nearly always for 320 acres. This Revised Statutes passed its second the company rates upon all the timber be received in its favor from the dis-amendment should provide for that Revised Statutes passed its second the company rates upon all the timber the received in its favor from the dis-cut upon the land. The coal and petroamount. lcw.

J. A. Macdonald said that there should also be considered the case of

He did not see that persons who apnot receive this consideration. In view to the Vancouver Act of Incorporation. of the fact that this should be considhe thought that the committee might rise and report progress.

Hon. Mr. Green did not wish to allow the bill to stand over. He thought this could come in on report.

In reply to Mr. Macdonald, Hon. Mr. Green said he would allow this to

gallery play by bringing this in. The fice.

arrangement carried out, which it was Murphy, J. N. Evans and W. C. Wells servative platform was to set aside apparent had been entered into so as delivered splendi, spee hes, condemnto allow of gallery play by Mr. Hawthornthwaite.

Mr. Hawthornthwaite said he did had allowed the C. P. R. and also F. not propose to protect the timber men! working men and the small farmers. Mr. Paterson said that the House was sick of this play of the member for Nanaimo of appearing for the working men. Mr. Paterson said that he would again ask Mr. Hawthornthwaite if he had not canvassed the members of the House in support of an amendment in the favor of the greatest capitalist in the province and who was blackguarded most by him. The member for Nanaimo had made an arrangement with the solicitor to

prepare that amendment. Mr. Hawthornthwaite said he did, but he was asked to do this by the solicitor, a Liberal. That was what made hin first suspicious. When members like Mr. Paterson supported

it he became still more suspicious, and never introduced it. Mr. Paterson said that Mr. Hawthornthwaite had approached the solicitor to get this amendment referred

He knew all about it. Mr. Hawthornthwaite said he was asked to do it by the solicitor.

The amendment of Mr. Hawthornth-

waite carried. A. H. B. Macgowan said that he was moving an amendment in favor of the mercantile class which paid the taxes. The distance from Winnipeg to Nelson was 1100 miles, from Vancouver to Nelson was 552 miles. Yet the C. P. R. discriminated in favor of Winnipeg by making the shorter haul only 25. per cent less than the longer. He contended that the incorporation act of the Columbia and Western act and the subsidy act was one. He proposed to overcome the difficulty which was met with in companies to get control of rates by the province, when any aid was given. There was a great doubt as to whether control of freight rates could be obtained except by special arrangement. He moved to add as a

new section: "This act shall not come into force until the Lieutenant-Governor in Council is assured that the company and palities the school lands and buildings or the Canadian Pacific Railway Company has granted to the Pacific coast merchants equal freight rates to Kootenay and Crow's Nest points as now obtain, 'or may obtain, from Winnipeg to said points."

Mr. Oliver reminded the mover of the motion that when "the bill was up for discussion a few days ago that memper was noticeable by his silence." (Laughter.) At that time this member let the best opportunity pass of introlucing this. If he were really sincere in this he would have taken this action before.

Out of Order. At the request of Dr. Young the persons who applied for timber lands. Speaker gave his decision on the point of, order raised on Saturday with refplied in good faith for timber should erence to the amendments introduced drawn up in fact at utter variance to

The Speaker decided that the amendered, and that he intended to move an ment had not had notice given of it by amendment in regard to pre-emptions petition or notice and was therefore out of order. The House then adjourned until to-

morrow,

Victoria, March 6th. 1906. The estimates went through the committee of the House to-day. Shortly before six o'clock the debate on the Mr. Paterson said he wished to know Ludget closed. The government side if these settlers needed protection why refused to be drawn into any discusthe chief commissioner did not bring sion on the question fearing to risk a in the amendment and not leave it to defence of the legislation which they Mr. Hawthornthwaite to make his had fathered during their tenure of of-

