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labor could not be obtained. The lat-ter provided for the inclusion of a

The third reading of the bill to amend the Coal Tax act was discharg-ed with the consent of the house, and

istic member from Grand Forks, to prevent discrimination against mem-

bers of trade unions, was up for sec-end reading. The debate was com-menced by Mr. Mchanis, who an-nounced that the bill was to prevent the adoption of the "card system" which had hear interest

ich had been in use in certain min-

ng centres of the United States. Fur-

her discussion upon the measure was djourned until today.

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fair wage" regulation.

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A bill intitled "An Act to Amend the Attachment of Debts Act, 1904," was in-troduced and read a first time. The bill amends the act so that money may be paid into court by garnishee without order from the judge. prayers, for the latter were omitted. The Speaker took the chair at 2.45 o'clock Increase in Indemnity Hon. Mr. McBride brought down a message from his honor the lieutenant-governor transmitting a bill entitled an Act to Amend the Constitution act. The bill was forthwith passed through Cost of Survey Work. Hon, Mr. Bowser: He had pointed out that it was evidently the fixed in-tention of the Dominion generation of the Dominion generation. sioner of lands and works the followcause of the accident. Another and a remarkable circumstance was brought out in the testimony, was that while there were two distinct sets of ma-chinery, one part could not be shut accurate for repairs or for any other the adjournment of the debate was the adjournment of the debate was Hon. Mr. McBride: I beg to move that the following clause, which shall ng questions: Mr. Yorston asked the chief commis-Re expenditure of \$48,110.44 as per Mr. Yorston asked the chief commis-Re expenditure of \$48,110.44 as per abstract statement of revenue and ex-penditure for six months ending Decem-ber 1, 1907. 1. What firms of survey-ors were engaged in this work? 2. How much was paid to each firm of sur-veyors so engaged? 3. What work has been accomplished (approximately)? Hon. M. Fulton replied as follows: J. H. Gray, Bulkley Valley, Range V., Coast district— 566 YATES STREET known as sub-section 1 of section was read the first time tention of the Dominion government, both as a matter of policy and as a 2, be incorporated in the bill is bill contains the following pro-"That such exemption shall only harness is the both as a matter of policy and as a matter of law, that all acts which em-"That such exemption shall only be granted on express conditions: "I. That no aliens shall be employed on the railway under construction, un-less it is demonstrated to the satisfac-tion of the ligutenant-governor-in-council that the work cannot proceed without the employment of such aliens. "2. That every exemption from tax-ation granted under this act shall be visions: down for repairs or for any other reason unless the other part were also shut down, and that if oiling were y. Every bit of he highest skill ness you buy of uality and you'll lowest possible Section 10 of chapter 47 of the Rewe might not run the risk of disalmatter of law, that all acts which em-anated from this' legislature and which contained such a section as was new proposed in amendment in revised Statutes, 1897, being the Constitution act, as enacted by section 3 Coal Tax Act. necessary in one section and were to be safely done, the entire plant had to of chapter 16 of the Statutes of 1899, is hereby repealed, and the following section is substituted therefor: On the order for the third reading now proposed in amendment in re-gard to this particular class of labor now proposed in amendment in re-gard to this particular class of labor would be disallowed. This fact had become crystallized in their legislation, in view of these facts there could only. (Hear, hear.) of the bill to amend the coal tax act, 1900, being reached Hon. Mr. Bowser be closed down. And it moreover be-J. H. Gray, Bulkley Valley, Ra Coast district— Surveyed 53,936 acres......\$1 Lake and river traverse, 39.9 miles at \$50 Adjustment of old survey, 18.7 miles at \$50 Connection lines for new sur-veys, 130.5 miles at \$50.... always on hand. came evident that such a request would have led to the man's dismissal. The executive council of British Co. a request rose and said that he proposed to strike out section 4, as when the bill was drawn up the fact was overlook-.\$13,484.00 timble shall be composed of such per-sons as the lieutenant-governor from time to time thinks fit to appoint, not exceeding seven, and shall include the following officials: provincial secretary, attorney-general, chief commissioner of lands minister of finance and area in view of these facts there could only ation granted under this act shall be this 29th day of f The British Co-cturing Company, livert, for a terni e or more flumes, to be taken from stitlet Vancouver In view of these facts there could only be one reason for the desire of hon, gentleman opposite to insert the very same kind of a section in this bill, and that was to make it inoperative, by bringing about its disallowance. (Hear, hear.) Mr. Henderson denied that his amendment, if adopted, would render the bill inoperative, and claimed that the Liberal administration at Ottawa Follows Manitoba Act 1,995.00 As far, sir, as the constitution and In drawing up this bill, sir, I have closely followed the legislation of Manitoba, which was adopted in 1902, pealed, and consequently section 4 of 935.00 Manitoba, which was adopted in 1902, owing to the fact that this is the lat-est act of this character, which had been placed on the statute book of any province in Canada. The Ontario act is much older, and it is evident that the Manitoba legislature has taken the Manitoba legislature has taken 6,525.00 ands, minister of finance and agrito be taken from bistrict, Vancouver oint on the right i river situate at, purpose of man-for driving ma-for dri for driving \$22,939.00 ulture, minister of mines, minister of A. W. Harvey, Cassiar District, Kis-A. w. Interest piox valley— Surveyed 25,645 acres\$ 5,129.00 Lake and river traverse...... 