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PETERBOROUGH ROMAN CATHOLIC EPISCOPAL CORPORATION OF DIOCESE OF:

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TORONTO, CHURCH OF THE HOLY TRINITY:

Petition for Act respecting, 24. Reported, 35. Bill (No. 11), introduced and referred to the Commissioners of Estate Bills, 36. Reported and referred to Committee on Private Bills, 40. Reported; fees remitted, 72. Second reading, 81. House goes into Committee on, 84. Third reading, 160. R.A., 273. (5 Geo. V, c. 93.)

TORONTO, CITY OF:

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TORONTO AND HAMILTON HIGHWAY COMMISSION:

Bill (No. 71), introduced respecting, 19. Second reading and referred to a Select Committee, 39. Resolutions introduced; Lieutenant-Governor's recommendation signified; passed through Committee and referred to Bill, 49-52. Reported, 103. House goes into Committee on, 133, 152. Third reading, 160. R.A., 273. (5 Geo. V, c. 18.)

TORONTO, HOSPITAL FOR SICK CHILDREN:

Petition for Act respecting, 23. Reported, 35. Bill (No. 18), introduced and referred, 36. Reported; fees remitted, 58. Second reading, 73. House goes into Committee on, 81. Third reading, 154. R.A., 273. (5 Geo. V, c. 89.)

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Petition for Act of incorporation, 24. Reported, 34. Bill (No. 1), introduced and referred, 35. Reported; fees remitted, 58. Second reading, 73. House goes into Committee on, 81. Third reading, 160. R.A., 273. (5 Geo. V, c. 87.)

TORONTO PROTESTANTS ORPHANS HOME:

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TORONTO SUBURBAN RAILWAY COMPANY:

1. Petition for Act respecting, 34. Reported, 87. Bill (No. 49), introduced and referred, 89. Reported, 193. Second reading, 208. House goes into Committee on, 219. Third reading, 219. R.A., 273. (5 Geo. V, c. 84.)
2. Petition for Act respecting and to compel the Toronto Railway Company to give extensions contracted for, 25. Reported, 78. Bill (No. 56), introduced and referred, 80. *No report.* See *Toronto, City of.*

TORONTO UNIVERSITY:

Report presented, 33. (*Sessional Papers No. 18.*)

TORONTO AND YORK RADIAL RAILWAY COMPANY:

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Petition for Act respecting the Estate of, 41. Reported, 57. Bill (No. 61), introduced and referred to the Commissioners of Estate Bills, 61. Reported and referred to Committee on Private Bills, 85, 106. Reported, 130. House goes into Committee on, 155. Third reading, 194. R.A., 273. (5 Geo. V, c. 99.)

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Report presented, 262. (*Sessional Papers No. 34.*) Printed.

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VETERINARY COLLEGE:

Report presented, 262. (*Sessional Papers No. 31.*) Printed.

VICTORIA UNIVERSITY:

Petition for Act to consolidate and amend Acts relating to, 56. Reported, 78. Bill (No. 51), introduced and referred, 80. Reported; fees remitted, 96. Second reading, 105. House goes into Committee on, 109. Third reading, 160. R.A., 273. (5 Geo. V, c. 91.)

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Petition for Act to consolidate the general debenture and floating debt of, 26. Reported, 102. Bill (No. 58), introduced and referred to the Railway and Municipal Board, 103. Reported and referred to the Committee on Private Bills, 201. Reported, 210. Second reading, 217. House goes into Committee on, 229. Third reading, 229. R.A., 273. (5 Geo. V, c. 77.)

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Tuesday, February 16th, 1915.

PROCLAMATION.

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JOHN STRATHEARN HENDRIE.

GEORGE FIFTH, by the Grace of God, of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland and of the British Dominions beyond the Seas, KING, Defender of the Faith, Emperor of India, &c., &c., &c.

To Our Faithful, the Members elected to serve in the Legislative Assembly of Our Province of Ontario and to every of you—GREETING.

ISAAC BENSON LUCAS, { **W**HEREAS it is expedient for certain causes and
Attorney General. { considerations to convene the Legislative
Assembly of Our said Province. WE DO WILL that you and each of you, and
all others in this behalf interested, on TUESDAY, the SIXTEENTH day of
the month of FEBRUARY now next, at OUR CITY OF TORONTO, person-
ally be and appear for the DESPATCH OF BUSINESS, to treat, act, do and con-
clude upon those things which, in Our Legislature of the Province of Ontario
by the Common Council of Our said Province, may by the favour of God be
ordained. HEREIN FAIL NOT.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, we have caused these Our Letters to be made Patent, and the Great Seal of Our Province of Ontario to be hereunto affixed: WITNESS, His Honour JOHN STRATHEARN HENDRIE, C.V.O., a Lieutenant-Colonel in Our Militia of Canada, &c., &c., &c., LIEUTENANT-GOVERNOR of Our Province of Ontario, at Our Government House, in the City of Toronto, in Our said Province, this SIXTEENTH day of JANUARY, in the year of Our Lord one thousand nine hundred and fifteen, and in the Fifth year of Our Reign.

By Command,

ARTHUR H. SYDERE,

Clerk of the Crown in Chancery.

This being the First day of the First Meeting of the Fourteenth Legislature of the Province of Ontario for the Despatch of Business, pursuant to a Proclamation of His Honour JOHN STRATHEARN HENDRIE, C.V.O., Lieutenant-Governor—Arthur Henry Sydere, Esquire, Clerk of the Legislative Assembly, *ex-officio*, Clerk of the Crown in Chancery, laid upon the Table of the House a Roll, hereinafter fully set out, containing a list of the names of the Members who had been returned at the General Elections to serve in this Legislature; and having been appointed, *per dedimus potestatem*, a Commissioner for administering the Oaths to the Members, did administer the Oaths to the Members present; who, after having taken the Oath and subscribed the Roll, took their seats in the House.

FOURTEENTH GENERAL ELECTION.

OFFICE OF THE CLERK OF THE CROWN IN CHANCERY, ONTARIO.

Toronto, February 8th, 1915.

This is to certify that by reason of the Dissolution of the last Legislature on Friday, the Twenty-ninth day of May, A.D., 1914, and in virtue of Writs of Election, dated on the Third day of June, A.D., 1914, issued by His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, and addressed to the hereinafter named persons as Returning Officers for all the Electoral Districts in the Province of Ontario, for the election of Members to represent the several Electoral Districts in the Legislature of the Province, in the Parliament convened to meet on the Sixteenth day of February, A.D. 1915, the following named persons have been gazetted as duly elected to represent the Electoral Districts set opposite their respective names, as appears by the Returns to the said Writs, deposited of Record in my office, namely:—

<i>Constituency.</i>	<i>Members Elected.</i>	<i>Returning Officers.</i>
Electoral District of:—		
1 Addington.....	William David Black.....	Alfred M. Bell.
2 Algoma.....	Albert Grigg	Charles F. Rothera.
3 Brant, North....	Thomas Scott Davidson.....	John Sydney Armitage.
4 Brant, South....	Joseph Henry Ham.....	Thomas Simpson Wade.
5 Brockville.....	Albert Edward Donovan.....	William Richardson.
6 Bruce, North....	William McDonald	James Rushton.
7 Bruce, South....	Wellington David Cargill.....	William John McNally.
8 Bruce, West....	Charles Martin Bowman.....	Elijah Miller.
9 Carleton.....	Robert Henry McElroy.....	James E. Craig.
10 Cochrane.....	Malcolm Lang	Frank K. Ebbitt.
11 Dufferin.....	Charles Robert McKeown.....	Morton W. Berwick.
12 Dundas	*Hon. Sir James Pliny Whitney.	Charles F. Whittaker.
13 Durham, East...	Josiah Johnston Preston.....	Hugh Walker.
14 Durham, West...	John Henry Devitt.....	Solomon James Williams.

*Died on 25th September, 1914.

<i>Constituency.</i>	<i>Members Elected.</i>	<i>Returning Officers.</i>
15 Elgin, East.....	Charles Andrew Brower.....	Francis Leeson.
16 Elgin West.....	†Hon. Finlay George Macdiarmid.	Andrew Allan Ingram.
17 Essex, North....	Severin Ducharme	Denis Rocheleau.
18 Essex, South....	Lambert Peter Wigle.....	Walter Noble.
19 Fort William....	Charles William Jarvis.....	George A. Eoll.
20 Frontenac.....	Anthony McGuin Rankin.....	John A. Kennedy.
21 Glengarry.....	Hugh Munro	James A. B. McLennan.
22 Grenville.....	†Hon. George Howard Feiguson.	James Bennett.
23 Grey, Centre ...	Hon. Isaac Benson Lucas.....	Thomas Scott.
24 Grey, North....	Colin Stewart Cameron.....	David Rutherford.
25 Grey, South....	David Jamieson	William B. Vollett.
26 Haldimand....	William Jaques	Henry T. J. Gardiner.
27 Halton.....	Alfred Westland Nixon.....	Richard L. Hemstreet.
28 Hamilton, East..	Allan Studholme	Robert C. Pettigrew.
29 Hamilton, West .	†Hon. John Strathearn Hendrie.	Ernest F. Appelbe.
30 Hastings, East..	Sandy Grant	Charles W. Ketcheson.
31 Hastings, North.	John Robert Cooke.....	Angus Nicolson.
32 Hastings, West..	John Wesley Johnson.....	Clement H. Ketcheson.
33 Huron, Centre..	William Proudfoot	Albert Wesley Beacom.
34 Huron, North..	Armstrong H. Musgrove.....	Richard Proctor.
35 Huron, South....	Henry Eilber	Charles Alex. McDonell.
36 Kenora.....	Harold Arthur Clement Machin.	James A. Kinney.
37 Kent, East.....	Walter Renwick Ferguson.....	W. Bottoms.
38 Kent, West.....	George William Sulman.....	John R. Gemmill.
39 Kingston.....	Arthur Edward Ross.....	Joseph B. Walkem.
40 Lambton, East..	John Burton Martyn	Richard Karr.
41 Lambton, West..	Hon. William John Hanna.....	James Flintoft.
42 Lanark, North..	Hon. Richard Franklin Preston..	J. Wesley Wilson.
43 Lanark, South..	Francis William Hall.....	William James Pink.
44 Leeds.....	John Robertson Dargavel.....	W. F. Bracken.
45 Lennox.....	Thomas George Carscallen.....	James Reid.
46 Lincoln.....	Thomas Marshall	William D. Fairbrother.
47 London.....	Hon. Sir Adam Beck.....	Finlay E. Perrin.
48 Manitoulin....	Robert Roswell Gamey.....	Albert E. Graham.
49 Middlesex, East..	John McFarlan	James L. Robson.
50 Middlesex, North.	John Grieve	John D. Drummond.
51 Middlesex, West..	John Campbell Elliott.....	David J. Donaldson.
52 Muskoka.....	Samuel Henry Armstrong.....	Isaac B. Aulph.
53 Niagara Falls...	George Johnston Musgrove.....	George Tait. [Younger.
54 Nipissing.....	Henry Morel	William Martin, the
55 Norfolk, North..	Thomas Robert Atkinson.....	Frederick S. Snider.
56 Norfolk, South..	Arthur Clarence Pratt.....	James R. Waddle.
57 Northumberland,		
	East. Samuel Greerson Murray Nesbitt.	Robert Snetsinger.
58 Northumberland,		
	West. Samuel Clarke	William H. Floyd.
59 Ontario, North..	Hon. William Henry Hoyle.....	Thomas Henry Foster.
60 Ontario, South..	Charles Calder	Edward Hardy Purdy.
61 Ottawa, East....	Joseph Albert Pinard.....	Alfred St. Laurent.
62 Ottawa, West....	George Charles Hurdman.....	Charles L. Bray.