House was getting tired of seeing this For the opposition J. R. Brown, J. tion. One of the planks of the Concoal reserves. Not a thing had been done along this line. ing the government's policy. Mr. The government was also pledged to Brown showed how the government

control of telephones. Yet nothing had been done except by Price Ellison in August Heinze to escape taxation. Had He was seeking only to protect the the government been ready to do its that direction and it would be interduty in this respect the excessive tax- esting to watch the support Mr. Elliation would never have been required. son got from the government side. The government had been derelict in He showed that the C. P. R. had not lived up to the terms of the act under collecting the taxes from the C. P. R. and thus affording an excellent inwhich they acquired the lands in dealing with those seeking free pre-empcrease in the revenue. J. N. Evans.

tions on them. The speech of Mr. Brown revealed a most startling condi-J. N. Evans did not think the prostion of affairs requiring the most carelerity of the province was due to the ful investigation. way in which the government had ad-Mr. Wells exposed the weakness of

ministered affairs. - The School Act, the government's claim that a surplus even after the rough edges had been had been gained by them by wise adrubbed off in the House was ineffecministration. Mr. Wells showed that in getting a surplus there had been an tive. Yet in view of this an amending act was necessary and it was difficult, exploitation of various sources of revhe thought, even by this to get the act

was unfair the way the school teach-

ers had been discriminated against by

this government. The government

could have provided that the salaries

The government had talked a great

vith the Columbia and Western. Yet

in his part of the province there was a

case of more repudiation in which the

main trunk road which had been kept

up for years was dropped off from aid.

engineer of the works department who

He pointed out that in connection

on roads was carried out.

Mr. Evans took exception to the chief

in shape. In spite of this the minis-The speeches of Mr. Murphy and Mr. ter of finance showed that only \$13,000 Evans were more of a local character, was saved in half a year. affecting their own constituencies more The government had promised a civil particularly. Mr. Evans, however, gave attention to the question of superannuation and again demanded that the premier should keep his promise to give a civil service act.

Prayers by the Rev. T. W. Glad-

stone. Questions and Answers.

enue.

Mr. Brown asked the minister of

of teachers were to remain as they finance the following questions: were. If the government wished to re-Has the government taken any auce the expenditure for salaries why steps to ascertain whether or not the Columbia and Western Railway Comnot begin with the salaries of ministers or better still the agent-general pany has transferred to F. August He pointed out that while some dep-Heinze the half interest in the land uty-minister received \$200 the deputy granted for the construction of secminister of agriculture got only \$125

tion one of the Columbia and Western He took exception to the discrepancy Railway to the said Company ? in the salaries of some of the em-2. If so, what steps ? ployees, some receiving large salaries 3. If not, why not ? and others not a living rate. Hon. Mr. Tatlow replied as follows: "1. No information has reached the deal about repudiation in connection

government that such a transfer has taken place. "2. Answered by No. 1. Answered by No. 1.'

Mr. Evans asked the minister of education the following questions: 1. Is it the intention of the govern ment to deed to the several munici-

had prepared estimates for schools which were altogether too high. He within each municipality ? called attention to the fact that this 2. If not, why not? engineer had called for tenders for a The Hon. Mr. Fulton replied as fol-

bridge across a river at a time when "1. Yes. See also section 112 of the the water was the highest. He further Public Schools Act, 1905, as amended took exception to the waste which reby section 59 of bill 34 now before the sulted from the way in which the work

House. "2. Answered by reply to No. 1."

The Columbia and Western Railway,

by F. August Heinze, According to

Columbia and Western was sold to the

with the superannuation there was no The Budget Debate.

fixed rule. There were men who re-J. R. Brown, on resuming the debate ceived small superannuation allowon the budget said that there was an arces which were not in keeping with absence in the speech of the minister the rate paid Mr. Gore and some of the cf finance of self laudation which so later superannuates. d the speech put in the hands He took exception to the treatment of His Honor the Lieut.-Governor and dealt, out to S. B. Netherby, who had the speeches of some of the members given up his position in the city schools on the Conservative side. of Victoria to take the position of in-The government had imposed taxaspector. The government had cut off tion to the extent of about 70 per cent. his head as inspector, retaining junior and had reduced the appropriations to men. public works by about 40 per cent. There should, he thought, be a set-The statement of the minister showtled system of superannuation. When ed very clearly how the province stood the time came he would put the memin financial matters. It was not the bers of the House on record on this whole duty of a minister of finance to question. keep the books. It was his duty to do From the agent-general in London something towards developing the podid not believe the province was tentialities which the province pos-

