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### The Fruits of the Session.

The session of the Dominion Parliament which opened on March 16 and is expected to close today, has been fruitful of much important legislation, despite the waste of time caused by obstructionist tactics.

The session began amid the thunder of the so-called Yukon scandal, but public interest in that question, always faint, has flickered away altogether. The one or two personal charges made against the Minister of the Interior in Sir Aibbert Tupper's "dossier" were proved to be errors. Other charges against the principal officials in the Yukon were investigated by Mr. Ogilvie and fell to the ground. The public have the utmost confidence in Commissioner Ogilvie and are not at all perturbed over the past, present or future of the gold country, of which he is the chief administrator.

The most valuable legislation of the session is that which relates to railways. Without doubt a strong current of opposition to private ownership of railways has set in, especially in the west, which has felt the pinch of monopoly. Of course the nationalization of railways is a principle which, even if accepted, could not be realized by the Dominion within any measurable period, but while government ownership of railways is not in sight, railway ownership of the government is a thing of the past. Parliament is usually behind rather than in advance of public opinion, but the legislation of the present Government reflects to gratifying degree the change of sentiment on the transportation question. We have previously discussed the new terms and conditions imposed on the railway companies and corporations receiving subsidies. The country is repairing past errors and omissions, and the legislation this session really marks a new epoch. Of the new railway enterprises subsidized, the most important is the Rainy River road which pierces the great mining region of New Ontario, and promises to open up rich field of colonization.

The Government have also paid keen attention to transportation, with special reference to the grain trade. Next month the work on the St. Lawrence canals will be sufficiently advanced to give the promised 14-foot waterway from the great lakes to tidewater. Liberal appropriations have been made for the improvement of the Port Dalhousie, Port Colborne and other lake and Georgian Bay harbors, and for increasing the facilities of the port of Montreal. This season an appreciable volume of export grain should be diverted from American to Canadian channels. Canada has already made such inroads into American through traffic that the commercial interests of the city and State of New York are becoming alarmed; but our success in the past will be as nothing compared with the future.

The Alaska boundary question has been a fertile theme of discussion this session. Both parties are one in upholding the position of the Canadian commissioners. The American Government cannot refuse arbitration without stultifying the United States before the world. While the dispute is pending, Canada is cut off from independent nocess to the Klondike, but if this access is not obtainable through compromise or arbitration with our neighbors, the Government will take steps to construct an all-Canadian railway to the Yukon headwaters.

The Government have decided on the gradual elimination of the iron bounties. At present the country is paying anjexcessive price for the encouragement of the native iron industry. This has developed splendidly in the past few years, and if not already self-sustaining, it will be by the time public aid is wholly withdrawn. In fact, a great American syndicate purposes exporting ore from Cape Breton, where iron and coal are contiguous, and where millions of dollars will be invested. Ontario is nlso rich in red hematite, and other high-grade iron ores. There is every Indication that Canada is potentially the wealthiest mineral country in the world, and that the world is beginning

to find it out. Canada has decided to "go shares" with Great Britain and the Australasian colonies in the construction and maintenance of a Pacific cable. The

project is the offspring of Imperialistic sentiment, but it is expected to be a paying venture from the start, and to assist in promoting trade between this country and Australia.

A more contentious measure was the redistribution bill, which passed the House of Commons without much demur, but was rejected by the Senate on the pretext that it was unconstitutional, as Parliament could only effect a rearrangement of the constituencies after each decennial census. Since the rejection of the bill, it has been pronounced perfectly legal by such eminent authorities as Hon. Edward Blake, Right Hon. H. H. Asquith (formerly Home Secretary in the British Government), Mr. R. B. Haldane, Q.C., M.P. (Canadian agent in Great Britain, under the late Dominion Government), Right. Hon. Edward Carson (formerly Solicitor-General for Ireland in the Salisbury Government), and Hon. Robert Cecil, son of Lord Salisbury. Of course, everyone understands that the Senate was prompted by partisan motives and not by constitutional qualms. The Upper Chamber has merely postponed and not prevented the righting of a

Free and full opportunity has been afforded for the investigation of alleged election frauds in West Huron, and thereby a precedent has been set which no future Government can overturn, and which will do much to redress and prevent future injustice. As the inquiry has not been concluded, the committee will resume at the next session of Parliament, and if corrupt practices are proven, the sitting member will, of course, resign.

