

ANSWERS TO ENQUIRIES IN LOCAL LEGISLATURE

How Economy is Practiced by the Government in War Times--Stenographers And Other Officials Get Their Salaries Boosted.

In the House of Assembly on Wednesday, Hon. Dr. Landry, in reply to Mr. Pelletier's inquiry:

1. Is the Government aware that several of the counties and towns in New Brunswick failed to make their returns of valuation and bonded debt in 1915?

Answer--With the exception of one or two cases, the counties and towns in New Brunswick, as required by law, have filed returns of their valuation and bonded debt.

2. Has the Government considered that a complete table of the valuations of counties by parishes, with the rates of taxation, as well as bonded debts and rates of interest of both cities, towns and counties would be valuable for reference and comparison?

Answer--Yes.

No Railway Receipts.

Hon. Dr. Landry, in reply to Mr. Pelletier's inquiry:

Is the Fredericton and Grand Lake Railway Co. required to make any report to the government of its earnings?

Answer--Yes.

2. If so, has it done so and what is its report?

Answer--No report has been given since 1914.

3. Is any percentage paid to the province to provide against loss upon its guarantee of interest?

Answer--Nothing has yet been paid to the province, but it is required to pay 40 per cent. of gross earnings. We now have a special auditor auditing the quarterly railway returns, with a view of finding out the correct amounts which are due to the province.

4. Has the province any control over the freight rates upon this railway?

Answer--No.

Crop That Never Fails.

Hon. Dr. Landry, in reply to Mr. Pelletier's inquiry:

1. Have the salaries of any officials in the public service of the province of New Brunswick been increased since July 1st, 1915?

Answer--Yes.

2. If so, who have received increases--at what date and what was their salary June 30th, 1915, and what now?

Answer--The following have received increases:

Hazel Palmer, salary June 30, \$600

per year; salary now \$800 per year.

H. M. Blair, salary June 30, \$1,700 (\$200 extra allowed for motor, vehicle work); salary now \$2,000.

H. H. Morton, salary June 30, \$750; salary now \$850.

Frank Sadler, salary June 30, \$900; salary now, \$1,000.

J. H. Ramsay, salary June 30, \$1,200; salary now \$1,300.

M. E. Hipwell, salary June 30, \$1,000; salary now, \$1,100.

M. C. Robinson, salary June 30, \$600; salary now, \$700.

Wm. Cruikshank, salary June 30, \$2,000; salary now \$2,100.

Nan H. Mersereau, salary June 30, \$500; salary now, \$600.

R. A. Malloy, salary June 30, \$1,300; salary now, \$1,400.

Sterling Limerick, salary June 30th, \$600; salary now, \$700.

Hazel Winter, salary June 30, \$650; salary now \$700.

J. E. DeGrace, salary June 30, \$1,950; salary now, \$1,100.

R. P. Steeves, salary June 30th, \$1,600; salary now, \$1,700.

H. B. Durost, salary June 30th, \$1,100; salary now, \$1,200.

Agricultural Schools.

Hon. Mr. Murray, in reply to Mr. Pelletier's inquiry:

1. How many days during the past year (fiscal) were the Agricultural Schools at Woodstock and Sussex occupied for purposes of instruction?

Answer--The Agricultural Schools at Woodstock and Sussex were occupied for purposes of instruction twenty-one weeks during the past fiscal year, and are occupied continuously as offices for members of the staff.

2. Apart from the courses for teachers, how many farmers or sons and daughters of farmers attended each Agricultural Short Course?

Answer--Eighty-one students were in attendance at the Woodstock Agricultural Short Course, 21 at the Domestic Science Course, and 63 at the Rural Science School. At Sussex 61 attended Agricultural Short Courses, 37 the Domestic Science Course, and 141 the Rural Science School. The Government does not know how many were sons and daughters of farmers, but has reason to believe farmers' sons and daughters were in a large majority.

3. What did it cost to construct the Sussex Agricultural School building, and what was the cost of the site, also for furnishings and equipment?

Answer--A complete statement of the cost of construction of the Sussex Agricultural School building, site, furnishings and equipment, is found in the Auditor General's report for 1914, pages 177-178, and in the Auditor General's report for 1915, pages 187-8-9.

The Ditching Machine.

Hon. Mr. Murray, in reply to Mr. Dugal's inquiry:

1. What was the original cost of the ditching machine used for educational purposes by the Agricultural Department?

Answer--The information will be found in the Auditor General's report for 1913, page 166.

2. On what farms in the province has the ditching machine been operated?

3. How many rods of ditches have been dug since the machine began operations?

4. What amounts have been paid for work done by each farm owner?

Answers to questions 2, 3 and 4--Since the machine began operations 6,873 rods of ditches have been dug, apart from about 375 rods for the extermination of the army worm.

