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Sessional Notes.

The Legislative Session has entered its sixth week, and the ment actuated by a desire to economise time, or did they use ordinary business industry preparing the business of the Session they should now be, at least, within measurable distance to third reading in the Legislaof its close.

usual. Short sittings in the forenoons and afternoons were the order of the day. Perhaps the Government are waiting for " a sign" from Ostawa before proceeding any further. Whatever they may be waiting for, we feel sure their own supporters no less that the general public will be pleased when they make a forward move. On Monday th 18th, the House met about half past four p. m., and after routine Mr. Mathieson presented another petition containing the names of 1000 electors, additional to the one previously presented, (making 3,000 so far) asking that our per capita allowance be paid us on our maximum population and urging the pressing of the Island's claims, That is not the end of the petitioning. The balance of the sitting was consumed in asking and answering questions and ad-

On Tuesday the Government proceeded with bills providing for a new jail site, and also for the sale of the stock farm, in view of the inauguration by the Dominion Government, at some future time, of an experimental farm. The committee stage of this last named measure evoked considerable discussion. The Government claimed the stock farm had outlived its usefulness, and consdered the best thing to do was to sell the land and the stock. During the discussion on this bill, his Honor the Lieutenant Governor was announced, and entering the Assembly Chamber he took his seat in the Speaker's Chair and gave his assent to the bill just passed, respecting Judges and Magistrates. After his Honor's departure the discussion was resumed. Mr. Mathieson severely criticised the management of the stock farm for the last few years. The last re. standing 9 to 18. port purported to show a surplus of \$380 on the operations of the farm. Admitting, for the sake of the committee stage of the proargument, that to be true why hibition act was resumed. members of the Opposition criticithe Government on a strict party the later stages the boot and shoe cised the Government's manage. division ment of the stock farm and their present course in proposing to dispose of it and buy land for the unanimously passed in the Legis-

was just 1 o'clock when Mr. Company. Be it therefore ReKennedy finished reading his solved. That this Legislative Asamendment and the House adjourned for recess, and considerain the best interests of this Proin the best interests of this Proin the best interests of such proposit.

Company Be it therefore Recombine referred to the great influence that their Association had
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the fact that one of their members not resumed for the rest of the ion for telephonic and telegraphic week. The committee stage of communication with the Mainland the public roads act consolidation either in addition to or in subfor a large part of the time spent vice heretofore supplied by the in legislation during Thursday Anglo-American Telegraph Co., and masters of routine took up and recommends that a suitable most of the time of the thort sit- subsidy be granted by the Federal ting Friday morning. Much dis. Government for such telephonic cussion took place on the question and telegraphic communication. of improving our roads, especially our winter roads. The Leader of Fishing in Hudson Bay. The Toronto Globe has bee

real business for which the Legis- the Opposition and several other lature is called from year to year, members on that side of the the voting of supplies, has not yet House pointed out the wretched convinced that it is the duty of been touched upon. Estimates manner in which the winter roads the Dominion Government to were attended to. They thought thoroughly investigate the re quently their is no sign of the the Commissioner of Public sources of Hudson Bay in the budget speech. Five weeks ago Works, after hearing the expres- way of fisheries. This informayesterday, the House met and sions of opinion presented by dif- tion, says the Globe, "should, when one would think that was suffi-ferent members would consider it obtained, be not buried in blue cient time do the business that his duty to make some change in books, but published in popular annually appertians to the Pro- the system of roads. But the form and put into general circulavincial Legislature. This is cer- Commissioner seems wedded to tion." But this is not all. The tainly true and were the Govern- his idols and persistently refuses Globe likewise demands that the any attempt to improve this wretched system.

> The road act as amended passed ture last evening. It is safe to say that it is now worse than it was before. This is especially true as regards the expenditure of the read money. The Commissioner of Public Works takes all the money into his own hands and pays it out according as he thinks it may be of most advantage to himself, regardless of the needs of the different localities. Any attempt at improving the act in this particular is speedily voted down by the Government. A striking example of this was afforded last evening. When the bill had been reported from committee Mr. Mathieson moved the following resolution, seconded by Mr. McKinnon: That the report of the committee be not adopted. but that the said Bill be referred backto Committee to be amended so as to provide :-

That the Province, except the incorporated towns, be divided into Road Districts and the road taxes collected within each district be expended therein under the supervision of the Road Overtrict and the deficiency, if any, be made up out of the general revenue; That such expenditure be made at public competition so that all tax payers shall have an opportunity of performing work n lieu of taxes.

3. That all amounts in addition to such taxes required by the several districts for their public works be apportioned to the respective districts by resolution of this Legislature.

4. That proper provison be made for the locating, breaking, repairing and marking out the Committee of Ways and Means course of winter roads.

