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The Legislative Session. The Legislative session, which had dragged along for nearly eight weeks came to an end on Laturday last, when the House was prorogned with the usual ceremonies, by his Honor, the Lieutenant Governor. The length of the session certainly cannot be accounted for by the volume and importance of the legislation enacted; but must rather be attributed to the time spent in willing to tell the public. cancus by the Government and their supporters. From the very beginning of the session scarcely a day passed during which several hours were not by them devoted to cancus. In consequence of this manner of procedure by the Govvernment, the sittings of the Legislature were, for the most part very short and the members of the Opposition, always ready for work, were obliged to wait for hours and hours until any recalcitrant Government followers were "fixed" in the cancus. The way in which the Government thus wasted the time of the session was little short of disgraceful. Why were the Government obliged to pursue this course regarding every measure of any importance brought before the House? Were they so distrustful of their followers that they could not risk the slightest move without recourse to the " whipping into line' process; or were they so frightened of the Opposition that they affair considered it safer to kill time in cancus than afford reasonable time for free discussion in the House? It is not at all unlikely that the where it is collected; his pro

stitute a most scandalous affair. was 5344 and the netiloss charged vided for the sale by druggists, committee as far as it went showed ter so far as we have got?

the thanks of all well wishers of

the Province, In many of these

matters the Government were

forced to moderate their arrog-

becomes. There is quite a lot clause was struct out after a very quests called on the 13th day of March, more to be found out about it yet. amusing debate in committee. Mr sat until 11 o'clock that is to say, one mier's departure for the Colonial What do the people think of the Kennedy again moved his amend- hour. L. B. McMillan, Sect. of Public Conferences. Government's conduct in this mat- ment condemning the clubs; but Works was partially examined with

WEBNESDAY, APRIL 17, 1907. and only with the utmost perseverance that the opposition members of this committee succeeded in bringing to light as Editor & Proprietor much as they did. Captain Joseph Read, the bully, was made chairman of this committee at the beginning of the session and the minority report shows how persistently he obstructed the work of investigation by failing to call meetings, from time to time. The chairman's report was held back from the House till the last moment, so that no opportunity would be afforded for discussion. The Lieutenant Governor was in the Legislative building and ready to enter the chamber to prorogue the House, before Captain Read presented his report. Captain Read knewns a lot more about the Gov-

> ed up by the Government contingent. In the evening the budget debate was resumed Mr. Morson up the Government's mismanagedebt and their rediculous course

Government's tactics were inspired bate on the budget. He took the the excessive prices charged for the deliberations of such committee in by both these causes. In any Premier severely to task for the the same, imposes a veavy burden respect of such matters, and further event, it was quite evident that manner in which he and his upon the parents and guardians of that this committee should be empowwhenever the faithful had not friends had wasted valuable time this Province: in cancus. Every member should ernment lost control; and every be free to speak his mind inde- is desirable that a committee of hands at the opening of the session of opportunity the Opposition got pendently on the floor of the competent persons be appointed for fair discussion they smote their House instead of being fixed in by this House to enquire into the stated times and for a sufficient time to opponents hip and thigh and left cancus. He lashed the Govern- matter and to select suitable text enable them to perform thoroughly this them no leg to stand on. The ment on the debt the deficits and books for use in the public schools Leader of the Opposition and his the subsidies, During the even- of this Province and to recommfollowers certainly put up a splen. ing sitting Mr. A. J. McDonald end such action as appears best in did fight, and fairly frightened the mrde a good speech in condemna-Government out of their boots, tion of the Gonernment's policy of reasonable prices and to prevent The industry, research and ability waste and extravagance. Every shown by Mr. Mathieson and his thing they touched came to decolleagues fairly staggered the struction. We had an example in Government and made them ap- the stock farm. They had so press this matter that the Leader pear very very small. No one demoralized this institution that it of the Government admitted its who has studied the matter can was now to be sold. This was how justice and promised to take some doubt that the vigorous course they brought everything to de- action in the derection indicated pursued by the Leader of the Op- struction. Mr. McDonald con- in the resolution. position on the subsidy question cluded his speech by moving in backed up by the Island Opposi- amendment to the motion to go tion members at Ottawa, caused into committee of supply that "all Sir Wilfrid Laurier to amend his the words after that to the end of address to our advantage. Then the question be left out and the Mr. Mathieson's advocacy of our following words added instead larger claims on the Federal Gov. thereof: "In the opinion of this ernment; his fight to have the House the expenditure of the road money spent in the districts public moneys of this province without the authority of this is of opinion that action should at Legislature has assumed alarming nouncement in favor of less frequent and less expensive changes in our school books; the Oppositent responsible for the enormous tion's declaration in favor of keepthat it is the duty of the auditor to reing the expenditures within the fuse to certify to such unauthorized exestimates passed by the Legislatpenditures and that his failure to do so ure, and their persistent and re- is a grave dereliction of duty to the tax

