

THE FARMERS BANK—*Con.*

Speaker, His Honour, the—4903.

The hon. member is rather wandering away from the question before the House, namely, the third reading of this Bill, 4903. I only wish to keep the House to the usual parliamentary business lines of discussion, which are pretty well understood; it is not my desire to curtail anything which the hon. gentleman has a right to say, 4904.

Thomson, Levi (Qu'Appelle)—4926.

The commissioners report quoted and commented upon, 4927-9.

White, Hon. W. T. (Minister of Finance)—4902.

The payment to the depositors under the authority of this Bill is not a legal liability on the part of the government, although the matter has been argued on the analogy of legal principles, 4902. Motion for third reading, 4903. Reply to Mr. Sinclair and Mr. Clark, 4916-19.

THE MILITIA IN RELIGIOUS PROCES-
SIONS.

Inquiry.—Mr. Marcil, 5375.

Borden, Rt. Hon. R. L. (Prime Minister)—5375.

There is no announcement to be made.

Laurier, Rt. Hon. Sir Wilfrid (Quebec East)—5375

I am sorry to see by the silence of the Prime Minister that he is no better informed than we are, for the Minister of Militia's order has come from somewhere, 5375.

THE OCEAN LIMITED.

Attention called.—Mr. Pugsley, 4630.

Pugsley, Hon. Wm. (St. John City)—4630

Points out the inconvenience of the Ocean Limited for the people residing west of Moncton, to take it either going to or from Montreal, 4630.

Reid, Hon. J. D. (Acting Minister of Railways and Canals)—4630.

Promises to take matter up with department with a view of seeing if anything can be done, 4630.

Speaker, His Honour the—4630.

Points out that it is not the proper time to take up some matter which may start a discussion on both sides of the House, 4630.

THE OCEAN LIMITED.

Attention called.—Mr. Pugsley, 4888.

Pugsley, Hon. Wm. (St. John City)—4888

Calls attention of minister to time table of I.C.R., 4888.

Reid, Hon. J. D. (Acting Minister of Railways and Canals)—4888.

Telegram from Gutelius quoted, 4888.

THE PRUDENTIAL LIFE OF CANADA.

House in Committee on Bill No. 150.—Mr. Nickle, 3478.

Guthrie, Hugh (Wellington South)—3478.

Suggests that Minister of Finance should look into the affairs of this company rather carefully before any license is issued, 3478.

Nickle, W. F. (Kingston)—3478.

I would deem it a favour if, before a Dominion license is granted to this company, the Finance Department would conduct the most rigorous examination, 3478.

Sinclair, J. H. (Guysborough)—3479.

I do not think that the House ought to depend altogether on a letter written by the Finance Minister to his department, 3479.

White, Hon. W. T. (Minister of Finance)—3478.

I think it only fair to say that nothing was proved, at least in my judgment, against the company before the committee, 3479. Letter directed to Superintendent of Insurance quoted, 3479.

THE PRUDENTIAL LIFE OF CANADA.

House again in committee on Bill No. 150.—Mr. Nickle, 3506.

Sinclair, J. H. (Guysborough)—3506.

Apart from any undertaking of the Finance Department which no doubt will be carried out, I would like to know if the minister thinks the language of the clause is sufficiently clear as it stands to enjoin the department to see that here is one hundred thousand dollars to the good now, before the company would be chartered for business, 3506. The point that I wish to impress upon the House is that the House has functions in regard to these matters as well as the Department of Finance, and that it cannot discharge its functions by passing them over to the department, 3507.

White, Hon. W. T. (Minister of Finance)—3506.

Reference made to Acts passed during the last 3 years incorporating companies with the power of taking over provincial companies. This new company is to have the power of taking over an old company, the Prudential Life Insurance Company, incorporated under the statutes of the province of Manitoba, 3506. If a company whose affairs are to be investigated pay for the actuary, it might be suggested that the actuary, being so paid by the company, might not be as strict as if he were paid by the government, 3507.

THE PRINTING BUREAU.

Attention called.—Mr. Edwards, 4370.

Edwards, W. J. (Frontenac)—4370.

Calls attention to the dangerous condition of the Printing Bureau and says it is cracked from the foundation to the top, 4370.