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Members of Opposition Several Points in C tiuuing the Debat

There can be no doubting th the intelligent men and

filled the galleries at the le yesterday were very much d pectation of hearing the quest day intelligently debated-an appointed. The members of tion were ready, and for opposite, but these gentlemen nstead of giving answers and arguments adduced by cal opponents, they evidence to press through the reply to by the force of their insignifi-ity. Not even dion, afr. Co-associates had asserted that found ready and capah the opposition, manifested tintention of rising on any o occasions when the "ques offered to the house, and had for the efforts of the opposit for the efforts of the opposition time the debate in the hope explanations might be secured government that would be cassatisfy the house and the consideration of His Honor must have closed with none of raised by the gentlemen Speaker's left answered written. it was the house and visits usually miscellaneous gath much as the Victoria public occasion largely reinforced turned Klondikers and mem Frederick Warde companyfour excellent and practical from Mr. McPhillips (Victoria had adjourned the debate of evening; Mr. A. W. Smith looet); Mr. J. P. Booth (I toria); and Mr. R. McBride (

PETITION. On the opening of the hou prayers again being dispense petition was presented by I Smith from residents of Natirict, praying for the settlement of the settl trict, praying for the settlems tain grievances relative to within the Esquimalt & Nar way belt. This question, it plained, had for years been in of the Dominion governmen however, sent out a commis 1837, and such officer reported. 1837, and such officer reports warded the above report to call authorities, with the opin was a grievance that must be the provincial government. therefore pressed this matter provincial government, with tion of having this question at the call.

THE DEBATE CONTI MR. McPHILLIPS, cont debate upon the speech from the regretted that any member she given the advice to the house legislation which had been on the federal authorities show mediately re-enacted. Such a corted way to be such as the s acted upon persistently, wou tate revolution, and he regathe junior member for Vanco Hon. Mr. Cotton here rose of order. He had noticed the reference had been made to member for Vancouver, h present debate. Since the telections in Vancouver, he to Mr. Macpherson to be senio second, Mr. Martin third, and dall fourth member. He did to interrupt the member for City in his interesting ren thought that no confusion created by unintended reference bers.

Mr. McPhillips held that it haps be well for Mr. Speaker the matter of precedence a Vancouver members. As it scarcely knew how to term I Martin when referring to him Col. Baker, with referen poetical contribution to the President of the Council suggested that the member might possibly be styled angel." (Laughter).

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Continuing, Mr. McPhillips the acts of the legislature been disallowed by the feder ties had properly been disallo ground of unconstitutionality. This Mr. Martin rose to Alien Labor Act had been di the special request of the Imorities, and without referenchallenge of, its constitutiona Mr. McPhillips could not as a true statement of the held that the report of the Justice supported his content that learned gentieman opinion that the legislation was uttra vires, although to fingerial policy had also conspicuous part in the difference of the maintained with empha would have been both unwise in principle to re-enact law have been properly the highest processing the research of the legislation would have been both unwise in principle to re-enact law would have been both unwise in principle to re-enact law been passed upon by the hig ties; and that instead t should endeavor to devise s action in harmony with (not ing) Federal and Imperial I policy, to bring about the de A conference should be arr the Dominion authorities, ar lation might very well be when the province was period, this being the proper, co and only course open to les preciating their responsibil included the firm maintena respect for the law.

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With reference to the rail objected strongly to that p holding provincial aid from devised to open up and bene ince which might subseque Dominion incorporation and Dominion incorporation a Dominion financial aid; demned as absurd and suice ent policy of the government of which was to place the way of provincial deve was a policy by which Britis while the residents of the p inually referring to the