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THIS SESSION OF HE FOURTH PARLIMENT

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The TORONTO, PRIDAY. DECEMBER 17, 1880.

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ing the continued depletion of the cointry, if the country has obtained as the size, of their, bins. On the other hand, in the size, and the s

gentleman. ("Hear, hear," from the Opposition.) Since the coming of the delegates from England people had been kept in the dark as to the offers received and the bargain made. He would divide the House on the motion, as it regarded a matter of public policy, and the votes of the minority would show their refusal to any minority would show their refusal to any indicate part in Cron said he supported the demand of his ken, friend.

Sir CHARLES TUPPER said he was a little surprised at the heat that seemed to his continuous of the House with relation to a matter which seemed to him not to require it. The statement of his right hon, friend, he thought, would carry conviction to the mind of every fair-minded man. The course proposed to be pursued on this occasion was one which commended itself to his judgment as one which was only just to the purties with whom they had been negotiating. His right hon, friend had stated to the House that the proposal which they had laid upon the table for a contract, subject to the approval of the House, which they had made for the construction of the Canadian Pacific railway, was the very best proposal.

Mr. BLAKE rose to a point of order. He submitted that the hon, gentleman was out of order in stating the contents of any paper which he was not prepared to lay before the House.

then only replying to what had been said by the mover of the reply to the Address. Mr. Mackenzie having asked for information on the time that was to be given for discussion, the Premier explained that the Government would expect Parliament to finish the debate as soon as it could conscientiously do so; and that if the the transmit of the third the conscientiously do so; and that if the the transmit of the third the the transmit of the transm House.
Sir CHARLES TUPPER—I thought the Sir CHARLES TUPPER—I thought the hon, gentlemen were anxious to have information, and now I find that they are anxious to prevent information being imparted. Then, perhaps, these hon, gentlemen would allow him to state, if they were afraid he would disclose any of the information they seemed so anxious to secure a moment ago, that at this moment there was no offer before the Government which the Government had it in their power to bring down. For the purpose of exhausting every possible means and finding the very best terms upon which this great work could be accomplished in conformity with the policy of Parliament, declared again and again, three Ministers were authorized to go to London and communicate with all the parties from whom we had any reason to suppose a favourable offer for building the road could emanate, and having exhaustively discussed and examined the whole question, the Government stood in a position to-day to state the very best offer.

Mr. BLAKE—Order, order.

Sir CHARLES TUPPER—What was laid before them was a proposal which they substitute for the contraction.

Sir CHARLES TUPPER—What was laid before them was a proposal which they submitted for the consideration of Parliament, and this was the only proposal which emanated from any parties who, upon a full investigation, were found prepared to take up this work and carry it out on the proposed terms, and that they believed could furnish the evidence necessary of the companys ability to do so.

Mr. MACKENZIE said he had asked the First Minister the other day, "Whether, it

Mr. MACKENZIE said he had asked the First Minister the other day. "Whether it was his deliberate purpose to give the House but ten days in which to agree to the measure upon pain of being punished by not having a heliday."

Sir CHARTES TUPPER said the hon, gentleman had not read anything which indicated that any person was to be forced to a hurried decision. The question was, if this matter was not concluded within that period, would there be a long adjournment before this subject was further considered, and his hon, friend had frankly informed the House that if they were not able to conclude the matter before Christmas heliday of course there would be but a short adjournment, and for obvious reasons. THE SENATE. OTTAWA, Dec. 13. CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY. Sir ALEXANDER CAMPBELL read Sir ALEXANDER CAMPBELL read a message from the Governor-General transmitting a contract embered into for the construction of the Canadian Pacific railway and an accompanying schedule, and recommending the same for the favourable consideration of the Senate,

BILLS INTRODUCED.

The following bills were introduced by Sir Alexander Campbell:

An Act respecting prize fighting.

An Act to amend the law respecting documentary evidence in certain cases.

The Senate adjourned at 3.30 p.m.

bivious reasons, Sir JOHN MACDONALD said the hon-

Sir JOHN MACDONALD said the hengentieman (Mr. Mackenzie) had not read all he said. He had further stated, "It is of very great importance if Parliament is going to adopt the arrangement that it should do so with all convenient speed. We consider it of so much importance that we shall ask the House to take it into early and earnest consideration, and to remain here with as short a Christmas interval as possible until at is passed."

Mr. BLAKE said the proposals made from the other side of the House were wholly unprecedented, and such as savoured more of the conduct of public business by a despotion than anything else. There was nothing to distinguish the offers made for this work from those made by ordinary contractors, and the Minister of Public Works dared not say in express terms that these proposals were received in confidence. Te do so would be a gross breach of

OTTAWA, Dec. 13. INSOLVENCY. Mr. GAULT presented a petition of the merchants and manufacturers of Montreal, praying for the passage of an Act providing for the equitable distribution of the assets of

HOUSE OF COMMONS.

RETURN.

Sir JOHN MACDONALD presented a return to an order of the House showing the quantities of lands sold by the Government in Manitoba and the North-West Territories, distinguishing the lands within each of the belts along the line of the Canadian Pacifiq railway, the prices at which the lands were sold, and the total amount of maney received

sir CHARLES TUPPER—No will find by the Hansard that 000 and 26,000 acres.