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Stuart Henderson.

leum also was to revert to the railway company upon compensation accord-

Stuart Henderson said that there was a wonderful sameness about the public ing to the deed granted the pre-empaccounts from year to year. Succeedtor by the company. The contract was ing finance ministers of govern-ments all seemed to fall under the conthe land laws so as to protect the comtiol of the clerks of the office. He was pany and he thought the company had sorry to see that the present finance rendered itself liable to taxation. The minister had become nothing but chief clerk in his office and had not initiatcompany had alienated about 342,548 ed any change.

ment. The remainder of the supple acres, 290,000 of this was taxable and He thought that if the finance minmentaries, \$234,645, could be charged to 50,000 had gone to the Dominion gov-ernment. There remained about 3,300,ister would lend his assistance to the the present government. There was \$2,559,494 actual expenditure. Deductfounding of a bank for the province 000 acres of land to the C. P. R., which would be a benefit. He was informing the supplementaries for which the ould, he thought, be taxable. It was ed that \$12,000,000 from the province fair to place this land at a valuation went to the Northwest for investments. of \$1 an acre, although the taxes on Seattle stood still until a bank was esall this was being lost. At the rate of \$2,324,848 of an expenditure. tablished. If a bank were established taxation in force, \$300,000 of taxes in the province it would tend to inshould be derived in addition to that duce investments here. due by Heinze for the lands he held.

What had this government done for The present government has not carlected for taxation, including real, perrailway construction ? At the first ried out its pledges given before elecsession a policy was promised. Yet nothing came. Last session a railway policy was promised. None was introfollowing year. The present governduced. During recess members of the government crossed the continent cromising a railway policy. Last year the government had proposed to bring in a bill to give the same railway company as was getting aid this year the sum of \$1.500.000 for a line of railway which was now being built without aid. This grant was only prevented by some members on the other side refusing to allow it.

W. J. Bowser. "For the good reason that if it had

The minister of finance asked for proof of this statement. shown, would have had \$2,324,848 of an

mittee were appointed he would soon a surplus of \$146,823. prove it.

rvice bill. Yet nothing had been of timber. There was the 3,200,000 acres which were not called for. Deducting prought down. The civil servants in some cases had been increased, but the of land held by the C. P. R., which if the surplus of \$146,823 from this sum school teachers' salaries were reduced taxed would have given to the govern- the late government would have had as a consequence of this school act. It ment the money which would have a deficit of \$323,919.

rendered unnecessary the School Act The present government had found

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from his observation figures were the was coming when the Liberal party got back from the government for from his observation figures were the was considered would have an opportunity to show Cariboo was in the way of roads. There nded on how they were handled and what they were going to do with it. was nothing got for schools. Hon. R. F. Green said that Cariboo The demand of the people of the who handled them. The present government after as-Northwest for the timber of the prov-

got as good attention as other parts. "The people do not seem to think ince had been responsible for the insuming power had brought down supreased prosperity of the timber inso," replied Mr. Murphy. ementary estimates amounting in all C. Munro, on the vote of \$4,000 for lustry. The prosperity was due to the his district, said he was glad to see the Mr. Wells went into the items which immigration policy of the Dom increase and hoped the government the government of which he was a member could be held responsible for overnment. Since the Liberal party had come into power at Ottawa the and showed that on a liberal allowance

would still further increase it. In last country had gone forward by leaps and year's appropriation there was \$1 out bounds. The coming into power of the of every \$3 spent expended on road \$90,000 was chargeable to that govern-Liberal narty in the province would In the absence of Dr. King, M be attended by the same results. Brown said that he had been asked by W. R. Ross.

