

and Saskatchewan for all time to come a good common school education.

Twelfth. Because every other province that has come into confederation has carried in with it the educational system that existed in the province at the time it came in, and there is no good reason why any different course should be adopted in the case of Saskatchewan and Alberta.

Now, Sir, I believe that we ought to get past these racial and religious quarrels. We are too near grown-up people to go on in the way that the old provinces went many years ago. I think the time is past for these things. I am of opinion, Sir, that Canada is destined to expand and grow, that there is a great future before this country during the century upon which we have now entered, and that it is the duty of every patriotic Canadian to cease quarrelling one with another and to endeavour to develop the great resources that have been given to us. We have a great work to do, and we cannot afford, as the hon. member who last had the floor (Mr. Adamson) said, to spend our energies in tearing one another in pieces. I believe it is the duty of every patriotic Canadian to stand shoulder to shoulder to help build up on the northern half of this continent a state worthy of ourselves, worthy of the great heritage that has been left to us, worthy of the splendid stock from which we have sprung, a state in which there will be justice for all, free scope for all, tolerance for all, and a fair reward for labour, and a new home from freedom. If this, Sir, is our destiny, as I believe it is, we cannot achieve it by internal strife and discord, or by mutual hatred and distrust. Let us trample both under our feet, and let us stand by the right hon. gentleman who leads this House in the great task that he has set for himself of bringing order out of confusion and peace out of discord, breaking down the barriers that separate the various races that compose the people of this country and welding them together into one happy, prosperous and united people.

Mr. A. MARTIN moved the adjournment of the debate.

Motion agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Fielding, House adjourned at 9.20 p.m.

HOUSE OF COMMONS.

MONDAY, May 1, 1905.

The SPEAKER took the Chair at Three o'clock.

CERTIFICATE OF ELECTION.

Mr. SPEAKER. I have the honour to inform the House that I have received from the Clerk of the Crown in Chancery certi-

Mr. SINCLAIR.

cate of the election and return of the Hon. Frank Oliver for the electoral district of Edmonton, in the Northwest Territories.

PRIVATE BILLS.

CONSIDERED IN COMMITTEE—THIRD READINGS.

Bill (No. 113) respecting the Ontario, Hudson's Bay and Western Railways Company.—Mr. Dymont.

Bill (No. 83) respecting the Alberta Railway and Irrigation Company.—Mr. Turriff.

QUESTIONS.

WOODSTOCK RIFLE RANGE.

Mr. CROCKET asked :

1. Has the government purchased any land at or near Woodstock, New Brunswick, for the purpose of a rifle range?
2. If so, where is the land situated, how many lots have been purchased, how many acres in each, from whom purchased, and at what price?
3. Has any one been appointed caretaker of the range? If so, who, and at what salary?

Hon. Sir FREDERICK BORDEN (Minister of Militia and Defence) :

1. Yes.
2. (a) In the parish of Woodstock, adjacent to the town of Woodstock. (b and c) Total acreage, 223.81. (d) John B. and Jennie White. (e) \$6,234—an average of \$27.85 per acre.
3. Yes. A. W. Hand, who gives his services as caretaker for what he can make off the land.

PORT HOOD BREAKWATER.

Mr. BLAIN asked :

1. What is the estimated cost of the breakwater to close the northern entrance of Port Hood harbour, in the county of Inverness?
2. Was the site for the breakwater approved by Mr. Milledge, the government engineer?
3. Did the engineer in charge refuse to certify to the payment of any money expended on said breakwater?
4. Did Mr. Milledge, government engineer, visit Port Hood during the construction of said breakwater? If not, why not?

Hon. CHAS. HYMAN (Acting Minister of Public Works) :

1. Several estimates were given, varying from \$165,000 to \$482,000, and depending upon character and height of work.
2. Yes.
3. No.
4. Either he or his assistant did.

LACHINE CANAL—WATER PRIVILEGE.

Mr. MONK—by Mr. Lancaster—asked :

1. Is the lease of certain surplus water to be taken from the Lachine canal above Côte St. Paul locks, on that canal, granted in 1860 to Mr. William Parkyn, in existence at the present time?