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*Borden, Rt. Hon. R. L.—Con.*

The Railway Commission have made a splendid effort. If anything wrong will try and have it rectified—658. Is prepared to submit any complaint *re* rates to the commission. Importance of the question of capitalization. Every member of the government busy—659. Surprised at Turriff's statement of cost of railways—660.

*Cochrane, Hon. F. (Minister of Railways)—668.*

Has received petitions *re* freight rates from Winnipeg and elsewhere to the Railway Commission—668.

*Currie, J. A. (North Simcoe)—663.*

Mr. Turriff has been giving a lot of so-called hard facts to the House—663. The flax he speaks of went to Great Britain. The Canadian statistics do not take that into consideration—664. A deliberate plot laid to make the western farmers discontented with the Canadian government. Any farmer can go to the Railway Commission—667. In the east they concluded that the Liberal party had lost the confidence of Canada—668. Has no desire to show up Sir Wilfrid's knowledge of this question—670.

*Emmerson, Hon. H. R. (Westmoreland)—655.*

The people of the United States have enacted a law by which Canadian products can have free access to their markets—655. They passed a measure for relief provided the parliament of Canada would do the same. Maclean should indulge in facts—656. Should leave his railwayphobia and give his attention to true economics, and measures that will accomplish something—657.

*Fowler, G. W. (King's and Albert)—666.*

The discussion which began upon freight rates has wandered far afield—666. Emmerson has had one experience with him when real facts were stated—667.

*Knowles, W. E. (Moosejaw)—649.*

Willing to support Maclean in reducing railway rates, if he will support him in lowering the tariff—649.

*Laurier, Rt. Hon. Sir Wilfrid (Quebec East)—663.*

Maclean not only radical in railway matters, but revolutionary. Work of the Railway Commission—668. The Commission perfectly independent. The statistics differentiate between goods shipped for consumption and in bond—669.

*Maclean, A. K. (Halifax)—657.*

Owing to absence of members who wish to speak the discussion on dismissals is postponed—657.

*Maclean, W. F. (South York)—645.*

A good deal of time taken up discussing reciprocity and nationalism, both questions settled in the elections—645. Grievances connected with trade that can be

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rectified. The West has grievances in regard to every feature of railway service—646. The only way to compel fair treatment and reasonable rates is by public competition—647. Express companies and telegraph companies have overridden the rights of the people of the country—648. Should at least have state-owned railways in competition with private-owned corporations; passenger rates—649. Will not give relief from telegraph tolls through the U. S. Congress. Have a right to ask the C.P.R. to reduce its rates—650. Government competition wanted; the people in favour of progressive government; too much time spent discussing lawyers' issues—651. Urges state prosecution of grievances before the Railway Commission. The regulation of the capitalization of railways—652. Many taunts thrown at public ownership, but sentiment in its favour is growing all the world over—653. We should assert that we are imperial by proving it, not by talking about it. Advocates a Canadian cable—654. The sooner we have a law regulating the issue of securities by federal companies the better—655. Never made an agreement that was not based on facts—656.

*Speaker, His Honour the—668.*

Mr. Turriff has already spoken, he can answer a question—668. Mr. Currie has already spoken—670

*Turriff, J. G. (Assiniboia)—660.*

Express rates allowed in the west and British Columbia; railways cost less to build in the west; the revenue twice as large—660. No satisfactory solution as long as the public are charged two prices. Loss on flax seed owing to the duty of 25 per cent charged by the U. S.—661. Official statement of exports of flax seed. Every farmer was compelled to pay that tax—662. Access to the American market necessary for wheat—663. Had the flax shipped to the U.S. been intended for Great Britain it would have gone through in bond—666.

## SUPPLY—PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION.

Attention called to the Halifax platform—Mr. F. B. Carvell—6528.

*Borden, Rt. Hon. R. L. (Prime Minister)—6541.*

Mr. Carvell taken a very extraordinary course; one would have thought he would have notified the individual attacked—6541. What took place between Mr. Carvell and himself. The letter written him by some one who would not allow it to be shown to Mr. Morine. Could not act on it. All the essential features are new to him—6542. When Mr. Morine's answer to the charges has been received he will inform the House as to his course of action—6543.

*Carvell, F. B. (Carleton, N.B.)—6528.*

Calls the Premier's attention to a plank in the Halifax platform. The character