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protection. It is a question of the comparative effect of economic policies under conditions that exist. Emergency in Great Britain and Highways Bill referred to, 48. Living is cheapest in that country which has the highest measure of protection, viz., France. When the Americans get into a bit of a slough they do not bawl as if everything had gone to the bowwows, and we are not going to bawl as if ashamed of our country, 49.

Clark, Michael (Red Deer)-35.

Desires to associate himself with expressions of sympathy with their Royal Highnesses and ability of mover and seconder of address. Grateful to government for the time at which they called the House together. Recognizes in the business-like address the desire of government to shorten the session and discussion. Only Redistribution Bill introduced. Two considerations in mind of Prime Minister in regard to that Bill. First he is unlikely to go outside the constitution of the country, 35, and second that he would not lend his personal authority to anything like a gerrymander. Glad to take up the controversy in regard to Highways Bill. Senate's action enthusiastically received in regard to it, 36. Amendment made by Senate provided that the money should be spent according to population. The Chateauguay election was won by double appeal, 37. Felicitates government on announcement of increase in foreign commerce, 38. Cannot see any grounds for quarrel with Senate on Naval Bill. The real emergency to-day is not a question of dreadnoughts but the high cost of living, 39. High cost of living due to protection and combines, 40. Fiscal revolution in United States has made it impossible to have reciprocity as proposed two years ago, 41. In view of fiscal revolution in United States West India Treaty a piece of waste paper. The advantages of free wheat referred to, 42. Western grain growers do not fear competition. The result of Wilson tariff has been an enormous increase in the sale of Canadian cattle. In 1912, 183,000 bushels of oats were sold to United States. Since the Wilson tariff was put into operation in two months nearly 20,000,000 bushels have been sold. Know now we have a market in the United States and points to the results which would flow from enlarged market, 43. Government's treatment of agricultural industry not fair as compared with treatment to other industries. Development of Canada in last half generation due to the West. Duty should be taken off agricultural imple-ments, 44. Until larger markets are provided no government should rejoice at the increase of immigration. Something wrong with economic condition of Can-United States market would not ada. affect loyalty of West. Too much attention paid to imperial matters and not enough to our own country, 45.

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Crothers, Hon. T. W. (Min'ster of Labour)—276.

Replies to observations of Mr. Lemieux,
276. The United States Shoe Company
and the Combines Investigation Act referred to, 277-8.

Cruise, Robert (Dauphin)-295.

The organized farmers are not the only people who are in favour of free wheat, 295. We want to put our vote on record in favour of free wheat for the western farmer. I am sorry this resolution did not include also free oats, barley and flax. Put the farmer in a position to be able to keep his hired help winter and summer and you will not have the congestion in your towns and cities, you will not have hard times, 296. The high cost of living is due to lack of production. Reciprocity and the farmers delegation referred to, 297.

Douglas, J. M. (Strathcona)-299.

The late government went down to defeat in endeavouring to ameliorate the conditions in Canada in regard to the production of food products, 299. The section from which I come is a mixed farming district. The market of the United States is the best market in the world for farm products. What would it mean if we had the advantage of that market for our farm products, 300. We have heard a great deal about what this government is doing to further agriculture. It is a peculiar coincidence that hard times began to come after the late government was defeated, 301.

Hughes, J. J. (Kings P.E.I.)-99.

The speech of the Premier more than justified the action of the Senate in regard to the Naval Aid Bill, 99. There is no emergency now, there is no need of haste. This is a government of dissolying principles, 100. The Highways Bill and high cost of living referred to 101-2. The government of this country are the trustees of the public funds, 103. I do not wonder at their putting off an appeal to the Canadian people, 104.

Jameson, Clarence (Digby N.S.)-95.

The junior memper for Halifax should congratulate the government on its expenditures rather than to condemn it. Reference made to by-elections, 95. High cost of living due to the policies of the late government, 96. Mr. Clark and his free trade vagaries referred to, 97. It is to be regretted that the Highways Bill has been destroyed by the Senate. We know what the policy of the leader of the opposition means, 98. Even as Sir John A. Macdonald was chosen by the people of Canada to initiate the National Policy so the Prime Minister has his mandate from the people, 99.

Lafortune, D. A. (Montcalm)-163.

If we are to believe the Solicitor General the Dominion Parliament has the right