Some important matters, including the subject of Senate reform, the fraternal insurance societies' bill, and Senator Dandurand's usury bill, have been deferred for want of time, but taken altogether it has been a profitable session, and the law-makers have well earned a rest. Both chambers have been saddened by the loss of several able and conspicuous members, but these have left a legacy of high example and good deeds to their coun-

The French Government are reducing the sugar bounties. By and bye the Englishman may have to pay full price for his own sugar.

The Transvaal Boers refuse to allow a Roman Catholic to occupy any public office or to sit in Parliament. That is enough to condemn the little Dutch and Catholics alike.

The credit for consistent and persistent advocacy of the principle of international arbitration belongs clearly and unmistakably to the United States. -Brooklyn Times

Then why weary of well-doing? Canada would like to see some of this "consistent and persistent advocacy" in the Alaskan question.

The city of Hamilton has received \$3,789 55 in street railway percentage for the last three months. The city of Toronto has received \$12,721 03 from the same source for the month of July alone. The city of London has just paid out \$3,400 for militia expenses on street railway account.

Lord Welby, president of the London County Council, in his annual address last week spoke of the financial success of municipal tramways in the metropolis. That is because municipal ownership was preceded in London by good municipal government. We have much to learn from the old country

The London Free Press says that under the old system of open voting 'there may be occasional personation of a voter, but there can be no wholesale stuffing with manufactured votes as was seen in West Huron, when Deputy Returning Officer Farr declared that there were 'thirteen d-d good votes for Holmes in that box,' meaning that number of votes made by himself and surreptitiously put into the ballot box." How does the Free Press know Farr made any such statement? It is only hearsay evidence at the best. Testimony was also given that this same Farr was a supporter of and voted for Mr. McLean, the opponent of

Sir Wilfrid Laurier has given an emphatic denial to the statement of one Fitzpatrick, who reported the Premier as having refused to accept the invitation to a Chicago celebration for fear of being insulted, owing to the feeling aroused by the Alaskan boundary question. The Premier has not yet recelved the invitation, and certainly one of his exquisite courtesy would not be guilty of throwing such a slur on American hospitality. This has not prevented him from being pelted with abuse by American jingos. A local contemporary, for the sake of attacking

an article deriding and belittling the Dominion.

Ten draymen and two bus drivers have been fined \$5 each for carrying passengers without a license. It was a breach of the bylaw, and the police magistrate had no option. But the City Council should, and doubtless will, remit the fine. The Council has permitted the Street Railway Company to break the bylaw for over two months, and the company are even now violating the Council's express orders, by giving an incomplete night service. This is no time to make fish of one class and flesh of another. Remit the fines, and settle the whole trouble by

## What Others Say.

Sound Doctrines.

[Kingston Whig.] There should be compulsory arbitration in connection with the street railway strikes. Public interests are affected. A public franchise is imperiled. Some one should, by authority, of law, step in and insist upon an adjustment of the difficulty. justice and common sense in this.

### Contract Vs. Day Labor. [Toronto Globe.]

shown that the cost was in favor of the former by nearly \$1,000. The two jobs are now completed, and aldermen and others interested in road-making should not fail to visit the two. Langley aveis a splendid specimen of macadam road. Victor, which was done by conthat the engineer will also take a look

### Light and Shade.

Maud-Do you like to have men flater you? Ethel-Oh, I don't mind if they happen to be photographers.

Verisopht-That brute Snodgrass called me a conceited idiot, don't cher Hunker-Is that so? You never struck

me as being particularly conceited .-

Bill-Did the lecturer make any gestures in his speech?
Jil-Why, he had to; the flies were

The M. D.-Now, remember what I say-avoid excitement. A sudden shock te you may prove fatal.
"Be kind enough to remember that

something terrible.—Yonkers States-

when you make out your bill. oligarchy in the eyes of Protestants bothering me to death," said the ama-

> "When I have a cold I'm bass, and when I get well I'm tenor. I can never tell whether to practice 'The Diver' or Sally in Our Alley."-Tid-Bits.

