## LÖCAL LEGISLATURE

FREDERICTON, April 11.-Th house met at three o'clock. The Hon Mr. Labillois in reply to

Mr. Jones said: The government is aware that a number of the inhabitants of Carleton county are desirous

The unsatisfactory condition of the that the Hartland bridge should be made free, but can scarcely believe branch railways in the province in conthat this is true of many of the in- nection with the Intercolonial is such habitants. It is true that it is the as to call for serious consideration. only toll bridge in the province. The These railways had been constructed government has not considered the largely by means of provincial and question of making the bridge free for dominion subsidies, and are not giving the following reasons: On the 15th of that accommodation to the public which was anticipated when their con-March. 1898, a petition was presented struction was provided for. If some to the lieutenant governor in council arrangement could be made by which urging that in case funds were not these roads could be worked as a part hen available to construct a bridge at of the Intercolonial system, it would Hartland as a government work, the be greatly to the public advantage, and governor in council would be pleased there is reason to believe that they to guarantee the bonds of a company would become valuable feeders of the

as follows:

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Mr. Hazen-I entirely agree as to the

on this subject.

to be incorporated for the purpose of constructing a bridge at three per cent. interest, and it was urged by the petition that if the bridge was constructed by the company it should be a toll bridge, and that the tolls received from the same, after paying for maintenance and repairs, should form sinking fund for the purpose of retiring the bonds. At that time those interested were given to understand that it would not be possible for the government to undertake the work. A very large expenditure was incurred in constructing a bridge across the St. John river at Woodstock, and there is shouner bridge at riorencevine con-structed out of the public moneys. The hill Junction to St. John is half a cent distance from Woodstock to Hartland Is about 14 miles and from Hartland to don per mile, or nearly three times as to the government that it would be just to other counties that such a large expenditure should be incurred in erecting bridges so close together. The people interested seemed to be entiresatisfied to have the bridge constructed by the company. If the government were now to assume the liabilwould involve a disregard of the onditions under which the bridge was constructed, and it does not seem to the government reasonable that it

railway taking over the branch lines. should be called upon so soon at all No man can doubt that if these roads wents, after the erection of the bridge, were taken over it would largely beneto take it over as a government work fit the localities, and also the province and make it free. generally, without being disadvan-Mr. Clarke put his enquiry in regard tageous either to the Intercolonial

to the condition of the New Bruns- railway or to Canada as a whole. These wick Southern Railway not having roads could be managed more econorun daily trains during the winter be- mically and efficiently as part of the tween St. John and St. Stephen, and Intercolonial than at present. But if whether the government had taken we are to accomplish anything we must any action to ascertain the cause of do something more than make refersuch violation of the law and to pre- ences to their condition. The attorney vent a recurrence of the interruption general did not read the concluding sentence on this subject in the speech

Hon. Mr. Pugsley said: The action from the throne in 1902, in which it was of the government has been called to stated that the members of the house pay half so much. If this is equit- ducts go to the European markets the interruption of traffic on the New would be invited to consider whether able, why should not other towns seek through Montreal, but I look with con-Brunswick Southern Railway as well the dominion authorities might not similar legislation. The greatest vir- fidence to the time when steamers leavas other railways in the province dur- properly be urged to make arrangeing the past winter. The conditions ments for the operation of the branch during the winter have been very ex- roads upon a fair and equitable basis. ceptional owing to the many and con- No action was taken at that session, But I requested an and it might be proper for the governtinuous storms. explanation from the managers of the ment before the close of the present Brunswick Southern Railway session to introduce a resoluti

is for the branch roads to become a to incorporate the Bartibogue Boon part of the trunk lines. Most of these Company. roads could be taken over by the Inter-Mr. King introduced a bill to extend colonial railway and operated more adthe term of the county council of the vantageously than at present. That is municipality of Kings to three years. the only way in which the public will Mr. Copp introduced a bill to incorever be able to secure proper accommoporate the New Brunswick Consolidation. In 1902 this matter was redated Railway Company. ferred to in the speech from the throne

The house went into committee, Mr. Jones in the chair.