5. That read officers receiving yearly salaries be not allowed any further sums for commission or wages in connection with Public Works. After some discussion to vacation. He was a long way out which we will refer later, this in his reckoning. But the delay was one of the most impressive events both sides. amendment was voted down on a has been all his own fault for the of the Session. strictly party division, the vote time has been mostly occupied by

After disposing of the road act

should the Government want to amendment, relating to clubs, pro- It not was until this week that Mr dispose of the only asset that posed by Mr. Kennedy, and alshowed a balance in their favor? ready referred to, was immediate- tails of his final measure. But the statement was misleading | Ip up for discussion. We cannot Large expenditures that should be for want of time and space, make charged against the farm were not any lengthened remarks on this so charged. Why was this? He discussion just now; but it will Mr. Boyce, of Algoms, called atwould like to know why we should keep. Suffice it to say that the tention to the fact that some eighty be expected to furnish the money prohibition Government and all boot and shoe manufacturers had to procure land for the Dominion their supporters in the House seked for additional protection. Government to establish an ex- voted to exempt the club from the Waen they began pressing for perimental farm. Mr. A. J. Mc- operations of the prohibition act, these changes the Tanner's Asso Donald, Mr. Fraser and other The amendment was defeated by ciation worked with them, but in

Dominion Government. It was lature yesterday, and the necespointed out that the Government sary steps were taken to have it seemed determined to sell any duly forwarded to the Federal asset of value they might possess. authorities: Whereas a proposi- they claim that the increased duty The proceedings on Wednesday partment of Public Works for the position than they were before forenoon, were mostly of a routine Dominion of Canada by a syndi. Now in the discussion there was character. In consequence of the cate of residents of Prince Edward produced the combine agreement of terrific storm several members of Island and Nova Scotia to provide the Tanner's Association which the House were not present. The install and lay a cable from Prince compels all purchasers, in considerabentees included the Premier and Edward Island to the Mainland ation of certain rebates, to make a the Leader of the Opposition. so as to give telephone communi- solemn declaration that they will After routine, the House resolved cation between the Provinces of only buy from the tanner's within itself into committee of the whole Province Edward Island, New the combine. On several occasions to consider the consolidation of the Brunswick and Nova Scotia, the Dr Sproule has produced this evidprohibition Act. Considerable pro- tariff of rates for such telephonic gress was made; but when clause communication to be approved by twelve was reached Mr. Kennedy the Railway Commission of moved an amendment, seconded Canada. And whereas it is also by Mr. Prowse, making the sale proposed to give continuous tele-no action. barter or disposal of liquor in all graphic communication over the A MINISTER IN THIS COM clubs, by any member or servant same cable from Prince Edward thereof by any member or other Island to the telegraphic system

Ontario Government, push the Temiskaming railway on to James Bay with all reasonable speed, for is "would be unwise to stop the Temiskaming road at Abitibi if there is a great fishing industry to be developed at Hudson Bay." The Globe appears to have forgotten that in November 13th. 1902, the Laurier Government rented the fishing rights it is so anxious to have investigated-at the cost of the Dominion Government-and developed-at the cost of the Ontario Government-to Mr. Arch. McNee, of Windsor, Ont., for the annual rental of \$10. the rights so granted being exclutwenty-one years, i. e. until 1923. Globe grown so accustomed to having the Government provide soft things for its friends, that it does not see anything incongruous in its proposition? It might not even see anything out of place if, when the information it yearns for has been obtained by the Do Mr Greenway holds that the arable

Ottawa Weekly Letter.

The Land Bill.

Ottawa, March 13, 1907 On Tuesday, the 12th, Mr Fielding stated that he had no more tariff changes to propose and the handed in what is now supposed to be its final report. The Finance met that he expected to have his tariff revision measure finished and the ministers in revising their own revision. After Christmas the min ister brought in about a hundred

amendments to his awn bill and amendments to these amendments. Fielding himself knew all the de-A COMBINE REWARDED

On the last day of discussion singular circumstance was revealed. people were left to fight it out alone. In the end the tanners got an in-The following resolution was creased duty on all sile leather, though in the first draft of the tariff tion has been made to the De-in-leather leaves them in a worse ence in the house, and it is shown that formal representations had been made to the government as required by the statute against combine and that the government took ernment is fixing the density of popu-

was in Sir Wilfrid's Cabinet. Of the pext stage he declared that steam the seven firms maintaining the railways would be included and that ly have at least \$150 profit on tanner's combine that of C. S Hythe public roads act consolidation either in addition to or in suboccupied the attention of members stitution for the telegraphic serlargest, and it now appears that this reliway men that they did not like the combine not only escaped the law, bill at all and their spokesman had but that its members have been only expressed approval of the bill specially favored in the tariff re—when he was told that it did not apply rision. Mr. Borden pointed out that the government took no action against this illegal combination when complaint was made. He added: "and although the facts leave the railway men free to seek a were admittedly brought before the settlement under the amendment now Governor in council, the governor way disputes Act. onneil took no action except one ction and that was to take into the Cabinet, into the Privy Council, into this administration, a member of that very combine against whom this complaint bas been made."

