COME TAX.

Judgment of the Supreme Court of Canada in the St. John Case and the Reasons Therefor.

(Continued.)

Besides the case of The Bank of Toronto v. Lambe (1), has, (if the line of argument in the McCulloch Case can have any bearing on the question since that case was first thus used), conclusively established the right of the province to tax banks created by and solely within the creative power of the Dominion and yet doing business within the province seeking to tax it.

I am not at all clear that the Webb v. Outrim Case relied upon here and in the court below can be said, upon close analysis, to have very much to do with the question presented here.

I am unable, notwithstanding the array of judicial authority supporting and following the judgment in the Leprohon Case, to find that it proceeded upon a correct interpretation of the British North America Act.

I think the appeal should be dismissed with costs.

Mr. Justice Maclennan.

I am of opinion that this appeal should be dismissed. Even if Webb v. Outrim had been otherwise decided, it would not, in my opinion, necessarily govern the present case, inasmuch as the act establishing the Australian Commonwealth differs in a very important respect from the British North American Act.

I think the tax in question is within the powers conferred on the Canadian Provinces by section 92, sub-sections (2), (8) and (13) of the latter act, and is not affected by anything contained in section 91.

By those sub-sections, jurisdiction is conferred upon the provinces, within their respective limits, over pro-

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