the member for Cranbrook to express W. R. Ross referring to the Fernie the hope that the appropriation of last present government was responsible election said he was satisfied, and as-

year, which had not been expended the late government would have had sured the House there was nothing should be spent. Mr. Brown, on an appropriation wrong. The associated boards of trade in the \$3,500 for Greenwood, pointed out that ding June, 1904, Mr. Wells showed upper country had at one time been Similkameen and Grand Forks, along that the year previous \$399,000 was col- respected by him. He was sorry that side his constituency, had been deal this body had gone out of its way to with more leniently. Mr. Brown also sonal, wild land and income. It was indulge in party politics. The School fair to think that this would have Act had been taken up at the last expressed a hope that something should be done to put the grounds been increased by perhaps \$50,000 the meeting of that body. It was not sur- the court house in repair. P. Williams thought that under prising that the associated board of ment under its new act collected \$647,- trade should take objection to the pre- isting conditions Newcastle was

other districts had been increased ex-

cept his. In Newcastle district ther

ent condition of the roads. In one

by sections. The vote was inadequa

Hon. Mr. Green said that if No

castle was not dealt with properly

would see if something could not

Mr. Murphy asked Hon. Mr. Gree

Hon. Mr. Green said he intended

On the vote of \$20,000 for Richmond

Hon. Mr. Green said that the

district was a large one and tribut

to a large city. It was necessary

Mr. Oliver suggested that this was

necessary to put the electors in proper

Mr. Murphy wanted to know if the

ferry across the Fraser river at Ques

was under consideration, the enginee

deciding now upon what was the best

The chief commissioner said this

humor for the coming election.

he intended to go through Cariboo

done to provide further for it.

would go through Newcastle.

He wished to know if there was no

of increasing this.

objection was raised.

expend a large sum there.

kind of ferry to provide.

do this.

748. Taking the amount of the year sent government of the province. getting a proper appropriation. All the previous as that which would have ("Hear, hear," from the opposition.) Mr. Ross said that the president of been collected under the old act there that associated board of trade was a were numbers of people who could n was \$400,000 for which the present government was not responsible. This paid agent of the Dominion govern- get out of these places under the preleft \$247,768 due to the present govern- ment, Smith Curtis also took an active part in its deliberations. Mr. stance a man who bought a horse ment under the head of taxes collected. Curtis had aspired to be leader of the had to take it to pieces and take it The net revenue for the year ending June., 1904, was \$2,719,440. The increase opposition.

which was to be credited to the present On the bill for an eight hour day in smelters the leader of the opposit government was as stated \$247,768. The revenue which could have been reasonwas something of a fakir. He had reably expected to have come to the old tired from the House last year, when government would have been, therethe vote was taken on the excuse that fore, this amount less making \$2,471,- he was the solicitor of the Granby 672. The late government, as before smelter. This year the leader of the opposition had not taken advantage of expenditure, which would have given this.

He said that he was glad to see that But the late government had provid- a university bill had been introduced. resolution along that line, and was way of thinking.

> Minister's Reply. Hon. R. G. Tatlow did not wish it inferred that he had misrepresented the situation as might be conveyed by Mr. Well's speech. He repeated the figures

rovernment had under consideration a he had referred to, and held that they vere correct. Mr. Wells said that he did not say that the minister of finance had misled the House intentionally.

Hon. F. J. Fulton.

Hon. F. J. Fulton said that he wish-On the appropiration of \$1,250 for th ed to correct some statements of the Fruit Growers' Association, H. member for Delta. That gentleman he Tanner said that this did not appear to be a very "optimistic appropria said reminded him of an organ. He had his confidential stop, his impres-sive stop, his sarcastic stop and an-could be done in the way of encouraging exhibitions of fruit. other, which was always on, his galley Hon. R. G. Tatlow explained that stop.

\$500 additional was allowed for the Hon. Mr. Fulton took up the question of Mr. Oliver with respect to the lat- Horticultural Society. ter's statement that one mill on the On the vote for superannuation. Mr dollar on the real, personal and income Evans moved to strike out the item. taxation would more than meet the in- He pointed out that there was not a creased demand for school purposes. fair distribution of the allowance. Mr. This, the minister said, was correct, Gore received proportionally more than but he pointed out that there was a others who had been superannuated. difficulty to be met with later when The premier had promised a civil serother increases were wanted. He vice bill, and now was the time for argued that while the school expendi- him to make good his promise. ture had increased, the taxation had Mr. Williams said he had a kick

not advanced at the same rate. The against the superannuation, but he increase he advocated therefore would could not agree with Mr. Evans. He never have met the needs for schools, thought a man who received a small salary during his service should get a larger allowance when pensioned. He In Committee.