On Wednesday afternoon the prohibition bill came up for third reading but when the speaker put the motion Dr. Warburton moved To this Mr. Prowse moved that the The Government's transactions in amendment that the bill be rein connection with the hay con- ferred back to committee, for the purpose of reconsidering the clause mentioned, but all claims of this Pro-The hav was purchased for \$7.00 thereof introduced by Hon. Mr. to \$8.50 per ton and sold for Hughes, when the bill was former-\$10.50 a ton. The number of tons ly in committee. The clause proto the Province is \$5.685,68. The without a doctor's certificate for hav was carried over the Inter- medicenal purposes, of prescripcolonial free of cost; but in the tions containing liquor. The chamber on Saturday, Captain Read face of this it cost \$13,014,94 to speaker ruled the motion to re- chairman of the procure and distribute. Among comit out of order; Capt. Read Accounts committee, presented his rethose who profited by their conmoved an appeal from the speak-and was signed by Joseph Read; J. D. are Mr Nelson Rattenbury, who contention as to authorities favor. Arsenault and J. W. Richards, Govern- accepted it. But when the house received as his share \$1,115, and ing both motions, the appeal was Col. H. M. Davison, who received sustained by a small majority. In no less than \$2,069.14 as his por- committee in the first instance the seconded by Mr, A. J. McDonald (option of the swag. There are many clause had been carried by a vote others who received lesser sums, of 18 to 8. It was not a strict the raport be amended by incorporate which go to make up'the \$13,014, party vote. But now it was most 94. But this is not all. Investi- amusing to see one after another not adopted but that it be referred back gation in the public accounts of the Government members and to the said committee to be amended by supporters, who had been of the that no less than five car loads of 18, swallowing themselves by re- 19th day of February, 1907, and Capt, to be excherated in the eyes of the hay are missing. Who got them? cording their vote against it. This Reid was appointed chairman of said country and yourself." Mr. Em-The more this hay business is in- was a palpable evidence of the Public Accounts Committee. That the

division and the main motion carried

ination day till after polling day. the Government machine

ment between the three counties \$1,500 for Queen's County; \$1,wards a supplementary estimate that the usual Provincial exhibition may be held. We shall consequently have this year, County exhibitions in King's and Prince. ernment hay business than he is and a Provincial exhibition at teen members of the Law Society missioner of Public Works and been made to collect these arrears. and moved that the bill should the Government generally, for The total amount of hay imported by he referred back to committee for pability in this matter. But the the purpose of striking out the Commissioner of Public Works distribution thereof amounted to \$13, to push it through and he was back- much fuss about a "dead horse."

> During Friday, Mr. Mathieson called attention to the hardship cluded his speech by moving, following resolution: "Whereas the frequent chang-

On Tuesday Mr. Prowse made a ing of our text books authorized valuable contribution to the de- for use in the public schools and

order to secure such books at same division reversed. unnecessary changes for the

So strongly did Mr. Mathieson

During the budget debate, on That all the words after "that" to the end of the question be left out and the following words added instead thereof: "This House once be taken by the Government proportions and is to a large ex upon the claims of the Province of smusement because they be debt of this province and further Fishery award so that sufficient encouragement may be given to the fishermen of this Province to enable them to prosecute this industry to the best advantage and to contribute to the general revenue of this Island." The iterated demands for explanation payers of this Province for which the of the hay business; these deserve Government is responsible." This Government majority voted this down. amendment was voted down on a party

During Friday evening Mr Mathieson committee to enquire into our claims against the Dominion Government. Captain Read moved amendment limiting our claims to certain specific matters following words be added: "That the scope of enquiry of said committee shall not be limited to the matters above for presentation." The amendment as thus amended was unanimousty

Almost when the Lieutenant Gover nor was at the door of the assembly ment members of the committee. the report was made, Mr. Fraser moved position members of the committee) that ing therewith the following report: That the report of the committee

incorporating therein the following :vestigated the more scandalous it "fixing" process in caucus. The first meeting was after repeated reor so far as we have got?

