

## BROCKVILLE, RAILWAY CONNECTION AT.

On the Orders of the Day attention is again drawn to the delay caused by the non-connecting of trains at Brockville—Mr. Taylor—2460. Matter drops—2461.

*Mulock, Hon. Sir William* (Postmaster General)—2461.

Comptroller of mail service endeavouring to arrange the matter; cannot compel the companies to make closer connections—2461.

*Taylor, George* (South Leeds)—2460.

Got new Grand Trunk Railway time-table yesterday no change in it—2460. Postmaster General intimated some change would be made; should be no difficulty—2461.

## BUDGET, THE.

Budget will be brought down next Tuesday—Hon. W. S. Fielding—3757.

## BUDGET, DEBATE ON THE.

Motion by Hon. W. S. Fielding (Minister of Finance) that the House go into Committee of Ways and Means for raising the supply to be granted to His Majesty. The Budget speech and debate thereon—4331. Borden, R. L. (Halifax), moves an amendment declaring that no readjustment which does not provide protection to labour, agricultural products, manufactures and industries can be considered satisfactory; and that thorough readjustment on lines of adequate protection must be made this year—4766. Mr. Borden's amendment lost on a division, yeas, 52; nays, 110—4923. Motion agreed to on division and the House in Committee of Ways and Means—4924.

*Armstrong, J. E.* (East Lambton)—4829.

Importance of the oil industry; change perpetrates an irreparable wrong; resolution will blast and blight industry for all time to come—4829. Want stability of tariff; Texas oil field; 3 cents a barrel at Beaumont—4830. Quotes 'Oil Investors' Journal'; value of Batson oil for refining—4831. Establishment of refineries at Beaumont and Port Arthur; Standard Oil Company's steamers taking that oil to Philadelphia; present agitation brought about by Standard Oil people; how Standard oil obtained control of the Canadian market—4831-32. Gradual progress of the Standard plans—4833-34. Petition to the government—4834-35. Counter petition by independent producers—4835. Government and Standard Oil Company against them; why is oil industry singled out for attack? Industry has been neglected; nothing done in development—4836. Geological survey in a deplorable state as to the oil industry; why is not Dr. Bell gazetted 'director'?—4837. Sale of Geological survey reports; should be circulated; crude oil brought in includes all the by-products—4838. Standard oil today reduces the price of refined and raises

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the price of crude oil; resolution was not prepared by Mr. Fielding or Mr. Hyman, but by the Standard Oil Company; objects to American monopoly—4839. Should develop the Canadian fields; plenty of them—4840. Standard Company to-day masters of the situation; gravity of Canadian crude oil—4841-42. Standard Company have 60 cents lever over independent producers; increase in price and restriction of the market for independent companies—4843. Canada for the Americans, Canada for the monopolists, the trusts, combines and foreigners—4844. Deputation asked that duty be left alone; only two refineries in Canada, one Standard and other independent; Canadian wiped out—4845. Manufacture of by-products most profitable; that given over to the Standard Company—4846. Value of the industry to the revenue; value to labour—4847. Value for light and fuel; business requires settled policy—4848. Quotes 'World' and 'Telegram' against the policy—4849. Quotes the Galt 'Reporter' and 'Wheatley Journal'—4850. Montreal 'Herald' and Winnipeg 'Telegram'—4851. London 'Free Press'; Fairbanks assisting the Standard Company—4852. Quotes late Judge Lister from 'Hansard'—4853-54. Reduction of duty does not mean reduction to the consumer—4855. Quotes Mr. Fielding on protection; let us protect our country—4856.

*Bell, A. C.* (Pictou, N.S.)—4344.

Will rearrangement of provincial finances increase debt?—4344. In explanation of maximum and minimum tariffs—4369. Confirmation of Tupper's prognostication regarding reduced postal rates; surpluses are extortion; Conservatives want quid pro quo for preference; Sir Wilfrid Laurier's statement—4374. Preference favours should secure others; promises and performance *re* kerosene; omissions in Mr. Fielding's speech—4375. Announcement of the commission expected; government by commission; extraordinary policy for talented cabinet—4376. Elections coming; government hopes to secure free trade and protection support—4376. Mr. Fielding's masterly use of the arguments of both sides; contrasts planks in Ottawa platform with Mr. Fielding's maximum and minimum tariff declaration, his surpluses, and protectionist utterances—4377-78. Protectionist changes announced by Mr. Fielding—4378-79. Surpluses might be utilized to reduce duties; skilful hand shows in additions to the free list—4379-80. British preference, history reviewed; Conservative criticism justified in fact—4380-81. Ministers unable to accomplish anything they ever promised—4381. Quotes Sir Richard Cartwright in 1903 on increase of wealth by increase of taxation; time government dealt with trade question—4382. Good times; sole argument of government supporters, but government has done nothing to produce them—4383. Speech silent regarding Newfoundland and confederation and the fast line—4383-84. Asks Sir Wilfrid Laurier what is the gov-