The motion to go into committee of intended to move in favor of giving supply carried, and with C. W. D. Clif- pensions to every old person in the ford in the chair, the estimates were province who had passed the stage gone into. when he could work.

On the item of \$6,500 for assessors for Mr. Brown did not feel like voting the province, S. Henderson asked for for the motion to strike out the whole superannuation allowance. If it was an explanation. The minister of finance said it was thought best to reduce the amount of the intention to carry out the present any particular case it would be better schome hearin whole n vince.

miles from Blaine to er having pointed ou rests along the presen er the Great Northern n the necessary assur

Mr. Oliver, while not o nd reading, said that all intents and purpos ne, private interests being he proposal. The compa practically to abandon the and build a new road on therefor. Certain other industries were local line had proposed to be and they might suffer. He get into communication terests, and there ought visions protecting the part ed. He would look to th fully protect these people.

The bill passed its secon Lifeboat Associa The provincial secretary reading of the bi ing the Lifeboat Associati Columbia. It was incorpo lines of the S. P. C. A. the association he felt commend themselves to lew of recent accidents of The second reading pass New Bill. Mr. Brown moved to rules to introduce a liquor tration bill. This was d

bill read a first time. The House then rose. Notices of Moti

B Houston on The select committ ned by the House. iquire into means b mbia & Western Rail Act passed its second real Mr. Oliver to move, up tion of the report on the "An act to amend the Western Railway Subsidy the following amendment That the bill be amende ut the words "in respect tions one and three," who the sixth and seventh ion 2. and to insert a n

(ollows: Section 8 of chap. 8, sta is hereby amended by str last four words of the se erting the following w hereof. "seventh day of To add as a new section "This act shall not con until the security of fif iollars provided for by hapter S, statutes of 1 said into the provincial liquidated and ascertaine provided by said section

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The majority report in t and investigation repr views of the three Conse pers of the committee, o dorsed by them, was bro the House this afternoon ias not been adopted ye arising as to what shou connection with the min Conservative mem committee refused to ad practice of allowing the port to be brought in. question that this action d from outside the comm s reason to believe that hers of the committee own inclination the mi would not have been government fearing the he Kaien Island questi Macdonald and T. insisted upon having the ack. Everything is bein House by the premier an

to keep this back. The majority reports House sets forth that eetings of the com

that all those asked to a

peared wih the excepti Larsen and F. W. Mo

forth that the lands on

were obtained by the (



. R.F.

to meet a deficit which the late gov-

The loan was floated under condi-

ince of any ever floated in the Domin-

ion. The government defended this on

Up to June last the minister was

migration Act received from the Dom-

The government to get that surplus

Mr. Wells said that when he tool

driving in a stake under a timber

ment of \$100. Licenses were also pro-

inton government. There was a sur-

had taken a very dismal view.

plus, therefore, of about \$45,000.

tions the most disastrous to the prov-

ernment would have kept to \$324,000.

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The Member for Okanagan, the Man who has put up a strenuous fight for

the Midway and Vernon Road.

and the excessive taxation imposed by it necessary to float a loan of \$1,000,000

was handed over to the committee the was the only way open. Mr. Walker

ation of these railways all this ex- able to show \$268,000 of a surplus. Of

cessive taxation would have been this \$225,000 was due to the Chinese Im-

ment had legislated in favor of the had to show the following items:

"The bill was not introduced." said

the government would have gone dcwn;" replied Mr. Henderson.

Mr. Henderson said that if a com-

Mr. Henderson then took up the ed for the expenditure of \$470,743 on the He had two years ago introduced a

question of Mr. Heinze being allowed New Westminster bridge. He did not to hold lands without any taxes be- propose to charge up against this ad- glad that the House had come to his ing collected. He was informed that ditional expenditures the present govthere were on the lands \$1,000,000 worth ernment had made on this work, and

\$325,000.

Taking up the revenues for the year

Mr. Macgowan said that he took his cwn time to move and his constituents appreciated this.