the prohibition Government again committee adjourned until the 14th day of March last. That the said committee

minority report of the Public accounts committed the facts above stated regarding the hay business. It was with the greatest difficulty, and only with the account of the adoption of the committees again assembled at 10.45 on the 14th, had told in the House what he had done when statemen's came to him and concerning the moral conduct of M asking not for inquisitions. Mr. Boursesa protested that he was now concerning the moral conduct of M Hyman. He sent a moral friend to the account of the house would have no 'inquisitions.' used at election times, from nom-

ing until the 9th day of April. On the 9th of April the said Committee was called at ten minutes after ments were not true and t ten in the forenoon, and sat until 12.40 to this day a Member of the Mais-During Thursday's sittings in O'clock. At this sitting Mr. H. M. try, though he offered to resign. Davison was examined as to his charcommittee of supply the question ges in connection with the distribution of exhibitions was considered. The of the Government hay, and we find grant of \$4,000 appropriated for Mr. Davison received the sum of \$2137. this purpose was divided by agreethe p and your committee consider the charges excessive, Mr. N. Rattenbury was he would declare to the House that 000 for King's County. After- received a further sum of \$1,115 for his the reports were faire. Yet in this 500 for Prince County and \$1, also examined and it appears that he five cents per ton on 4460 tons. Mr. the resignation sent it to the of \$2,000 was submitted. This Rattenbury failed to disclose to the ernor General, and in his reply to was given to Queen's County so satisfaction of your Committee what his Mr. Emmerson did not evan formally duties were, or why he was entitled to this or any other sum in excess of 25 cents per ton on 628 tons distributed by him. It further appears with respect to the claim of this Government against the Government of Canada for 3 cars of hav short delivered that on the 31st Charlottetown. During the even-ing session Mr. Mathieson again ment of Canada submitted a statement Among the bills advanced a brought to the notice of the House showing that they had in fact delivered on board on the Minto, Stanley, stage on Monday the 8th was the the case of the loss of a horse by and other ships on specified dates conone respecting practice in certi- James AEneas McPhee on the signed to this Government two cars of orari cases. Against some of the Cardigan River ice in the winter hay more than the total number to provisions of this bill Mr. Mathie- of 1904. He poined out that this which this Government was entitled, son had previously protested, as man lost his only horse through and this statement remains to this day son had previously protested, as man lost his only horse through unanswered, and that the procuring and they were regarded as very arbit- the ice, in consequence of the im- distribution of hay was marked by ray, by members of the bar society. proper bushing of the ice by the great waste, mismanagement, and party At this stage Mr. Mathieson sub- officials of the Government. He favoritism Many of the agents are mitted a protest signed by seven- unmercifully scourged the Com- short in their accounts and it does not appear that any adequate efforts have

not then be read a third time, but their utter negligance and cul. the Government is stated by them at 5344 tons' and the costs and charles in connection with the transportation and most objectionable clause; but it simply sneered at the Leader of 014.94 which your committee consider was no use, Mr Haszard was bound the opposition for making so to be so large as to call for a full investigation before an independent tribunal empowered to examine all the parties concerned upon oath. That from the limited examination

which the committee was able to make delivered an able speech, showing to which the people of the county numerous expenditures aggregating the were subjected by the frequent sum of \$12,896.00 have been made durment, their record of deficits and changes in school books, and con. ing he nine months ending 30th September, A. D., 1906, without the author in connection with the subsidy seconded by Mr. McKinnon, the the twelve months ending 31st Dec. D. 1906 is \$70,868.83.

Your committee recommends that members of the committee having an interest in matters under investigation should not preside over or take part in ered to exanime witnesses upon oath. This committee also submits that the merson in the Chamber.

Be it therefore resolved that it Public Accounts should be in their this Legislature and that meetings of the said committee should be held at important work.

The amendment was put and defeat ed on a strict party division 48 to 9, and the main motion was carried on the

Ottawa Weekly Letter.

