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PERTINENT QUESTIONS BOTHER OPPOSITION IN LOCAL HOUSE. (Continued from page 2.) their report. It was grossly unfair for the

work. He also expressed surprise that the speech from the throne did not contain any reference to the mining development of the province. In Charlotte county five square miles were held by one man in St. Stephen since 1893, and he has simply paid the annual amount required to hold those

Mr. Grimmer, in reply to Hon. Mr. Pugsley, said he referred to Frank Todd. Hon. Mr. Pugsley—Is it not a fact that those areas are under the control of clients of my honorable friend?
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Mr. Grimmer said the lease was held by Mr. Todd, from whom he had obtained an option in consideration of a reyalty for developing the areas; \$7,000 has been spent. He had taken the government drill to Charlotte county under the agreement that the option would be renewed if the drill would work. The drill was supposed to bore from 7 to 20 feet a day in hard rock, but some days it went only 14 inches. When the time was up Mr. Todd refused to renew the option and the surveyor-gennew the option and the surveyor-gen eral was appealed to. After two hearings every statement set forth in the petition was proved to his entire satisfact but because Mr. Todd had the right to assume his property was being developed allowed him nine months to begin and carry on the work. Mr. Todd's own statement is that he does not intend to spend his own money in development but to in-

duce foreign capital.

Hon. Mr. Pugsley—Is it not the case that during the period referred to your clients held under lease an option which prevented Mr. Todd from entering the

prevented Mr. Todd from entering the property for development?

Mr. Grimmer said two years had elapsed since the petition had been filed and not a blow had been struck. Mr. Todd's option had elapsed long before the government drill had gone on the property.

Hon, Mr. Pugsley—What could the government do about that?

Mr. Grimmer said Mr. Todd's lease compels him to work the property to the full exteut of the mining act and still he does not sink a shaft. He merely says he will not develop the property himself but will not develop the property himself but will induce foreign capitalists to do so while he reaps the benefit.

Hon. Mr. Hill said Mr. Grimmer's statement was calculated to leave a false im-pression. It was not true that Mr. Todd had held the areas for nine years withou making an effort to develop them. They were under a lease a portion of the time to Mr. Harrison, of London, and a cross continuance of the mineral and the on the Rogers property. know of a small hole 20 feet deep having

been made by James McLean.

Hon. Mr. Hill said he saw the shaft but did not know its depth. It makes no dif-ference whether the work was done by Mr. fodd or under a lease to another party, so long as the work done fulfilled the conditions of the law. When Mr. Harrison sank the shait he did not stop because of sank the shart he did not stop because the the expiring of the lease, but because the indications were not promising enough to warrant further expenditure. While there was delay because of loss of diamonds and the hardness of the rock, operations were stopped not on account of this but owing to the fact that the operators became dis-Hon. Mr. Hill moved the adjournment

of the debate and it was made the order The house adjourned at 6 o'clock.

Fredericton, N. B., April 1-(Special)-The legislative assembly tonight received from its committee on the Winding Ledges dam scheme, a report condemning the project. The house divided on receiving the report, and adopted it, 31 to 7-a non-

Three sessions were held today, and the committee listened to addresses pro and con from Thomas Claire, M. P. P.; E. H. Murchie, Henry Hilyard, C. P. Baker, Fred. Laforest, J. Fraser Gregory and Thomas Lawson. The last named, who appeared for the promoters of the bill, was allowed to close the debate. He made a strong plea for what he termed the rights of the people of Madawaska, and hinted that the promoters, if unsuccessful this session, would renew the application for a chanter next year, and keep pegging away until success crowned their efforts.

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The legislature adopted the committee report, and also Mr. Hazen's resolution, by a vote of 31 to 7. Messrs. Claire and Burgess spoke against adopting the committee report, and Mr. Tweeddale supported the motion.

The Official Report.

Fredericton, April 1.-The house met at 3 o'clock. Hon. Mr. Pugsley presented the second report of the committee to nominate all standing committees and asked leave to make a further report.

Hon. Mr. Tweedie, who has been confined to the house through illness for some days, took his seat amidst the applause of the members.

Hon. Mr. Pugsley, in reply to Mr. Smith, said the amount paid George Robertson, M. P. P., for services in connec

tion with the royal visit was \$1,500.

Hon. Mr. Pugsley introduced a bill to revise and consolidate the general public statutes of New Brunswick.

on the ground of urgency this bill was read a second time and referred to a committee of nine—Hon. Messrs. Pugsley and Tweedie and Messrs. Allen, Hazen, Clarke, Copp, McLatchey, Purdy and Burns.