3,126,00 works, and president of the council, of whom not more than six shall receive any salary. Section 11 of said chapter 47 is here-by amended by striking out the word "six" in the eleventh line thereof, and by substituting therefor the word "seven" ouncil, of whom not more than six the Liberal administration at Ottawa been proposed by my colleague to pass tions in the district in which such had since 1898 and 1899 assumed an the house. (Cheers.) \$ 8,255.00 Gore & McGregor, Cariboo District and entirely different position on this question, in view of a decision which ing with his department. (Cheers. Question of Application.) Question of Application.) Mr. Macdonald held that the hon. the attorney-general had not been quite fair in the inferences which he had drawn from the report of the Hon. David Mills, who had in reality dealt with this whole subject and with their legislation from the point of view of aliens, which included every man who was not a British subject. Han Mr. Bewser: I must point out Mr. Macdonald Objects. Mr. Macdonald said he understood that royalties had for several years had been given by the privy counci (Hear, hear.) Provision is in particular made for department. This entire change in policy dated from 1903. The hon. gentleman in Section 67 of said chapter 47 and past been paid by the Crow's Nest Pass and the following section is sub-tuted therefor: Coal company, under protest, and en-quired whether it was the intention n. Dr. Young will e a bill intituled support of his contention cited a num-ber of cases, which the hon, the at-Approval of Cemof the government by this bill to do away with royalties, and place all comituted therefor: each session of the legislative lations and of ensuing the moral and physical well-being of all employees. torney-general maintained were wholly irrelevant to the present situation. also ask leave to led An Act to ct, 1902. embly there shall be payable to each mber of the legislative assembly ending at such session, a sessional panies which were operating in this province upon the same basis. It was only fair that the Crow's Nest Pass (Hear, hear.) Says There Are Later Rulings. had declared that such legislation lay exclusively within the domain of the Dominion parliament. If the motion were so changed that it would only exclude Asiatics instead of all aliens, 1902. nove, on third ntituled An Act Depends Upon Inspector move, on third intituled An Act Assessment Act, not read a third back to commit-rike out sub-sec-and insert in lieu : such exemption on the express directly nor in-rson of Oriental employed, either of the said rail-exempted railway exemption. Mr. Henderson asked why the at Hon. Mr. Bowser: I must point out vance of twelve hundred dollars torney-general went back so far when there had been later rulings on the company should be placed in the same The length of the bill is inevitable in view of the many and very import-ant matters which are involved, and that the Labor Regulation act of 1898 referred simply to Chinese and Japa-nese, and not to aliens at all. position that the other companies oc-cupied; and especially so as this comd no more. \$ 4.866.00 pany being limited to a charge of \$2 per ton at the pit's mouth, was so handicapped that it could not like No Applause Allowed Total\$49,021.00 would receive the support of his side Hon. Mr. Eberts-It has been called its enforcement depends upon the ap-my attention that during the debate pointment of an inspector. A great Mr. Macdonald: It referred to speof the house. Hon. Mr. McBride: We have not Fernie Stabbing Case. Mr. Machoniani. If Fererred to spe-cific races, and that fact is admitted by the hon. member for Yale, whose amendment applies to all Asiatics. The amendment which was proposed by the member for Yale was declared by the member for Yale was declared inst of disallowance and to escape remployed on the S. N. extension.
 Wants Wage Standard.
 Mr. Hawthornthwaite moved in amendment that on these contracts the minimum wage should be fixed at \$2.50 a day.
 Hon. Mr. McBride.—I can hardly take the hon. gentleman seriously.
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 Hon. Mr. McBride.—I can hardly why, sir, ibill after bill providing for
 Asiatics" and "Japanese." The pol-icy favored at 01 the series at 01 the series of the series cific races, and that fact is admitted by the hon. member for Yale, whose day afternoon there was a good deal of power is left in respect to makother companies increase its price. as drastic as the one at present un-der consideration, but to the same efing necessary regulations to the lieu-tenant-governor-in-council, but in of applause in the gallery, and it If applause in the gallery, and it dury in the crounstances to say in the crounsthere to say in the crounstances to say in the crounstances to Hon. Mr. Tatlow .- It is quite true will on Monday question of the me-must preserve at all times averse to passing laws, and then leav-trictest silence, and if anyone in ing them to be dealt with by the lieugovernment sure this session over Island Setas to extend the ch settlers can

VICTORIA SEMI-WEEKLY COLONIST.