Ottawa, April, 1907. Hoc. H. R. Emmerson, Minister f Railways, bas disappeared from the Ministry in consequence of per sonal charges or reports following the "wine, women and graft" episode. He tendered his resignation one of the motions to go into com- on Monday, April 1st, and it was mittee of supply Mr. McKinnon accepted by the Premier the same moved the following amendment, day. The circumstances immedi ately leading to this event are follows: Last week Mr. Boursess in moving for a committee of en quiry into charges against mini ter and Members, referred to the sug gestion that Ministers bad been pat out of hotels and public place to receive from Canada its share of the been guilty of misconduct with women." Mr. Fowler had no mentioned any such incident but several Government journals, no tably the St. John organ of Mr. Emmerson, demanded that Mr Fowler should prove a case agains ome Minister or be branded as slanderer. Much violent language esumed the debate on his motion for a of that sort was used, which finell brought out the response from the "Fredericton Gleaner," that () Minister of Railways was the per seastarted in by another road. He ANNOUNCEMENT IN HOUSE So the matter stood till the House vince against Canada shall be prepared holidays. Mc. Emmerson had

Members he would be invited to either. make good or retract them or be subject to the censure of the House. Mr Bourassa had hardly read his resolution authorized a contradiction of the and began his speech when the Speaker report and appounced that at the interposed with the remark that the first sitting of the House he would motion was out of order as dealing with rise to a question of privelege, de a matter of past debate. It was seen clare the story untrue and appounce at once that the Speaker had the Prepleaded that he was bringing up an ntirely new question, even though the subject matter were old. Last week that Mr. Emmerson would resign he asked for a committee, this week his office, and it was not suspected be asked for definite charges or withnection with the Gevernment hay er's ruling. After considerable McInnie; John McMillan; J. F. H. that the Premier would so promptly drawal. Mr. Foster and Dr. Sproule supported Mr, Bourassa's argument that the rule did not apply and urged that met Sir Wilfrid was the first to this was not a time for too great strictspeak and make the announcement ness in ruling out such questions. Mr. that Mr. Emmerson was no longer Borden appealed to the house and the his colleague. Sir Wilfrid read the speaker that the broadest interpretation letter of resignation in which he should be given to the power of parliament to deal with questions affecting declared that the newspaper reference concerning him was "false on ts face," that he was taking pro-

merson went on to offer his resignation, explaining that he did not wish to be an obstacle to the Pre-

anxiety.

TREATED HYMAN MORE TENDERLY.

to the accused Minister to hirp

In Mr Emmereop's cuse the Pro ction at first hand, both verbally and enquiry. North Atlantic Trading Company, to whom more than a third of a mil services, being at the rate of twenty- case Sir Walfrid at once recepted Gov- as fast without the contract. The Minister nany had not kent faith with Canada accept the statement that the charges

> In the House Mr. Emperson ask. Oliver sent an officer to Europe who reported in favor of the Company. This ed for the suspension of judgement and this will be accorded him even fused to give the names of the contracby his opponents, whether his leader tors or their agents or even of the firms has given it or not. Much allowance which did their printing. Hy was s made for a public man placed as apported in refusal by the majority o Mr. Emmerson was, and his appeal the Committee, whereupon Mr Monk carried the case to the House of Com was heard with courtesy and kindness. But Mr. Emmerson made one state ment which was not allowed to drop. disclose. He said that "if political warfare is to be carried on with weapons from he gutter of slander and personal in support of publicity.
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> Mr. Oliver replied that the office gossip.....those on this side will not when in Europe had pledged himself alone suffer," adding that "there is evidence in existence against others, kept. Dr. Sproule, Mr. Bergerop, Mr. evidence that has not been purchas-Foster, Mr. Henderson, Mr. Northup ed, evidence that will be strong, Mr. Bennett and Mr. Barker, Conserva powerful, cogent.....it is within tives with Mr. Lavergne, Mr. Bourassa and Mr. Robitaille, Liberals, protested against this mysterious and suspicious merson was not in his place the next secrecy. They showed that in the House and Committee, Government

> day nor on that evening, nor has been there since, but as soon as the members had practically entered into s official report of that statement was conspiracy to prevent investigation in Mr. Borden's hands he brought it into all suspicious deals and transacto the attention of the House. The tions, In the Public Accounts Committee, as Mr. Barker declared em Opposition Leader declared amid apphatically, Ministerial Members simplause that Mr. Emmerson had said oo much or too little. He must go farther or retract. If he knew or Dr. Spronle Mr. Foster and others could prove anything against the showed how neatly the Chairman resonor of anyone of the Opposition ponded to their request by ruling out awkward evidence Members, Mr Borden demanded that he should produce his statement and offer his proofs. If he would do so the Opposition Leader declared that

> he would give him every possible as-statement was applauded. Mr Bergeron end. He proposed to renew this de- conduct of Sir John Thompson when he mand the first time he saw Mr Em- compelled the witnesses in the Mc-Greevy case to produce all the avidence

out investigations.

ANOTHER OF THE SAME.

proposed a resolution that as Mr.