Premier McBride said that the memter for Vancouver had not moved at the proper time in this matter. The merchants of Vancouver had employed Joseph Martin, K. C., to represent their case before the railway commission. This question would then be settled. In the Terminal City war was being waged against the C. P. R. on this point and would do all that was possible to get redress.

The premier said as the government sessed. had in equity brought this bill in it would not be right to introduce so thing outside of the question when the grant was first made He found no fault with Mr. Macgow

an, but this was not the time and place to bring this up. This freight trouble constantly arose and was liable to come up at any time. He did not mean to say he was not in sympathy with the business men of the Pacific coast. He would like to see the trouble settled. This was a condition it was not fair to ask for and the railway or \$27,000 for the whole year. At most commission was the place to settle it would appear that \$40,000 could be this. saved.

Mr. Oliver said that he hoped that Mr. Macgowan would be satisfied and Mr. Brown showed, had been promoted that he would be ready to get from the Liberal government at Ottawa what his own government in British Columbia was not prepared to give

The premier did not think that the ailway commission should be regarded as a political organization.

Mr. Oliver said Mr. Macgowan could always expect just treatment from the and Robson. raiiway commission.

The motion of Mr. Macgowan was lost and the committee rose.

Second Reading.

The bill to provide for the establishment of a Provincial Stock-breeders' association, and for the introduction, govern exhibition, improvement, purchase and G. Tatlow.

Liquor Act Amendment. Hon. F. Carter Cotton in moving the second reading of the bill to amend the Liquor License Act said that the prorosal was to limit the number of licenses. It was the proposal to limit these to 3 for 500 inhabitants and one for each 1.000 over that number. The bill was reported complete

Water Clauses Act.

The bill to amend the Water Clauses Consolidation Act, by which the power emptor to make declaration that the ed this way. c. municipalities were limited, passed its second reading on motion of Hon. F. J. Fulton. The bill passed its second reading.

Revised Statutes.

land.

getting returns. Although Mr. Turner was an old friend of his he did not be-The present government had giver lieve that he was entitled to the rethe impression before the election and muneration he received. In addition in the first year of power that railto a large salary the province paid his ways were to be built everywhere in cab fare and his income tax.

the province. But this has not been The government had now brought wn its railway legislation in favor of The government has introduced a the C. P. R .- this Columbia and Westmost iniquitous school policy. It had ern hill The Dewdney Disincorporabeen promised that the measure would tion act was the worst act ever introsave the province about \$100,000. The duced into the legislature. It was an results had shown that it only effected act which but a premium upon munisaving to the finances of the provipalities refusing to pay their taxes. ince of about \$13.500 for the half year,

Why should other parts of the province pay the taxes which the people of Dewdney did not pay ? Mr. Evans then took exception to the treatment dealt out in connection with

his amendment to the Municipal Clauses' Act, by which he sought to allow the arrangement entered into when the for the levying of a rate for the protection of property.

large corporations. It was an easy surplus of \$140,000 from the previous matter to criticize taxation. The gov- government, \$400,000 of additional tax-C. P. R. it was agreed that half of the J. Murphy. land for section one was to go to Mr. ernment, however, had done a neces- ation, \$1,000,000 loan, and \$460,000 from Heinze. The records submitted at the Jas. Murphy said that with reference sary work and faced this question. The the Chinese Immigration Act, making time of the Columbia and Western in- to superannuation he found that the taxation of railway companies had a total of \$2,000,000. vestigation showed that Heinze had man who got the lowest allowance been increased from \$16 to \$90. The School Act was right in prin- office he had given special attention got half the land between Rossland as usual lived in Cariboo. He could It appeared absolutely not complement the minister of finance ciple. It was only right that the rural to the timber legislation. When he Liberal government at Ottawa and the sure that the land was transferred. for what was described as a lucid school districits should bear a part in assumed office any one could cut after