Master and Servant Act.

Legislation Is Necessary

Now it might be advanced that as we have so far got along very well, legislation of this character is not The bill introduced by Dr. Hall (Nelson) entitled An Act to Amend the Master and Servant Act Amendamend the Coal Tax act was discharg-ed with the consent of the house, and the bill referred, back to committee to have clause 4 struck out. The latter had been introduced at the instance of John Oliver, the member for Delta. ment act, was read a third time and assed.

To Protect Trades Unionists. had been introduced at the instance of John Oliver, the member for Delta, but on consideration it was found that the clause would militate against the interests of the. province in certain John McInnis (Grand Forks) then novéd the second reading of the bill antitled An Act to Prevent Discrimin-

ation Against Members of Tradalready legislation on the statute book providing for the cases of workingmen who may be employed on dangerous work. But nevertheless it will be generally agreed that prevention is better than cure. It is true that we duction into British Columbia of the effective and the Employers Liability Act, but it is certainly far more preferable to take steps to pre-vent the occurrence of these accidents. (Hear, hear.) And to order the in. Unions and hired their employees in common. Each man seeking employment was compelled to answer a long list of questions. He was compelled to re-(Hear, hear.) And to order the in-stallation of proper machinery sur-rounded by suitable and necessary

adjourned until today. The bill is somewhat sweeping in its provisions. It prohibits, subject to penalty, an employer or the agent of an employer asking or taking any steps to ascertain whether a man seeking employment is a member of a union. Tounded by suitable and necessary obligation on the part of all employers in order to prevent as far as this is dents. (Hear, hear.) As a matter of fact, sir, it must be remembered that when actions are brought by working-

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bill for the protection of persons employed in factories, said: It is worth the expenditure of public money, nevertheless T are to the factories, said: It is worth the expenditure of public money, nevertheless T are to the factories, said: It is worth the expenditure of public money, nevertheless T are to the factories, said: It is worth the expenditure of public money, nevertheless T are to the factories, said: It is worth the expenditure of the factories, said: It is worth the expenditure of the factories, said: It is worth the expenditure of the factories and the same to factories, said: It is worth the expenditure of the factories and the same to the expenditure of the factories and the same to the expenditure of the factories and the same to the expenditure of the factories and the same to the expenditure of the factories and the same to the same to the expenditure of the factories and the same to the expenditure of the factories and the same to the expenditure of the factories and the same to the expenditure of the factories and the same to the expenditure of the factories and the the expenditure of the factories and the the expenditure of the factories and the these provisions are care and expenditure of the factories and the these provisions are care and the factories and the these provisions are care and the these provisions are care and the same to the same to the the same to the the expenditure of the factories and the these provisions are care. This bill, sing is the same expenditure of the factories and the the point, and the factories and the same expenditure of children and the factories and the same expenditure of the factories and the same expenditure of the factories and the the point, and the factories and the the same expenditure of the factories and the same expenditure of the factories and the the same expend

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Mr. Bowser quoted the advice of the minister of justice to the governor-general in council in 1901 when a num-see to it that white labor is properly of the council of the governor-see to it that white labor is properly of the council of the governor-see to it that white labor is properly of the council of the governor-see to it that white labor is properly of the governor-

minister of justice to the governor-general in council in 1901 when a num-ber of acts, including the Victoria Ter-i minal Railway and Ferry company, all of which contained a clause of this na-ture, were under consideration. After reciting the circumstances and the ruling in 1899 upon the same mat-ter Hon, David Mills concludes: "The undersigned therefore recom-mends that a copy of this report, if approved, be transmitted to the liew? twith a request that he inform your excellency's government as soon 'as a facting aliens and sturther, as to the legislation respecting the Victoria Terminal Railway and Ferry company, all of which in the time limited for disallowance by repealing the clauses affecting aliens and sturther, as to the the reforming the bylaw and agreement s the reforming the bylaw and agreement s the reforming the bylaw and agreement s esc." we must undoubledly surfer; and fur-ese." That is to say the government of British Columbia was informed that if it did not strike out the clause re-ferring to Japanese and Chinese in these measures the latter would be disallowed.

