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MARKETING BOARD SUCCESSSES CITED

Colonel Kennedy Tables Re-
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Liberal Whip

ALLOWANCES EXPLAINED

The erection of grading stations, the completion of eleven cold-storage plants and ten dry-storage plants since 1931, and extension of markets in the British Isles, the continent and sections of Canada, were listed as accomplishments of the Ontario Marketing Board in information tabled by the Hon. T. L. Kennedy, Minister of Agriculture, during the Legislative session yesterday. The material was produced in answer to a question asked by Charles A. Robertson, Liberal Whip.

Colonel Kennedy's answer also enumerated the methods employed in extending the local markets and added that the board had assisted in the organization of co-operative companies, nineteen of which were incorporated during 1932, and had sent trial shipments of barley, cheese, honey and cattle to the British Isles.

W. B. Somerset, Commissioner of the board, received \$3,000 and a special warrant of \$3,600 in connection with fruit and vegetable marketing in 1931; \$3,000 and a special warrant of \$6,800 in connection with milk marketing in 1932; and \$5,400 in 1933. He also received travelling expenses totalling, during the three years, approximately \$4,000.

The board's appropriation for 1931 was \$12,000, of which \$11,050 was expended, and in a succeeding year \$30,000 was appropriated, of which the Ontario Growers' Market Council spent \$9,223, and the Marketing Board spent \$14,984.

In answer to a question asking the personnel of the Ontario Apprenticeship Board and the salaries of the members, Premier Henry stated that J. B. Carswell, Hamilton; Ernest Ingles, London, and F. S. Rutherford, Toronto, were appointed as a committee in 1928, as members of the board in 1932, and reappointed to the same position in 1933. No salaries are paid, but an allowance of \$10 per diem is granted to members and an allowance of \$15 per diem to the Chairman, Mr. Carswell. One member is an ex-service man.