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PROVINCIAL LEGISLATURE First Session of the Seventh Parliament. FIFTY-FIRST DAY.

MONDAY, Feb. 11, 1895. The Speaker took the chair at 2 p.m. Prayers by Rev. Dr. Campbell.

MB. KITCHEN presented a petition from
Cooke's church, Chilliwack, asking for the passage of an act to provide for the better observance of the Lord's day.

MR GRAHAM introduced a bill to amend

the cattle protection act, 1891. Read a first MAJOR MUTTER introduced a bill to

amend the line fences and water courses act and amending acts. Read a first time. MR HELMCKEN moved for a return showing the acreage of all lands assessed against educational, ecclesiastical, religious, and charitable corporations (distinguishing the same) in the different districts province of British Columbia for the year 1894, showing the value for which said a bill now before the house.

Motion agreed to, Hon. Mr. Turner stat-

ing, however, that it would be impossible to have the information ready before the close MR KELLIE asked leave to withdraw his

former bill respecting the payment of wages, and introduced a new one on the subject. Bill read a first time.

MINERAL ACT.

Hon. Mr. Davie, on consideration of the report on the mineral act amendment bill. moved to add a clause authorizing the Lieutenant-Governor in Council to make such orders as are deemed necessary from time to time to carry out the provisions of the act according to their true intent or to meet the cases which may arise and for which no provision is made or when the provision which is made is ambiguous or doubt-Agreed to.

MR. KELLIE moved to insert the following: "13. Any mineral claim or claims held in undisputed possession at the time of "13. Any mineral claim or claims the passing of this act, notwithstanding any irregularities that might have occurred from the lapse at any time of a miner's certificate or from any other cause, and notwithstanding any provision in law to the contrary, shall be deemed to be held lawfully within the meaning of this act: Provided, always, that the holder of such claim shall have the amount of assessment work on said claim was also the following new clause which Mr. Kellie then moved: "14. Any free miner who has at any time abandoned or forfeited a mineral claim, and who has subsequently acquired lawful possession of the said claim, shall be entitled to any work previously done by him on the claim so re-a when applying for a crown grant for the in no case shall such work be applied in the case of the amount of assessment work to be done annually thereafter,

as a new section: "13. On and after the passing of this act it shall be unlawful for any alien, unless he declares his intention of becoming a British subject, to hold any mineral claim by location, but this shall not refer to any location made by such alien be-

thought that the bill as it stood afforded all to cover the ground. the desirable protection to vested rights, and it would have no retrospective effect whatever. He might have gone a good deal further than he had, and introduced expost facto legislation to declare valid a lease which has been attached; but while he thought that the house might well have been asked to remedy the unintentional strictures of section 7 of the act of last year. and it would have no retrospective effect he did not care to do so. He objected, how ever, to inserting this proposed provision that even should the court declare the lease not to have been forfeited, the gold commissioner would have no option but on the other hand to declare that it is forfeited.

Amendment lost on division.

Mr. EBERTS moved to add the following to section 5: " Provided, always, that nothing in this section or the said act, as amended, contained, shall be desmed to affect the right of any holder of a lease to a renewal thereof, if such holder has substantial made and performed upon the ground the labor, work and expenditure required by such lease as a condition of renewal thereof,"

MR EBERTS moved to insert the following as a new section: "Notwithstanding any law or equity to the contrary, all leases of placer mining ground for hydraulic purposes, issued by any gold commissioner in this province prior to the date of the passage of this act, and unexpired by effluxion of time at such date, shall be deemed to be legal, valid and effectual to all intents and purposes provided the Tienters Corrections." purposes, provided the Lieutenant-Governor in council shall approve of the same within one year from the passage of this act." Lost

HON. MR DAVIE moved to add a clause similar to that inserted in the mineral act amendment bill, authorizing the Lieutenantdivernor in council to make regulation necessary for carrying out the provisions of Agreed to. Further consideration of the report de

BILLS REPORTED. The house went into committee on the bill especting the destruction of thistles, Mr. McGregor in the chair. Reported complete

HON MR. DAVIE moved the discharge of the order for second reading of the drain dyking and irrigation bill (No. 27). Agree

The house went into committee on the overholding tenante bill, Mr. Sword in the chair. Reported complete with amend-

ands are assessed, and the amount of taxes section: "In the event of any municipality collected on the same, and the arrears (if in which any of the works authorized by any)" He explained that he desired the this act have been constructed, desiring to nformation for the better understanding of undertake similar works as a munic undertaking, they shall be at liberty to do so without first offering to buy out the works constructed by the company, not-withstanding any general provision to the contrary in the act incorporating such muni-cipality." Agreed to on division.