†Accepted office and re-elected.

‡Accepted office of Lieutenant-Governor.

<i>Constituency.</i>	<i>Members Elected.</i>	<i>Returning Officers.</i>
63 Oxford, North...	Newton Wesley Rowell	Wesley S. West.
64 Oxford, South...	Victor Albert Sinclair.....	Thomas Wells.
65 Parkdale.....	William Herbert Price.....	Kenric C. Marshall.
66 Parry Sound.....	Joseph Edgar	Charles Gillespie.
67 Peel.....	James Robinson Fallis.....	Thomas H. Goodison.
68 Perth, North....	James Torrance	Thomas Magwood.
69 Perth, South....	John Bennewies.....	Charles C. Rock.
70 Peterborough.		
	East..James Thompson	Samuel P. Ford.
71 Peterborough,		
	West..George Gillespie	James Albro Hall.
72 Port Arthur.....	Donald McDonald Hogarth.....	James Hartley Woodside.
73 Prescott.....	Gustave Evanturel	Eden Abbott Johnson.
74 Prince Edward...	Nelson Parliament	James Gibson.
75 Rainy River.....	James Arthur Mathieu.....	William Andrew Baker.
76 Renfrew, North..	Edward Arunah Dunlop.....	Andrew Johnson.
77 Renfrew, South	†Hon. Thomas William McGarry.	Allan C. Mackay.
78 Riverdale.....	Joseph Russell	William Temple Stewart.
79 Russell.....	Damase Racine	William Hugh Lowrie.
80 St. Catharines...	Elisha Jessop	Henry O'Loughlin.
81 Sault Ste. Marie..	Hon. William Howard Hearst...	Andrew Elliott.
82 Simcoe, Centre...	Alfred Burke Thompson.....	Arthur Jary.
83 Simcoe, East....	James Irwin Hartt.....	John Hugh Hammond.
84 Simcoe, South...	Alexander Ferguson	Thomas McKnight.
85 Simcoe, West....	†Hon. James Stoddart Duff.....	William Mathew Lockhart.
86 Stormont.....	Robert Austin Shearer.....	George Lachlin McLean.
87 Sturgeon Falls...	Zotique Mageau	Jesse Bradford.
88 Sudbury.....	Charles McCrea	Stephen Fournier.
89 Temiskaming....	Thomas Magladery	Thomas W. Stoddart.
90 Toronto, N.E..		
	Seat "A"...Hon. Robert Allan Pyne.....	} Thomas Percival Galt.
91 Toronto, N.E..	Seat "B"...Mark Howard Irish.....	
92 Toronto, N.W..		
	Seat "A"...Hon. Thomas Crawford.....	} James Hunt.
93 Toronto, N.W..	Seat "B"...William David McPherson.....	
94 Toronto, S.E..		
	Seat "A"...Edward William James Owens	} Thomas W. Close.
95 Toronto, S.E..	Seat "B"...Thomas Hook	
96 Toronto, S.W..		
	Seat "A"...Hon. James Joseph Foy.....	} W. J. McCausland.
97 Toronto, S.W..	Seat "B"...George Horace Gooderham.....	
98 Victoria, North..	Robert Mercer Mason.....	Isaac Naylor.
99 Victoria, South..	John Carew	J. P. Ryley.
100 Waterloo, North..	Charles Henry Mills.....	George Davidson.
101 Waterloo, South	Zachariah Adam Hall.....	John A. Hartmann.
102 Welland.....	Donald Sharpe.....	John Gordon Wills.
103 Wellington, East.	Udney Richardson	Robert Thomas Pritchard.

†Accepted office and re-elected.

<i>Constituency.</i>	<i>Members Elected.</i>	<i>Returning Officers.</i>
104 Wellington,		
South..	Samuel Carter	James Hewer.
105 Wellington, West.	William Clark Chambers.....	Hugh Hyndman.
106 Wentworth,		
North..	Arthur Frederick Rykert.....	J. C. McDonald.
107 Wentworth,		
South..	James Thomas Hammill Regan..	Frederick Brock Henry.
108 Windsor.....	James Craig Tolmie.....	John Sale.
109 York, East.....	George Stewart Henry.....	James Edward Francis.
110 York, North....	Thomas Herbert Lennox.....	John Moore.
111 York, West.....	Forbes Godfrey	Enoch Ward.

ARTHUR H. SYDERE,

Clerk of the Crown in Chancery.

3.00 O'CLOCK P.M.

And the House having met,

His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, having entered the House, took his seat on the Throne.

Mr. Hanna, the Provincial Secretary, then said,

I am commanded by His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor to state that he does not see fit to declare the causes of the summoning of the present Legislature of this Province until a Speaker of this House shall have been chosen according to law; but To-day, at a subsequent hour, His Honour will declare the causes of the calling of this Legislature.

His Honour was then pleased to retire.

The Prime Minister, Mr. Hearst, addressing himself to the Clerk, proposed to the House for their Speaker, David Jamieson, Esquire, Member for the South Riding of the County of Grey, which motion was seconded by the Minister of Education, and it was

Resolved, That the Honourable David Jamieson do take the Chair of this House as Speaker.

The Clerk having declared the Honourable David Jamieson duly elected, he was conducted by the Prime Minister and Mr. Pyne to the Chair, where standing on the upper step, he returned his humble acknowledgments to the

House for the great honour they had been pleased to confer upon him by choosing him to be their Speaker.

And thereupon he sat down in the Chair, and the Mace was laid upon the Table.

3.30 O'CLOCK P.M.

His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor then re-entered the House and took his seat on the Throne.

Mr. Speaker-elect then addressed His Honour to the following effect:—

May it Please Your Honour:—

The Legislative Assembly have elected me as their Speaker, though I am but little able to fulfil the important duties thus assigned to me.

If, in the performance of those duties, I should at any time fall into error, I pray that the fault may be imputed to me and not to the Assembly whose servant I am, and who, through me, the better to enable them to discharge their duty to their King and country, hereby claim all their undoubted rights and privileges, especially that they may have freedom of speech in their Debates, access to your person at all seasonable times, and that their proceedings may receive from you the most favourable consideration.

The Provincial Secretary then said:—

Mr. Speaker,

I am commanded by His Honour, the Lieutenant-Governor, to declare to you that he freely confides in the duty and attachment of the Assembly to His Majesty's person and Government, and not doubting that the proceedings will be conducted with wisdom, temper and prudence, he grants, and upon all occasions will recognize and allow, the constitutional privileges.

I am commanded also to assure you that the Assembly shall have ready access to His Honour upon all suitable occasions, and that their proceedings, as well as your words and actions, will constantly receive from him the most favourable construction.

His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor was then pleased to open the Session with the following gracious Speech:—

Mr. Speaker and Gentlemen of the Legislative Assembly:

It affords me pleasure to welcome you to the discharge of your duties at the inauguration of the fourteenth Legislature of this Province. I am gratified to meet again many Members of this House with whom I have had the privilege for years of being associated, and I am satisfied that the cordial feelings thus established will be continued and strengthened in our present spheres of action.

There is one whose absence from this Legislature I cannot refrain from mentioning, and it is with the deepest sorrow and emotion that I refer to the late Prime Minister of this Province. My long acquaintance with Sir James Whitney enabled me, in common with our people generally, to appreciate his great force and purity of character, his remarkable insight with regard to all matters affecting the public welfare and his power of constructive statesmanship. The death of such a distinguished public servant is a loss not only to this Province, but also to the Empire to which he was so earnestly and devotedly attached. Sir James Whitney has achieved an enduring place in our history as well as in the hearts of the people, and his memory will be cherished as an inspiration for good for generations to come.

From every point of view the circumstances under which you assemble are of such a serious and unusual nature that they overshadow all other considerations. Our Empire is engaged in the greatest struggle in its history. Hitherto the relations of the European powers to each other have been regulated and controlled largely by treaty engagements, by international law and usage and by good faith. In consequence of the repudiation of such restraints and obligations in the pursuit of unlimited and unscrupulous ambition, the world has been plunged in a general war. The British peoples have, therefore, been compelled to take up arms to vindicate their honour, to enforce the guaranteed rights of small nations and to protect the Empire from attack.

In the discharge of this duty great exertions and sacrifices have been and will be entailed. We have all felt proud of the promptness and thoroughness with which all portions of the Empire have responded to the call of King and Country. Nowhere has there been greater zeal shown than in the Dominion of Canada and in this Province of Ontario. The unanimous action of the Canadian Parliament and above all the presence of Canadians at the front valiantly upholding the traditions and aspirations of this liberty-loving people make it clear that we will support to the utmost of our ability in men and means the cause of the Empire which is the bulwark of free institutions the world over.

While the ultimate triumph of Great Britain and its Allies is certain, we cannot fail to realize and deplore the enormous cost which is being paid to achieve that end. Already the effects of the war have proved to be very

far-reaching. In addition to the financial stringency and the disturbance of industry we have been confronted with unemployment in some industrial centres which has given grave concern to our people.

These conditions, as well as our obligations to the Mother Country, have received the serious attention of my Ministers. At the outset of the War a substantial contribution in food was made to Great Britain on your behalf, and also a contribution in cash and food for the relief of the brave Belgian people. To relieve the sudden financial strain upon our people a public assurance was given that this Legislature would be asked to pass an Act giving further power to the Courts with respect to money secured by mortgages and other similar matters in cases of special hardship arising out of the War. Assurances were also given municipal bodies that this House would give sanction and authority for the expenditure of money by such bodies for patriotic purposes and to relieve unemployment. My Ministers have encouraged the construction of the Toronto and Hamilton Highway as an emergency work and have carried on works of different kinds in Northern Ontario and elsewhere with the object of providing all labour possible. They have also been able to find places for many helpers on our farms, and have appointed a Commission to gather information as to unemployment and report its findings to this House.

One of the most pressing problems of the present situation is that of food production. We have reason in this Province for gratitude to Providence for the bountiful harvest of the past year, and our ability to produce food places us under a special responsibility to exert every effort to keep the granaries of the Empire well stored. This duty has been earnestly impressed upon our farming population by the Minister of Agriculture with excellent prospects of good results, and my Government is co-operating with the Dominion authorities in endeavoring by public appeals to patriotism to stimulate and increase the production of food. The Dominion Government has undertaken to establish in Northern Ontario an extensive Experimental Farm, which it is hoped will further demonstrate the productiveness of that great undeveloped portion of the Province.

Unexpected demands upon the Treasury, arising out of the war situation, accompanied as they have been by a shrinkage of revenue owing to the same cause, have resulted in a financial deficit during the past year. You will be asked to consider an emergency measure in this connection.

In January of this year the Act to provide compensation for workmen became effective. Its operation under the Commission appointed for that purpose is now being actively carried out, and, with such adjustments as may become necessary from time to time, will prove a means of comfort and protection to our people.