Hon. Mr. Tweedie introduced a bill to legalize certain marriages. He explained that a minister in Charlotfe county, Rev. Mr. Coburn, had performed the marriage ceremony in certain cases without being registered, in ignorance of the laws. The only way to remedy this was to legalize the marriages.

Untruthful Statements of the Globe. Hon. Mr. Pugsley said he rose to

question of privilege. A paragraph appeared in the editorial columns of the Globe last evening in which it was said: "The government of New Brunswick, if not actually resisting, has been delaying action proposed to be taken against this legislation by the legislature."

The legislation referred to was that in regard to the Winding Ledges dam. He was not in the habit of calling attention to criticisms made in the newspapers but in the present case the matter was of such great importance and the statement

was so contrary to the truth that he felt

delaying the matter the government had hastened it in every possible way. It had been referred to a select committee who had been taking evidence at every available moment and hurrying the matter forward. They hoped before the house closed this evening to be able to submit their react. It was great in the property of the selection of the submit their react.

THE SEMI-WEEKLY TELEGRAPH, ST. JOHN N. B., APRIL 4 1908.

Mr. Hazen gave notice of inquiry in

gard to the method of voting by ballot.

Mr. Hazen asked if the attorney-general had any further statement to make in regard to the representation of New Brunswick under the redistribution bill.
He noticed by the papers that this bill was introduced yesterday and that under it New Brunswick was only to have 13 members. He quoted from the speech of Sir Wilfrid Laurier that the point ha been debated and determined by such able jurists as Sir John A. Macdonald, Hon. Edward Blake and Sir John Thompson, and that there was no doubt in regard t the law. He (Hazen) called the attention of the attorney-general to this statemen for if a case was to be submitted to the supreme court it should be done at once. Court to Decide New Brunswick's Repre-

sentation. Hon. Mr. Pugsley said his attention ha been called to the report of Sir Wilfrid Laurier's speech but he had not been led by reason of these remarks to retract any thing he had said in regard to this matter or to have any doubts as to the strengt of the position the government had taken throne in regard to the reference of th

throne in regard to the reference of the question to the supreme court was based on the following telegram from the minieter of railways to the premier:

Ottawa, Ont., March 23, 1903.

Hon. L. J. Tweedie, Chatham, N. B.:

You are warranted in stating that while the dominion government has not agreed in opinion with views expressed on behalf of the provincial government on subject we talked, it is prepared to co-operate with you in securing an early decision on with you in securing an early decision a the question from supreme court. You may state this fact in any way you pre-

(Sgd.) A. G. BLAIR. Having received this despatch from the minister of railways the government wa resting easy, confident that the promise made in it will be carried out.

"We are thoroughly satisfied that Mr. Blair would not have sent this telegram f the matter had not been settled an the dominion government having agreed to the reference, will take the steps neces sary to carry it out. While it is a matter of regret that Sir Wilfrid Laurier does not take the same view of this question Money had been spent in sinking if there is a difference of opinion. Sin ferent case from ours, and which is based

by one-twentieth as compared with the population of the four original provinces of Canada."

Ottawa Not Always Right.

He was not at all concerned because he authorities at Ottawa took a differen view of this question from that of th provincial government. It had been their experience to have such differences wit the Ottawa people, who after confederation took a very low view of the right of the provinces. For instance, the maintained that our lieutenaut-governo was not the representative of the sover eries on our own territory. We have bee going on fighting for provincial rights ever since then and in most of the contests party vote.

The committee completed its labors this with the Ottawa government the provening and unanimously reported against inces have succeeded.

The mere fact that we live in a small province is not a conclusive argument against our being entitled to form an opin ion as to the meaning of a statute. I will probably be found that Sir Wilfrid Laurier was not referring to our case at all when he spoke of the opinions that had been expressed by Sir John A. Macdonald and others.
"While in Ottawa we were told by the

department of justice that the point raised by us had never been raised before. We also had access to the report made by Sir John A. Macdonald in January, 1871, in reference to the representation of Manitoba. He declared that the British North

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Canada and that the representation of any territory afterwards becoming a part of

under it we should lose a representative

The house took recess until 7.30 p. m.