A bill relating to the levving of rates and taxes in the city of St. John was taken up. Mr. Jones-I am opposed to the amendment added to this bill. The Bank of New Brunswick is provided for on the assessment law of St. John exactly the same as other corporations doing business there. The Common Council did not ask for any change in the law relating to the assessment of such corporations. Legislation is forcing a change upon St. John which the citizens do not want. The Bank of New Brunswick is perfectly able, doing a large business, to pay a full burden of the city taxes, and I cannot see why it should have a preference over other The same remark might be made corporations. The present law of aswith regard to the New Brunswick sessing the branch banks is not satis-Southern railway. It might become a factory in St. John and a remedy was part of the Intercolonial and be run at sought in this legislation. I am opa profit. The Intercolonial must now posed to a license fee that bears unbe handling an enormous traffic to the fairly on small banks wishing to start Canadian Pacific at St. John, which business. Banks should pay in promight just as well be handed over to portion to the amount of business done. connecting railway at the border. do not see why the amendment should The Intercolonial railway has always

be passed been operated unfairly to the branch Hon. Mr. Sweeney-The question of the banks was very properly settled freight originating on them than it by the city of St. John, which had a does on through freight. For instance, right to tax banks as it sees fit. This precisely the same bill as was before the house last year and was taken up carefully in the committee, where was fully discussed and given a is to starve out the branch roads. If bers from that constituency are in tural policy, at a time when New these roads could be taken over I bevantage to the people and that they to the committee not to accept its report. Intercolonial railway. I am only sur-

Mr. McLatchey-It is a matter of great interest not only in St. John, that line has been but just comready made itself felt more strongly but all over the province. It must certainly be a new rule if it would be discourteous for this house to dissent

menced.

The county which I represent, al-

though not more fertile than other por-

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great desirability of the Intercolonial from the report of this committee. This bill was for the protection of banks having head offices in the city of St. John. I am opposed to the am- in the factory. In this way a great deal there has been a disposition on every endment. If we lay down the principle in this bill to which I am opposed, there is no reason why the town ity has followed it. I need hardly say

of Campbellton should not come in for similar treatment. Mr. Hill-I am in favor of the principle of the bill as it is in the interest of justice and equity. Taxation in St. John has been discriminating most un- say that not only have we succeeded dumb in Halifax the sum of \$2,000 was justly against the Bank of New Bruns-

which, which paid a tax last year of \$7,419, while the branch banks did not largely increase. At present our pro- \$2,500, but only \$568 was paid. tue is justice, and for this reason I ing St. John will be equipped with cold

will vote for the amendment. storage both in summer and winter. Mr. Copp-I certainly think that St. John needs a new assessment law, and time to the receipts of revenue for 1903 and as there is a good school at Hali-I think it is a privilege and bounden as compared with the estimate and fax we thought the children might go

defeated by the vote of the members will be in our favor. In presenting this and the decision should be taken. claim we are asking no favors, but are Mr. Hill-I think the motion of the simply demanding justice. The dominattorney general is entirely in order. ion government asked us to agree to a The house may or may not accept the case as to whether the money had been report of the committee of the whole. paid over to Canada clothed with a trust. We felt that we would be giv The house took recess. After recess, Hon. Dr. Pugsley moving away our case if we consented to ed that the matter before the house that, and I am happy to be able to say stand over. that not many weeks ago I received

attorney general's motion was in or- practically asked for was recognized. We hope to have this case before the Mr. Barnes presented the petition of supreme court in May.

The total estimated receipts of last James Barnes and others to change the name of Kingston to Rexton, year were \$809.398, while the actual receipts were \$801,410.

