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- Borden, R. L.* (Carleton, Ont.)—10539.  
Powers and responsibilities of Yukon council—10539.
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- Request for information—Hon. Geo. E. Foster—1128.
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More convenient to let the question stand at present—1128.
- Foster, Hon. Geo. E.* (North Toronto)—1128.  
Only wants the information down to 30th of June, just three sets of figures—1128.

## YUKON PLACER MINING ACT—AMENDMENT.

- Bill No. 150 read a second time and taken in committee—Hon. Frank Oliver—8481.
- Borden, R. L.* (Carleton, Ont.)—8488.  
The whole section is before us and we should consider what it means—8488. You provide that the person who exercises this right should give adequate security—8489. When damages are allowed for entry alone, it would be well to make the matter clear—8490. Cannot understand how it came to pass that the authorities deprived the person of forty inches under the present law—8491. The statute only intended to apply to persons who were there when the ditch was constructed—8492. Would like to know how much a bona fide worker would be entitled to—8498. The difficulty arises in the use of the word 'diverted'—8499. If there were a dozen persons below each would be entitled to forty inches—8500.

- Clarke, A. H.* (South Essex)—8494.  
It looks as if he did not get the 40 inches unless 200 inches are diverted—8494.

- Gallihér, W. A.* (Kootenay)—8489.  
That difficulty met with in surveying in British Columbia—8489. The entry is directly connected with the construction and repair of ditches and flumes—8490. The owners of claims are entitled to the waters of that stream to work their claims—8497. He would be entitled to 40 inches if 200 inches were diverted—8498. It means not the water in the river but the water in the ditch—8499. It would be better to come back to this section—8500.

- Lake, R. S.* (Qu'Appelle)—8484.  
Different applications of the word 'Commissioner' likely to cause confusion—8484-5.

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- Macdonell, A. C.* (South Toronto)—8486.  
Asks if the amendment reserves to the 'Crown the right overlapping claims'—8486. The change proposed is rather important—8491. By the amendment an old established company with rights might have to give up the entire flow of water that goes through the ditch—8492-3. Last session the rights were curtailed so as to oblige them to give up a certain quantity of water—8494. The matter well worthy of consideration, and the parties interested should be heard—8495. The man who has the right to the water is the man who has the right to divert the stream—8496. Gallihér speaks as if it were a virgin country and as if no rights had been granted—8497. The probable result of this amendment—8498.

- Oliver, Hon. Frank* (Minister of the Interior)—8481'

- Moves second reading of the Bill—8481. Serious difficulties in meeting the conditions as they are found to exist—8482. Has to be some way of defining a stream to which dredging regulations may apply—8483. Section provides for the division of the territory into mining districts—8484. The mining recorder the officer most nearly acquainted with the actual circumstances—8485. There are certain rights to what are called reverted claims—8486. The provision is to permit broken periods to be brought together—8487. The owner will then have security should he require to take legal action—8488. The security demanded is at the discretion of the mining recorder—8489. Will sacrifice elegance for certainty; moves an amendment to section 22—8490. It is proposed to meet the conditions which the Bill as passed last year was intended to meet—8491. The statute is intended to apply to people who were not there when the ditch was constructed—8492. The proposed provision the same as the previous provision except a little wider—8493. Difficult to frame the section so that two meanings cannot be taken—8494. The Commissioner of the Yukon is of opinion that the proposed legislation is in the public interest—8495. We cannot afford to have the gold of the Yukon locked up by the locking up of the water—8496. The first right shall be to the claim holder on the original creek—8497. Forty inches of water the amount considered necessary for the working of a placer claim—8498. Thinks the Act as it stood last year really conveyed the idea desired—8499. Let the section stand and the Bill remain in committee—8500.

- Sproule, T. S.* (East Grey)—8483.  
Thought there was only one Gold Commissioner, seem to be several—8483. Thinks the Gold Commissioner would