Considerable attention has been given to the construction and improvement of highways both in the older and newer parts of the Province. Comprehensive surveys for improved highways in the settled parts of Ontario have been undertaken along the lines recommended by the Commission which recently dealt with the subject.

A new feature of the work of Northern development was the establishment during the past year of three Experimental Farm plots along the line of the Transcontinental Railway. On these farms crops were raised last year which demonstrated the excellent possibilities of this country for raising all classes of grains and vegetables.

It is satisfactory to know that the Provincial Board of Health has been able to supply from its laboratories all the anti-typhoid vaccine required for the Canadian Contingents, and that it has also arranged to supply the vaccine free of charge for the use of the public in this Province.

Good progress was made last year in the work of the Hydro-Electric Power Commission. There are now 82 municipalities receiving power instead of 34 in 1913, and their maximum demands amount to 95,000 H.P., as compared with 42,000 H.P. a year ago. The Commission is at present operating five distinct transmission systems and has a sixth under construction. The duplication of the transmission lines and extensions in the Western part of Ontario necessitated by the large increase in business were completed during the last fiscal year. The extension of the operations of the Commission to the rural districts last year enabled it to reach a large number of consumers among the farmers of Ontario. Estimates and reports for radial railway systems were furnished to a number of municipalities and the necessary agreements for inaugurating the first system, having been approved by the rate-payers, have been executed by the municipalities interested.

Among the measures which will be submitted to you for your consideration will be Bills to supplement the revenues of the Crown, to give further power to Courts with respect to money secured by mortgage and other similar matters, to amend the liquor license law, respecting boiler inspection, to authorize the construction of the Toronto and Hamilton Trunk Road, and for other purposes.

The Public Accounts will be submitted to you forthwith, as well as the Supplementary Estimates for the present year and the estimates for the ensuing fiscal year.

I join with you in the earnest hope that your deliberations will advance the welfare of this Province and strengthen the hands of the defenders of the Empire at this critical time in its history.

His Honour was then pleased to retire.

PRAYERS.

4 O'CLOCK P.M.

Mr. Speaker reported, That, to prevent mistakes, he had obtained a copy of His Honour's Speech, which he read.

Mr. Speaker then informed the House,

That in conformity with the provisions of the Revised Statutes of Ontario, 1914, Chapter 11, section 32 (2), the Clerk of the House, as Clerk of the Crown in Chancery, *ex-officio*, had received notifications of vacancies and had made out new Writs for the election of Members to serve in the present Legislature for the following Electoral Districts:—

The Electoral District of Elgin, West,

The Electoral District of Dundas,

The Electoral District of Hamilton, West,

The Electoral District of Grenville, and

The Electoral District of Renfrew, South.

To Arthur Henry Sydere, Clerk of the Legislative Assembly of the Province of Ontario, and Clerk of the Crown in Chancery.

WE, the undersigned, William Howard Hearst, Member for the said Legislative Assembly for the Electoral District of Sault Ste. Marie, and Robert Allan Pyne, Member for the said Legislative Assembly for the Electoral Division of Toronto, N.E., Seat "A." do hereby notify you that a vacancy has occurred in the representation in the said Legislative Assembly for the Electoral Division of Elgin, West, by reason of the acceptance of an office under the Crown, *to wit*: the office of the Minister of Public Works for the Province, by Finlay George Macdiarmid, Member elect for the said Electoral Division of Elgin, West.

And we the said William Howard Hearst and Robert Allan Pyne, Members of the Assembly aforesaid, hereby require you to issue a new Writ for the Election of a Member to fill the said vacancy.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, we have hereunto set our hands and seals on this Second day of October, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and fourteen.

Signed and sealed in the presence of

ARTHUR H. SYDERE,
C. H. CHASE.

W. H. HEARST, [L.S.]

R. A. PYNE. [L.S.]

To Arthur Henry Sydere, Clerk of the Legislative Assembly of the Province of Ontario, and Clerk of the Crown in Chancery.

WE, the undersigned William Howard Hearst, Member for the said Legislative Assembly for the Electoral Division of Sault Ste Marie, and Robert Allan Pyne, Member for the said Legislative Assembly for the Electoral Division of Toronto, N.E., Seat "A," do hereby notify you that a vacancy has occurred in the representation in the said Legislative Assembly for the Electoral Division of Dundas, by reason of the death of the Honourable Sir James P. Whitney, Member elect for the said Electoral Division of Dundas.

And we the said William Howard Hearst and Robert Allan Pyne, Members of the Assembly aforesaid, hereby require you to issue a new Writ for the Election of a Member to fill the said vacancy.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, we have hereunto set our hands and seals on this Twelfth day of November, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and fourteen.

Signed and sealed in the presence of

ARTHUR H. SYDERE,
C. H. CHASE.

W. H. HEARST, [L.S.]

R. A. PYNE. [L.S.]

To Arthur Henry Sydere, Clerk of the Legislative Assembly of the Province of Ontario, and Clerk of the Crown in Chancery.

WE, the undersigned William Howard Hearst, Member for the said Legislative Assembly for the Electoral Division of Sault Ste. Marie, and Isaac Benson Lucas, Member for the said Legislative Assembly for the Electoral Division of Centre Grey, do hereby notify you that a vacancy has occurred in the representation in the said Legislative Assembly for the Electoral Division

of Hamilton, West, by reason of the acceptance of an office under the Crown, *to wit*: the office of Lieutenant-Governor for the Province, by the Honourable John Strathearn Hendrie, Member elect for the said Electoral Division of Hamilton, West.

And we the said William Howard Hearst and Isaac Benson Lucas, Members of the Assembly aforesaid, hereby require you to issue a new Writ for the Election of a Member to fill the said vacancy.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, we have hereunto set our hands and seals on this Twenty-fourth day of October, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and fourteen.

Signed and sealed in the presence of

HORACE WALLIS,
ARTHUR H. SYDERE.

W. H. HEARST, [L.S.]
I. B. LUCAS. [L.S.]

To Arthur Henry Sydere, Clerk of the Legislative Assembly of the Province of Ontario, and Clerk of the Crown in Chancery.

WE, the undersigned William Howard Hearst, Member for the said Legislative Assembly for the Electoral Division of Sault Ste. Marie, and Robert Allan Pyne, Member for the said Legislative Assembly for the Electoral Division of North-East Toronto, Seat "A," do hereby notify you that a vacancy has occurred in the representation in the said Legislative Assembly for the Electoral Division of Grenville, by reason of the acceptance of an office under the Crown, *to wit*: the office of Minister of Lands, Forests and Mines for the Province, by George Howard Ferguson, Member elect for the said Electoral Division of Grenville.

And we the said William Howard Hearst and Robert Allan Pyne, Members of the Assembly aforesaid, hereby require you to issue a new Writ for the Election of a Member to fill the said vacancy.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, we have hereunto set our hands and seals on this Twenty-second day of December in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and fourteen.

Signed and sealed in the presence of

ARTHUR H. SYDERE.

W. H. HEARST, [L.S.]
R. A. PYNE. [L.S.]

To Arthur Henry Sydere, Clerk of the Legislative Assembly of the Province of Ontario, and Clerk of the Crown in Chancery.

WE, the undersigned William Howard Hearst, Member for the said Legislative Assembly for the Electoral Division of Sault Ste. Marie, and Robert Allan Pyne, Member for the said Legislative Assembly for the Electoral Division of North-East Toronto, Seat "A," do hereby notify you that a vacancy has occurred in the representation in the said Legislative Assembly for the Electoral Division of South Renfrew, by reason of the acceptance of an office under the Crown, *to wit*: the office of Provincial Treasurer for the Province, by Thomas William McGarry, Member elect for the said Electoral Division of South Renfrew.

And we the said William Howard Hearst and Robert Allan Pyne, Members of the Assembly aforesaid, hereby require you to issue a new Writ for the Election of a Member to fill the said vacancy.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, we have hereunto set our hands and seals on this Twenty-second day of December, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and fourteen.

Signed and sealed in the presence of

ARTHUR H. SYDERE.

W. H. HEARST, [L.S.]

R. A. PYNE. [L.S.]

Mr. Speaker also informed the House, That the Clerk had laid upon the Table the following Certificates of the election of Members:—

PROVINCE OF ONTARIO.

THIS IS TO CERTIFY that in virtue of a Writ of Election, dated the fifth day of October, 1914, issued by His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, and addressed to Dugald McColl, Esquire, Returning Officer for the Electoral District of West Elgin, for the election of a Member to represent the said Electoral District of West Elgin, in the Legislative Assembly of this Province, in the room of Finlay George Macdiarmid, Esquire, who, since his election as representative of the said District of West Elgin, has accepted an office of profit under the Crown, *to wit*: The office of Minister of Public Works of the Province of Ontario, by reason whereof the seat of the said Finlay George Macdiarmid has become vacant, the Honourable Finlay George Macdiarmid

has been returned as duly elected, as appears by the Return to the said Writ of Election, dated the twenty-first day of October, 1914, which is now lodged of record in my office.

Toronto, January 14th, 1915.

ARTHUR H. SYDERE,
Clerk, L.A.,

Ex-officio Clerk of the Crown in Chancery.

PROVINCE OF ONTARIO.

THIS IS TO CERTIFY that in virtue of a Writ of Election, dated the twelfth day of November, 1914, issued by His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, and addressed to Eli Merkley, Esquire, Returning Officer for the Electoral District of Dundas, for the election of a Member to represent the said Electoral District of Dundas in the Legislative Assembly of this Province, in the room of the Honourable Sir James Pliny Whitney, who, since his election as representative of the said District of Dundas, had departed this life, Irwin Foster Hilliard, Esquire, has been returned as duly elected, as appears by the Return to the said Writ of Election, dated the eighteenth day of December, 1914, which is now lodged of record in my office.

Toronto, January 14th, 1915.

ARTHUR H. SYDERE,
Clerk, L.A.,

Ex-officio Clerk of the Crown in Chancery.

PROVINCE OF ONTARIO.

THIS IS TO CERTIFY that in virtue of a Writ of Election, dated the twenty-sixth day of October, 1914, issued by His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, and addressed to Ernest F. Appelbe, Esquire, Returning Officer for the Electoral District of West Hamilton, for the election of a Member to represent the said Electoral District of West Hamilton, in the Legislative Assembly of this Province, in the room of the Honourable John Strathearn Hendrie, who, since his election as representative of the said District of West Hamilton, had accepted an office of profit under the Crown, *to wit*: the office of Lieutenant-Governor of the Province of Ontario, by reason whereof the seat of the said the Honourable John Strathearn Hendrie had become vacant, John Allan, Esquire, has been returned as duly elected, as appears by the Return to the said Writ of Election, dated the nineteenth day of December, 1914, which is now lodged of record in my office.

Toronto, January 14th, 1915.

ARTHUR H. SYDERE,
Clerk, L.A.,

Ex-officio Clerk of the Crown in Chancery.

PROVINCE OF ONTARIO.