The house resumed at 8.30 p. m. Hon. Mr. Hill continued his debate on the address. He took issue with Mr. Grimmer, that \$8,000 paid to agricultural societies was the most important item for the farmers. In his opinion no money expended in the department of agriculture proved of so little benefit. Agricultura shows result in good to only a few and they have been abandoned all over Char have their subsidies cut off and the mone used in other directions

The amount of \$4,000 paid out in salarie which his colleague had objected to on the ground that it helped nobody, was in his opinion the most valuable part of the The lectures given in dairying and other departments of agriculture are doing good deal more for the benefit of the fa mer than the amount paid to agricultur societies. Referring to the turnip see which Mr. Grimmer had found faulty Hon. Mr. Hill contended it was very goo seed. It was only one of several varietie which had been distributed in various lo calities as an experiment and the reason the farmers discontinued planting it was because it produced an elongated turnip while the article wanted in the Boston market was a round turnip. If it required a block and tackle to pull one of the turnips, as stated by Mr. Grimmer, this particular variety ought to be the most valuable ever sown in New Bruns wick. It will solve the question of cheap

feeding for cattle. Mr. Morrisey's Position.

The member for Northumberland in formed the house that he was in favor of cunning the elections on party lines, but is faith and works do not go together He ran as a Liberal on a ticket with Con servative and he is now in harness unde brought in the religious question, which he regretted. Federal and religious mat ters are entirely foreign to the consider ation of this house and should not be in troduced. Any man using language to stir up race and religious feeling is the public enemy. The country wants peace and harmony, and it is not patriotic to

Mr. Hazen and the Halifax Award.

The leader of the opposition has stated recompense for poaching done in Car dian waters by the United States fisher on the idea that a province, having gone men. He was not aware that there was into confederation with a certain number anything in any of the documents to war of representatives, can never have that number reduced.

anything in any of the documents to rant this opinion. His information was number reduced. "Sir Wilfrid says we must abide by the value for the privilege of using Canadia constitution and we say the same, but we say also that under the British North America act, we are not entitled to lose than those along the American shores any member because our population has not fallen since the last preceding census by one-twentieth as compared with the was not given for fishing done outside of the three mile limit, because that war open to the whole world, before. Conse quently the whole amount was paid for the use of the inshore fisheries.

The leader of the opposition thinks a strong legal case could be prosecuted but does not deem it desirable to do so be cause he thinks it would be better in the nands of the dominion government. That is a strange position to take. It is the duty of the government to have determined whether the proprietory rights within the three mile limit were vested in the crown in right of the province. It was their duty to establish their rights and the exercising of them was a matter for future determination.

Should Be Increased Subsidy.

The leader of the opposition holds that increased subsidy will not help the people of New Brunswick because they will have to pay it all back. That statement is misleading. The dominion government collects in customs and excise duties \$50,000.000. to 000,000, the greater portion of which is spent in the development of the west. If little less were spent in that quarter and \$130,000 came to New Brunswick as a fixed annual income, it would aid materially in the greater to determine the claimed the dam would not be an obstruction. He spoke from personal experience which was not the case with those who opposed the dam. He doubted whether any of the latter had ever slaving a surrough for the constitution. inxed annual income, it would aid materially in the support of the various public services. If the contention of the leader of the opposition is true with regard to increased subsidy the same holds good of the subsidy we are now receiving and according to his doctrine the province gets no gain because it is paying it all back.

He would suggest that the leader of the opposition add another plank to his plat-form, favoring the discontinuance of all subsidies from the dominion government. have increased and additional subsidy is one source of obtaining relief.

acts of the government up to the time of his withdrawal and nothing had occurred since then to shake his confidence rive the benefit from them that they exin the administration. Mr. Hill explained pected, because the alien labor law would the manner of his becoming a member of a coalition ticket, showing that there was The Rouse Divides. trong feeling in Charlotte county against holding an election in the winter season.

Mr. Loggie. shape of bounties for the encouragement of the fisheries. He was not in favor of weil and as strong as ever and has kept so ever since."

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could not find a more respectable portion of the county than these two parishes. Mr. King moved the adjournment of

Mr. Osman presented the report of the

Winding Ledges Report.

committee on the Winding Ledges dam. It is to the effect that this project should be opposed as injurious to the general interests of the province. Mr. Burgess opposed the acceptance of the report. He claimed the dam would

should be opposed.

Mr. Tweeddale favored the report and approved of the action of the government with regard to it. He thought it was in the interest of New Brunswick to pre-We are now paying a tariff nearly double that paid at the time of confederation. In addition, the consuming power and wealth of the country has increased rapidly and it was only equitable that we should receive more in the way of subside. Expenses have grown and demands have increased and additional ambidy is Senator Proctor, the promoter of this Senator Proctor, the promoter of this have increased and additional subsidy is one source of obtaining relief.

Mr. Hill's Position.

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