> "I would like to know," said the gruff old father to the young man who had been calling with considerable frequency, "whether you are going to marry my daughter?" "So would I," answered the diffident young man. "Would you mind asking

-Chicago Evening Post.

### **USED THE MONEY**

But the Treasurer of Maidstone Did Not Falsify Accounts-Short \$1,146 41

Matthew Henry, for 21 years treasurer of Maidstone township, is short in his accounts to the amount of \$1,-146 41, according to the report of F. H. Macpherson, expert accountant, Windsor, which has been forwarded to J. B. Laing, provincial municipal auditor, at Toronto.

For some time the authorities of Maidstone had suspected that the financial affairs of Treasurer Henry were in a tangle, and a special government audit, covering the treasur-er's entire term of office, was asked. Mr. Macpherson has been at work on the books for several weeks.

Although the treasurer's shortage amounts to a good, round sum, he made no attempt to falsify the books It was evidently a case of having the money and using it, hoping to be able to replace it before the deficit was discovered.

The Maidstone council will meet on Saturday to receive Auditor Macpherson's report. The sureties of Treasure Henry will be asked to make good his

### A SNAKE STORY

Rat and Trap All Swallowed by White-Throated Reptile:

Mount Holly, N. J., Aug. 11 .- A remarkable snake story, which is vouched for by the family of Charles Braddock, Sr., of Shamong township, is told by John Dellett, the hired man. Dellett went to the barn yesterday to milk the cows. Upon entering one of the stalls he saw a large whitethroated blacksnake. It was coiled up in an apparently comfortable position, and it was noticed that a rat's tail was hanging form its mouth. Dellett summoned Mr. Braddock and other members of his family. At first the men arranged to give battle to the reptile, when it was found to be dead. An examination showed that in its hunger and greed to get the rats. three number, the snake had swallowed the trap and all. This caused its death.

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# Store News for Saturday & Monday

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### Smallwares, Laces, Etc.

One lot White and Cream Lace, 1 to

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An assorted lot of Ladies' Handker-

chiefs, plain and fancy edge, regular 10c, 15c, 20c, 30c, and 40c each,

SPECIAL DISCOUNT SALE ONE-

One lot of Shirt Waist Sets and Belt

Staple Department

Buckles, SPECIAL DISCOUNT SALE

6 inches wide, including Valenciennes,

Reference was made some time ago to the fact that two identical pieces of paving were being done on adjoining streets in ward one, the first by day labor, the second by contract. It was nue, which was contructed by day labor and for \$1,000 less than Victor avenue, tract, and was finished but the other looks as if it were constructed with dust or any old stuff that happened to be on hand. It is to be hoped

Prints, Muslins, Ginghams, Etc. Scotch and Fancy Ginghams, in plaids and stripes, regular prices, 8c, 10c, 12½c and 15c, SPECIAL DISCOUNT SALE ONE-EIGHTH OFF.

Fine Scotch Ginghams and Zephyrs, 20c, 25c, 30c and 35c yard, SPE-CIAL DISCOUNT SALE ONE-QUARTER OFF. Fancy Dress Muslins, including all the finest French Organdies, at 8c, 10c, 15c, 20c, 25c, 35c and 45c a yard, SPECIAL DISCOUNT SALE ONE-

QUARTER OFF. 1,000 yards Fancy Ginghams, regular price 121/2c a yard, during the sale,

200 White Honeycomb Quilts, regular price \$1 25 each, special 79c. 50 White Honeycomb Quilts, extra size, regular price \$1 50, during the

sale, each, 95c 6 pieces 62-inch Unbleached Table Linen, pure flax, our regular price 45c a yard, DISCOUNT SALE ONE-EMGHTH OFF. pieces only, Bleached Table Linen,

64 inches wide, regular price 69c a yard, SPECIAL DISCOUNT SALE ONE-EIGHTH OFF. pieces only, Bleached Table Linen, 68 inches wide, regular price \$1 25 8

yard, during the sale 98c. Bleached Table Cloths, sizes 8x4, regular price \$1, \$1 25, \$1 60 and \$2 each, SPECIAL DISCOUNT SALE ONE-QUARTER OFF. All Ends of Bleached and Unbleached

Table Linens at reduced prices during the special sale.