FREDERICTON, April 11.-Hon. Mr. I come now to the expenditures of Pugsley, by the command of his excel- the year 1903. Administration of justice, \$18,242, expenditure \$2,242 in exlency, laid before the house the estimates for the current year, and moved cess of the estimates. I will be criticized by those who say I ought to atthe usual resolution that the house go tend more criminal trials. So far as into committee of supply. Hon. Mr. Pugsley said: In moving the public business of the province is that you now leave the chair, I would concerned I feel that I am giving it an earnest and thorough a service as has not be doing justice to my own feelings if I did not express my regret that ever been given. If I was a younger the premier had been prevented by ill- man I could go trom circuit to circuit ness from being in his place to present and could supplement my income by the budget to the house as he has done many thousands of dollars, but if I did for many years. He possesses so inti- so I could not properly attend to my mate a knowledge of the finances of other duties as attorney general. Mr. the province and is able to exhibit Blair did attend many criminal trials, them in so clear a manner that I feel but since then the other work of the my presentation of the matter must attorney general has vastly increased. be very inadequate in comparison with I know of one attorney general in the him. In order that there might be no United States who has received \$12,000

delay he has asked me to take his from incorporated companies in fees place, and in entering on the discharge every year while I do the work withof this duty I am happy to re-echo the out fees. The position I hold was once sentiment that the province of New filled by John James Fraser and Brunswick is now enjoying an era of George E. King, and they gave very prosperity unexampled in its history. little time to criminal cases. I do not Agriculture, which is our greatest in- remember Mr. Fraser ever trying a dustry, has made wonderful progress. criminal case, but he was a man who lengthy consideration. Now that the It is not many years since the govern- enjoyed the respect and confidence of city council of St. John and the mem- ment began and advanced an agricul- the people of this province to a refavor of the bill I think it would be Brunswick, instead of an exporter of show that the public business has been \$25,468. I have seen criticisms of thom. Mr. Pugsley said: I do not markable extent. They ought also to discourteous to the members and also cheese, was importing that article, and neglected. There has been no miscarwas hardly able to supply itself with riage of justice since I was attorney butter. Now this province is an exgeneral. During the past year there porter of both, and our development in

were many cases of unusual importance, and the jurors' fees were very largely increased. Congencies show an excess of nearly \$4.000. This account covers the cost of

year about one-half of the total of the equipment of the departmental ofcheese and other dairy products made fices and the legislature. I believe year. side to keep the contingencies down to out the country and increased prosper- the lowest amount possible.

The expenditure on education was estimated at \$210.079 and the expenditures largely depends the prosperity of the \$202,847. A large part of this decrease province. It has been well said that arose through the common schools, fice. agriculture is the true source of a coun- where the expenditure fell short about try's wealth. I am happy to be able to \$4,000. For the schools for the deaf and in producing butter and cheese for ex- estimated, but nothing was paid, and port, but that this business is likely to for manual training the estimate was Mr. Hazen-What is the policy of the Deaf and dumb institution propgovernment with respect to the deaf

conservative.

and dumb schools? Hon. Mr. Pugsley-After the closing of the institution at Fredericton the I will call your attention for a short | board of education took up the subject, duty of every member to take excep- the estimate of expenditure as pre- there for the present. We had either Surprise s stamped on zvery cake of Jarprise Soap It's there so you! can't be deceived.

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Hon. Mr. Pugsley-From 1886, when fide intentions and ability to proceed I first took an active interest in Do- with the work of construction. minion politics, I was an independent provision has not been complied wi When it was proposed in the case of two railway bills pass to make Portland for ten years the by the corporations committee, and the winter port of Canada, I held a meet- house should not proceed with ing in the county of Kings to protest consideration until the government has against that monstrous injustice. been satisfied by the promoters Meetings were also held in St. John, these bills.

and the scheme was abandoned. From Hon. Mr. Pugsley submitted the 17th that time on they did not look upon annual report of the Provincial Boar me as a tame follower of the party. of Health of New Brunswick for There was a small balance paid dur- | year ending Oct. 31st, 1903.

