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THE WAR.

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acre seems to be doing anything. In fact the purposes of the government; but what there appears to be a halt all along the the people of the cities affected would like line. In the meantime the enemy has to know is why the government thought taken the aggressive to some extent, but a short notice sufficient for such an imhappily without any success. We can portant matter. derstand that public feeling in Great Britain must be under a great strain during this long delay on our part.

THE SPEAKER.

<text><text><text><text><text><text><text> Yesterday Mr. Speaker Forster gave two exhibitions of his lack of compre-

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simultaneously. For some reason which wisdom, who now rules these realms. ment at the hands of his colleagues and tends to display a disposition to move. He seems to be waiting until Lord Rob-erts arrives, and if Ladysmith is safe possibly this is a wise course to take. Gen. Methuen seems to be acting take. Gen. Methuen seems to be acting take. Gen. Methuen seems to be acting authority never conferred upon it by the closely related to them of all the world. to a man with any sense of honor. He much 'upon the same lines. It is pos-sible, of course, that instructions have been issued from the war office to await Helmcken in regard to the length of the ism of which our neighbors are so fond so-called supporters that if they are prenotice was very unsatisfactory. Of of boasting is only an exaggerated pro- pared to sit dumb in their seats while he Neither Gen. French, nor Gen. Gat- course the time was long enough to suit vincialism. MR. TURNER'S SPEECH.

Mr. Turner's review of the placing of him except to resign. the last provincial loan was very able, although concise. He showed in the clearest possible way that Mr. Cotton

THE ELECTORAL LISTS.

made a bungle of that important transac-Yesterday Mr. Helmcken asked the

will find that the law provides for the escapades and follies of a kid not yet way if they could. They might very THE EARL'S COURT EXHIBITION. The Legislature cancellation of the lists of the four out of his teens, and such people as the properly have kept the house in session for that purpose. In-Mr. Turner did not too strongly con On Address. der agreements entered into for vial from the government, and which had been brought to naught by repudiation-finandemn the omission of the government to any cancellation that does not apply to ies. The Prince of Wales, we may inform stead of this the debate stands over for any cancellation that does not apply to the four cities. The power of the gov-ernment in the premises is derived wholly from this section, and therefore provide for the representation of the

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policy of "masterly inactivity," and the it. For some reason, which does not appublic would be greatly relieved if he would give some indication that he inount of public improvement works un-dertaken by the present government, the opposition leader said through the southern min exhibition. There can be no doubt in the minds of those who have given this subject their attention that a special min-the statement that they had decreased see the immense falling of through the methods of the administration-these methods being strictly inimical to the true interests of British Columbia, which required liberal expenditures in opening up, which expenditures would be British Columbia ing exhibition is a better place to advo- taxation, without impairing the revenue. cate the resources of the province than It had been a favorite cry of the presopening up, which expenditures would be returned with compound interest on the establishment of the position and indus-tries of the province. The government were unable to pay a hundred thousand dollars for necessary an exhibition of a general nature. This is not wholly a matter of opinion as Mr. Some provide the past two years, 1897-

Semin seems to think. Doubtless he is quite sincere in that respect, but he does try's interests and they had forced the overnor to make this false statement in public works in the province, yet it would be remembered they had been willing to offer a million dollars for the is mercilessly arraigned for breach of faith and incompetency, it is idle for him to pretend that he enjoys their con-fidence, and that nothing remains for willing to offer a million dollars for the furtherance of a project entirely sepexhibition at Edinburgh, the fisheries exhibition at London, and the Indian and Colonial exhibitions, also in London. These special exhibitions were partici-pated in by nearly all the provinces and colonial exhibitions were particiarate and apart from the development

bringing out a ±340,000 loan thild neces ish Columbia that could not build neces sary roads for her own people, and t own resources. He development of her own doubted indeed if this tional offer. As for the statement made by the member for Vancouver (Mr. Tis-dall) that the cable would be a great developer of trade, he was certainly in-

were cited by Mr. Turner where arrange-

ments for railway construction and inancing had been well under way, un-

declaration that a country thus repudiat-ing its obligations cannot have credit. Reverting next to the very limited am-

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(From Thursday's Daily Arraigned By Mr. N

Ex-Attorney General the Pitiful Positio Provincial Minis

While No Voice Res His Call For a Cham the Premier.

Yesterday's proceedings legislature were notable i gree, not by reason of any s or direct importance of the the house, but from the Joseph Martin took this of fine and justify his position ism to the government of been so recently a memb claim to be acting in accord expressed wishes of his con declared that he had in no si gone back upon any princip policy he had advocated v tion to the Turner ministry ber of the present governm claimed to be the champio ple's interests, and made it had common cause with only in the desire to tur ment out—his interest wi tion commencing only f his learning of Hon. Mr and unsuccessful ende coalition. He next dis from the throne, giving s to the proposal to grant for the C. P. R. in the r lumbia & Western land opposing the partial redi posal, to give a member dary Creek country-clos ting arrignment of the provincial labor legislatio ing himself the advocate ate and general redistrib by an appeal to the coun 5:45 when Mr. Martin close and the adjournment of the Firiday was then ordered Smith of South Nanair floor at the resumption.

Prayers having been read Clay, the business of the

with the reading and rece tions for the incorporation ern Telephone and Tele Grand Forks, the establis Diocese of Kootenay, the of the Rock Island and S railway, and the incorporat pany seeking to build and of railway between Horses

PRIVILEGE.

Prior to the order for the Mr. Turner rose to corr of a newspaper report of " Tuesday afternoon. It was the Nova Scotia loan and said was that he beli said was that he believe offered ranged 90 to 105, thi ing £97, although the mem couver (Mr. Tisdall) had t Mr. Tisdall-£95 15s, 5d, Mr. Turner accepted the He merely mentioned the m that it might be set right. he thought that it was ner

SPEECH FROM THE

The debate was then r Mr. Turner's want of confi ment to the reply to His H HON MR. SEMLIN speaker. He prefaced his tant observations with a gr ment to the mover and the rent to the mover and the the reply, and also to th the reply, and also to the opposition, who, he was py mit, had never made a n forceful and admirable a house—although, of course endorse many of the gen ments and conclusions. As ments and conclusions. and Mr. Turner's critic

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of 1895 and the Nova Scotia loan facts regarding the late provincial loan cial benefits resulted from them.

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Mr. Turner-No. Hon. Mr. Semlin, that this was the ca