Fowler had made certain intimations

ffecting the hanor of Ministers and

should demand it, but Sir Wiltrid be

final decision, but only an opinion. In. work at \$1.25 per day, Fastwood pocket-

cidentally the Premier allowed the cat ling the other \$1.75. Eastwood occasion

The Member from Beauharnois de clared that the North Atlantic Trading Company was a swindle from heginning with his points of order. Sir Wilfrid was convinced that Mr. Preston and held that as no one had moved at some of his friends were the contracthe time when Mr Emmerson spoke ing company. The Deputy Ministe o have his words " taken down " re- who made the contract resigned to join the Company, having changed the erence could not be made to them bargain to the Company's advantage afterwards. Against this contention Mr Borden protested. He showed Mr. Northrup, showed that this secrecy thatthis ancient and absolute rule was quite in keeping with the attempts belonged to a country and a time to suppress information with-regard to ed pay for the use of the family canoe of authority which for some years past the which had no official report of the de the Marine and Fiahery rake-off. Other he charged boat hire paid to "L. L. Dominion and provincial government of the destate of the bates. It was absolutely necessary in speakers showed that similar attempts

were made to keep in the dark the dethe absence of an official reporter to have someone take the words down deals. tails of the Halifax and Moncton land when they were spoken so they could WARM LIBERAL PROTEST not be disputted afterward. But the Canadian House of Commons has a Hansard staff, and the words of Members are printed the next day and he was now obliged to endorse. Mr. submitted in proof to the Members Bourassa asserted: "The whole of majority. this transaction from beginning to end themselves, so that after revision they had an odor of conspiracy, which is cannot repudiate their language. In most obnoxious to me as a Libera his case there was no possible doubt Member and as a representative of a that Mr. Emmerson used the words free people." He asserted broadly that attributed to him. It is the regular the conspiracy or secret was due to the immorality of the contract. Either it custom to accept the official report was made with men in connection with n such cases. Sir Wilfrid's point the Government who dare not appear or of order is a mere quibble and is one else it was a wilful violation of the law more effort to evade issues and shut

of the countries where he was operated. Finally Mr. Robitaille. the young Liberal Member for Quebec County, protested in the name of Liberalism But this is not the only occasion against the contemptible concealment n that same day on which the Govof facts respeting public business. "It would seem" he said "that whenever grament and its supporters used the anybody wanted to do any business oint of order to shut out inquiry. with the Government instead of doing Last week Mr. Bourassa's motion for a ommittee of enquiry into the "women wine and graft" scandal was voted lown by a straight Government maj rity on the ground that it would be an suspicion of crockedness which could tariff then denounced. inquisition, without definite charges not be easily allayed. Such was his On Wednesday of this week Mr. Bourargument.

light. In spite of the open protest of material free. these Liberals and doubtless the private majority was called in to vote down the concealment The vote was ninety-nine to fifty, every Conservative and three Liberals voting for publicity.

SMALL BUT TYPICAL But even the machine majority canmier's eager support. Mr. Bourassa not suppress everything. On Thursday tionists supported the motion, holding morning in the Accounts Committee that ten per cent, was adequate pro-Mr. Bennett obtained from one witness a remarkable story of dredging finance The Auditor's report (V 249) has the reported to be prosperous. It was also following item in connection with the Matchedash Bay dredginng.

"Eastwood C. S. Inspector of dredg ing. August. October. 65 days at \$3.00: overtime 64 hr. at 30c : boat hire. \$33... 33, rope \$1.50 : postage 26c \$239.29-Regarding this little itom "Inspector Eastwood himself testified. It appears that another inspector paid by the Government was on this ground and the the character of its own members. He district engineer though he could do all deplored any action that would shut the work, and this proved a correct out an inquiry in which the house was opinion. But Mr. Eastwood's employer, ceedings against the papers and was so deeply concerned and which the a good Liberal who supplied provisions conscious that he was "in-a position country was watching with great to the dredges, asked that his bookkeeper should have the job. Mr. Gunn, who ran against Mr. Bennett in the of a fisheries protection cruiser for the The Speaker seemed to be willing to last election and is now a Judge, used elar his ruling if the house generally his influence, and Mr. Hyman against his engineer's advice, appointed Eastcame a stickler for the rules. He said | wood at \$3.00 per day. Eastwood conhe felt it his duty as the Leader of the feesed on the stand that he remained House to support the Speaker's decision in his previous employ and hired the

