the Northwest Territories that measure of privileges which we think they are entitled to with respect to religious teaching in the schools, it is certainly due to the action of the Conservative government, which re-fused to exercise their veto on the ordinances which were eliminating old conse-crated rights and privileges upon the minority of the Northwest and which deprived the minority of privileges they were enjoying. But as regards the legislation of the present government, I have to say that the position taken by the right hon, leader receives the fervent approval and the earnest sanction of all the Catholic Liberals of New Brunswick; I go further, and say that I have heard lately some of the greatest Catholic authorities in New Brunswick, who have always been Conservatives in politics and who may remain so, say that the action taken by the right hon, the Prime Minister on this question is worthy of his past fame.

Amendment (Mr. Bourassa) negatived,-Yeas 7; nays 126.

Progress reported.

## BUSINESS OF THE HOUSE.

Mr. FIELDING. I desire to make a motion for the purpose of correcting a clerical error in the proceedings of the House. Attention has been called to the fact that certain Bills have been sent back to the Senate after having been amended but that the amendments have not been sent with the Bills. It becomes necessary to recall the Bills from the Senate in order that the amendments may be attached. I therefore beg to move:

That a message be sent to the Senate to inform them that the Bill sent down from the Senate intituled 'An Act respecting certain patents of the Idea' Manufacturing Company' was passed by this House with certain amendments, but that by some mistake the said Bill was returned to the Senate without these amendments, and to request that the Senate will give leave that these amendments be inserted in the said Bill by the proper officer of this House.

Motion agreed to.

#### Mr. FIELDING moved:

That a message be sent to the Senate to inform them that the Bill sent down from the Senate intituled 'An Act to amend an Act respecting certain parents of William A. Damen' was passed by this House with certain amendments, but that by some mistake the said Bill was returned to the Senate without these amendments, and to request that the Senate will give leave that these amendments be inserted in the said Bill by the proper officer of this House.

Motion agreed to.

Sir WILFRID LAURIER moved the adjournment of the House.

Mr. R. L. BORDEN. The same Bill will be on for discussion to-morrow?

Mr. TURGEON.

Sir WILFRID LAURIER. Yes, and I hope we will finish it to-morrow.

Mr. R. L. BORDEN. The right hon. gentleman is responsible himself for the circumstance that it has not been finished to-day.

Motion agreed to, and House adjourned at 12.40 a.m., Thursday.

# HOUSE OF COMMONS.

THURSDAY, June 29, 1905.

The SPEAKER took the Chair at Three o'clock.

#### QUESTIONS.

#### BURRITT'S RAPIDS LOCK.

Mr. J. D. REID-by Mr. Sam. Hughesasked:

- 1. Was James Todd lockmaster at Burritt's Rapids lock ?
  - 2. If so, for how long?
  - 3. Has he been dismissed?
  - 4. If so, for what reason?
- 5. Who has been appointed in his place? 6. Was William Ormrod lock labourer at Burritt's Rapids lock? If so, how long?
  7. Has he been dismissed? If so, for what
- reason ?

8. Who has been appointed in his place?

Hon. H. R. EMMERSON (Minister of Railways and Canals):

- 1. Yes. 2. Twenty-five years.
- 3. No: he was not dismissed, but was superannuated.
  - 4. On account of age.
  - 5. John Merryfield.
  - 6. No.
- 7. No; he has not been dismissed, but was not re-employed as bridge-tender upon the opening of navigation in spring of 1905.

8. William Swain was employed bridge-tender at Burritt's Rapids for the season of 1905.

SALE OF OLD DRILL HALL, LONDON, ON-TARIO.

### Mr. ELSON asked:

- 1. Has the old drill hall in the city of London, Ontario, and the lot of land in connection with it, been sold?
  2. If so, was each parcel disposed of by auc-
- tion or by tender '
- 3. If sold by tender, what are the names of the persons who tendered, and the amount of each tender ?
- 4. To whom was each or both of the said properties sold, and what was the price obtained for the same ?
  - 5. What was the date of sale?

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

- 1. Yes.
- 2. By tender.