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the amount expense incurred, but I tend to detain the house very long would ask these critics to take up the a few additional observations. vouchers and see if they can find is one matter, however, in regard there any expenditure that ought not which I wish to make a few remain to have been incurred. The govern- the consolidation of the statutes, ment was fortunate in having George will be remembered that the legis Robertson to manage the affair and ture granted \$20,000 for this work. everything he did was done with the that time we did not know what would

be the amount of the work, so that the utmost economy. I now come to the estimates of rev- estimate of cost was largely a gue nue and expenditure for the current The revised statutes of 1877 cost \$23 500, and the book contained 1,123 pages They are as follows:

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The speaker said that he desired from the minister of justice a proposed further time to consider whether the statement of a case in which what we

and have received the following reply, ing this policy upon the federal auwhich I will read : thorities. In 1898 a similar resolution

St. John, April 9th, 1904. Hon. William Pugsley, Attorney General, Province of New Brunswick:

Sir:-In answer to your telegram I of the Intercolonial railway. beg to say that our road was blocked Hon. Mr. Pugsley-I am glad that several times during the past winter. the leader of the opposition takes the This was caused by the unprecedented view he does of this question. I had storms and ice forming on the rails. a strong hope that the Canada East-Every exertion was made by me and ern would have been taken over bethe men in the employ of the company fore this and that by the success of to keep the road open. Extra labor this measure the government would was employed and the company spent be encouraged to go further and take over \$700 over and above the ordinary over the other branch lines. running expenses in endeavoring to break the snow blackade. The road what the attorney general has said I was originally built as a narrow gauge think a resolution of this house on the road and the cuts along the road are subject of the branch lines would be Snow was piled up of very great assistance in solving the very narrow. along the track in some places eight question. I am informed that there to ten feet high on both sides of the is a petition to the Governor General road and so high in many places that asking that the New Brunswick our snowplows could not be operated, Southern railway be taken over. and the snow had to be shovelled out by hand. Often after the road was which has arisen in connection with cleared, the next day the snow would the proceedings of this house to which be blown into the cuts and also fill I desire to refer and I do so with conup other parts of the roads. Our snow siderable pain. I am informed it has plow was smashed and we then ap- been stated by some opponents of the plied to the government, and also to government in St. John that I have the C. P. R. for the loan of a snow- been retained by the Bank of New plow, but it was impossible for them Brunswick to promote the legislation to give us one. Their answer was connected with the assessment of the that in consequence of the severe banks in St. John. If these rumors storms they could not spare any part had been confined to that city I might of their rolling stock. Nor was it have ignored them, but to my surprise possible for us to get an extra snow- it has come to my knowledge that the plow. Two of our engines were smash- same statement has been made by ed up in our endeavor to keep the members of the legislature here. I

road open, and also some of our roll- can imagine no greater offence against ing stock. I mention generally public morals than that a member of these facts to show that every effort the legislature should receive pay to was made to keep the road open. In promote certain legislation, and that previous years we have been able to he should go into a committee and operate the road with very little interruption, but as you know during the stances. If I had done that I would past year all the roads in the Domin- have been violating one of the most ion have been blocked for a greater sacred rules of this house. The stateor less period. I would suggest that ment that I have had a retainer from the government hold an investigation the Bank of New Brunswick or from

I am satisfied that the result of any other person is absolutely false. this investigation will be to bear out I am as free to vote on this bill as any all that I have stated in this letter. other member of the house. While I am

emphatically deny. Further, there of the legislature on both sides of the has not been an accident on our road house. I believe that we are all desince I have been superintendent (14 sirous of treating every question on years), that is, no one has been injur- its merits and in the best interests of ad or hurt. This is a record that can- the province. not be shown by any other road in the Dominion of Canada. It is true confirm certain regulations in regard the road is not in the condition it to crown timber lands and to provide should be for heavy business, but the for a bureau of labor. directors have appointed Mr. Neilson to make a re-survey of the road to re- amend the act incorporating the town port as to the cost of putting it in of Dalhousie for water, fire, light and first class condition, so that it can be police purposes. made part of a through system. Dur-

ing the past year we have purchased provide further improvements for the thirty new flat cars and six new box water suply system of the city of Frecors. Yours respectfully.