THIS IS TO CERTIFY that in virtue of a Writ of Election, dated the twenty-second day of December, 1914, issued by His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, and addressed to James Bennett, Esquire, Returning Officer for the Electoral District of Grenville, for the election of a Member to represent the said Electoral District of Grenville, in the Legislative Assembly of this Province, in the room of George Howard Ferguson, Esquire, who, since his election as representative of the said District of Grenville, had accepted an office of profit under the Crown, *to wit*: the office of the Minister of Lands, Forests and Mines, by reason whereof the seat of the said George Howard Ferguson had become vacant, the Honourable George Howard Ferguson has been returned as duly elected, as appears by the Return to the said Writ of Election, dated the seventh day of January, 1915, which is now lodged of record in my office.

Toronto, January 14th, 1915.

ARTHUR H. SYDERE,
Clerk, L.A.,

Ex-officio Clerk of the Crown in Chancery.

PROVINCE OF ONTARIO.

THIS IS TO CERTIFY that in virtue of a Writ of Election, dated the twenty-second day of December, 1914, issued by His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, and addressed to Allan Cameron Mackay, Esquire, Returning Officer for the Electoral District of South Renfrew, for the election of a Member to represent the said Electoral District of South Renfrew in the Legislative Assembly of this Province, in the room of Thomas William McGarry, Esquire, who had accepted an office of emolument under the Crown, *to wit*: the office of Provincial Treasurer—the Honourable Thomas William McGarry has been returned as duly elected, as appears by the Return to the said Writ of Election, dated the seventh day of January, 1915, which is now lodged of record in my office.

Toronto, January 14th, 1915.

ARTHUR H. SYDERE,
Clerk, L.A.,

Ex-officio Clerk of the Crown in Chancery.

John Allan, Esquire, Member for the Electoral Division of West Hamilton, and Irwin Foster Hilliard, Esquire, Member for the Electoral Division of Dundas, having taken the Oaths and subscribed the Roll, took their seats.

On Motion of Mr. Hearst, seconded by Mr. Pyne, a Bill was introduced intituled "An Act respecting the Administration of Oaths of Office to persons appointed as Justices of the Peace," and the same was read the first time.

On motion of Mr. Hearst, seconded by Mr. Pyne,

Ordered, That the Speech of His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, to this House, be taken into consideration on Thursday next.

On motion of Mr. Hearst, seconded by Mr. Pyne,

Resolved, That the Select Standing Committees of this House, for the present Session be appointed for the following purposes:—1. On Privileges and Elections; 2. On Railways; 3. On Miscellaneous Private Bills; 4. On Standing Orders; 5. On Public Accounts; 6. On Printing; 7. On Municipal Law; 8. On Legal Bills; 9. On Agriculture and Colonization; 10. On Fish and Game; which said Committees shall severally be empowered to examine and enquire into all such matters and things as shall be referred to them by the House, and to report from time to time their observations and opinions thereon, with power to send for persons, papers and records.

Mr. Speaker informed the House, that the Clerk had laid upon the Table:—

A Return from the Records of the General Elections to the Legislative Assembly held on the 22nd and 29th days of June, 1914, showing:—

(1) The number of Votes Polled for each Candidate in each Electoral District in which there was a contest; (2) The majority whereby each successful Candidate was returned; (3) The total number of Votes Polled; (4) The number of Votes remaining unpolled; (5) The number of names on the Polling Lists; (6) The number of Ballot Papers sent out to each Polling Place; (7) The Used Ballot Papers; (8) The Unused Ballot Papers; (9) The Rejected Ballot Papers; (10) The Cancelled Ballot Papers; (11) The Declined Ballot Papers; (12) The Ballot Papers taken from Polling Places; (13) A General Summary of Votes cast in each Electoral District. (*Sessional Papers No. 50.*)

Also, Supplementary Return from the Records of the By-elections held subsequently to the General Elections. (*Sessional Papers No. 50.*)

The House then adjourned at 4.15 p.m.

Wednesday, February 17th, 1915.

PRAYERS.

3.00 O'CLOCK P.M.

The following Petitions were severally brought up and laid upon the Table:—

By Mr. Crawford, two Petitions of the City Council of Toronto.

By Mr. McPherson, the Petition of William K. McNaught and others of Toronto; also the Petition of the Church of the Holy Trinity, Toronto.

By Mr. Fallis, the Petition of the Town Council of Brampton; also, the Petition of Lincoln Hutton, of Bolton.

By Mr. Gooderham, the Petition of the Hospital for Sick Children; also, the Petition of the Protestant Orphans Home, Toronto.

By Mr. Eilber, the Petition of the Sisters of St. Joseph of the Diocese of London; also, the Petition of the City Council of Sarnia; also, the Petition of the Township Councils of Sombra and Sarnia.

By Mr. Nesbitt, the Petition of Edward C. Rendell, of Mobile, in the State of Alabama, U.S.A., and others.

By Mr. Hartt, the Petition of the Town Council of Orillia; also, the Petition of the Town Council of Midland.

By Mr. Jessop, the Petition of the Village Councils of Merritton and Port Dalhousie.

By Mr. McCrea, the Petition of the Town Council of Sudbury; also, the Petition of the City Council of Sault Ste. Marie.

By Mr. Regan, the Petition of the Hamilton Mountain Electric Railway Company.

By Mr. Armstrong, the Petition of the Town Council of Huutsville; also, the Petition of the Town Council of Gravenhurst.

By Mr. Allan, the Petition of the City Council of Hamilton.

By Mr. Sharpe, the Petition of the Town Council of Welland.

By Mr. Dargavel, the Petition of the Town Council of Gananoque.

By Mr. Cargill, the Petition of the Town Council of Hanover.

By Mr. Hurdman, the Petition of the Central Canada Exhibition Association; also, the Petition of James Albert Ellis, of Ottawa.

By Mr. Hook, the Petition of George W. Doxsee and others of Toronto.

By Mr. Thompson (Peterborough), the Petition of the Forest Hill Electric Railway Company.

By Mr. Munro, the Petition of the Town Council of Hawkesbury.

By Mr. Ferguson (Simcoe), the Petition of the Town Council of Alliston.

By Mr. Donovan, the Petition of the Town Council of Brockville; also, the Petition of the Ottawa and St. Lawrence Electric Railway Company.

By Mr. Shearer, the Petition of the Town Council of Cornwall; also, the Petition of Joseph Benoit and others of Finch.

By Mr. Price, the Petition of William Archibald McFarlane, of Toronto; also, the Petition of the Humber Valley Electric Railway Company.

By Mr. Gillespie, the Petition of the Roman Catholic Episcopal Corporation of the Diocese of Peterborough; also, the Petition of the City Council of Peterborough.

By Mr. Musgrove (Huron), the Petition of the Town Council of Wingham.

By Mr. Jarvis, the Petition of the City Council of Port Arthur.

By Mr. Ham, the Petition of the City Council of Brantford.

By Mr. McFarlan, the Petition of the City Council of London.

By Mr. Torrance, the Petition of the Town Council of Listowel.

By Mr. Cameron, two Petitions of the Town Council of Owen Sound.

By Mr. Henry, the Petition of the Township Council of York.

By Mr. Morel, the Petition of the Town Council of North Bay.

On motion of Mr. Hearst, seconded by Mr. Pyne,

Resolved, That when this House adjourns To-day, it do stand adjourned until Two of the Clock in the afternoon of Thursday, the eighteenth day of February, instant.

On Motion of Mr. Hearst, seconded by Mr. Rowell,

Resolved, That out of respect to the memory of the late the Honourable Sir James Pliny Whitney, K.C.M.G., for some years Prime Minister of the Province of Ontario, this House do now adjourn.

The House then adjourned at 4.15 p.m.

Thursday, February 18th, 1915.

PRAYERS.

2.00 O'CLOCK P.M.

The following Petitions were severally brought up and laid upon the Table:—

By Mr. Hall (Waterloo), the Petition of the Town Council of Galt; also, the Petition of the Town Council of Preston.

By Mr. McFarlan, the Petition of the Huron and Erie Loan and Savings Company.

By Mr. Brower, the Petition of the Railroad and City Y.M.C.A. of St. Thomas.

By Mr. Tolmie, the Petition of the City Council and the Water Commissioners of Windsor.

By Mr. Cargill, the Petition of the Town Council of Walkerton.

By Mr. McDonald, the Petition of the Town Council of Chesley.

By Mr. Pinard, the Petition of the City Council of Ottawa.

The following Bills were severally introduced and read the first time:—

Bill (No. 70), intituled "An Act to amend an Act for raising money on the credit of the Consolidated Revenue Fund of Ontario." Mr. Hearst.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Tuesday next.

Bill (No. 71), intituled "An Act respecting the Toronto and Hamilton Highway Commission." Mr. Macdiarmid.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Tuesday next.

Bill (No. 72), intituled "An Act to give further power to Courts, with respect to the recovery of money secured by Mortgage and other similar matters." Mr. Lucas.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Tuesday next.

On Motion of Mr. Hearst, seconded by Mr. Pyne,

Resolved, That a special Committee of Thirteen Members be appointed to prepare and report, with all convenient speed, a list of Members to compose the Select Standing Committees ordered by this House as follows:—

Messrs. Lucas, Pyne, Preston (Lanark), Armstrong, Thompson (Simcoe), McGarry, Macdiarmid, Johnson, Rowell, Clarke, Bowman, Racine and Hurdman.

On Motion of Mr. Hearst, seconded by Mr. Pyne,

Resolved, That a select Committee of Eleven Members be appointed to act with Mr. Speaker in the control and management of the Library to be composed as follows:

Messrs. Hearst, Foy, Lucas, Macdiarmid, Pyne, Hanna, McGarry, Rowell, Elliott, Mageau and Tolmie.

On Motion of Mr. Hearst, seconded by Mr. Pyne,

Resolved, That a select Committee be appointed to direct the expenditure of any sum set apart by the Estimates for Art purposes, to be composed as follows:

Mr. Speaker, Messrs. Hearst, Foy, Macdiarmid, McGarry, Proudfoot, Atkinson and McDonald.

The Order of the Day for the Consideration of the Speech of His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor at the opening of the Session having been read,

Mr. Sinclair moved, seconded by Mr. Magladery,

That an humble Address be presented to His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, as follows:—

To His Honour John Strathearn Hendrie, C.V.O., etc., etc., etc., Lieutenant-Governor of the Province of Ontario.

We, His Majesty's most dutiful and loyal subjects, the Legislative Assembly of the Province of Ontario, now assembled, beg leave to thank Your Honour for the gracious speech Your Honour has addressed to us.

The Address, having been read the second time, was agreed to.

Ordered, That the Address be engrossed and presented to His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor by those Members of this House who are Members of the Executive Council.

On Motion of Mr. McGarry, seconded by Mr. Ferguson (Grenville),

Resolved, That this House will on Tuesday next, resolve itself into the Committee of Supply.

Resolved, That this House will on Tuesday next, resolve itself into the Committee of Ways and Means.

On Motion of Mr. Hearst, seconded by Mr. Pyne,

Resolved, That when this House adjourns To-day, it do stand adjourned until Monday next, the twenty-second day of February, instant, at Three of the Clock in the afternoon.

The House then adjourned at 5.20 p.m.

Monday, February 22nd, 1915.

PRAYERS.

3 O'CLOCK P.M.

The following Petitions were severally brought up and laid upon the Table:—

By Mr. Calder, the Petition of the Town Council of Whitby.