The land conveyed to the company for statement of the finances. Carlboo and the support of the schools. section one was about 550,000 acres. If Cassiar were not prosperous. Since this government came into power over ed him of the Alberni election again as had made provision that the licenses Heinze then he was subject during the 100 men had left Cariboo to make a liv- the speech delivered in the House was should be confined to 640 acres surveylast three years this government held ing. The government promised to aid identical with the speeches delivered ed in a rectangular form on the paypower to taxation on 270,000 acres of miners. The government promised to in that election campaign. land. There was no record that the secure titles to placer mines and that He was surprised to hear the opposi- mised for to extend over two square ment had collected any taxes on their leases should be reduced. These tion give so much attention to the rail- miles. The present government had these. This was well known in the in- were not carried out. In the matter of way question in view of the policy pur- come in and extended the areas of the

sale of pure bred live stock, passed its terior and the boards of trade had beaver Cariboo was the one district sued by the Liberal party at Ottawa lands to be taken up under this syseven taken it up without effect. where the beaver was not to be pro- in connection with the Grand Trunk tem to such an extent that it really The lands granted to the B. C. South- tected. It was held that this was to Pacific. It might be well to postpone passed out of control and lent itself to ern Railway were to be disposed of to aid the Indians. He had, however, anything in the way of railway legis- all kinds of speculation. pre-emptors on the same conditions as heard that the real cause of this was lation in British Columbia until work He referred to an instance in which

it was on crown lands. Mr. Brown then to aid the Hudson's Bay Company. The was begun on that line, which had the present government had lost \$50,went into the conditions which pre- latter was a more reasonable one than been so positively promised by the 000 for 20 square miles of timber had been come to with the city coungranted to pre-emptors. In spite of the His district contributed \$17,000 more

agreement entered into in connection than it got. He pointed out that on with the granting of the land to the the 150 Mile Horsefly road there was a railway company the land laws were reduced expenditure. Heavy machin-

the right to pre-emptors to take up why should a road, on which thou- prepared to debate questions of im-The land laws required a pre- sands had been expended, be neglect- portance to the country. The minister more than 5,000 feet of timber an acre,

At the next election a railway for Ca- exception to the remarks of the min- tain \$100,000,000 for it. as otherwise the land was timber land. But the railway company in this in- riboo would play an important part, as ister that \$500,000 of a legacy of debts

this government.

government selected.

found unnecessary.

The minister of finance when in op-

position had made a strong plea in

favor of collecting taxes from the E.

about the C. P. R. being taxed.

& N. But there was nothing said

Mr. Henderson took up the question

If there had been the proper tax-

W. Manson

W. Manson denied that this govern-

W. C. Wells. W. C. Wells said that the Conservative party in the House supported by petition being afforded and the pass-

out of the hands of the government. Mr. Wells said that if the system of 000 derived from the sale of the old of finance never failed to take shelter special licenses were done away with site lands which he sought did not contain Cariboo had no railway and little behind former administrations to and the timber resources put in his

stance required from the pre-emptor. it was needed. If the government had been handed down by the previous ance would say about this criticism. times as much territory. There was

although the land was not timber land turned down any fair proposition for a government to this administration. It He would say "what are you going to 18 miles of sleigh road to be built. The bill to amend chapter 18 of the order this rule, that he should pay, to reilroad for Cariboo few votes would was said that figures did not lie, but do about it. (Laughter.) The time This could not be done. All that was

would be divided into districts, and Mr. Evans withdrew his motion from time to time these assessors therefore, and proposed to reduce the would meet as a board of equalization. allowance to Mr. Mr. Gore and D. Bob-On the item for Seton lake hatchery, son to one-third his salary at retiring. Oliver took exception. He said The motion was lost. that he was informed that there would The estimates were all put through be but a small number of fry propor- and the committee rose and reported tionally. He took exception to the them to the House.

