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THE BRANCH LIN.S

It is perfectly clear from the discussion in Parliament yesterday that the Borden government will be in no hurry to take er the branch lines of the Intercolonial. Hon. Mr. Cochrane, minister of railways, said:

The French census of last year shows that the population of the country has increased only 349,264 in the last five years. Steady movement of population from the country districts to the cities is In green or stony place.

hich will be feeders and not milkers."

Hon. Dr. Pugsley stated the views of the people of the Maritime Provinces then he said they would read with reset the minister's announcement. The olicy of the Liberal government was to take over the branch lines of the Intervious record was held by a German cruiser. The new British fiyer is called the Lion.

Sometimes they on tall mountains pile Mountains of silver, twice as high; And then they break and lie like rocks All over the wide sky.

And then I see flocks very fair; And sometimes, near their bodies white, Are small, black lambs that soon will grow the Lion. ake over the branch lines of the Intercolonial Railway and make them profitable feeders. The Borden government apparently is not prepared to go thus far, although both Mr. Borden and Mr. Hazen professed to find in Mr. Cochrane's statement more than there really is in it. The new government is largely dominated by Ontario influence, and Ontario has never been too friendly to the Intercolonial Railway. It had been hoped that this question

been too friendly to the Intercolonial Railway. It had been hoped that this question of the branch lines of the Intercolonial had been definitely settled, and that a vigorous and progressive policy of development in connection with the taking over of these lines would be carried out. Instead of that, however, the people of these provinces are to wait the pleasure of the new government who, in this matter, as in all others with the exception of dismissals and appointments to office, appears to prefer a waiting policy.

The Montreal Witness says:—"The Borden Montreal Witn

amount to a million it may be assumed that the appropriation is made for a beginning of the work at Courtenay Bay. A clear and definite statement of the government's intentions in regard to this work is as eagerly awaited by Conservatives as by Liberals in this city, for much in the way of progress and development depends upon the action of the government. It is satisfactory to note that the estimates contain \$100,000 for the new post office at St. John, and it may be assumed that the work of erecting the building will be begun in the spring. There is \$150,000 for the drill hall, and \$40,000 for new buildings, repairs and improve-



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THE ESTIMATES

The estimates brought down at Ottawa leading contain \$1,000,000 for harbor importants at St. John. As the total asked the suffrages of the electors to help tract at West St. John does not head to prove the suffrages of the electors to help the suffrages of the elector to t

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