By Mr. Armstrong, the Petition of the Town Council of Bracebridge.

By Mr. Ferguson (Simcoe), the Petition of the Toronto, Barrie and Orillia Railway Company.

By Mr. Godfrey, the Petition of the Toronto Suburban Railway Company.

By Mr. Morel, the Petition of the Town Council of Sturgeon Falls.

By Mr. Tolmie, two Petitions of the City Council of Windsor; also, the Petition of the Canadian Suffrage Association.

The following Petitions were read and received:—

Of the Town Council of Alliston, praying that an Act may pass to consolidate floating indebtedness and to confirm a certain conveyance by W. G. Fisher.

Of the Town Council of Brampton, praying that an Act may pass to ratify and confirm By-law No. 551 guaranteeing certain debentures.

Of the City Council of Brantford, praying that an Act may pass enabling the Corporation to pass certain by-laws and for other purposes.

Of the Town Council of Brockville, praying that an Act may pass to ratify and confirm By-law No. B. 962 authorizing issue of debentures *re* local improvements.

Of the Central Canada Exhibition Association, praying that an Act may pass to amend Act of incorporation by defining membership.

Of George W. Doxsee and others of Toronto, praying that an Act may pass to incorporate Chiropractic College of Ontario.

Of the Town Council of Cornwall, praying that an Act may pass to ratify and confirm By-law No. 33 (1914) extending the franchise of the Cornwall Street Railway, Light and Power Company for a period of twenty years.

Of James Albert Ellis of Ottawa, praying that an Act may pass authorizing the Law Society of Upper Canada to admit him to practice as a Barrister and Solicitor.

Of the Forest Hill Electric Railway Company, praying that an Act may pass extending the time for commencement and completion of the road.

Of Joseph Benoit and others of Finch, praying that an Act may pass to incorporate the Village of Crysler.

Of Edward C. Rendell of Mobile, in the State of Alabama, and others, praying that an Act may pass extending the time for commencement and completion of the Eastern Ontario Electric Railway.

Of the Town Council of Gananoque, praying that an Act may pass authorizing the issue of debentures for certain moneys to be expended in public works.

Of the Town Council of Gravenhurst, praying that an Act may pass authorizing the Corporation to raise certain moneys and to issue debentures therefor.

Of the City Council of Hamilton, praying that an Act may pass authorizing the passing of certain by-laws for the issue of debentures *re* certain works and for other purposes.

Of the Hamilton Mountain Electric Railway Company, praying that an Act may pass extending the time for the commencement and completion of the road.

Of the Town Council of Hanover, praying that an Act may pass to ratify and confirm By-law No. 191 providing for the borrowing of \$3,300 to be expended in public works.

Of the Town Council of Hawkesbury, praying that an Act may pass to consolidate the debenture debt and authorizing the borrowing of money.

Of the Hospital for Sick Children, Toronto, praying that an Act may pass to amend Act of incorporation by enlargement of powers.

Of the Town Council of Huntsville, praying that an Act may pass to ratify and confirm By-law No. 358 fixing the assessment of the Anglo-Canadian Leather Company, Limited.

Of Lincoln Hutton of Bolton, praying that an Act may pass authorizing the Law Society of Upper Canada to admit him to practice as a Barrister and Solicitor.

Of the City Council of London, praying that an Act may pass ratifying and confirming certain by-laws and to authorize the passing of by-law providing for certain moneys.

Of the Sisters of St. Joseph of the Diocese of London, praying that an Act may pass to amend their Act of incorporation, 34 Vic. c. 93, so as to enlarge powers.

Of William Archibald McFarlane of Toronto, praying that an Act may pass to authorize the Law Society of Upper Canada to admit him as a student in his third year.

Of the Village Councils of Merritton and Port Dalhousie, praying that an Act may pass to exempt the Villages from all liability for or in connection with the Queenston and Grimsby Road.

Of the Town Council of Midland, praying that an Act may pass incorporating within the Town the water lots in and adjacent to Midland Harbour and to empower the closing of certain streets.

Of the Town Council of Orillia, praying that an Act may pass to annex certain territory to the Corporation and to ratify and confirm certain by-laws.

Of the Roman Catholic Episcopal Corporation of the Diocese of Peterborough, praying that an Act may pass to amend Act of incorporation by enlarging borrowing powers.

Of the City Council of Port Arthur, praying that an Act may pass to ratify and confirm certain by-laws relating to the purchase and cultivation of lands.

Of the City Council of Sarnia, praying that an Act may pass to ratify and confirm by-laws *re* public works.

Of the City Council of Sault Ste. Marie, praying that an Act may pass to ratify and confirm certain by-laws.

Of the Townships of Sombra and Sarnia, praying that an Act may pass to ratify and confirm certain by-laws.

Of the Town Council of Sudbury, praying that an Act may pass to ratify and confirm By-law No. 400 providing for the raising of certain moneys to pay off floating indebtedness.

Of the City Council of Toronto, praying that an Act may pass to ratify and confirm an agreement with Toronto Harbour Commissioners; to extend Crawford Street, and for other purposes.

Of the Rector and Church-Wardens of the Church of the Holy Trinity, Toronto, praying that an Act may pass to amend Cap. 112, 62 Vic., in regard to the increased income of the endowment.

Of William K. McNaught and others of Toronto, praying that an Act may pass to incorporate the Toronto Municipal Loan Association.

Of the Town Council of Welland, praying that an Act may pass to ratify and confirm a certain agreement between the Corporation and the Niagara, Welland and Lake Erie Railway Company.

Of the Town Council of Wingham, praying that an Act may pass authorizing the passing of by-laws for the issue of debentures.

Of the Town Council of Listowel, praying that an Act may pass enabling the Corporation to issue debentures providing a fund to retire local improvement debentures.

Of the Town Council of Owen Sound, praying that an Act may pass to provide that in assessing the roadway of the Canadian Pacific Railway, the average value *per acre* of the land adjoining such right of way shall be deemed to be the value *per acre* in such polling subdivision.

Of the Town Council of Owen Sound, praying that an Act may pass to ratify and confirm certain by-laws authorizing the issue of debentures *re* public works.

Of the City Council of Peterborough, praying that an Act may pass authorizing the passing of by-laws *re* public works.

Of the Township Council of York, praying that an Act may pass authorizing the passing of certain by-laws.

Of the City Council of Toronto, praying that an Act may pass to declare the true meaning of a certain agreement between the Township of York and the Toronto Suburban Street Railway Company and for other purposes.

Of the Humber Valley Electric Railway Company, praying that an Act may pass to extend the time for commencement and completion of road.

Of the Ottawa and St. Lawrence Electric Railway Company, praying that an Act may pass to change the name of the Company and to extend the time for construction of line and for other purposes.

Of the Town Council of North Bay, praying that an Act may pass authorizing the issue of debentures for the raising of money to satisfy indebtedness to Royal Bank of Canada.

Of the Protestant Orphans Home, Toronto, praying that an Act may pass to amend their Act of incorporation.

Of the Town Council of Galt, praying that an Act may pass to incorporate the Municipality as a City.

Of the Huron and Erie Loan and Savings Company, praying that an Act may pass to change the name of Company to "The Huron and Erie Mortgage Corporation."

Of the Town Council of Preston, praying that an Act may pass to ratify and confirm certain by-laws *re* public works.

Of the Railroad and City Y.M.C.A. of St. Thomas, praying that an Act may pass exempting property from taxation, except for local improvement.

Of the City Council and the Water Commissioners of Windsor, praying that an Act may pass to amend Cap. 58, 61 Vic., sec. 18 and to ratify and confirm the expenditure of certain moneys.

Of the Town Council of Walkerton, praying that an Act may pass to consolidate the debenture debt and to authorize the raising of money.

Of the Town Council of Chesley; also, of the City Council of Ottawa, severally praying for certain amendments to the Municipal Act in the direction of granting the Municipal Franchise to Married Women.

The following Bills were severally introduced and read the first time:—

Bill (No. 73), intituled "An Act to extend the Municipal Franchise to Married Women." Mr. Elliott.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time To-morrow.

Bill (No. 74), intituled "An Act to authorize and confirm grants by Municipal Corporations for Patriotic purposes." Mr. Lucas.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time To-morrow.

On Motion of Mr. Hearst, seconded by Mr. Pyne,

Resolved, That, beginning on Monday next, and on each succeeding Monday, for the remainder of the Session, Government Orders shall be placed upon the Order Paper.

Mr. Bowman asked the following Question:—

1. What securities of the Province of Ontario have been sold since the first day of January, 1915. 2. Who were the purchasers of such securities and

what was the date of sale and the price paid for each block respectively. 3. Were these securities or any of them advertised for sale. 4. If so, how. 5. Were tenders called for. 6. If so, how.

To which the Provincial Treasurer replied in the words and figures following:—

1. \$3,000,000. 2. Messrs. Home Smith & Company, Toronto; February 8th, 1915; \$100.38. 3. No. 4. Answered by No. 3. 5 and 6. No, but quotations were asked for from Messrs. Home Smith & Co., Toronto; Messrs. Aemilius Jarvis & Co., Toronto; Messrs. Osler & Hammond, Toronto; Messrs. R. C. Matthews & Co., Toronto; Messrs. A. E. Ames & Co., Toronto; Messrs. Wood, Gundy & Co., Toronto.

Mr. Lang asked the following Question:—

1. How much of the \$5,000,000 authorized to be raised by the Province by 2 Geo. V. chap. 2, has been raised. 2. How much of the said sum has been expended. 3. How much has been expended during the financial year ending 31st October, 1914.

And the Provincial Treasurer replied in the words following:—

1. See Statement No. 17, 1912 Public Accounts; also Statements Nos. 17 and 19, 1913 Public Accounts. 2. See Public Accounts, 1912, page 559; see Public Accounts, 1913, page 579; see Public Accounts, 1914, pages 619 and 635. 3. Answered by No. 2.

On Motion of Mr. Carter, seconded by Mr. Tolmie,

Ordered, That there be laid before this House a Return showing: If any part of the 32,000 acres now being cleared, or about to be cleared by the Government in the vicinity of Sudbury, is to be set apart or used to give work to the unemployed. How many acres are to be so set aside, and what are the terms and conditions upon which the unemployed can secure work.

On Motion of Mr. Rowell, seconded by Mr. Bowman,

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor praying that he will cause to be laid before this House a Return

showing copies: 1. Of all correspondence passing between the Government of Ontario and any officer or official thereof and the Government of Canada, or any officer or official thereof, with reference to the use of nickel by His Majesty's enemies in the present war, and with reference to the manufacture of nickel in the Province of Ontario, or the export of nickel from the Province of Ontario. 2. Of all communications between the Government of Ontario or any officer or official thereof, and His Majesty's Government of Great Britain, or any officer or official thereof, with reference to the use of nickel by His Majesty's enemies in the present war, and with reference to the manufacture of nickel in the Province of Ontario, or the export of nickel from the Province of Ontario. 3. Of all communications received by the Government of Ontario in reference to the use of Ontario's nickel by any of His Majesty's enemies, or as to the export of nickel from Ontario, or the manufacture of nickel in Ontario. 4. Of all copies of Orders-in-Council passed by the Government of Ontario since the year 1890, in reference to any of the matters aforesaid. 5. Of all copies of Orders-in-Council relating to the appointment of a Commission to investigate the manufacture of nickel in Ontario, and all communications received or sent by the Government with reference thereto.