Further consideration of report deferred. The house rose at 6 p.m.

After Becess The house met at 8 p.m., Mr. Booth presiding in the absence of the Speaker.

The school act amendment bill (Mr. Kennedy) was read a third time and passed.

Mr. Helmcken, on motion to adopt the eport on the densistry bill, moved to make the fee chargeable for certificates \$30, instead of \$10—to which it had been reduced from \$50 in committee. Agreed to; further consideration of the report deferred. SUNDAY OBSERVANCE.

The house went into committee on the Sun. day observance bill, Mr. Adams in the chair. The second clause of the bill was strongly opposed in a lengthy discussion. It is as

"2. It shall not be lawful for any merchant, tradesman, artificer, mechanic, workman, laborer or other person whatsoever, on Sunday to sell or publicly show forth or exwhatsoever, or to do or exercise any worldly labor, business or work of his ordinary calwhich otherwise entitle him to possession of the same." Lost, after brief discussion, as was also the following new clause which Mr.

HON MR DAVIE—(a) No. (b.) Yes. (c.) That the government were disposed to favorable the following new clause which Mr.

Majesty's mail, the selling of drugs and ably consider the proposition but in view of charity.

might with advantage strike out about four-fifths of the bill and substitute something Dr. Walkem moved to add the following sion the committee rose and reported progress, on motion of Mr. Kennedy, the pro- the claims of the government moter of the bill, with the view of preparing an acceptable modification.

tion: "The provisions of this act shall not extend to or alter the position of any lease, the question of the validity of which is now in litigation, or take away any rights now acquired by any person."

HON. MR DAVIE said he quite recognized that this amendment was proposed to meet the special case which a short time ago was before the house, and he objected to it, because the effect would be under the ago was before the house, and he objected to it, because the effect would be under the rather stringent provisions of the act of last session, to compel the gold commissioner to declare forfeited any lease which happens to be in litigation, whether or not it would otherwise have been forfeited. He thought that the bill as it stood afforded all MAJOR MUTTER thought a state board of

reason why those who wished to practise as pharmacists here should not be required to pass an examination; if they are competent men they should not object.

MR WILLIAMS understood that the objec-

tion to this bill was largely on account of one ing an examination, and he thought it a bad principle to meddle with a carefully pre-pared bill of this nature in the interest of one or two men.

Amendment lost on division. After the discussion had continued at great length, Hon. Mr. Davie remarked that it appeared to him that some hon. members were rather turning the legislature into a debating society, and for the general information he wished to state that the government have it in contemplation to invite His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor to prorogue the house on Friday, and he was afraid that if better progress is not made there will be some bills killed for

thought some such close season, so far as the adopted. sale is concerned, is an absolute necessity if Mr. B the game is not to be totally destroyed.

ME GRAHAM spoke to the same effect,
from personal observation.

The amendment was lost after further

The committee rose and reported pro-

The house adjourned at 11:50 p.m.

FIFTY-SECOND DAY. TUESDAY, February 12, 1895.

ing: "Provided, however, that nothing in this act contained shall be described to an unterstance of the company to build, equit, or operate any line or lines of trainway between the object of the streets thereof, or to carry passengers or freight in or between the said rives and shall the said company be authorized to acquire, or operate any line or freight in or between the said rives and containing and caving the banks of the land on the river and on the gulf of Vancouver and New Westmaster. I will therefore declare the amendance of the surface to acquire, build, maintain, and the said company be authorized to acquire, build, maintain, or of places the said builds along the surface of applying electric light to any person or downward to make the effect of preventing the section within the limits of the cities of Vancouver and New Westmaster. Leaves in the company be authorized to acquire, or operate any works for the purpose of any surface to acquire, and the said company be authorized to acquire, build, maintain, or of places the said banks along of applying electric lights to any person or downward to make the effect of preventing the surface and New Westmaster. Leaves and on the cities of Vancouver and New Westmaster. Leaves and the works make the mediately carried out it would have the effect of preventing the section within the limits of the cities of Vancouver and New Westmaster. Leaves and the works make the mediately carried out it would have the effect of preventing the section which the limits of the cities of Vancouver and New Westmaster. Leaves and the works make the mediately carried out it would have the effect of preventing the section which the limits of the cities of Vancouver and New Westmaster. Leaves and the works were the section with any member of the provision contained, to the report on this bill, even the section with any member of the provision contained to acquire, or operate any works for the purpose of the report of the province of the result of the company was any operation of th ernor requesting that representations be made to the Dominion government showing the great necessity for immediately protect-ing the said banks in that municipality."