commissioner, who was an alien and Land Act Amendment. who has done much to injure the in-T. W. Paterson moved, on the motion dustry as far as his district was concerned. This commissioner had done for the third reading of the bill to all he could to aid the American in- amend the Land Act, that the order for the third reading be discharged dustry at the expense of the Canadian. Hon. Mr. Tatlow said that Mr. Bab- and the bill recommitted, with instruccock had come here under contract tions to consider the motion "That see with a former government. He did not tion 15 of said bill be struck out." He said that this was intended to do wish to change his nationality. Hon. Mr. Tatlow said he sympathized with away with the proposal to restrict

m in this, and did not think that hand logger in the way of what he Mr. Babcock should be asked to do so. should use in handling his timber. J. N. Evans called attention to the was wrong to say that a man should fact that there had been an agitation be fined for using any machinery he of the loan floated by the government the ground that President Walker of against alien engineers in connection saw fit. The hand loggers were a defor which tenders were not asked. It the Bank of Commerce said that this with the Grand Trunk Pacific. Why serving class. If he could get a donshould aliens be employed by this govkey engine he should be allowed to better his conditions. It was wrong ernment? Premier McBride said that the late to say that a man should have to go

ninister, Hon. R. Prefontaine, had back 25 years in his systems of handsought to take Mr. Babcock over by ling the timber. For the credit of the Dominion government. Mr. Bab- British Columbia every member should cock's work had been excellent. His vote for this. He hoped to command views had been borne out by the adop- a majority on this motio

tion of Mr. Babcock's plans at the Do- | Hon. Mr. Green said that Mr. Paterminion hatcheries. The danger to the son had fought this particular section Fraser river fisheries was due to the of the bill ever since it came into the traps on Vancouver Island, which the House. It had been defeated so far. government at Ottawa had sanctioned. This was not to aid the laboring man The premier added that there was at The men who went logging with a dom the present time in view an arrange- key engine were not the poor laboring ment looking to the Dominion governmen. They were the men who could ment taking over the province's in- pay the same rates as others. terests without prejudice to the pro-The motion was defeated, the Social vince

Mr. Oliver corrected the premier by justice to hand loggers. stating that trap fishing at Boundary bay had been initiated by the late Conservative government. The item passed in spite of Mr. Oliver's objection. The committee rose and reported pro-

gress at 6 o'clock. Upon resuming this evening the House continued the consideration in

committee of the estimates. On the vote of \$50,000 for a court house for Vancouver, Mr. Henderson said that he had no objection to Vancouver getting a court house. He would like to know if any arrangement

licenses. The area for which this was cil by which the city hall and the court offered had been sought for \$80,000 ouse would be in one building. This

three months later. The loss to the had been done in Toronto, and a credprovince was due to the lack of comitable building put up. not followed and the company refused ery was going in over this road, and the member for Nanaimo were never ing of the control of the timber lands been thought of. It was hoped that there would be about \$200.000 or \$250.

> prospect of one from this government. bolster up the stand he took. He took hands to be disposed of, he would ob- vote of \$10,000 for Cariboo. Richmond got \$20,000. Cariboo paid about 10 times

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pany. P. Larsen, throug of J. Anderson, had atta tain the land in order t to the G. T. P. The go refused to act with inter had insisted that they with the G, T. P. The obtained in consequen pany. The report says Land Act section 39 amp given for the dispositio n this way. It would a government had receive that P. Larsen had bee for expenses in connect the railway company. The motive of Mr. forth as having been lands for the company wealthy man and wishi riendly relations with t It is further set out .t that Larsen and Ander ed into an option to o company the sum of \$40. mius was located at This option was cancell by Mr. Larsen. In Marc was made with Mr. An sum of \$10,000. After entering into the

ransaction the report st found that the island w the reserve placed on th north. It further state another reserve was lands. The application for lands under. South declared to have been ed. Other applications on the island are likewis been properly refused. The negotiations by I derson are declared in have been for the railw The report also condo oserved by the gover ransaction holding that sary, and was not great warranted.

The transaction is s een for the benefit of The selection of Port erminus would have gi tage to the province. able water front had b Kaien Island lands ar 3s land, and therefor e than one dollar an red value would be nailway company us.

report in concludi to the decision As of the governmen eward in consequence oing to Kaien Island o with the transaction. With reference to the the Mainland acquired

Third Reading. The bill to amend the Health Ac The bill respecting the use and manufacture of lumber also received

The Victoria Terminal.

On the second reading of the Victoria Terminal Railway Bill the premier explained that it was designed to permit the avoidance of a bad piece country and to permit the building of

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## ists voting against the proposal to de passed its third reading. its third reading.