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THE SUMAS DYKING ACT. The bill to repeal in part the Sumas Dyking Act, Fraser River, and throw upon the lands to settlement, passed at the last session of the legislature, came into force yesterday, February 1st.

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THE FISHERY COMMISSION. We incline to the belief that the telegram from Ottawa with reference to the United States getting the upper hand of the Fishery Commission.

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OPENING OF THE HOUSE.

The second session of the fifth Parliament of British Columbia was auspiciously opened by Lieut.-Governor Nelson yesterday afternoon at 3 o'clock. The day was rainy and congratulations were general over the fact that Spring had definitely come.

DECREASED WIFE'S SIBSHIP. The proslavery of St. John, N. B., have a vote of eight to four acquiesced in the proposal of the general assembly of the Presbyterian church of Canada to amend the constitution of faith by striking out the word "wife."

IS HE DAFT? "The lion of Comox" has fairly paralyzed the House with notices of motion. Most are trivial, some absurd, and at least one gives evidence of an unbalanced mind. The railway legislation, really the only important matter which his notices touch, has already been foreshadowed in a place of business.

LOCAL LEGISLATURE.

His Honor Lieutenant-Governor Nelson opened the second session of the fifth Parliament Friday afternoon at 3 o'clock. The attendance, both on the floor of the house and in the galleries, was much larger than usual, and many ladies were present on their own account.

OUR AGRICULTURAL RESOURCES.

The following reference to the farming districts of British Columbia was made in type for the Colonist holiday edition: "Owing to a lack of space, we cannot do justice to the various articles, but we will give a brief summary of the most important ones."

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