Mr. Hanna presented to the House, by command of His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor:—

Public Accounts of the Province of Ontario for the year ended 31st October, 1914. (*Sessional Papers, No. 1.*)

Also—The Report of the Workmen's Compensation Board, Ontario, to the 31st December, 1914. (*Sessional Papers No. 54.*)

On Motion of Mr. McGarry, seconded by Mr. Preston (Lanark),

Ordered, That the Public Accounts for the year 1914, be referred to the Standing Committee on Public Accounts.

The House then adjourned at 5.05 p.m.

Tuesday, February 23rd, 1915.

PRAYERS.

3 O'CLOCK P.M.

Mr. Lucas, from the Special Committee appointed to prepare and report, with all convenient speed, Lists of Members to compose the Select Standing Committees ordered by this House, presented the following Lists as their Report:—

COMMITTEE ON PRIVILEGES AND ELECTIONS.

Honourable Mr. Hearst, Messieurs Armstrong, Black, Bowman, Cameron, Carew, Clarke, Devitt, Duff, Edgar, Ferguson (Grenville), Foy, Grant, Hall (Waterloo), Hanna, Hartt, Hook, Hoyle, Hurdman, Jessop, Lennox, Lucas, Macdiarmid, Magladery, Mason, Mathieu, Mills, McFarlan, McGarry, Parliament, Preston (Lanark), Proudfoot, Racine, Ross, Rowell, Russell, Thompson (Simcoe), Tolmie—38.

The Quorum of said Committee to consist of nine Members.

COMMITTEE ON RAILWAYS.

Honourable Mr. Hearst, Sir Adam Beck, Messieurs Allan, Armstrong, Bowman, Cargill, Chambers, Clarke, Crawford, Davidson, Dunlop, Eilber, Elliott, Evanturel, Fallis, Foy, Gamey, Gillespie, Godfrey, Gooderham, Grigg, Ham, Hanna, Hartt, Hilliard, Hogarth, Hoyle, Irish, Jarvis, Jessop, Lennox, Macdiarmid, Machin, Mageau, Magladery, Hall (Lanark), Marshall, Martyn, Mason, Mathieu, Mills, Munro, Musgrove (Huron), Musgrove (Niagara Falls), McCrea, McDonald, McGarry, McPherson, Nesbitt, Nixon, Owens, Pinard, Pratt, Preston (Durham), Preston (Lanark), Price, Proudfoot, Racine, Rankin, Regan, Ross, Rowell, Sharpe, Shearer, Sinclair, Studholme, Thompson (Peterborough), Tolmie—68.

The Quorum of said Committee to consist of nine Members.

COMMITTEE ON PRIVATE BILLS.

Honourable Mr. Hearst, Messieurs Allan, Atkinson, Bowman, Brower, Calder, Cameron, Carscallen, Clarke, Crawford, Dargavel, Davidson, Ducharme, Duff, Dunlop, Elliott, Fallis, Ferguson (Grenville), Ferguson (Kent), Gamey, Godfrey, Gooderham, Grant, Hall (Lanark), Hanna, Henry, Hilliard, Hogarth, Hurdman, Irish, Jaques, Jessop, Johnson, Lang, Lennox, Lucas, Macdiarmid, Mageau, Marshall, Martyn, Musgrove (Huron), Musgrove (Niagara Falls), McCrea, McDonald, McElroy, McGarry, McKeown, McPherson, Nesbitt, Nixon, Owens, Pinard, Pratt, Preston (Durham), Preston

(Lanark), Price, Proudfoot, Racine, Rankin, Ross, Rykert, Sharp, Shearer, Sinclair, Sulman, Thompson (Simcoe), Torrance—67.

The Quorum of said Committee to consist of nine Members.

COMMITTEE ON STANDING ORDERS.

Honourable Mr. Hearst, Messieurs Bennewies, Black, Calder, Cameron, Carew, Carter, Cook, Davidson, Devitt, Donovan, Edgar, Evanturel, Fallis, Ferguson (Simcoe), Gillespie, Godfrey, Grieve, Grigg, Ham, Hartt, Hall (Waterloo), Henry, Hoyle, Jarvis, Lennox, Machin, Mason, Mathieu, Mills, Morel, Munro, Musgrove (Niagara Falls), Nesbitt, Parliament, Preston (Lanark), Racine, Rankin, Regan, Richardson, Rowell, Russell, Studholme, Thompson (Peterborough), Torrance, Wigle—46.

The Quorum of said Committee to consist of seven Members.

COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC ACCOUNTS.

Honourable Mr. Hearst, Sir Adam Beck, Messieurs Bowman, Carew, Cargill, Carter, Clarke, Dargavel, Eilber, Elliott, Ferguson (Grenville), Gamey, Gillespie, Hall (Lanark), Hanna, Hartt, Hilliard, Hogarth, Hook, Hurdman, Irish, Jaques, Johnson, Lennox, Lucas, Mageau, Machin, Magladery, Munro, Musgrove (Huron), McCrea, McElroy, McGarry, McKeown, Pinard, Price, Preston (Lanark), Proudfoot, Rankin, Rowell, Sinclair, Thompson (Simcoe), Torrance—43

The Quorum of said Committee to consist of seven Members.

COMMITTEE ON MUNICIPAL LAW.

Honourable Mr. Hearst, Messieurs Allan, Armstrong, Atkinson, Bennewies, Black, Brower, Cameron, Carew, Cargill, Carsecallen, Carter, Chambers, Cooke, Crawford, Dargavel, Devitt, Ducharme, Duff, Dunlop, Edgar, Eilber, Elliott, Ferguson (Grenville), Ferguson (Kent), Ferguson (Simcoe), Foy, Gamey, Godfrey, Gooderham, Grant, Grieve, Hall (Waterloo), Ham, Hanna, Henry, Hilliard, Hook, Hoyle, Hurdman, Irish, Jarvis, Johnson, Lang, Lennox, Macdiarmid, Machin, Marshall, Martyn, Mills, Musgrove (Huron), Musgrove (Niagara Falls), McElroy, McFarlan, McGarry, McKeown, McPherson, Nixon, Parliament, Preston (Durham), Preston (Lanark), Price, Proudfoot, Pyne, Racine, Rankin, Regan, Richardson, Russell, Rykert, Sharp, Studholme, Sulman, Thompson (Simcoe), Wigle—75.

The Quorum of said Committee to consist of nine Members.

 COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE AND COLONIZATION.

Honourable Mr. Hearst, Messieurs Armstrong, Bennewies, Black, Brower, Calder, Carsecallen, Chambers, Cooke, Dargavel, Davidson, Devitt, Donovan, Ducharme, Duff, Eilber, Elliott, Fallis, Ferguson (Simcoe), Gamey, Gillespie, Grant, Grieve, Grigg, Henry, Jaques, Jessop, Macdiarmid, Mageau, Marshall, Mathieu, Morel, Musgrove (Huron), McElroy, McFarlan, Nesbitt, Parliament, Preston (Durham), Preston (Lanark), Pratt, Rankin, Regan, Richardson, Rowell, Sharpe, Shearer, Thompson (Peterborough), Torrance, Wigle—49.

The Quorum of said Committee to consist of nine Members.

COMMITTEE ON FISH AND GAME.

Sir Adam Beck, Messieurs Armstrong, Black, Brower, Carsecallen, Clarke, Dargavel, Donovan, Duff, Dunlop, Eilber, Grant, Hartt, Hogarth, Jessop, Lang, Macdiarmid, Mageau, Marshall, Morel, Musgrove (Huron), Nesbitt, Nixon, Owens, Pratt, Rankin, Rowell, Tolmie—28.

The Quorum of said Committee to consist of seven Members.

COMMITTEE ON LEGAL BILLS.

Honourable Mr. Hearst, Messieurs Cameron, Elliott, Ferguson (Grenville), Foy, Hanna, Lennox, Lucas, McCrea, McGarry, McKeown, McPherson, Proudfoot, Pyne, Rowell, Thompson (Simcoe)—16.

The Quorum of said Committee to consist of five Members.

COMMITTEE ON PRINTING.

Messieurs Carsecallen, Crawford, Donovan, Ferguson (Kent), Jarvis, Lucas, Mason, Musgrove (Huron), McDonald, Owens, Preston (Lanark), Ross, Sulman, Tolmie—14.

The Quorum of said Committee to consist of five Members.

Resolved, That this House doth concur in the foregoing Report of the Special Committee appointed to prepare and report Lists of Members to compose the Select Standing Committees ordered by the House.

Mr. Hearst delivered to Mr. Speaker a Message from the Lieutenant-Governor, signed by himself; and the said Message was read by Mr. Speaker, and is as follows:—

JOHN S. HENDRIE.

The Lieutenant-Governor transmits Supplementary Estimates of certain sums required for the service of the Province for the year 1914-15, and recommends them to the Legislative Assembly.

GOVERNMENT HOUSE,

Toronto, February 23rd, 1915.

(*Sessional Papers No. 2.*)

Ordered, That the Message of the Lieutenant-Governor, together with the Estimates accompanying same, be referred to the Committee of Supply.

The following Bill was read the second time:—

Bill (No. 70), To amend an Act for raising money on the credit of the Consolidated Revenue Fund of Ontario.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

The Order of the Day for the House to resolve itself into the Committee of Supply, having been read,

Mr. McGarry moved,

That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair, and that the House do resolve itself into the Committee of Supply.

And a Debate having arisen, it was, upon the motion of Mr. Gillespie,

Ordered, That the Debate be adjourned until To-morrow.

The following Bill was introduced and read the first time:—

Bill (No. 75), intituled "An Act for the better regulation of the use of certain Public Waters." Mr. Ferguson (Grenville.)

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time To-morrow.

Mr. Hanna presented to the House, by command of His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor:—

Report of the Inspector of Division Courts for the year 1914. (*Sessional Papers, No. 5.*)

Also, Report of the University of Toronto Board of Governors, for the year ending 30th June, 1914. (*Sessional Papers, No. 18.*)

Also, Report on the operation of the Liquor License Acts in Ontario during the year 1914. (*Sessional Papers, No. 28.*)

Also, Copies of Orders in Council in accordance with the provisions of Subsection 6 of Section 78, Cap. 62 R.S.O. 1914 *re* Surrogate Courts. (*Sessional Papers, No. 55.*)

Also, Copies of Regulations and Orders in Council made under the authority of the Department of Education or of the Acts relating to Public Schools, Separate Schools or High Schools. (*Sessional Papers, No. 56.*)

The House then adjourned at 11.00 p.m.

Wednesday, February 24th, 1915.

PRAYERS.

3.00 O'CLOCK P.M.

Mr. Speaker communicated to the House:—

Report of the Librarian upon the state of the Library. (*Sessional Papers, No. 52.*)

The following Petitions were severally brought up and laid upon the Table:—

By Mr. Owens, the Petition of Sidney Chilton Mewburn, of Hamilton.

By Mr. Godfrey, the Petition of the Toronto and York Radial Railway Company.

By Mr. McCrea, the Petition of the Sisters of St. Joseph of the Diocese of Toronto; also, the Petition of the Town Council of Renfrew.