The report from committee on the bill for the destruction of thistles was adopted. B.II read a third time and passed. NEW WESTMINSTER CHARTER.

MR. HELMCKEN, on consideration of report on the New Westminster bill, moved to insert a clause restricting to British subjects the right to vote on money by laws. The amendment was opposed by Mr. Kennedy, the promoter of the bill, but adopted MR HELMCKEN moved an amendment re

Cast, to pass a money by law.

This amendment also was opposed by Mr. Kennedy, but carried on division of 18 MR KENNEDY moved that further consid-

luiring a three fifths majority of the votes

eration of the report be postponed. Agreed COUNTY COURTS ACT

The report from committee on the county ourts act amendment bill (Mr. Eberts) was adopted. Bill read a third time and passed. ISLAND MOUNTAIN QUARTZ MILL.

MR SEMLIN asked: (a.) Has the amount \$20,000 advanced by the government in aid of quartz mill to owners of Island Mountain mineral claim been repaid to the govern ment? (b) Has any application been made pose or offer for sale any goods, chattels, or by any one for purchase or use of the said other personal property, or any real estate mill to any member of the government? (c.) What reply was given to such applicant (d.) Who now owns said quartz mili?

Hon Mr. Davie—(a) No. (b) Yes. (c.)

medicines, and other works of necessity and the large expenditure by the owners of the charity."

After considerable discussion, on the same lines at that upon the second reading, Mr. Rogers moved that the committee rise.

Hon. Mr. Davie did not favor thus killing the bill, but he thought that the committee bill, but he thought that the committee might with advantage strike out about four-satisfactory to the government; meanwhile more reasonable for it. The motion to rise Island Mountain property notice of fore-was lost on division. After further discusthe government have given the owners of the of the Island Mountain property, subject to

CANADA WESTERN BAILWAY. Hon. MR Davie asked leave to introduce The house went into committee on the bill | Canadian Western Central Railway."

of such importance—the house being on the

months ago.

How Mr Davie said he did not think he had given the house the assurance men-tioned by the hon. leader of the opposition, that he would not bring in any further measures, but at all events he did not know at that time that it would be necessary to oring in this bill. He suggested that the gentleman should wait until he saw the bill, as he would then probably admit that it is a very necessary and proper one, and one that no person can reasonably object to. Motion agreed to; bill read a first time.

BAILWAY BELT LANDS.

Hon. Mr. Davie introduced a bill intituled "An act respecting lands granted to the Dominion government." Read a first

COAL MINES REGULATION.

MR HUNTER, on consideration of the report on the coal mines regulation bill, moved the amendment which he had proposed in committee, to confine to those employed in the mine concerned the right to make com-

chair.

Hox. Mr. Daviz moved an amendment absolutely prohibiting the sale of all the game birds and animals protected by the subjected to the annoyance which might be act, until the lat September, 1897. He caused to them if this amendment is not

ME Booth, while believing that the mines in this province are already as safe as it is possible to make them, said he had al ways held that the men employed in a mine should have the right to object to the employment of dangerous persons alongside them, without endangering their own posi-tions, and he therefore could not agree with MAJOR MUTTER strongly opposed the

The house went into committee on the petty sessions bill, Mr. Hunter in the chair. Reported complete without amendments; read a third time and passed.

STAYE RIVER ELECTRIC CO.

Mr. Kennedy, on considerion of report on the Stave Biver Electric and Power Company bill, moved to strike out the follow-The amendment being put the house

not see the use of now passing it into law. The bill had been made a mere mass of consure it can now be of no use to those who promoted it. The effect would simply be mischievous, as he had said before, and the committee having drawn the
teeth of the bill he thought it would be the

MB. Helmcken said as one good turn
deserves another, and as Mr. Williams had of it. When in Eucelet the Mande's wisest course for the house to defeat it altogether. He would therefore oppose the

loption of the report. MAJOR MUTTER wished to affirm the pinion he had previously stated that the

about coal mining, but he could see nothing wrong about the bill.

HON. COL. BAKER reminded the house that on the second reading he had spoken against interfering with the rights of any person, but that feature having been altered did appear to him that the chairman did not he would now vote for the adoption of the go far enough in eliciting the evidence.