Following is a list of the farms on which the ditching machine has been operated and the amount paid by each farm owner.

Dom. Experimental Station...\$142.00

L. H. Price...35.00

W. G. Campbell...15.00

C. P. R. Farm...57.90

Bliss Anderson...10.00

W. T. Wood...7.50

W. W. Fawcett...7.50

James Smith...10.00

M. VanBuskirk...19.90

Frank Alton...5.00

Frank Kilpatrick...9.50

Fred Pride...12.00

George Smith...11.00

Fiske Bros...72.33

Alex. Doucet...30.30

Arthur Branch...33.70

W. J. Kent...30.41

Wm. Whyte...19.50

Sam Branch...29.90

N. W. Eveleigh...30.00

James Rogers...14.95

Cyrus Vanwart...41.80

J. Allen Good...40.40

Clyde Rideout...55.60

George Danby...80.70

Norman Wallace...72.30

Howard Palmer...46.10

S. H. Havens...19.55

John Ward...31.40

William Ward...18.90

Robert Darrah...6.83

Geo. H. King...13.35

George Raymond...33.29

Roy Raymond...7.50

Warren Titus...14.53

Mrs. Harrington...13.00

A. G. Turney...75.00

Trappist Fathers...99.15

Geo. W. Fowler...42.30

James Gilchrist...34.50

Chas. Rogers...16.20

Farm Settlement Board, no charge.

5. What has been the total cost of purchase, repairs and operation of this machine since the date of purchase?

Answer--The information will be found in detail in the Auditor General's reports for 1913, page 166; 1914, pages 165 and 166, and 1915, pages 177 and 178.

Hon. Dr. Landry, in reply to Mr. Dugal's inquiry in the House on Thursday:

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1. What method has the government of ascertaining the names of all extra provincial corporations doing business in the Province?

Answer--The Provincial Secretary-Treasurer's Department endeavors to keep in touch with the different assessors' offices throughout the province who are generally well informed of the fact of any new companies coming under their jurisdiction.

2. Is there any penalty for an extra provincial corporation not reporting to the Government?

Answer--Yes.

3. Can the Government collect fees for back years during which extra provincial corporations have done business before they were taxed?

Answer--Yes.

Misleading Information.

Hon. Dr. Landry, in reply to Mr. Dugal's inquiry:

1. Is the Government aware that N. W. Harris & Co., brokers, of Montreal, when floating the \$700,000 loan for the province of New Brunswick last year, issued a statement in which the financial statement of the province was given "as officially reported" as:

Total funded debt, included--

ing...\$8,989,146.66

Less sinking funds...511,912.72

Net funded debt...\$8,477,233.94

And in the same circular stated:

"The assets of the province, according to the latest published report of the Auditor General, that for the year ended October 31, 1914, totalled \$37,893,884.49. Like the other provinces in the Dominion, the province has contingent liabilities in the form of guaranteed issues of railway bonds. These guarantees on the 31st October, 1914, covered a total of \$5,407,521.56."

"The province has an area of 27,984 square miles, or over 17,000,000 acres, of which the Provincial Government owns over 10,000 square miles, or about 6,500,000 acres. For the year ended October 31st, 1914, the Consolidated Revenue of the Province amounted to \$1,505,228.78, of which \$554,361 was derived from its holdings of

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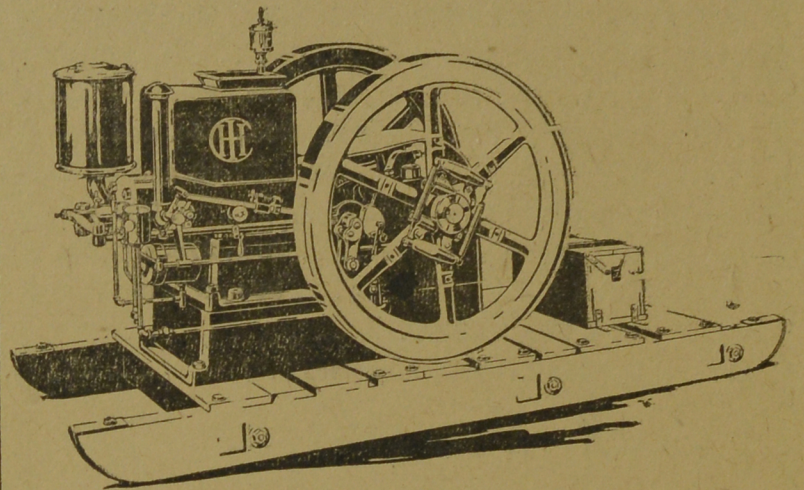
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