3—JOUR.

By Mr. Davidson, the Petition of the Township Council of South Dumfries.

The following Petitions were read and received:—

Of the Toronto, Barrie and Orillia Railway Company, praying that an Act may pass to reduce capital stock and to extend the time for commencement of road.

Of the Toronto Suburban Railway Company, praying that an Act may pass authorizing the Company to operate its railway on Sunday.

Of the Town Council of Sturgeon Falls, praying that an Act may pass to ratify and confirm Assessment and Collectors' Rolls for the years 1906 to 1914, inclusive.

Of the City Council of Windsor; also, of the Canadian Suffrage Association, severally, praying for certain amendments to the Municipal Act in the direction of granting the Municipal Franchise to Married Women.

Of the Town Council of Bracebridge; also, of the Town Council of Whitby; also, of the City Council of Windsor, praying for certain amendments to the Public Utilities Act.

Mr. Hartt, from the Standing Committee on Standing Orders, presented their First Report, which was read as follows and adopted:—

Your Committee have carefully examined the following Petitions and find the Notices as published in each case sufficient:—

Of William K. McNaught and others of Toronto, praying that an Act may pass to incorporate the Toronto Municipal Loan Association.

Of the Town Council of Brampton, praying that an Act may pass to ratify and confirm By-law No. 551 guaranteeing certain debentures.

Of the Sisters of St. Joseph of the Diocese of London, praying that an Act may pass to amend their Act of Incorporation, 34 Vic., c. 92, so as to enlarge powers.

Of Edward C. Rendell of Mobile, in the State of Alabama, and others, praying that an Act may pass extending the time for the commencement and completion of the Eastern Ontario Electric Railway.

Of the Town Council of Galt, praying that an Act may pass to incorporate the Municipality as a City.

Of the Rector and Church Wardens of the Church of the Holy Trinity, Toronto, praying that an Act may pass to amend 62 Vic., c. 112, in regard to the increased income of endowment.

Of the Hospital for Sick Children, Toronto, praying that an Act may pass to amend Act of Incorporation by enlargement of powers.

Of the Town Council of Welland, praying that an Act may pass to ratify and confirm a certain Agreement between the Corporation and the Niagara, Welland and Lake Erie Railway Company.

Of the Town Council of Gananoque, praying that an Act may pass authorizing the issue of debentures for certain moneys to be expended in public works.

Of William Archibald McFarlane, of Toronto, praying that an Act may pass to authorize the Law Society of Upper Canada to admit him as a Student in his third year.

Of the City Council of Toronto, praying that an Act may pass to ratify and confirm an Agreement with the Toronto Harbour Commissioners, to extend Crawford Street, and for other purposes.

Of the Town Council of North Bay, praying that an Act may pass authorizing the issue of debentures for the raising of money to satisfy indebtedness to Royal Bank of Canada.

Of the City Council of Sarnia, praying that an Act may pass to ratify and confirm certain by-laws *re* public works.

Of the Protestant Orphans' Home, Toronto, praying that an Act may pass to amend their Act of Incorporation.

Of the Town Council of Owen Sound, praying that an Act may pass to provide that in assessing the roadway of the Canadian Pacific Railway the average value *per* acre of the land adjoining such right of way shall be deemed to be the value *per* acre in such polling subdivision.

The following Bills were severally introduced and read the first time:—

Bill (No. 1), intituled "An Act to incorporate the Toronto Municipal Loan Association." Mr. McPherson.

Referred to the Committee on Private Bills.

Bill (No. 2), intituled "An Act to confirm By-law No. 551 of the Town of Brampton." Mr. Fallis.

Referred to the Committee on Private Bills.

Bill (No. 3), intituled "An Act to amend the Act to incorporate the Sisters of St. Joseph of the Diocese of London in Ontario." Mr. Eilber.

Referred to the Committee on Private Bills.

Bill (No. 4), intituled "An Act respecting the Eastern Ontario Electric Railway Company." Mr. Nesbitt.

Referred to the Committee on Railways.

Bill (No. 6), intituled "An Act to incorporate the City of Galt." Mr. Hall (Waterloo.)

Referred to the Committee on Private Bills.

Bill (No. 10), intituled "An Act respecting the City of Sarnia." Mr. Eilber.

Referred to the Committee on Private Bills.

Bill (No. 11), intituled "An Act respecting the Church of the Holy Trinity, Toronto." Mr. McPherson.

Referred to the Commissioners of Estate Bills.

Bill (No. 16), intituled "An Act confirming an Agreement between the Niagara, Welland and Lake Erie Railway Company and the Town of Welland." Mr. Sharpe.

Referred to the Committee on Private Bills.

Bill (No. 18), intituled "An Act respecting the Hospital for Sick Children." Mr. Gooderham.

Referred to the Committee on Private Bills.

Bill (No. 19), intituled "An Act respecting the Town of North Bay." Mr. Morel.

Referred to the Railway and Municipal Board.

Bill (No. 21) intituled "An Act respecting the Town of Gananoque." Mr. Dargavel.

Referred to the Railway and Municipal Board.

Bill (No. 32), intituled "An Act to authorize the Law Society of Upper Canada to admit William Archibald McFarlane as a Student in his third year." Mr. Price.

Referred to the Committee on Private Bills.

Bill (No. 43), intituled "An Act respecting the City of Toronto." Mr. Crawford.

Referred to the Committee on Private Bills.

Bill (No. 44), intituled "An Act respecting the assessment of the Canadian Pacific Railway Company's property in the Town of Owen Sound." Mr. Cameron.

Referred to the Committee on Private Bills.

Bill (No. 57), intituled "An Act respecting the Protestant Orphans' Home, Toronto." Mr. Gooderham.

Referred to the Committee on Private Bills.

Bill (No. 76), intituled "An Act to amend the Assessment Act." Mr. Chambers.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time To-morrow.

Bill (No. 77), intituled "An Act to levy a Provincial War Tax, to supplement the Revenues of the Crown." Mr. McGarry.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time To-morrow.

Mr. Marshall asked the following Question:—

1. How much has been expended by the Government to date in respect of the new Government House, particularizing the expenditure for the site, for laying out the grounds, for the buildings and for furnishings respectively.
2. What is the total estimated cost of completing Government House, particularizing the estimated expenditure for site, for laying out the grounds and for

the buildings respectively. 3. What is the total estimated cost of furnishing Government House. 4. When will the new Government House be entirely completed and ready for occupation.

To which the Minister of Public Works replied in the words and figures following:—

1. Cost of site and legal expenses, \$147,054.00; laying out of grounds, \$116,132.26; buildings, \$459,902.33; furnishings (no expenditure). 2. Laying out of grounds and fencing, \$35,000.00; buildings, \$162,364.00. 3. Furnishings, electric fixtures and decorations, \$55,000.00. 4. October, 1915.

Mr. Ham asked the following Question:—

1. What municipalities of the Province established Civic Employment Bureaus or offices where the unemployed might register. 2. What was the registration of unemployed at these offices respectively.

And the Minister of Public Works replied in the words following:—

1. No reports received from Municipalities regarding Civic Employment Bureaus. 2. Answered by No. 1.

The following Bill was read the second time:—

Bill (No. 72), To give further power to Courts with respect to the recovery of money secured by Mortgage and other similar matters.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

The Order of the Day for resuming the Adjourned Debate on the Motion, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair and that the House do resolve itself into the Committee of Supply, having been read,

The Debate was resumed.

And after some time, it was, on the Motion of Mr. McDonald,

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned until To-morrow.

The House then adjourned at 6.00 p.m.

Thursday, February 25th, 1915.

PRAYERS.

3.00 O'CLOCK P.M.

The following Petition was brought up and laid upon the Table:—

By Mr. Jessop, the Petition of the City Council of St. Catharines.

The following Bill was introduced and read the first time:—

Bill (No. 78), intituled "An Act to amend the Assessment Act." Mr. Cargill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time To-morrow.

The following Bill was read the second time:—

Bill (No. 71), Respecting the Toronto and Hamilton Highway Commission.

Referred to a Select Committee to be composed as follows:—Messieurs Macdiarmid, McGarry, McCrea, Rankin, Chambers, Owens, Bowman, Marshall, Ferguson (Kent), Gooderham, Allan and Irish.

The following Bill was read the second time:—

Bill (No. 74), To authorize and confirm Grants by Municipal Corporations for Patriotic Purposes.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

The Order of the Day for resuming the Adjourned Debate on the Motion, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair and that the House do resolve itself into the Committee of Supply, having been read,

The Debate was resumed.

And after some time, it was, on the Motion of Mr. Clarke,

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned until To-morrow.

Mr. McGarry presented to the House by command of His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor:—

Auditors' Report for the year 1913-14. (*Sessional Papers, No. 53.*)

Also—The Succession Duty Act, being Revised Statutes of Ontario, 1914, chapter 24, as amended by George V. chapter 10, and Rules and Regulations made thereunder by Order of the Lieutenant-Governor in Council. (*Sessional Papers, No. 57.*)

The House then adjourned at 11.25 p.m.

Friday, February 26th, 1915.

PRAYERS.

3.00 O'CLOCK P.M.

Mr. Speaker informed the House:—

That the Clerk had received from the Commissioners of Estate Bills, their Report in the following case:—

Bill (No. 11), Respecting the Church of the Holy Trinity, Toronto.

The Report was then read by the Clerk at the Table as follows:—

To the Honourable the Legislative Assembly of the Province of Ontario:—

We, the undersigned, two of the Commissioners of Estate Bills, pursuant to the request of the Clerk of the Legislative Assembly, respectfully report as follows:—

The undersigned have had under consideration, Bill (No. 11), Respecting the Church of the Holy Trinity, Toronto.

That, in our opinion, presuming the allegations contained in the Preamble to the Bill to be proved to the satisfaction of the House, it is reasonable that the said Bill do pass into law. The provisions thereof appear to us to be proper for carrying the Bill into effect and we do not deem any alteration, or amendment, thereof to be necessary.

GLENHOLME FALCONBRIDGE, C.J.K.B.
R. F. SUTHERLAND, J.

Ordered, That Bill (No. 11), Respecting the Church of the Holy Trinity, Toronto, be referred to the Committee on Private Bills, with instructions to consider the same with reference to the suggestions of the Commissioners of Estate Bills thereon.

The following Petitions were severally brought up and laid upon the Table:—

By Mr. McKeown, the Petition of the Town Council of Orangeville.

By Mr. Sulman, the Petition of the County Council of Kent.

The following Petitions were read and received:—

Of the Town Council of Renfrew, praying that an Act may pass authorizing the Corporation to issue debentures for the raising of money to pay off the award of the Railway and Municipal Board *in re* J. A. Jamieson and the Hydro-Electric Commission.

Of Sydney Chilton Mewburn of Hamilton, praying that an Act may pass to ratify and confirm a certain Judgment of the Supreme Court of Ontario, H. C. Division, and all acts lawfully done thereunder.

Of the Toronto and York Radial Railway Company, praying that an Act may pass permitting the Company to lay out, construct, complete and operate double tracks on Yonge Street, and for an extension of time.

Of the Sisters of St. Joseph of the Diocese of Toronto, praying that an Act may pass to amend Act of incorporation so as to extend scope of charitable and other works.

