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cial Legislature Gets Down Work and Discuss the Government Policy.

lides of One Accord as to nding Relief to Famine Stricken India.

covincial legislature got down to sterday, the debate on the reply eech from the throne taking up e afternoon, and not being fin-6 o'clock it was adjourned till

beaker took his seat at 2 o'clock ad Rev. Dr. Campbell offered up ing prayer. The presentation ons for private bills were: elmcken-South Kootenay Wa-wer Co.; Okanagan Water Pow-

unter-Cumberland and Union

oth-West Kootenay Water &

lie-Revelstoke Water & Elect Co.; Revelstoke water & Elec-t Co.; Revelstoke, Trout Lake and Telephone Co. aham—Fairview Power, Water one Co.; and a petition from wston and others favoring the

preliminaries being settled, the tion of the speech from the was taken up, Mr. Joseph the member from Comox, havonor of moving the reply. inter in rising to make the first the session was received with by both sides of the house, and mbers of the house settled heir seats to hear what he had

once before, Mr. Speaker," he we I found myself face to face responsibility which I have ac-day of moving the address in he speech from the throne, and think sign that are not form think, sir, that on any former has it been less necessary for r of the address to enter into y details or make any lengthy n respect to the subject matspeech, than on the present We have here, Mr. Speaker, ustive, impartial and ew of the condition of those within the scope of provincial a, and so I think, under the es, it might be sufficient fo l it might be wise on my part, ay that I fully confirm my adhe principles and the policy ated and that I intend wil-confidently to support all hat may be brought forward the progress and prosperity

ir, I think, if only for the puroting discus ntative food for hon. osite, it is necessary for me fer to the most prominent ined in the speech from the I I can assure the hon. leader sition that I will only for a ime stand in the way of that al which two days ago before beauty and fashion of the lisplayed for econo

stof all, Mr. Speaker, it must ing to this house to from every quarter of late discoveries ng go to show abundantly and latent possibilities of the this important industry are aing understood and taken adthat the public revenue for ceeded that of the previous e respectable amount of \$93,-ideed, sir, if you will glance nce that glorious day when institutions were first intro arter of a century ago, you hat the revenue of the year ceeds-with the exception of 1892-1893, two years of unexosperity-that of any other g that long period-a condition hich cannot fail to commend e people at large. But, si other feature in this conne But. sir. must not be lost sight the ordinary condition it is not uncommon ase of revenue is attended sponding increase in the exon the floor of this house rguments to show how venue means increased ex-But, sir, I find that while as already stated, the net execreased by \$292.201.37. This think, may safely be credit. ise and economical methods nistration. ect to the coal industry, alto be regretted that the re-this material source of our were less during last year e previous years, the quan-d under the circumstances e despised. Have you any t the present mo the present moment, prmous development which blace in this industry since settled factor in our pro-th and importance. I find, 366 the coal produced in the ounted to 25,115 tons, while ing decade to 1876 it had in-36,192 per annum. An inless that 515 per cent., if I wed to put it in that way. decade, 1886, the increase tons, or an increase of 235 d coming down to 1895 uction to have been 939,654, e over 1886 of 257 per cent. connection with its great question naturally arises lit last and will this and ant conditions of developlely interrupted in the near he exhaustion of our coal Mr. Speaker, there is ation that the contrary case. Recent discoveries, , coupled with the pro-of science, go abundantly the coal measures of the as far as the mind can grasp practically inexhaustible-is have already been taken measures, and considering imits within which the coal mines have been congoing beyond the bounds

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