Mr. BLAKE said the fact that the trainfiself was not able to say memory what the offer was mathat the papers should be produgain, on the 29th of June, leader of the Government intim had had offers from capitalists. had had offers from capitalists. cealment if there was nothing Opposition applause.)
Mr. LANGEVIN said he he heard the hon. gentleman claction of the Government as de was no despotism in the m paper that could be brin connection with the subjection brought down. This was not that papers had been declined not in the interests of the pu should be produced.

Mr. MILLS did not see why should not be placed before the as the tenders for smaller works before Parliament. It was the House to judge whether the con ted was the best that could be members should insist upon the of tenders being produced. Ho opposite said that the contract was founded upon the tender the most favourable terms to the that it was for the members of Mr. KIRKPATRICK said he

opposite had got themselves into at a very early stage of the sessi a very small matter. The reas gentlemen pressed for a vote up tion was well understood. It view to easting doubt were the view to casting doubt upon the Premier's statement. (Hear, 1 the comparison made by the Opposition between ordinary to contract of this kind, he could tween the two there was the gre difference. When an advertise serted in the papers calling to public works the tenders became perty. In this case the tenders became made in response to a, public a Parties came here from Eng United States and said:—"V and such an offer."

public duty. But he said proper made without prejudice. The man borrowed a legal phrase with the connection. W

meaning in this connection. We an offer he submitted the possibil ance or rejection. He could not a propositions should not go on

these propositions should not Public business could not go on were to be permitted to arrogat selves power to decide what they coal from the House and the coatated that an offer was made for tion of the road from Selkirk to

for \$6,000 and 13,000 acres per n Mr. CASEY—No, ten thousan Sir CHARLES TUPPER—Th

sand of each, I think.

Mr. BLAKE—\$13,000 and 13,
Sir CHARLES TUPPER—No

Mr. BLAKE—How do you k
Mr. KIRKPATRICK—I know
right hon, leader of the Governme to-day. These gentlemen of
said that in confidence they said that in confidence they such and such an offer. It woul of confidence with these gent offers were made known, and was not prepared to vote that ment should break confidence in that he had no confidence in that he had no confidence in of the Premier.
Mr. MACKENZIE—Oh, no d

Mr. LAURIER complained the had only the word of the ment that the contract er was the best that could He did not disbelieve the Government. dividuals, but he did think that liament had a right to get evide A vote was then taken, and to lost by 51 yeas to 111 nays. YEAS—Messrs. Anglin, Bourassa, Burpee (St. Joh Cameron (Huron), Cartwr

TRAS-Messrs. Anglin. Bain. B
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Killam. King, Larue. Laurier, Ma
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Thompson (Haldimand), Trow, We
Wiser-52.
NAYS-Messrs. Bannerman, F
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Bowell, Brocken, Brooks, Bunt
Caron, Cimon, Colby, Connell, Cost
lin, Coursol, Cuthbert, Daly, Dao
DeCosmos, Desaulniers, Desjardi
Doull, Drew, Dugas, Elliott, Fart
mons, Fortin, Fulton, Gault, Giga
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Merner, Methot, Mongenais, Monty
peau, Muttart, Orton, Patterson (Es
Pinsonneault, Platt, Plumb, Pop
Pope (Queen's), Poupore, Kichet
Ross (Dundass, Rouleau, Routhier,
Montreal), Shaw, Sproule, Strang
lier, Tilley, Tupper, Vallee, Va
Wallace (Noriolk), Wallace (V
Cardwell), White (Hastings), Whi
Williams, Wright—112.

THE SAULT BRANC
Mr. MACKENZIE moved for

offers made to the Government struction of a line of railway from the Canada Pacific railway line Marie. He said he had heard the had been made, and he hoped the made by parties who were in dan in the getting of security, because the House would not get any in reference to the matter. He in reference to the matter. H enquiry any further in reference Sir CHARLES TUPPER said to find such a stickler for orde leader of the Opposition violating debate by referring to a previous Mr. MACKENZIE—I made to the previous debate.
Sir CHARLES TUPPER—The man said something about che may say that I do not know being made for the construction to Sault Ste. Marie. There are for subsidies, and we will be year on the table all the papers we them in any shape.

Mr. MACKENZIE—Perham will permit we the

Mr. MACKENZIE moved for

gentleman will permit me to a bring down the statement of ture upon the Pacific railway debate upon his motion commend Sir CHARLES TUPPER—I ce The motion passed.

THE PACIFIC RAILWAY CON Mr. MILLS moved for an a Excellency the Governor-General of the Royal Commission issued Clarke, Keefer, and Miall to engitain public matters, together wateractions reduced to writing resame; also, the salaries allowed Commissioners the amounts of the commissioners. Commissioners, the amount so each, and the cost of the Comm date. In doing so, he said he the Minister of Railways had Crown to appoint the Commission to his acts, with a view, himself said, of vindicating hims an unconstitutional recommendat matter of a man selecting his The Commission, he also undersi quired into the conduct of the nent. Appointing a communito the acts of one's oppon ointing judges to try one's ener Sir CHARLES TUPPER—I Sir CHARLES TUPPER—I
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Sir JOHN MACDONALD—T
an old friend with a new face, as
to see it again. (Cheers and is