MR. HELMCKEN said he had been told that the bill as now amended is satisfactory to all parties concerned, and therefore he would vote for the adoption of the report. The report was adopted on division, Hon. Messrs. Davie and Martin voting nay; and the bill was read a third time and pass id.

SUNDAY OBSERVANCE. The house went into committee on the Sunday observance bill, Mr. Adams in the chair. Several important provisions, besides all the preamble except the enacting clause, were struck out, after long discussi the bill was reported complete as follows:—

"1. This act may be cited as the 'Sun-

day observance act, 1895 "2. It shall not be lawful for any mer chant, tradesman, artificer, mechanic, workman, laborer, or other person whatsoever, on Sunday, to sell or publicly show forth or expose or offer for sale any goods, chattels, or other personal property, or any real estate: Provided, always, that drugs and medicines may be sold at any time, and that the sale of perishable food may take place

"A Sunday shall be considered a day of rest, and no ordinary work shall be permitted except upon occasion of reasonable

"3. Any person convicted before a justice of the peace or police magistrate of any act by section 2 declared net to be lawful, upon

MINERAL ACT.

The report on the mineral act amendment bill was again taken up, and some amendments being made further consideration was deferred.

PARLIAMENT BUILDINGS CONTRACT.

Hon, Mr. Davie asked the indulgence of the house while he referred to a motion of which he had given notice during the afternoon, for the purpose of having the report on the subject of the new parliament buildings contracts referred back to the special committee. He would like, if possible, to be able to make that motion now, as he had a mass of information to lay before the house which he would take him an hour or an hour and a half to present, this containing the grounds on which he would make the motion referred to. It is a matter of the very tion referred to the province of the time for the chair. A multitude grounds on which he would make the motion referred to. It is a matter of the very greatest importance that a report such as that laid before the house the other day should be corrected at the earliest possible moment, for be felt obliged to say that it contains only a half statement of the facts, and is very misleading indeed. While he did not blame the committee for not reporting the other side, which probably was not laid before them, he must say that the report is so meagre, and so devoid of the facts and experiments of the facts are construction until the first day of August, 1894, and actual work of construction until the first day of August, 1894, and actual work of construction until the first day of August, 1894, and actual work of construction until the first day of August, 1894, and actual work of construction until the first day of August, 1894, duly commenced accordingly;

And whereas it is emacted by section 37 of an act passed in the necessary to an understanding of the real tion 37 of an act passed in the situation, that it is misleading and even untruthful to a very great extent. It is pracchapter 34, intituled "An act to incor-

were rather turning the legislature into a debating society, and for the general information he wished to state that the government have it in contemplation to invite His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor to prorogue the house on Friday, and he was afraid that if better progress is not made there will be some bills killed for want of time.

The bill was reported complete with amendments. Read a third time and passed. MR SWORD moved that the order for committee on the pharmacy act repeal bill be discharged. Agreed to.

GAME ACT.

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would be up.

The bill had been made a mere mass of con-flicting sentences and principles, and he felt to have it printed simply out of deference to

kindly come to the defence of the Chief Commissioner, he wished to say that it seemed quite as unfair for the Attorney. seemed quite as unfair for the Attorney. West coast character, had been drowned in General to accuse Mr. Williams as it had been for the Times to accuse Hon. Mr. Mar-

chairman in a most impartial manner.

Hon. Mr. Daviz said he must accept, and gladly did so, the statements of the hon. it and kept affeat. Timm was the master of gentlemen that Mr. Williams acted on the committee in an impartial manner, but it did appear to him that the chairman did not the time of the accident was bound for the While the members generally occupied a four passengers and but little freight from judicial position, he felt bound to say that the coast. She brought back, however, some Mr. Williams did not as a prosecutor—excellent samples of limestone from Barolay though no doubt a fair prosecutor so far as sound. ceeded in bringing out only half the truth, leaving undisclosed another combination of facts which he ventured to say would astonish the chairman when he found it out, as he would have had he pushed his investi-

gations a little farther.

MR KITCHEN asked that the evidence be printed, and declared his intention of opsing any motion on the subject in the The matter dropped for the present, after

arther discussion. MUNICIPAL ACT. MR. RITHET presented the report of the

select committee on the proposed amend-ments to the municipal act, transmitting the bill which they recommend Bill introduced and read a first time. GAME BILL.

PARLIAMENT BUILDINGS. MR. KITCHEN moved that the evidence

After Becess.

The house again went into committee on the game bill, Mr. Sword in the chair. A multitude of amendments were proposed but only a few found favor, a great deal of

the mine concerned the right to make complaint respecting persons alleged to be unsafe. He pointed out that to allow outsiders to interfere would possibly subject the mine owners to very great annoyance, without any addition to the safety of the men employed.