THE NEW LAND BILL. Probably the most important Legislation proposed this Session is the Land Act explained by the Min isted of the Interior on Thursday. This messure came as a surprise to Government is throwing open for the first time all the odd numbered ections of land in the West outside nearly all their lands, the area now made available is very large. Mr. Mr. Fielding and Mr. Emmerson, sup-Oliver says that the sections now opened comprise 40,000,000 scres, of good land and bad. The Bill provides that the whole may be alotted by preemption to settlers these odd numbered sections and have not vet perfected their titles and to other homes eaders who may locate on adjoining even numbered sections in future. Each homesive and being for the term of steader will be allowed to take an additional 160 acres at low price In view of this circumstance it assumed to be about one third the will strike most people that any market value. It will be seen that investigation and developing to be the measure gives to those settlers done should be at the expense of who happen to be on the ground in the only person who can benefit __ time and who have already secured Mr. Arch. McNee. Or has the 160 acres of land for nothing, the right to get another 160 acres by pre-

A GREAT CALAMITY. The Minister had scarcely taken his seat when Mr. Greenway, former Premier of Manitoba and one of the to his feet to oppose the measure. into general circulation" it should presents. He predicts an immediate MacIlreith would give no information be accompanied by the prospectus rush of settlers from Manitoba and as to the way the accounts were made of a fishing company promoted by the other settlements of Saskatchewan Mr. McNee and his friends.—Mon- toward these lands Men who have partner.

already had their 160 acres, will MR. HYMAN STILL A MEMBER. swarm into the new field, take new nomesteads, and preempt the adjoin ing quarter sections. Thus the land will be all taken without much in crease in the population. The people will be unsettled. In a year or two no land will be available for free grants to immigrants or for young men from the East. Everything wil be secured by the men pearest to the spot and Canada will cease to a field "I can conceive of no greater calamity befalling the western country said Mr Greenway, with intense feel ng. The solemn, almost passionate done with before the Christman Manitoba to the Government and the House to drop this feature of the Bill,

EFFECTS OF THE BILL.

In further discussion the Leader of

Dr Roche, Mr. Lake, Mr. McCarthy It gives the Minister of the Interior and the government generally enormous powers to withold or allow ers. privileges. No less than twenty four clauses give discretion to the min ster alone. Under similar power all have occurred, and the government is extending the discretion to transact. ons affecting the property, the op istence of the settler on the newly opened lands. As an election campaiga policy this measure may be great success. It will be popular among those who are in a position obtain the land. It will give the goverument, through partizan officials, power to co-erce or reward electors. tains at Ottawa the power over local nation, it is for the people of Canada special class of people who happen to

time, and who have already received they buy it at market prices, Mr. in one year. Again by allotting 350 instead of 160 to each farm the govation at two families instead of four to the square mile and thus limit-

person, an offence against the law on the mainland at a tariff of rates and subjecting all clubs to its pronot to exceed that now established visions as to search warrants. It by the Anglo-American Telegraph gether for an increase of duty, a amendment which he is introducing to friend of the Minister of Militia.

were not include t in his measure. At expe the railway brothurhoods were peased product shead. SUPPRESSION THERE ALSO.

nce more all inquiry into the name before the Hones or the pravious rail

INQUIRY BLOCKED.

There times this week by a straight. Answers.

party vote the Committee on Public statements and vouchers covering the original claim made sgainst the government by the Grand Thank ernment by the Grand Trunk Railway re-opening of a road running westwardly for construction work in the prairie and mountain section. Mr. Fielding and right of way purchased and survey made Mr. Emmerson still insist upon the suppression of these accounts The received, what action does the Governnditor of the Grand Trunk, who made This messure came as a surprise to up the account was summoned to . Hon, Mr. Cammisker said that the most western members and to the appear but disregarded the summons application had been received. A large House of Commons generally. The assistant testified that the statements presented to the government and kindly returned to the company had been if found to he in the public interest; destroyed. The accounts from which the Railway Company have located it was made up remained, but when of Public Works if he had received a the witness was asked to produce them, petition from certain inhabitants of Mr. Fielding and Mr. Emmerson, sup-Grandview, Lyndale and adjacent ported by a Liberal majority in the settlements praying for the opening of Committee voted down the motion. As new road from the Murray Harbor Road the account presented called for nearly to the County Line Road, and what a mill on dollars, and the suppressed action he intends to take.

me amount to \$162,000 and cover outlays for promotion, legislation and pre- near the station they have to travel a sho have taken homesteads beside liminary expenses of doubtful character, the country has some right to know who got the money.