He is Merely Amusing. Hon. Mr. McBride: The hon. gen-tlegislation this feature. I hope that the hon. gentleman will withdraw his amendment. If we come down to this amendment is paid in certain bank notes, and at a certain hour of the day, etc. (Laughter). The hon. member in the interests of the workingmen of in the interests of the workingmen of this question with his statements. We are quite sensible, sir, of the fact that we have been sent here by the workingmen of this province, who have the great majority of the votes. We are quite sensible, sir, of the fact that we have been sent here by the the great majority of the votes. Methornthwaite's Suggestion. M. Hawthornthwaite's Suggestion.

workingmen of this province, who have the great majority of the votes. (Ch Cheers). The hon. the first minister then outlined the clause, which he moved at a later stage.

Is Not Satisfied

Mr. Hawthornthwaite observed that when in 1902 he had introduced a sim-ilar resolution, the hon, the first minister had voted for it. Hon. Mr. McBride: Fixing a mininum rate of wage

Mr. Hawthornthwaite: My motion Mr. Hawthornthwaite: My motion fixed a rate not less than \$2 a day. Hon. Mr. McBride arose smiling, and amid applause and some genial laugh-ter, replied: My hon. friend may rest quite satisfied that if the opportunity were given me I could explain, even to his own satisfaction, my vote on that oceasion.

Mr. Hawthornthwaite objected that

that occasion.
Mr. Hawthornthwaite objected that the proposed change did not limit the rate of wage to the rate which was rodinarily paid to whife labor. It might be made to apply to \$1.10 or \$1.25, the Chinese figure.
Mr. Macdonald remarked that wages differed in different localities.
While \$2 might be paid in one place \$2.50 might be paid in one place \$2.50 might be paid in one place \$2.50 might be paid in another dis-trict. If changed to suff varying con-ditions the first minister could count upon the support of his party.
Parker Williams (Newcastle) ob-jected that a fair wage clause was al-together indefinite.
Hon. Mr. McBride: The hon. gentle-man must be aware that it will be the duty of the government of the day to see that these conditions are carried out to the letter. The Dominion gov-ernment has the services of an official, whose special business it is to go from one section of the country to an-other to look into and adjust matters in connection with the wages paid.
When Elections Are Coming.
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Municipal Election Laws.

Hon. Mr. Bowser in moving the sec-ond reading of the bill to consolidate and amend the law relating to elec-tors and elections in municipalities, ex-The bill was read the second time. Quadra Street Conceptions

Quadra Street Cemetery.

Quadra Street Cometery. Hon. Mr. Fulton in moving the sec-ond reading of the bill to authorize the grant of certain lands to the corpora-tion of the city of Victoria, explained that it referred to the Quadra street cemetery concerning which negotiations had been in progress for a considerable time with the city. It was proposed to use these grounds for park purposes, and the house could rely upon every possible care/having been taken by the department to safeguard the cemetery property.

When Elections Are Coming. Mr. Hawthornthwaite: When the elections are coming on! (Laughter.) Hon. Mr. McBride: Even so, but it enables workingmen to get fair treat-ment Mr. Macdonald: That is a point in favor of the Liberal party. Hon. Mr. McBride: I rather think

that this has been due to the efforts of the old Conservative party.' (Ap-plause and laughter.) It was the in-tention in any event that only white workingmen shall be employed the qualification of "white" wil will be placed in the clause . Mr. Hawthornthwaite read the

nent.

Mawthornthwaite's Suggestion. M. Hawthornthwaite-I suggest the substitution of the word "chechaco" for "alien." (Laughter.) As a large num-ber of the Japanese had been natural-ized and as even a great many China-men were naturalized, the motion as it stood would be absolutely useless for the protection of white labor. Mr. Macdonald-In the Union collier-ies labor case the privy council decided that legislation of this kind. directed against aliens was absolutely unconsti-

against allens was absolutely unconsti-tutional. The hon, gentleman is simply destroying his own legislation. Hon. Mr. McBride—Does the hon@gentleman mean to say that in his opinion the use of the word "alien" courts dis

allowance. Mr. Macdonald—I say nothing of the kind. But I do say that the use of the word "allen" in the proposed amend-ment make this measure ultra vires in this house.

Hon. Mr. McBride-Would it not be the same if the word "Japanese" were

the same if the word used? Mr. Macdonald-No.

