Peck and Stewart Assail Prohibition Enforcement and Hydro Plans

Critical of Government School Books.

School Books.

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FREDERICTON, March 19—Today the House listened to three speeches in the debate on the address in reply to the Speech from the Throne, two from members of the Opposition and the third from a supporter of the Administration.

Tonight, however, indications point to the address being passed probably tomorrow when R. T. Hayes, M. L. A., Saint John, is to be the first speaker, having adjourned the debate late this afternoon.

J. L. Peck, of Albert, Fred L. Estabrooks, of Westmorland, and D. A. Stewart, of Restigouche, were the speakers at this afternoon's session and all three set a good example by the previty of their utterances. Not one of the trio took up more than 40 minutes.

Mr. Peck Speaks.

Liquor and Water.

Again hydro electric development, both the Musquash and the Grand Falls, now Brunswick, and the Prohibition Act, were the subjects dealt with most thoroughly by the speakers.

Wary of Grand Falls.

Mr. Peck looked askance at Grand Falls proposal and argued that the project was killed as a business proposition before it was ever started. He said that falls owned by the Government by the International Paper Company, and the lands are of little use to the company as a power prospect so long as the province owned the falls.

Condemns Policies.

Mr. Stewart's speech was a strong condemnation of the Government's hydro policy and its prohibition enforcement. He claimed that Musquash development had been proceeded within an unbusiness-like manner, and said the land damages should have been stribed before were the subjects.

minutes.

Mr. Peck Speaks.

Mr. Peck devoted considerable of his effort to a criticism of the Government's financial policy. Mr. Peck is a banker in his native county, and today, as is usually the case when he speaks, injected considerable humor into his speech. At times Mr. Peck had the House roaring with laughter as he twitted the Premier and his colleagues on their hydropolicy, their alleged failure properly to enforce the prohibition act and extravagance in handling the finances of New Brunswick.

Criticizes Own Party.

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Mr. Estabrooks, who followed for the Government, once more discussed his pet theme, increased trade the the West Indies. But, strangenough, some of the most outspoken criticism that have been levelled at the Government since the session opened, fell from the lips of the member for Westmorland. Mr. Estabrooks said the Government should at once withdraw its notice calling for tenders for supplying anthracite coal to the public buildings in Fredericton and declared the administration should purchase the necessary fuel for these buildings from the mines being operated in this province.

Attacks Text Books. Further, he demanded that a change be made in the text books now in use in the schools and called

for the elimination of what he characterized as a "lot of trash" from these books. He also urged the in-corporation of many subjects in one text book and complained that chil-dren were being made round shoulered carrying so many books to

school.

Mr. Estabrooks also charged that a potato trust existed in New Brunswick and quoted statements from agents of the alleged trust who are operating in Cuba. This trust, Mr. Estabrooks alleges, has secured a monopoly on shipping space and is thus endeavoring to crowd out the small operator from the Cuban market.

Stewart in Vigorous Mood. Then came Mr. Stewart's speech Hydro Plans

Then came Mr. Stewart's speech, the most aggressive effort that has been heard from the Opposition this session. The member from Restigouche is a forceful speaker and today he hammered home his arguments and criticisms of the Government with such vigor and effectiveness that he aroused the enthusiasm of his colleagues sitting to the left of Mr. Speaker.

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praised many of the Government policies in addition to criticizing some of the acts of the Administration, said the

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the acts of the Administration, said the election of Attorney-General Rand had forged another link in the chain that binds the two races in New Brunswick together.

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Mr. Stewart was exceptionally harsh in his criticisms of the Government's policy in enforcing the prohibitory law and charged that the enforcement was not of a kind to surpress the liquor traffic but to swell the reevnue of the province. He charged that the enforcement of the act in New Brunswick today had ceased to become a farce and Hon. Mr. Hetherington submitted the report of the Factory Inspector, also the report of the superintendent of the Boys' Indústrial Home. The House then went into committee with Mr. Hayes in the chair and agreed to bills to confirm a sale of a lot of land to the Bank of Montreal and to facilitate day had ceased to become a farce and

was now a scandal. Notices of Inquiry. Notices of inquiry were given for Wednesday, next, as follows:

By Mr. Dickson—As to the total By Mr. Dickson—As to the total By Mr. Wednesday, and value of the total by Mr. Wednesday, and the first report of the Committee on Agriculture. By Mr. Dickson—As to the total quantity of liquor and value of the same sold by the Liquor Commission during the last year, together with the number of prescriptions issued; also as to cost of the right of way for land taken for Moore's Mill Bridge, Waterford, Kings.

By Mr. Stewart—As to what position Henry Scott, of Stonehaven, Gloucester county, holds under the Government. Mr. Hayes moved the adjournment of the debate, which was made the order of the day for tomorrow at 3 o'clock.

Ray Caldwell, one-time star pitcher in the American League, has slipped down another notch. Caldwell was re-cently released to Little Rock by the Kansas City club, where he had been By Mr. Smith (Albert)—As to the

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