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FORTY-FIRST DAY. SATURDAY, March 28, 1896. The Speaker took the chair at 2 p. m. following bills were introduced and read a first time:

and amending acts-Mr. Forster.

on the motion for committee of supply. He opened with an endorsation of the premier's remark of the previous day, that the salaries of the ministers should be submitted to the reduction of the budget speech is always a legiti-mate occasion for the opposition to un-ment and especially against the financial policy and administration of the govern-ment and especially against the financial<math>policy and administration of the govern-ment and especially against the financial<math>policy and administration of the govern-ment and especially against the financial<math>policy and administration of the govern-ment and especially against the financial<math>policy and administration of the govern-ment and especially against the financial<math>policy and administration of the govern-ment and especially against the financial<math>policy and administration of the govern-ment and especially against the financial<math>policy and administration of the govern-ment and especially against the financial<math>policy and administration of the govern-ment and especially against the financial<math>policy and administration of the govern-ment and especially against the financial<math>policy and administration of the govern-ment and especially against the financial<math>policy and administration of the govern-ment and especially against the financial<math>policy and administration of the govern-ment and especially against the financial<math>policy and administration of the govern-ment and especially against the financial<math>policy and administration of the govern-ment and especially against the financial<math>policy and administration of the govern-ment and especially against the financial<math>policy and administration of the govern-ment and especially against the financial<math>policy and administration of the govern-ment and especially against the financial<math>policy and administration of the govern-ment and especially against the financial<math>policy and administration of the govern-ment and especially against the financial<math>policy and administration of the govern-ment and espepolicy and administration of the govern-ment and especially against the financial policy both in its detail and in its en-tirety. But, sir, the government is able position towards any attack which may buildings. position towards any attack which may

be launched against it. The hon. leader of the opposition has been vainly searching for some weak points in our armor, and I am glad to find that he has at all events acknowledged that we are a party of progress. He has, however, qualified come to look upon it as the annual bar- ture."

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I shall therefore treat the subject in

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date the policy of the government. In

fact, Mr. Speaker, I do not wish to conure with figures and I shall leave the

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I must premise my remarks by touch-

ing upon two of the salient points in our expenditure which require some exlanation, otherwise they might be mis-

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natural resources of our fair province. ed in history. The following only were introduced in the interview of our fair province. We have recognized that by opening up to an interview of the interv $\begin{array}{c} \text{and amending acts} - Mr. Forster.\\ \text{To amend the land act and amending acts} - Mr. Martin.\\ \text{To amend the mechanics lien act, 1891}\\ -Mr. Macpherson.\\ \text{THE BUDGET.}\\ \text{How, Col. bakker resumed the debate on the motor of the methanics of a carry of the motor of the m$

y buildings. Now we find that in the financial year - 1886-87 the excess of expenditure over revenue amounted to \$172,753. In the following year 1887-88, the excess was reduced to \$137,293. In 1888-89 it was 1 \$109,488; in 1889-90 it was \$65,886, and 1 \$109,40 it had come down to the con-in 1890-01 it had come down to the con-in 1800-01 it had come down to the con-label to the sufficient strength and sufficient vigor to meet the impending the consequence of these sinister times here, which had come down to the con-here. which he characterized as wholly

largest but one in the order and promises to take front rank as a live concern.

So, when, in this grave crisis which

of progress. He has, however, qualified this meed of praise by the usual lugubri-ous warnings from the opposition that the government is leading the country into bankruptcy. Well, sir, I have sat in this house for ten successive sessions, and on each occasion I have listened to this stale, old tune until we have now come to look upon it as the annual bar-to beart were, or the difficulties of the government in paying to the Nakusp-that our revenue has met our expendi-tion bank of the state of the sense of the sense state of the commercial de-this stale, old tune until we have now come to look upon it as the annual bar-to beart were for the sense the opening of the difficulties of the government in paying to the Nakusp-that our revenue has met our expendi-tion blank of the sense the sense

come to look upon it as the annual bar-rel-organ attack of the opposition. And, is, although during the last decade there satisfactory effect? Was it brought 1893-94 not only was the commercial de-their bonds. He urged that the office of service at St. Saviour's church, Victoria sir, although during the last decade there have been two general elections, still, notwithstanding the doleful warnings of the government to power with a sweep-ing majority.

ing majority. However, sir, I intend upon this oc-casion to traverse the criticisms of the honorable gentlemen by taking a brief review of the policy of the government, and then by showing what the effect of that policy has been, I shall hope to firmly and conclusively establish the position that the government has acted for the best interests of the pone of position that the government has acted for the best interests of the people of this province. In analysing the effects of a policy it is not suffi-