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to the dredge, where he obtained orders control of certain parts of the fisheries he charged boat hire paid to "L. L. Dominion and provincial governments have Hubbard," whose name is on the voucher. Mr. Eastwood explained this voucher by stating that Hudbard was his wife's maiden name. It will be seen that Mr. Eastwood is an apt schoolar in political fluance. Unfor-From the Liberal side. Mr. Lavergne tunately he has less pull than those who showed that Oliver himself as a private have obtained much larger sums of money and therefore investigation in his case was not forbidden by the MR. LEFURGEY.—It is growing larger MR. LEFURGEY.—It is growing larger

THE DUTY ON HARVESTER S. A spirited tariff discussion took place A spirited tariff discussion took place on Tuesday, when Mr. Shaffner, the Conservative member for Souris, Mango on and sow a bed of oysters, look after itobs, moved that the duty on mowers and binders be reduced from 17½ per cent. to 10 per cent. This proposition was supported by Mr. Staples, Dr. ture again? and the provincial legislatures of the Maritime Provinces have passed itobs, moved that the duty on mowers servative representatives of Manitoba laws empowering them to lease cyster beds.

There seems to be a doubt as to whether and the other prairie provinces.

In Tuesday's debate some of these money invested in oyster culture, and pledges of the premier and his colleagues great number of men are engaged in it. In the United States each state of the union were read, and it was shown that while were read, and it was shown that while the Conservatives had reduced the regulate the culture of cysters. But now

In the eleventh year they reduced the dnty from 20 to 174 per cent, and com-But the Government had no ides of pensated the manufacturers for that by allowing these transactions to come to special regulation, admitting their raw Several eastern Convervatives sup

Several easiern Conservatives supported Mr. Shaffner's motion which was rejected by a vote of 84 to 36. The vote in favor of lower duties was wholly Conservative, the solid Liberal party included all the government supporters from the West declaring for the Tariff complaints of some others, the machine ported Mr. Shaffner's motion which was motion and continue the conspiracy of in favor of lower duties was wholly from the West declaring for the Tariff as it is. While some Opposition members did not vote for the proposed re duction, a number of strong protecwho had free raw material and were pointed out that the small decrease in the duty made by the Government had not effected the price, and that nothing less than the substantial reduction pro

The Fisheries in Parliament.

posed would give the farmer cheape

machines.

the item of \$225,000 for fishery protection service, and \$225,000 for the continuation participated in the debate, as the following

MR. A. A. McLEAN.-What arrange nents are the government making to settle hough at that time there had been no other inspector do his share of the provincial authorities with reference to the control of the inland and inshore fisheries? ome time ago it was decided by the Prive to emerge from the bag by stating that ally took his wife's cance and went out Council that the federal authori

for his employer for provisions, and not satisfied with his \$1.75 a day rake-off he put in a charge for boat hire. Fearing purposes. The provincial legislatures have that there would be trouble if he claim.

tion of the government.

MR. TEMPLEMAN.—It is a very large every year.

MR. A. A. McLEAN.-If the minister and the other prairie provinces.

The west is naturally interested in this matter, for it was in Manitoba that Sir Wilfrid and his friends promised entirely free farm machinery.

In Toggdan's dehete some of these money invested in overter agents. it directly they had to form a dummy the Conservatives had reduced the regulate the outside of open ones, it is affair was honest that the truth about it? The why not tell the truth about it? The per cent., the Laurier Government had, in ten years, made no change from the minister from my personal knowledge that in ten years, made no change from the the beds are being depleted. Instead of getting an oyster of the proper size, you get a small oyster that is apt to be useless. Unless the Dominion Government does something to make an arrangement with the Provincial Government in reference to the clashing of authority there is very

MR. A. A. McLEAN.—I think there is little doubt about the meaning of that de-decision, and I believe that if the Dominion Government would get the Provincial Government to state a case and get the rights of the several governments finally adjudicated upon in the public interest it would be a wise thing. That should be done with the least possible delay, because there is so much doubt about it now that the business

MR. A. A. McLEAN.—The appropriation says that this shall be an educational fish-curing establishment. So far as the establishment has been run, it has not been used as a fish-curing educational establishment, it has been used simply as a business establishment by the government. The professed object of this institution, when it was first mooted in parliament, was to en-able the fishermen to take their fish to this ernment have placed the money in the hands of a private individual at Souris to buy fish from the fishermen. Now what has become of the fish received from the They were shipped by the government in the name of the Occidental Fish Company to New Yerk, Havana, Porto Rico and other ports. The government paid for the transportation not in the interest of the