## FRANK J. MCPEAKE, Supt.

The government, beyond communicating with the company, have not pany. taken any steps to prevent the recurrefice of the interruption of traffic. In- to forest fires in the county of Westdeed the government is quite powerless morland to improve the travel on branch railways. The only proceedings they could lating to the Free Public Library in take would be to take possession of the the city of St. John. road and run it. As very few of these branch roads can be operated at a a resolution praying that the governprofit that would only impose a burthen | ment would increase the sessional inthe government. Many of the demnity of the members of the house. branch roads were poorly built and not under a specification as it now requir- of A. P. Barnhill, Henry Hilyard, John It is difficult to make the branch Stewart and others, in favor of a bill lines pay under existing conditions. I to incorporate the Tobique and Campunderstand that the present owners of bellton Railway Company. the New Brunswick Southern railway have expended upwards of \$100,000 on regard to fines in the county of Kent; It in the hope that it will be made the also in regard to certain crown land part of a through system. The only sales.

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remedy for the present state of affairs | Hon. Mr. Pugsley introduced a bill matter has been fully discussed and get the question submitted the answer the Harris land job?

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urg- tion to any bill that he does not con sider in the interests of the province. I regret it very much that the hon. gether, \$210,089, the estimate being tion and the premier went to Halifax attorney general and other members had been passed with regard to the have taken up the question between Canada Eastern. No action had been taken upon it, but I believe it is most the two banks in St. John. I feel that the Bank of New Brunswick had no desirable that it should become a part right to attach this amendment to this ber land, and also from game licenses, that it would cost money. A gentleman bill. The city of St. John applied for

legislation to tax branch banks, and if the Bank of New Brunswick wished to have a reduction of its tax it should seek legislation in the proper manner. I take issue with the hon, gentleman that it would be discourteous for the house to dissent from the report of the committee. I do regret that members of this house have tried to influence Mr. Clarke-While I fully appreciate other members in favor of this amendment. Every member should exercise

an independent opinion. I conscientiously believe that this is not in the interest of the province to impose a tax on banks, as it finally comes out of the poor man's pocket. I hope the members will assume an independent position.

Mr. Pugsley-There is one matter Mr. Robertson-It is quite within the province of the hon. member to make a motion to give the bill a three months' hoist. I think when the resolution of the City Council of St. John and the members are in favor of this bill it should pass the house. The city of St. John wished by this legislation to increase their revenue by \$2,500, and since the members are in favor it is right it should be granted. I do not think the house should throw out this bill and thus establish a precedent unless some violent outrage is being committed.

Mr. Tweeddale-I was formerly opposed to the passing of this bill, but since the Common Council of St. John are in favor of it I think it should be passed and the report of the committee be received. I believe in the principle of assessing all the institutions of the country.

The house divided on Mr. Copp's motion that the bill be given a three months' hoist as follows: Yeas-Messrs. Copp, Burden, Camp-

bell, Gogain, Barnes, Burns, Grimmer, Hazen, Hartt, Morrissey, Glasier, Log-It has been mentioned that our road on my feet I desire to say that I think gie, Poirier, Clarke, Morrison and Leis in a dangerous condition. This I I can say the same of every member gere-16.

Nays-Hon. Messrs. Pugsley, Labillois, Sweeney, Hill, Messrs. Carpenter, King, Ryan, Ruddock, Tweeddale, Purdy, Robertson, Smith, Young, Lantalum. Burgess and Clair-16.