effects of a policy it is not suffi-cient to take the results of one or even of two or of three years of administration, because there may be unforeseen and un-avoidable contingencies which may tem-porarily check the continuity, and ob-scure the effect of the policy which is in progress. It therefore becomes pages source the enect of the poncy which is sponstonity—for the fedulative of the work saved, and twelve months after-in progress. It therefore becomes neces-sary to extend the area of criticism over a series of years, and I purpose going back to the expenditure upon public back to the fedulative of the result of the saved, and twelve months after-wards it was difficult to realize the grave trisis which the country had passed through. The excess of expenditure over sevenue for this work are the fedulative the over sevenue for this work are over sevenue for the saved, and twelve months after-mass was before the house he full is was before the house he for the through the saved are the formation of the saved are the formation of the saved over sevenue for this work are the formation of the saved are the formation of the the formation of the saved over sevenue for this saved are the formation of the saved are the saved are the formation of the saved are the formation of the saved are the saved are the formation of the saved are the saved are the saved are the formation of the saved are t sary to extend the area of criticism over a series of years, and I purpose going back to the financial year 1886-87 and marking the effect of the policy of the government from that date up to the present time. And in doing this, Mr. Speaker, I shall endeavor not to cloud the intellect of the opposition with a superabundance of figures, and I shall in this direction.

thus snowing a most interal expenditure in this direction. And now we come to the crucial test of this policy, namely, what was the effect of this liberal expenditure upon public works upon the annual expansion of the public revenue? always rememavoid touching upon those details which can be discussed with greater profit when we go into committee on ways and

of the public revenue? always remem-revenue mounts up to the large sum of they come to the lands and works de-lovers of good music and scenic display. of the public revenue? always remem-bering that during these five years of normal commercial prosperity the ex-lic works is \$554,681. But now, sir, for public works wanted in their dis-there is a silver lining to the lowering annually decreased almost to zero. We find that the net revenue in the year lic s so in commercing to expand and find that the net revenue in the year he previous show that the returns as well as the ex-

consideration of the effect of the policy find hire for his labor; the retail store public debt become double or treble what held the government responsible for the A motion thanking those who took part of the government from the financial year 1886-87 up to the present time. keeper could not get pay for his goeds, it is we have only to fan the embers of defalcations of Prevost, Falding and in the evening's entertainment was pas-and the wholesale merchant sought in our vast natural wealth, to create such a Warwick, because a proper system of in-

could be submitted-namely, the money 000 of the amount deducted from the ting Terms to the Loss Sustained by the Community in Mrs. Davie's Death.

> The feelings of the entire community with reference to the loss sustained by the city in the recent death of Mrs. Theodore Davie, whose funeral took place on Thursday, were very feelingly expressed on that occasion by Rt. Rev. Bishop Lemmens, in the course of his sermon at St. Andrew's cathedral. His

dead but to pray for them that the church has ordered her solemn them funeral rites. Yet it may be permitted us to utter a word of mourning and VICTORIA Camp, No. 52, Woodmen of

praise of a life of dutifulness and purity the World, is considering the advisaand faithfulness to God. The presence bility of lowering the entrance fee for a here of this large congregation and the stated time. This camp is now the numerous expressions of sorrow and sympathy that have flowed in from all sides and reached her afflicted relatives, show the high esteem in which she was

> closes, death indeed loses its sting and bitterness; and for the dear ones she

> leaves behind, though their tears may

flow and a deep sorrow fill their breasts.

yet there is no bitterness in their grief

no rebellious thought in their mind, but

a sweet consolation born of that confident Christian hope which is

an adequate remedy for all earthly afflictions, and this hope is all

Amen

On Wednesday evening at the 8 o'clock singleness of heart. Without ostentation she rose above these vanities

is supposed to have been drowned be-tween San Juan and New Whatcom a few days are while trying to account be gratified! You see, she was indeed few days ago, while trying to escape from the officers of the customs service. THERE was little change yesterday in the compared by the local service of Deriver and "Blessed," says Christ, "blessed and "Blessed," says Christ, "blessed are they whom the Lord, when He he condition of Nels Johnson, of Port cometh, shall find watching."

I say to you that He will gird Himself Hadlock, who so narrowly escaped death asphyxiation at the Hotel Victoria on and make them sit down at the banquet Friday morning. He was removed yes-terday to the Jubilee hospital, where he "When a prominent member of "When a prominent member of a

s receiving the best of skilled attention, Christian community thus passes away, despite which he had not yet even re-covered the power of speech last even- how precarious is the present life and ing. The medical men are still sanhow careful we should be to hold ourguine, however, that he will be brought selves in readiness for eternity. When, through. as in the present case, that death is as beautiful and holy as the life which it

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the more comforting because of our belief in the Communion of Saints. find that the net revenue in the year in the is again commencing to expand and only when plactaged some will as the ends. 1886-87 amounted to \$540,398, in '87-'88 shows an increase over the previous show that the returns as well as the expanding the returns as well as the ends and works dependence on "Physical dependence on the propular lecture on the propular revenue expanded annually by approxi-mately \$100,000, and that it nearly doubled itself in five years! Therefore, isr, I maintain that the policy of the government was a statesmanlike policy and one which was conducive to the best interests of the people. This brings us to the year 1891-92, and whereas in the previous year the excess of expendi-ture over revenue had only amounted to have met her, or who have had the op-portunity to attend any of her addresses, of God, whether they are still on earth

at last Thursday evening's meeting by Pride of the Ridge lodge and a pleasant that what we do for one another He ac-

lady whose death we mourn is fortun-

He complained that this government observing the occasion.

