

ation the manner in which the voters' lists are prepared. That is a very important question.

Sir WILFRID LAURIER. My impression is that the elections will be carried on under the territorial laws now in existence.

Mr. R. L. BORDEN. In regard to what my right hon. friend said respecting the information which will be placed on the table of the House, I did not observe his words, but I am informed that he spoke of having only three or four maps prepared to lay on the table of the House.

Sir WILFRID LAURIER. A few.

Mr. R. L. BORDEN. I think it would be very desirable to have a much greater number than that.

Sir WILFRID LAURIER. It is impossible to have new maps printed or prepared. The only thing we could do was this: We have taken maps of the constituencies in the Northwest as they exist now, and upon these we have carved out and indicated the new constituencies. The thing can be understood at a glance. We will have as many of these maps prepared as we can but I cannot say as to the number.

Mr. R. L. BORDEN. As many as possible?

Sir WILFRID LAURIER. Yes.

Mr. SAM. HUGHES. It would be a very easy matter to take one of the departmental maps, have a plate made of it and run a lot of these maps through the press. It could be done in half an hour.

Sir WILFRID LAURIER. We have taken the maps as they exist to-day. They are all marked in blue. The changes are marked in red in such a way that they can be understood at a glance.

Mr. SAM. HUGHES. The right hon. minister could have a large number of them run off in this way. A man could do it in half an hour.

Mr. M. S. McCARTHY. Is the right hon. First Minister (Sir Wilfrid Laurier) at liberty to advise the House who prepared the schedules for Alberta? Was it a committee appointed from both sides of the House? He states that his friends advise him that the provision is perfectly fair. Were they friends from the east or friends from the Northwest?

Sir WILFRID LAURIER. The maps were prepared by the Department of the Interior under my direction and under the direction of members of the cabinet.

## QUESTIONS.

### NORTHWEST TERRITORIES—GRAZING LEASES.

Mr. SPROULE—by Sam. Hughes—asked:

1. How many grazing leases have been issued by the Department of the Interior in the Northwest Territories since January 1st, 1904?
2. What are the names of the lessees?
3. How many acres in each lease?
4. What lands are covered by said leases?
5. For what length of time are the leases issued?
6. Do any of the leases contain the proviso that the even numbered sections of land contained therein shall be exempt for the operations of the Homestead Law?

Hon. FRANK OLIVER (Minister of the Interior). The information asked for in the question is being prepared in the department and will be placed on the table of the House as soon as ready.

Mr. SAM. HUGHES. In the meantime will the question stand on the Order Paper?

Sir WILFRID LAURIER. Oh, no; it is answered.

### EMIGRATION OF STATE CHILDREN.

Mr. URIAH WILSON—by Mr. W. J. Roche—asked:

1. Has the government, or any official on their behalf, had any correspondence with Mr. C. Kinloch Cooke, author of an article entitled: 'The Emigration of State Children,' published in the April, 1905 number of the 'Empire Review,' or any one on his behalf, or with any official of the imperial government, on the subject treated of in the said article?
2. If so, will the government lay such correspondence on the table of the House?

Rt. Hon. Sir WILFRID LAURIER (Prime Minister):

1. Yes.
2. Yes, copies of the papers are being prepared. The information will be laid on the table as soon as possible.

### BOUNDARIES OF THE NORTHWEST TERRITORIES.

Mr. CLEMENTS asked:

1. Has the government decided to erect wire fencing along the southern boundaries in the Northwest Territories?
2. If so, has the contract been let for the construction of same, and what firm received the contract?
3. Were tenders asked for by advertising, and what length of time were tenders open? If so, was lowest tender accepted?
4. If contract is let, what is the price to be paid per rod, and what style of fence, height, &c.?

Rt. Hon. Sir WILFRID LAURIER (Prime Minister). The government have that matter under consideration at the present moment,