Hon. Mr. Tweedie and Mr. McLat-Hon. Mr. Pugsley introduced bills to chey were paired off, Hon. Mr. Farris with Mr. Allen and Mr. Osman with own all the fisheries of the province, Mr. Whitehead. The motion was car-not only the shore fisheries, but the ried by the casting vote of the chair-Mr. McLatchey introduced a bill to man.

Hon. Mr. Pugsley moved that the prevented even the riprarian owners report be not received and that it be from fishing or renting the fisheries to Mr. Whitehead introduced a bill to referred back to the committee for other persons. It was not until Judge further consideration. He claimed Steadman and Christian A. Robertson first that it was not competent for the took action and carried their case into

dericton; also a bill to amend the act committee of the house to pass such court that the right to the river fishrelating to the police establishment of resolution, and second, the house eries was decided. This was prior to had a right to refer the matter back 1896, before which time they had pos-Mr. Ryan introduced a bill to incorto the committee of the whole, and session of the fisheries on rivers runporate the Herring Cove Railway Com-

it was proper that this should be done ning through our crown lands, thus deas a member had been deprived of priving the province of their rental. Mr. Legere introduced a bill relating his vote and in his place when the The provincial government made a nays were called. Mr. Hazen-I think the hon. gentle- for this since 1886, and this claim with Mr. Robertson introduced a bill re-

trary to the practice of this house in propose to press this claim, and I and allowed these things to go on and making such a motion. I think it think every one will say it is a just even approved of them until at last in Mr. Purdy gave notice of motion of ought to be voted down by the house. claim. Hon. Mr. Pugsley-Proper and fair consideration is wanted for import- \$2,000,000 on account of the Halifax ant measures like this and I claim award. We have been urging the dothis bill has not been refused by a minion authorities to agree to the his, deposit.

Mr. Tweeddale presented the petition proper vote of the cimmittee of the statement of a special case, and we whole. thought we had succeeded a year ago. Mr. Copp-I am surprised at the The case we wanted was whether the party, and would not be surprised if very extraordinary position taken by proprietary rights of the fisheries were Mr. Hazen gave notice of enquiry in the attorney general in this matter. vested in the crown for the use of the No later than Friday last my vote Dominion of Canada, or of the four paign expenses. was rejected on the important mea- provinces. I have not the slightest sure under similar conditions.

more popular every year as a resort ject conceived the idea of establishing for sportsmen. There was an in- a school in St. John. It has since been crease in the fees of the provincial established and application has been secretary's office over the estimate, made for its recognition. The governand also in taxes on incorporated com- ment has come to no conclusion beyond The succession duties did this, that while no encouragement could panies. not realise so much by about \$7,000 be given to establishing a school in St. as was estimated. Mr. Hazen-Surely you do not regret on a permanent basis, with a satisfacthat ? tory staff of teachers, they would make Hon. Mr. Pugsley-When our people the same allowance to pupils going Health, public, including smallpox. 13,600 00 confidence to a great development as have come to the time when they there as to pupils going to Halifax. must shuffle off this mortal coil it is Under the expenditure for public Interest, bonded debt, etc., not minently to be desired that they health it will be seen that the amount should leave as large an estate as pos- of \$12,979 was expended on account of sible. We estimated at \$8,604, the smallpox, which was \$7,979 more than Legislature .... 20,512 50 ranged to put a steamer on the route amount we would receive from the the estimate. The smallpox has involv- Lunatic asylum..... 54,896 43 between St. John and the southern but the amount actually received was and including the year 1900 we have Museum, provincial. ..... 200 00 a large business with St. John, but re-\$5,604 less than that amount. Some been obliged to expend \$76,160 on this Natural History Societies ..... 400 00 cently the steamboat service to them few years ago the Dominion govern- account alone, and there are outstand- New Brunswick Historical Society. 125 00 has been unsatisfactory. The provinment recognized the principle that ing claims estimated at \$7,000 or more. Public printing. ..... 120,000 00 cial subsidy of \$1,000 will be in addi-of the cost of building wharves on the able to special funds was \$140,000, while Refunds crown lands. .... 1,000 00 inion government. Another item in the

