

Bay line, being the outlet Eastward ; the company embraces the chief proprietors of the St. Paul and Manitoba Railway, the only present means of railway communication with the North-west ; and thus, not only is there no provision for securing competition, but there is provision securing the company against competition, and they are secured in a monopoly of the trade and traffic of the North-west, for at least 20 years, and the said contract is, in this respect, objectionable ;—which was negatived.

Mr. BORDEN then moved in amendment, that the said resolutions be not now read a second time, but that it be *Resolved*, That the contract respecting the Canadian Pacific Railway provides, that the company shall not be obliged to receive any section of land, consisting in any material degree of land not fairly fit for settlement, and that lakes and water stretches shall not be computed in the acreage of the company's sections, and gives to the company the right of selecting in alternate blocks anywhere in the fertile belt or elsewhere the amount of the large deficiency in the acreage to be found within 24 miles of the main line, thus including coal, mineral, timber, stone-quarry, petroleum and salt producing lands in their choice, and gives to the company, with the consent of the Government, the right to select in the North West Territories any tracts of land not taken up in order to supply the deficiency, and provides no proper means of deciding whether the alternate sections on the main line and branches should be accepted by the company ; and that the said contract is, in these particulars, unjust and impolitic ;—which was negatived.

Mr. ANGLIS then moved in amendment, that the said resolutions be not now read a second time, but that it be *Resolved*, That the contract respecting the Canadian Pacific Railway provides for a distribution of the money and land to be given for the work, wholly arbitrary and disproportionate ; that land and money, far in excess of the proportionate cost, is assigned to the prairie part, the easiest and most productive portion of the railway, which it is alleged will be constructed within 3 years, by which time the company will be entitled in cash and lands to a surplus amounting, according to the Government estimate of the lands at \$2.18 an acre, to over \$4 millions, which surplus should have been reserved and applied towards the construction and working of the eastern and western ends, and that the said contract is, in this respect, objectionable ; which was negatived.

Mr. TROW then moved in amendment, that the said resolutions be not now read a second time, but that it be *Resolved*, That the contract respecting the Canadian Pacific Railway exempts 25 millions of acres of the choice lands of the company from Dominion, Provincial and municipal taxation, until such lands are either sold or occupied for 20 years after the grant thereof from the Crown ; that such exemption is unjust and will impose undue burdens on the settlers on the alternate sections, who will be obliged to make improvements and incur expenses, enhancing the value of the company's lands without receiving their fair share of the cost of such improvements and expenses ; that such exemptions by freeing the company from the burdens of taxation, will reduce the inducements to the company to sell their lands early, and will enable the company free of expense to hold their lands, till their value has been greatly enhanced by the labors of the adjoining settlers, and that the said contract is, in this respect, objectionable ; which was negatived.

Mr. PATERSON (Brant) then moved in amendment, that the said resolutions be not now read a second time, but that it be *Resolved*, That the contract respecting the Canadian Pacific Railway, laid on the table, does not insure finality as to the public obligations in that regard, but imposes on Canada, besides the grant of large sums of money and acres of land, the construction by the Government for the benefit of the syndicate of the most expensive parts of the rail-