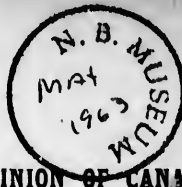


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SIR LEONARD TILLEY,

MINISTER OF FINANCE.

IN

THE HOUSE OF COMMONS OF CANADA,

TUESDAY, 3RD MARCH, 1885.

Sir LEONARD TILLEY. Mr. Speaker, in rising to move that you leave the Chair and that the House go into Committee of Ways and Means, I desire, as is the custom, to ask the attention of the House not only to the consideration of the Estimates for the next year and the changes that the Government propose in the tariff, but to review, as briefly as possible, the financial condition of the country and the results that have followed the adoption of the policy accepted by Parliament in 1879. We have had laid upon the Table of the House since 1879 the Departmental reports, including the Trade Returns and the Public Accounts, which put Parliament in possession of all the information connected with the administration of the Government, with its expenditures, with its policy, and with its acts. I desire, Mr. Speaker, on this occasion, as the House is in possession of these reports, to call the attention of Parliament to their contents, and I trust that before I close

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