MR RITHET hoped the amendment would with the matter. This evidence was clicited way Company," as amended by the "Canadian Western extension act, 1893," that the work of construction upon the said railway way represented, and is also an arraignment of the conduct of all connected with the matter. This evidence was clicited by the expenditure of a sum of not less than two hundred thousand dollars per year, and the whole work shall

would be up.

MR KITCHEN—Is the evidence printed?
HON. MR. DAVIR—The evidence is not printed.

MR. WILLIAMS—Then you cannot discuss the Williams of the present reign, chapter 34, intituled "An act to incorporate the Canadian Western Railway Company," as amended as aforesaid, may hereafter be, and is, in this act cited as the "Canada Western Railway Company," as amended as aforesaid, may hereafter be, and is, in this act cited as the "Canada Western Railway Company," as amended as aforesaid, may hereafter be, and is, in this act cited as the "Canada Western Railway Company," as amended as aforesaid, may hereafter be, and is, in this act cited as the "Canada Western Railway Company," as amended as aforesaid, may hereafter be, and is, in this act cited as the "Canada Western Railway Company," as amended as aforesaid, may hereafter be, and is, in this act cited as the "Canada Western Railway Company," as amended as aforesaid, may hereafter be, and is, in this act cited as the "Canada Western Railway Company," as amended as aforesaid, may hereafter be, and is, in this act cited as the "Canada Western Railway Company," as amended as aforesaid, may hereafter be, and is, in this act cited as the "Canada Western Railway Company," as amended as aforesaid, may hereafter be, and is, in this act cited as the "Canada Western Railway Company," as amended as aforesaid, may hereafter be, and is, in this act cited as the "Canada Western Railway Company," as a mended as aforesaid, may hereafter be, and is, in this act cited as the "Canada Western Railway Company," as a mended as aforesaid, may hereafter be, and is, in this act cited as the "Canada Western Railway Company," as a mended as aforesaid, may hereafter be, and is, in this act cited as the "Canada Western Railway Company," as a mended as a foresaid as a mended as a foresaid as a mended as a mended as a foresaid as a m Hon. Mr. Davie said he was astonished be cited as the "Canada Western extension

HON. MR. DAVIE said he was astonished to hear the hon. gentleman say this, when he was the very man who the other day asked that the evidence be not printed.

MR. Corron suggested that it would be better to bring up the matier to-morrow.

MR. SEMLIN did not see why the Hon.

Attorney General should say that the government were not represented, when the majority of the members of the committee were shelr supporters.

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Hon. Mr. Davie pointed out that the members of the committee were there as judges, and not to prosecute or defend any one or to be partisan. He was atraid, however, that on the other side there had been those who had taken a partisan view, and one hon, gentleman appeared to have taken the position of prosecutor. No doubt, as it turned out, the government should have been represented at the meetings of the committee, but such not having been the

but the majority expect to ship their hun-ters this week. At Abousat some difficulty is being experienced by many of the sealers the architect, who should have an opportunity of answering the statements there conbill was a useful one, and for that reason he would now vote to place it on the statute book.

MR. BOOTH wished the report adopted, for the same reason.

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Mr. Gregor also de. water. His companion in the cance after the craft capsized managed to get a grip on the schooner Escort at the time she went ashore in Hesquoit a few weeks ago, and at scene of the wreck. The Maude brought

information went. But he snc- ANOTHER STRAMER PURCHASED FOR ALASKA. The steamer Chehalis, which for a long time has been running on the Seattle-Port Orchard route, has been purchased by two well-known steamboat men, and will be taken to Alaska about February 20, where she will be used to do a general jobbing and passenger business between Juneau and the small towns on the islands in the vicinity. There are only a couple of boats doing a jobbing business in Alaska, and the new owners expect to do a lucrative trade the year around. The Chehalis is a handy, fast little boat, and well suited for the trade she is to enter. -Seattle Post-Intelligencer.

THE WARRINGO IN.

The Royal Mail steamship Warrimoo, The house went into committee on the game bill, Mr. Sword in the chair, and reported progress after making several amend-Sydney on the 18th January at 1 p.m., with fresh S. E. winds and high sea until the 22ad; thence light winds and fine weather with respect to the parliament buildings at 10 a.m. on the 24th. At 7;30 p.m., same usual to object to granting leave for the introduction of United States capital.

MR Semlin favored the amendment.

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