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*Taylor, J. D.* (New Westminster)—*Con.*  
created by this combine, 7888. That arrangement was not made casually, but was the result of long discussion, 7889.

*Templeman, Hon. Wm.* (Minister of Inland Revenue)—7886.

The provincial government at the present time is limiting the number of boats, 7886. Necessarily that regulation had to be reciprocal, 7887. Thinks it is part of the fishery regulations, has been in force for some years, 7888. It is absolutely unnecessary to suggest an amendment to this Act, 7889. When we used to have every fourth year a big year, the price was low, 7890. If you lessen the number of licenses you are lessening the number of fishermen, 7896.

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Third reading of Bill 101. *Hon. W. M. King*, 7977.

*Borden, R. L.* (Halifax)—7995.

No person has been named by the government to take the initiatory measures, 7995. Some grave criticism to be made of the innovation upon criminal law, 7996. You find the definition of the word 'combine' divided into four branches, 7997. If the publicity will have the result hoped for, will be very glad, 7998.

*Burdury, G. H.* (Selkirk)—7979.

Reads 'High Tariff and Combines' from the *Winnipeg Tribune*, 7979. There is no doubt about this cement merger being a serious drawback to the west, 7980.

*Deputy Speaker, Mr.*—8002.

The point was not raised as a point of order, 8002. Therefore he made no ruling, 8003.

*Fielding, Hon. W. S.* (Finance Minister)—7992.

The cement merger, reference to the question in the early part of the session, 7992. Only fair he should present the contentions of that deputation, 7993. What we are doing does not impose any burden on the people, 8002. The Prime Minister does not agree with Sproule, 8003.

*Lafortune, D. A.* (Montcalm)—7993.

Tobacco merger to the great injury of the farmers, 7993. Controlled the prices and gave the farmers just what they pleased to give them, 7994.

*Henderson, D.* (Halton)—7993.

Then he would assume that the Bill would be wholly ineffectual, 7993.

*King, Hon. W. L. Mackenzie* (Minister of Labour)—7981.

Sproule has kept too much in mind legislation with which he has had to do, 7981. The effective machinery for get-

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ting at the facts provided by this Bill, 7982. The different forms of redress which this measure affords, 7983. This legislation will point the way to the form of redress which is necessary, 7984. Attention will be paid to the penalizing of persons who persist in keeping up a combine, 7985. Cases in which convictions have been obtained under the criminal law, 7986. The *King vs. the Central Supply Association and vs. Clarke*, 7987. Has only mentioned certain of the remedies which may be introduced, 7988. There is every reason why it should be the case under the Act, machinery provided by the Act, 7989. The government has to put some limit to the expense, 7990. A reasonable profit is a profit on the money put into the business, 7991. If they make out their case the judge may award disbursements which he considers necessary, 7992. That is covered by the words 'restrict competition,' 8003.

*Maclean, W. F.* (South York)—7998.

Quite prepared to give this new measure a trial, 7998. A great many economic evils to-day are due to unfair capitalization, 7999. A fear that the principle of this Bill will be embodied in others, 8000.

*Parent, Geo.* (Montmorency)—8000.

The Canadian Shoe Machinery Company and the United Shoe Machinery Company, 8000. This is one of the worst monopolies there is in Canada to-day, 8001. Understands that this Bill does not provide a remedy, 8002.

*Schaffner, F. L.* (Souris)—7980.

Would like to ask a question, 7980. If The government do not mean to assume the expense the value of the Bill is destroyed, 7981.

*Speaker, His Honour the*—8003.

This clause makes no change in the tariff, 8003.

*Sproule, T. S.* (East Grey)—7977.

The Bill will prove a gold brick as far as any relief from combines is concerned, 7977. The prosecution has to be under the law that has been on the statute book for years, 7978. The people have got this Bill and it is no use when they have got it, 7979. Raises a point of order, 8003.

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Motion to go into Committee on proposed resolution.

Resolved, that it is expedient, in connection with Bill (No. 101) now before this House respecting the investigation of Combines, Monopolies, Trusts and Mergers, which may enhance prices or re-