

By the Honourable Mr. Macdonald (B.C.):—

1898.

2 March 31—That he will call the attention of the Government to the Order in Council approved by the Governor in Council on the 28th day of February, 1898, and published in the *Canada Gazette* of the 26th day of March, 1898, being regulations for the disposal of timber berths in the Provisional District of Yukon, which reads as follows:—

Clause 3. The area of a berth shall not exceed five square miles, and a berth shall not be less than one mile in breadth.

4. Not more than five berths of five square miles in the Provisional District of Yukon shall be given to any one person or company.

5. A license to cut timber on the berth shall be issued yearly.

6. The licensee shall erect a saw-mill within a certain period to be fixed by the Minister of the Interior.

And will ask the Government the following questions:—

In granting and laying out timber berths in the Yukon District, will provision be made to secure to the miners and pioneers in that district a supply of timber for the purpose of mining and fuel on the same conditions as the Government now charge for timber?

Will the Government deem it wise and proper, considering how sparsely timbered the Yukon District is, to limit the number of square miles of timber berths one person or company can take up?

Will the Government or the person securing the berth, select the part of the district where the timber limit shall be situated?

By the Honourable Mr. Lougheed:—

3 March 31—That he will move that the Bill intituled: "An Act to incorporate the Pacific and Yukon Railway, Navigation and Mining Company," be restored to the Orders of the Day for a Second Reading, "together with the motion in amendment of the Honourable Mr. Mills that "the said Bill be not now read a second time but that it be read a "second time this day six months," and that it be made the First Order of the Day.