bonuses on immigrants from United States.....	\$14,428 25
Bonuses to steamship agents and sub-agents and immigration societies on British immigrants.....	43,220 43
Bonuses on Icelanders.....	2,104 81
Bonuses on domestic servants.....	1,088 00
Bonuses on immigrants from Great Britain at \$2 each.....	246 00
Bonuses to philanthropic societies on children from Great Britain.....	2,608 01
Bonuses on immigrants from continent of Europe.....	35,316 66
Total.....	99,012 35

Mr. URIAH WILSON—by Mr. Monk—asked :

1. Does the government pay any bonus to transportation companies or booking agents or immigration agents for immigrants coming to Canada ?
2. How much does the government so pay either for men, women or children ?
3. What is the total amount so paid during the past year ?

Hon. FRANK OLIVER (Minister of the Interior). The answer is the same as that just given to the question of the hon. member for Jacques Cartier (Mr. Monk).

Mr. FISHER.

INDIAN RESERVES AT DONCASTER, COUNTY OF TERREBONNE.

Mr. DESJARDINS—by Mr. Demers—asked :

1. Is it the intention of the government to abolish the Indian reserve at Doncaster, in the county of Terrebonne ?

2. If so, will the government, before long, for the purchase of the said reserve, enter into correspondence with the different chiefs of the Indian tribes, who are the owners of those lands ?

Hon. FRANK OLIVER (Minister of the Interior) :

1. No. The government cannot abolish the reserve without the consent of the Indians, who have declined to surrender.
2. Covered by answer to first question.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION.

Mr. D. W. BOLE (Winnipeg). Mr. Speaker, before the Orders of the Day are called, I would like to correct a statement made by the hon. member for North Toronto (Mr. Foster) on Monday last. I regret that the hon. gentleman is not in his place ; but, as I am leaving the city to-day, I shall not have another opportunity of making my statement. I would also like to say that I was present when the hon. gentleman (Mr. Foster) was delivering his speech, but did not put the interpretation on his words that I find in 'Hansard.' I refer to 'Hansard,' page 7932 :

Mr. Chaffey, on April 15, was determined to have his rights, and charged fraud and worse, but on the 25th Mr. Bole intervened and asked that proceedings be stayed until he could come to Ottawa. He then, being in Winnipeg on May 22, after negotiations and correspondence, brings down an assignment of all of Chaffey's rights, claims and interest to Macdonald.

I wish to say that I brought no assignment ; I entered into no negotiations whatever with regard to a settlement between the parties, and had nothing to do with a settlement between the parties. As the minister has promised an investigation, I will not say anything with regard to the merits of the case.

CONDITION OF COMMONS CHAMBER.

Mr. GEORGE TAYLOR (Leeds). I would like to ask the Acting Minister of Public Works if it is not possible to get some more fresh air into this chamber. I see that the temperature here is about 75. In rooms 16 and 6 it is about 65 degrees or 10 degrees more here than in any other room in the House. It ought to be possible to take off sections of these windows and let them remain that way. In any event some plan should be acted upon in order to get more fresh air into this chamber for at present the heat is simply unendurable.

Mr. FIELDING. I will call the attention of the minister to my hon. friend's sugges-