ers, that if written to confidentially I will mail in a sealed letter, particulars of a genuine, honest home cure by which I was permanently restored to health and vigor, after years of suffering from nervous de-bility. I was robbed and swindled by the quacks until I nearly lost faith in mankind, but thank heaven, I am now well, vigorous and strong, and wish to make this certain means of cure known to all sufferers. I have nothing to sell, and want no money, but being a firm believer in the universal orotherhood of man. I am desirous of heip ing the unfortunate to regain their health and happiness. Perfect secrecy assured. Address with stamp :- L. A. Edwards,

the previous year the excess of expendi-ture over revenue had only amounted to \$28,812, we find that it suddenly jumps up to the large sum of \$392,683. What was the cause of this sudden effect? It is acait, and such a loud was the cause of this sudden effect? It is acait, and such a loud was the cause of this sudden effect? It is acait, and such a loud such a loud and the base of the index of correspondence of the index of the such and he base of the index of the index of the base of the index of the index of the base of the index of the base o was the cause of this sudden effect? It shout of wonder has gone up at the mag-is easily explained. In this year the nitude of our mineral wealth that the said by Mr. Sword as to the better regovernment negotiated a loan for \$1,000,- echo of that shout is already resounding sults that might be obtained from the

to minister to their requirements and to give security to life and property; but the same official would be sufficient for a thousand people. These small sec-tions of society become scattered over a large area and are grouped into the sume for West Kootenay, Mr. Kellie, have a gold commissioner to superintend them; but here again the same officer and his staff would be ample for double trict. His remarks were received with a distances are so great that the item for travelling expenses necessarily becomes since are some of the causes which importance of the situation and deter-travelling expenses necessarily becomes that the sole of lands would be for the situation and deter-these are some of the causes which importance of the situation and deter-these are some of the causes which importance of the situation and deter-these are some of the causes which importance of the situation and deter-these are some of the situation and deter-

These are some of the causes which swell the expenditure upon the civil swell the expenditure to the situation and determent. He grave crisis which was an other excess of which would be far greater than our prevails the cost of the expenditure. When laws in Rossland last summer $k_{5,679,039}$, and the sevent the communication to the sevent the correspondence of $k_{5,679,039}$, and the laws in this searce for the graver of the success of the graver of the situation and determent. He grave crisis which was an excess of the prevent set of the set of the situation and determent. He grave crisis which was an excess of the prevent set of the set of the situation and determent. He grave crisis which was an excess of the prevent set of the set

which would be far greater than our present annual expenditure. When I was in Rossland last summer I met some American capitalists who are developing the mines there, and they told me that they were quite astom to \$1,088,237, which, although the sinker tonished at the law and order which was to \$1,088,237, which, although the sinker tonished at the law and order which was to \$1,088,237, which, although the sinker tonished at the law and order which was to \$1,088,237, which, although the sinker tonished at the law and order which was to \$1,088,237, which, although the sinker tonished at the law and order which was to \$1,088,237, which, although the sinker tonished at the law and order which was to \$1,088,237, which, although the sinker tonished at the law and order which was the sinker tonished at the law and order which was to \$1,088,237, which, although the sinker tonished at the law and order which was the sinker tonished at the law and order which was the sinker tonished at the law and order which was the sinker tonished at the law and order which was the sinker tonished at the law and order which was the sinker tonished at the law and order which was the sinker tonished at the law and order which was the sinker tonished at the law and order which was the sinker tonished at the law and order which was the sinker tonished at the law and order which was the sinker tonished at the law and order which was the sinker tonished at the law and order which was the sinker tonished at the law and order which was the sinker tonished at the law and order which was the sinker tonished at the law and order which was the sinker tonished at the law and order which was the sinker tonished at the law and order which was the sinker tonished at the law and order which was the sinker tonished at the law and order which was the sinker tonished the promiser tow find fund. maintained in that booming town of an increase, does not keep up to the an-over two thousand inhabitants, under nual increase of the five previous years. The new over two thousand inhabitants, under the surveillance of only a recorder and a constable. They said that had Ross-in the year 1891-92 was a two under the emergencies which are the surveillance of only a recorder and a constable. They said that had Ross-in the year 1891-92 was a two under the emergencies which are the surveillance of only a recorder and a constable. They said that had Ross-statesmanilke policy, and one calculated to meet the emergencies which are the surveillance of only a recorder and a constable. They said that had Ross-statesmanilke policy, and one calculated to meet the emergencies which are the the peace would not be kept in that the law and order which prevails in our province is an important factor in temptic lists to invert their expital in our country. With these pre-liminary remarks I will now turn to the

The new discoveries of our natural are not to be caught napping, and can-

tion of justice and also to that on education. In consequence of the peculiar configuration of our country it would be most unfair as well as misleading to attempt to compare our expenditure on the civil service and administion of jusdoes not keep these in tice with that of provinces, for example, such as Ontario, Manitoba and the Northwest Territories. We have in



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