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The Week in Parliament.

PERHAPS the most important proceeding in Parliament this week was the bringing down of supplementary estimates for the financial year which began on the first instant. These estimates provided for a total sum of \$13,414,000 of which a little over \$5,000,000 was chargeable to capital account. With the main estimates the total estimated expenditure is \$86,946,000. There must be further supplementary estimates as no provision has yet been made for the Northwest Territories nor, we think, for the salaries of the lieutenant governors of the new provinces.

The Autonomy Bill has at last been passed through the House of Commons and will now be considered by the Senate. On the second reading of the Saskatchewan Bill, Mr. K. L. Borden moved an amendment to the effect that the new provinces should have complete control of its own affairs including the right to make laws in regard to education. This is the same amendment which the House rejected in the Alberta Bill by a majority of over 80. The House divided on Tuesday and it was rejected by 37 to 90. a government majority of 53.

Clause 12 of the bill provides that the Legislature of the province shall consist of twenty-five members, elected by constituencies which the bill names as follows: Souris, Cannington, Moosomin, Whitewood, Grenfel, Wolseley, Saltcoats, Yorkton, South Qu'Appelle, South Regina, Regina City, Lumsden, Moosejaw, Maple Creek, Greenwood, Humboldt, Kinistino, Prince Albert, Prince Albert City, Batoche, Saskatchewan, Rosthern, Reberly, and Battleford.

It is contended by some members of the Opposition that the arrangement of the constituencies works an injustice to the southern part of the provinces but no charges were made and the bill was reported from the committee without amendment. The discussion of both bills ended at one o'clock on Thursday morning after a number of amendments had been voted on. Mr. Walter Scott made a speech against the clause continuing the C. P. R. land exemption from taxation. He criticized the Opposition for devoting so much attention to the education clause when to his mind it was not so important. The exemption clause was the only concrete