

Proposal to Establish a Hudson
Bay Route This Year.

PROVINCIAL AID ASKED.

Both Sides of the House Cheer Re-
marks Approving Canadian Com-
missioners' Action.

Parliament Buildings, Feb. 21.

The debate on the budget was resumed this afternoon by Mr. Barr (Dufferin), who attacked the Government all along the line, and was followed in an able speech by Mr. H. J. Pettypiece (East Lambton), whose references, couched in language of sturdy patriotism and independence, respecting the failure of the commissioners at Washington to arrive at an agreement were received with vigorous applause on both sides of the House. He also made a vigorous plea for a policy of greater activity in the work of developing the resources of the Province, and urged that efforts be made to retain our own people and attract immigration.

Before the House sat a deputation presented the claims of the Sault Ste. Marie & Hudson Bay Railway Co. for a Government grant, to the Cabinet. More than half the members of the Legislature were present and took an active interest in the proceedings.

At the meeting of the Private Bills Committee this morning Hon. Mr. Gibson addressed the committee at some length, pointing out the vicious features of the system of bonusing manufacturing industries, and at his suggestion action upon the various bonus bills now before the Legislature was deferred pending the discussion upon Mr. Pattullo's resolution dealing with the matter in the House.

New Bills.

The following bills were read a first time and referred to the Committee on Private Bills:—Mr. Beatty—To confirm by-law 361, of the Town of Gananoque. Mr. Foy—An act respecting the Toronto Hotel Co. Mr. Holmes—To incorporate the Hamilton & Caledonia Railway Co. Mr. Leys—An act respecting the City of London. Mr. Fox—To incorporate the Village of Sturgeon Point. Mr. Hill—An act respecting the Township of York and to incorporate the Town of York. Mr. Charlton—An act to incorporate the Sault