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river St. John and its tributaries in the expenditure was \$3,105 less. tide waters. We claimed \$16,000 and Some years ago the provincial secthought we would get one-half, but at retary floated a loan of about a mil- Surveys and railway inspection .... 2,000 00 been constructed out of the approprithe end of the fiscal year only \$3,000 mion dollars of 3 per cent bonds at 96 Stumpage collection.... 10,000 00 ation for roads and bridges. On the had been paid. After the close of the net. Last year money was required, year most of the balance was paid. but the rate of interest had gone up There is an estimate of \$12,000 which and it could not be floated 3 1-2 per Tourists Association....... 2,500 00 other places wharves are needed for we claimed from the Dominion gov- cent at 99. Adding to this interest Unforeseen expenses. .... 2,000 00 the accommodation of the people. ernment for fishing basis. This sum account \$1,000 charged under the law has not been received. The claim to public works, we get a total of arose from the Dominion government \$146,849.

pared with the actual expenditure. to let this be done or establish a new

\$200,000. This was the largest amount and made an arrangement to send our

of territorial revenue realized in the pupils there. We felt there was much

history of the province. There was to be said in favor of establishing a

showing that our province is becoming who was taking an interest in this sub-

having taken possession of certain The cost of public printing was \$14,-tributaries of the Restigouche, which 321. I am assured that this was was estimated at \$75,000 more than the es-were under lease to Americans et a done in a most and the same all the matvere under lease to Americans at a done in a most ecomoical manner. In- timate of last year and \$65,000 more ters which I think it necessary to deal good rental. In this way the province cluded in this sum is the reprint of the than the receipts. Of this sum we estihas been deprived for a number of budget debate of 1902. This has been mate \$150,000 for stumpage and \$75,000 and the house for the great patience years of the rent from its own prop- called a campaign document, but it for renewal of licenses. We have no erty, and we claim this amount and gave the public a full report of all that reason to doubt that these sums will will continue to claim it until it is was said on both sides during the be realized. We have in this estimate The matter is not yet settled, budget debate. We think it a justifi- a new item of receipts, the sum of \$15,-

because the machinery at Ottawa is able expenditure to employ an official 000 on account of royalties. We estivery big and slow. But we have got reporter to furnish the newspapers mate a great development of coal fields attorney general at the absence of the this far that I succeeded in getting with a report every day, because it is in Queens county, and this hope is premier for I have always listened the minister of justice to say in the in the public interest to furnish accur- based on the judgment of practical presence of the premier that the claim ate and full information. If that is de- men, and also of experts. There is ment which he has been present would be paid. We have another large claim against the Domin-ture can there be than to furnish a re-mining in Kent county. The Beersion government in regard to the print of this report to contain all that from was said on both sides with regard to railway, and there is another company fisheries, quite apart to in respect Halifa: award. After confederation regard to the portraits, these were the dominion government claimed to paid for by the members of the gov- two mines will soon be capable of turnernment themselves and no charge was made against the public treasury. river fisheries as well. They appoint-

Mr. Hazen-If the printing cost one ed wardens over these fisheries and hundred per cent. more than it ought the portraits may have been thrown in. Hon. Mr. Pugsley-I remember when my hon. friend was not so particular with regard to the cost of printing. When the Sun was getting such vast sums on that account from Ottawa he never found fault.

> Mr. Hazen-Then you and I were advance on their original price. both on the same side.

Hon. Mr. Pugsley-I was onlyy humble follower that had no opportunclaim against the dominion government | ity of criticizing the public expenditure, but the leader of the opposition was man has taken a position entirely con- interest now amounts to \$134,750. We a member of the house of commons be prepared to make concessions on the question of stumpage and mileage. 1896 the people declined to renew their confidence in him.