A LUCKY LAWYER. an active Liberal campaigner, is down ing received for legal services to the Department. overnment in the last fiscal year, with

water mark in his profession for the garding this matter. The engineer will year. No less than \$4,114.41 was paid go to the locality and make a report. If bim for services connected with the purchase of lands at the Railway ter. able, and if the work is found to be in minus in Halifax. On Tuesday the the public interest it will be proceeded Public Accounts Committee tried to with. ascertain from this agent of the Department what he did to earn this money. Examined by Mr. Crocket Mr Mac-Ilreith admitted that he had charged tend and repair the Ferry wharf on the the Government for a fu'l day's work of five and six different properties on the leading Liberals in the House, sprang same day. The nominal charges were hundred dollars were expended in resometimes \$10 and sometimes \$15 a day pairing the wharf, and tenders were but by this system of multiplication called for the rebuilding of the structure. minion Government and "pub- land in the area now opened up is \$145 50 on the same day. This appear-

> The Privileges Committee has finished its investigation into Mr. Hyman's alleged resignation, For once the Members are unonimous. They have decided that the resignation is invalid and ineffective and that the Minister of

up. That business was done by his

The House of Commons enstained a great loss by the death of Dr. A. A Stockton the Member for City and County of St. John, N. B. Dr. Stockton came to Parliament with a high reputa tion as a stateman and a public speaker in his own Province. In his first session here he established his position as one of the finest and strongest Parliamentary speakers in the House. He had become a recognized authority on constitutional questions and invariably commanded the respectful attention of

There is trouble over the last appointeats have been kept vacant for a veal Legislature, who says he was promised he seat has publicly declared and reffirmed that the successful competitor is under promise to resign when asked

YUKON COM LAINR. Dr. Thompson Member for the Yukon aid before the House this week some o the grievances of his district. His con titutents are impatient over the refusa to them of representative institutions They complain of injustice in mining concessions and of the inadequate telegraph service.

seu struggling with the bill for 250 anh for each machine which is an arrangerifle shooting. It is understood some 2.000 of these machines will be furnish Mr. Jewell of Toronto secured the right for Canada. According to the evidence of the manager, the contracting com-pany paid Jewell \$53,000 cash and \$500that M. Jewell digtributed the \$500,000 be in a particular place at a particular

duction. Hereafter they will apparent schine, and as they have farmed out the work of making them there is fine

frading contract. A government officer had the information but he refused to answer Mr. Monk's questions and the majority supported the sup

Some Questions and

In the Legislature, Mr. Bowlen asked about April, 1890. If said petition was ment intend taking to the motern were opened. The engineer would make his report and the road would be opened Mr. Irving asked the commission

Mr. Irving said that though they are long distance for want of a direct road This is a most important matter, and he would strongly impress upon the R. T. Maclireith, Barrieter of Halifax, Irving in emphasizing the necessity of Hon. Mr. Hassard joined with Mr receive the serious consideration of the

Hon, Mr Cummiskey said that several taxed costs, \$10,314 78 which is high delegations had waited upon him rethe right of building the road be reason-

Hon, A. J. McDonald asked the Commissioner of Public Works what steps he has taken or intends to take to ex searching titles on each of three, four, Cummiskey replied that some repairs south side of Cardigan River. Mr. may be required. Several years ago six there were charges of \$65, \$85 and up to The lowest estimate was four thousand

> Agriculture to explain certain items of expenditure in his department and Mr Reid said that answers to these would be

1906 under the various headings me in the Auditor's report. Hon Mr. Peters said that the

Public Works if it is his intention to con ply with the request of certain inhabitant of Stanchel and surrounding districts for a certain sum of money to repair a road eading from Dixon's Mills to Stanche Corner. Mr. Kennedy stated that the road had been opened about twenty year ago and that since then no public had been expended upon it.

Mr. Cummiskey said that about years ago this road was repaired at con siderable expense. The inspector will in spect this road and if repairs are necessar will be repaired as other roads. Mr. Kickham asked the Comm

y on the table the following information How many tenders were received by him at Midgell? What are the names or tend

Mr. Cumiskey replied that a stathm would be brought down.

with a general cargo, and crew of eight, her. The trip should have occupied no

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Bay to have been lost this winter.

In Boston, on March 22nd, Allan J. McDonald, son of John R. McDonald, of Springfield, Lot 67. The remains are expected to arrive home on Wednesday

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Department of Agriculture.

The financial statement of the department of agriculture of this Province, for the nine months ended Sept 30th, 1904, as per the Commissioner's report, is given below. We feel sure our farmers will be much interested in seeing the manner in which their money is spent in this department. This is the Commissioner's statemer

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