### Ladies' Skirts and Suits Crash and Pique Skirts, one-quarter

All Print Wrappers, one-quarter off.

1 only Brown Covert Suit, lined with silk, regular price \$35; sale price, one-half off ......\$17 50 only Covert Suit, lined with sateen, regular price, \$25; sale

\$30; sale price, one-third off....\$20 00 only Navy Cloth Suit, jacket lined with cardinal satin, regular price, \$30; one-third off; sale price .....\$20 00

### Hosiery and Glove Department

Very Special-Ladies' 4-Button White Chamois Driving Gloves, colored stitching, regular price, \$1. SPECIAL DISCOUNT SALE, ONE-QUARTER

3-Clasp Black, Tan and Terra Cotta Kid Gloves, regular 89c a pair, all sizes, SPECIAL DISCOUNT SALE, ONE-QUARTER OFF. Jammet's Celebrated 3-Clasp Kid

Gloves, in cream, white and pearl-gray, price \$1. DISCOUNT SALE, gray, price \$1. DIS ONE-EIGHTH OFF. All Children's and Ladies' Fancy Cotton, Lisle and Cashmere Hosiery, SPECIAL DISCOUNT SALE, ONE-

### Carpet Department

20 pieces Yard Wide Union Carpet, prices, 25c, 32c, 39c and 50c a yard, SPECIAL DISCOUNT SALE ONE-Torchon, Oriental, etc., regular 5c to 25c a yard, SPECIAL DISCOUNT SALE ONE-QUARTER OFF. EIGHTH OFF. pieces All-Wool Yard Wide Carpet, prices, 65c, 75c and \$1 a yard, SPE-CIAL DISCOUNT SALE ONE

QUARTER OFF. 70 pieces Tapestry Carpet at 40c, 50c, 60c, and 75c a yard, DISCOUNT SALE ONE-QUARTER OFF. pieces only, Best English Brussels

Carpet, \$1 and \$1 15.a yard, DIS-COUNT SALE ONE - QUARTER 275 pairs Lace Curtains, from \$1 50 to \$3 50 a pair, DISCOUNT SALE ONE-EIGHTH OFF.

125 pairs Fine Nottingham and Swiss Lace Curtains, from \$5 to \$18 a pair, DISCOUNT SALE ONE-QUARTER

Trimmed Roller Blinds and Cords Loops, etc, ONE-QUARTER OFF.

## Discount Sale of Silk

ONE QUARTER OFF-This lot includes Colored and Black Bengaline, at 75c and \$1 per yard.

Fancy Blouse Silk, at 69c, \$1, \$1 45 and \$1 65 a yard. DISCOUNT SALE ONE-QUARTER OFF.

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### Clothing and Furnishing Department

Men's Linen Coats and Vests, regu-sizes, regular \$10 and \$12 each, sale price, one-quarter off .. \$7 50 and \$9 Boys' Two-Piece Suits, regular price \$2 50, sale price ......\$1 50 Men's Regatta Shirts, regular price \$1 and \$1 25, sale price .......59c Men's and Boys' Linen and Straw

Hats, from 25c to \$1, one-quarter Children's Print and Linen Blou and Suits, discount sale, one-quar-Children's Sailor Hats and Tams ..

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Only Fine Muslin Skirt, trimmed with Valenciennes lace, price \$5, SPECIAL DISCOUNT SALE ONE-QUARTER OFF.

### Boot and Shoe Department

36 pairs Women's Chocolate Vict Kid, turn and welt soles, regular price, \$3 a pair; one-quarter off; Boots, regular \$3 per pair......\$1 95 25 pairs Misses' Dongola M.S.,patent tip, button boots, sizes 11 to 2, regular price \$1 25 a pair, for ..... 94. A few pairs Women's and Misses' White Oxford Shoes, regular \$1 to to \$150 a pair; Saturday and Mon-boots, regular \$3 a pair, for ..... \$1 70 Assorted lot of Men's Oxford Shoes,... all sizes, regular \$1 25 to \$2 50 a pair; Saturday and Monday ..... ......75c to \$1 50

### Dress Goods Department

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