Mr. Hazen-I was beaten by 119 votes, while the attorney general lost

Hon, Mr. Pugsley-Yes, but he was running as the candidate of a great some of the \$200,000 for the Harris call attention of the house to the unland job went to pay some of the cam- derstanding arrived at the last session,

This doubt on that point, or that if we can general support the government after appeared before the government to ALC: N. T. T. M. C.

work required special knowledge Estimated expenditures.. .. ... 856,966 91 Trueman that it employed him for 189 ABSTRACT OF ESTIMATED EXPENDI- days from six to eight hours a day. TURE, 1904.

Deaf and dumb institution, Fred-

It was also part of his work to pre-Administration of justice. ......\$ 18,310 00 pare the marginal notes. I feel certain Auditor general ..... 2,500 00 matter with a desire to do simple jus-Agent general, London..... 1,000 00 tice to an honest, hard working young Boys' Industrial Home, St. John ... 1,200 00 man, will not say that he has been Contingencies.. .. .. ...... 15,000 00 Over-paid.

I said something yesterday of the oil Education .... ... ... ... 215,144 48 ital for this refinery has been pro-Elections .... ... ... 1,200 00 vided and that the machinery is being Executive government..... 31,900 00 got ready, and that in a few months John, yet if the school were established Fisheries protection..... 2,000 00 the refinery will be in operation. The Free grants act .... . ......... 1,500 00 owners seem to be assured that the oil Forest's protection ...... 1,000 00 is there in abundance, and I look with Hospitals, public..... 9,000 00 well as large royalties to the province from oil.

During the past year the shipping chargeable to special funds..... 140,000 00 Immigration ...... 1,500 00 firm of Wm. Thomson & Co. have ar-Revision and consolidation of laws. 15,000 00 estimates is for public wharves, \$12,-Revisors .... 1,700 00 000. Heretofore these wharves have Succession duties collection ..... 1,000 00 St. John river and its tributaries and Superannuation allowance ...... 600 00 the waters of the North Shore and ----- have always thought it unjust that Dominion subsidies are the same as province and who have no railway acwith at present. I desire to thank you with which you have listened to my

statement of the financial affairs ci

the province. Mr. Flemming-I concur in the regret which has been expressed by the with interest to the financial states sirable what more justifiable expendi- also satisfactory development of coal for the past few years. As we are w aware of the ability of the attor ville mines are now connected with a general we knew that the finanstatement would not fail at his has the the expenditure of the province. With in that vicinity which has expended and while it was very general and of the province. \$150,000 in coal development. These go into many details, I have no doub that he would make an excellent m ance minister. The attorney gene ing out a thousand tons a day. The has referred to the large increase only question will be to find a market. There has also been a splendid devel- the territorial revenue, and that opment in Westmorland and Albert amount last year was \$10,000 more than with the New Brunswick Petroleum the estimate. It is well known the Co., who have spent a very large we have had a period of great pros amount of money in boring wells, most perity in the lumber trade and there of which have proved productive. The fore that the returns from stumpage increased stumpage and mileage has are large. He should, however, have been justified by the great prosperity admitted that but for the extra reof the lumber industry, for recently ceipts from this sourse the premier leased lands have been sold at a great last year would have been all astray We in his calculation. A large amount of lumber has been cut this year on ac would not have been doing our duty count of the forest fires so that the to the people of this province if we territorial revenue will probably had not exacted a larger revenue from large. But while that is true of the our lumber lands, but if the time should come when the humber industry should present year the prospects for the fin ture are not so very bright. The lun become depressed the government will.



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> Now turn to the The attorney so were paving ve an examination eral's report will

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needs.

At eleven o'clock Dr. Pugsley moved

the adjournment of the debate. He will resume tomorrow. FREDERICTON, April 12. - The house met at three o'clock. Hon. Mr. Pugsley said that at the request of the premier he desired to

or the one preceding, that no railway Mr. Hazen-Did not the attorney charters be granted till the promoters