Of the Township Council of South Dumfries, praying for certain amendments to the Municipal Act in the direction of granting the Municipal Franchise to Married Women.

Mr. Hartt, from the Standing Committee on Standing Orders, presented their Second Report, which was read as follows and adopted:—

Your Committee have carefully examined the following Petitions and find the Notices as published in each case sufficient:—

Of the Village Councils of Merritton and Port Dalhousie, praying that an Act may pass to exempt the Villages from all liability for or in connection with the Queenston and Grimsby Road.

Of the Town Council of Sudbury, praying that an Act may pass to ratify and confirm By-law No. 400 providing for the raising of certain moneys to pay off floating indebtedness.

Of the Town Council of Huntsville, praying that an Act may pass to ratify and confirm By-law No. 358 fixing the assessment of the Anglo-Canadian Leather Company, Limited.

Of the Town Council of Listowel, praying that an Act may pass enabling the Corporation to issue debentures providing a fund to retire local improvement debentures.

Of the Humber Valley Electric Railway Company, praying that an Act may pass to extend the time for the commencement and completion of the road.

Of the Town Council of Owen Sound, praying that an Act may pass to ratify and confirm certain by-laws authorizing the issue of debentures *re* local improvements.

Of the Forest Hill Electric Railway Company, praying that an Act may pass extending the time for the commencement and completion of the road.

Of the Town Council of Sturgeon Falls, praying that an Act may pass to ratify and confirm Assessment and Collectors' Rolls for the years 1906 to 1914, inclusive.

Your Committee recommend that Rule No. 51 of your Honourable House be suspended in this, that the time for presenting Petitions for Private Bills be extended until and inclusive of Monday, the 15th day of March next.

Mr. Hartt, from the Standing Committee on Standing Orders presented their Third Report, which was read as follows and adopted:—

Your Committee have carefully examined the Petition of The Huron and Erie Loan and Savings Company, praying that an Act may pass to change the name of the Company to "The Huron and Erie Mortgage Corporation," and find that Notice of the proposed application to this Legislature was duly inserted, as required by the Rules of Your Honourable House, for a period of six weeks in the "*Ontario Gazette*," and also for a like period in the "*London Advertiser*," a newspaper published in the City of London where the Head Office of the Company is situated.

Your Committee also find that there is no mention in the Notice of the matter contained in paragraph (g) of the Petition, *viz.*, "To sanction the recognition and acceptance by the Company of foreign probates of Wills or Letters of Administration or similar documents where the transmission of the

interest of any person in any Bond, Debenture, Debenture Stock, or obligation of the Company not payable to bearer takes place by virtue of any testamentary act or instrument or in consequence of an intestacy," and they would therefore recommend that the attention of the Private Bills Committee be directed to this matter.

Ordered, That the time for presenting Petitions for Private Bills be extended until and inclusive of Monday, the fifteenth day of March, next.

The following Bills were severally introduced and read the first time:—

Bill (No. 7), intituled "An Act respecting the Humber Valley Electric Railway Company." Mr. Price.

Referred to the Committee on Railways.

Bill (No. 8), intituled "An Act to confirm By-law No. 400 of the Town of Sudbury." Mr. McCrea.

Referred to the Railway and Municipal Board.

Bill (No. 9), intituled "An Act to exempt the Village of Merritton and the Village of Port Dalhousie from all liability for or in connection with the Queenston and Grimsby Road." Mr. Jessop.

Referred to the Committee on Private Bills.

Bill (No. 14), intituled "An Act to confirm By-law No. 358 of the Town of Huntsville." Mr. Armstrong.

Referred to the Committee on Private Bills.

Bill (No. 22), intituled "An Act respecting the Huron and Erie Loan and Savings Company." Mr. McFarlan.

Referred to the Committee on Private Bills.

Bill (No. 26), intituled "An Act respecting the Forest Hill Electric Railway Company." Mr. Thompson (Peterborough.)

Referred to the Committee on Railways.

Bill (No. 45), intituled "An Act to confirm certain By-laws of the Town of Owen Sound." Mr. Cameron.

Referred to the Committee on Private Bills.

Bill (No. 50), intituled "An Act to consolidate certain Debentures and other Debts of the Town of Listowel." Mr. Torrance.

Referred to the Railway and Municipal Board.

Bill (No. 79), intituled "An Act to amend the Ontario Medical Act." Mr. Lucas.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Monday next.

Bill (No. 80), intituled "An Act to amend the Mortgages Act." Mr. Lucas.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Monday next.

Bill (No. 81), intituled "An Act to amend the Representation Act." Mr. Lucas.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Monday next.

Bill (No. 82), intituled "An Act to amend the Ontario Railway and Municipal Board Act." Mr. Jaques.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Monday next.

Bill (No. 83), intituled "An Act to amend the Mining Act of Ontario." Mr. Ferguson (Grenville.)

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Monday next.

On Motion of Mr. Lucas, seconded by Mr. Duff,

Ordered, That the name of Mr. Parliament be substituted for that of Mr. Rowell on the Fish and Game Committee.

On Motion of Mr. Hearst, seconded by Mr. Rowell, it was

Resolved, That Mr. Speaker be authorized and requested to cable the officer in command of the Ontario Brigade of the First Overseas Expeditionary Force in the following terms:—

The Legislative Assembly of Ontario congratulates the officers and men of Ontario who have been in action on their steadiness and valor when under fire for the first time in the present war, and gratefully recognizes the sacrifices they are making for our liberties as well as for the liberties of the world, and this Legislature is fully assured that they will always maintain the honor of Canada and of the Empire.

Mr. Carter asked the following Question:—

1. What amount has The Canada Copper Company paid to the Provincial Government in respect of mining tax or royalty upon its output for the years 1904 to 1914, respectively.

To which Mr. Ferguson (Grenville) replied in the words and figures following:—

There is, strictly speaking, no tax or royalty on the output of The Canada Copper Company, or any other mining company in Ontario. The tax is on the profits of the mine computed as provided in the Mining Tax Act (R.S.O. 1914, chapter 26), passed in 1907. Since the Act came into force the payments by The Canada Copper Company to the Government have been as follows:—1907, \$16,990.56; 1908, \$16,743.92; 1909, \$17,296.54; 1910, \$17,681.73; 1911, \$16,287.25; 1912, \$40,000.00; 1913, \$40,000.00; 1914, \$40,000.00.

Mr. Gillespie asked the following Question:—

1. How many factory inspectors are now employed, distinguishing between male and female. 2. How many factories and shops, respectively, are subject to inspection under the provisions of the Factory, Shop and Office Building Act. 3. How many employees, male and female respectively, are employed in these factories and shops.

And the Minister of Agriculture replied as follows:—

1. 9 male and 2 female inspectors. 2. 6,077 factories, 1,350 shops, 198 office buildings. 3. Male employees, 167,846; females, 61,634.

Mr. Ferguson (Kent) asked the following Question:—

1. Has the amount of compensation to be paid to Sir William Meredith, as Commissioner to investigate the question of Workmen's Compensation, been fixed. If so, how much is the compensation. 2. How much has been paid on account thereof.

And the Attorney-General replied:—

1. Allowance to Sir William Meredith (including travelling and all other expenses), \$7,500. 2. Paid in full as above.

Mr. Ferguson (Kent), asked the following Question:—

1. Has the Canadian Northern Ontario Railway Company applied to the Minister of Lands, Forests and Mines to designate the lands or any part of the lands to be granted to the said railway as provided in section 3, 9 Edw. VII., chap. 71. 2. Has the Minister of Lands, Forests and Mines designated such lands or any part of the same. 3. If such lands or any part of the same have been so designated, what is the total acreage so designated, and of what townships or part of townships does the same consist. 4. Have the said lands or any part of the same been surveyed.

To which Mr. Ferguson (Grenville), replied:—

1. No. 2. No. 3. Answered by No. 2. 4. No.

Mr. McCrea asked the following Question:—

What amounts has the Government received under its mining tax legislation from the various mines of the Province for each of the years, 1900 to 1914, inclusive.

And Mr. Ferguson (Grenville) replied in the words and figures following:—

1900, nothing; 1901, nothing; 1902, nothing; 1903, nothing; 1904, nothing; 1905, nothing; 1906, nothing. The Mining Tax Act came into force in 1907, in which year the receipts were:—

1907—Canadian Copper Company	\$16,990 56
Cobalt Silver Queen, Limited	353 80
Coniagas Mines, Ltd.	6,499 53
Drummond Mines, Ltd.	1,602 19
Kerr Lake Mining Co.....	1,147 80
La Rose Mines, Ltd.	8,821 30
The Lake Superior Corporation.....	680 31
Loughboro Mining Co., Ltd.....	85 88
Mond Nickel Co.	1,498 41
Nipissing Mining Co.	27,475 60
Trethewey Silver Cobalt Mine.....	1,586 30
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	\$66,741 68

1908—Buffalo Mines, Ltd.	\$1,613 10
Canadian Copper Co.	16,743 92
Cobalt Silver Queen, Ltd.	491 97
Coniagas Mines, Ltd.	7,236 73
Drummond Mines, Ltd.	3,423 83
Foster Cobalt Mining Co.	577 87
Kerr Lake Mining Co.	3,978 48
The Lake Superior Corporation.	620 74
La Rose Mines, Limited	6,152 67
Loughboro Mining Co., Ltd.	130 33
McKinley-Darragh Savage Mines	1,448 76
Mond Nickel Co.	359 42
Nipissing Mining Co.	19,991 34
Temiskaming Mining Co.	1,693 32
Trethewey Silver Cobalt Mine, Ltd.	1,460 00
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	\$65,922 48
1909—Buffalo Mines, Ltd.	\$2,018 43
Canadian Copper Co.	17,296 54
Cobalt Silver Queen	3,754 89
Coniagas Mines, Limited	6,435 78
Drummond Mines, Limited	6,220 25
Kerr Lake Mining Co.	11,205 49
La Rose Mines, Limited	7,151 55
Lake Superior Corporation	36 32
McKinley-Darragh-Savage Mines, Ltd.	3,414 98
Mond Nickel Company	355 00
Nipissing Mining Co.	11,807 13
Standard Cobalt Mines, Limited	1,447 00
Temiskaming Mining Co.	4,164 55
Trethewey Silver Cobalt Mines	2,760 98
Watts Mines, Ltd.	258 69
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	\$78,327 58
1910—Buffalo Mines, Limited	\$3,542 45
Canadian Copper Co.	17,681 73
Cobalt Silver Queen, Limited.	56 49
Coniagas Mines, Ltd.	6,702 57
Kerr Lake Mining Co.	23,013 80
La Rose Mines, Ltd.	19,071 38
McKinley-Darragh-Savage Mines, Ltd.	7,118 09
Mond Nickel Co.	14 11
Nipissing Mining Co.	30,509 93
Temiskaming Mining Co.	997 30
Trethewey Silver Cobalt Mine	2,838 32
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	\$111,546 17

1911—Beaver Consolidated Mines, Ltd.	\$522 16
Buffalo Mines, Ltd.	6,971 29
Canadian Copper Co.	16,287 25
Coniagas Mines, Ltd.	8,317 46
Kerr Lake Mining Co.	21,586 20
Lake Superior Corporation	236 10
La Rose Mines, Ltd.	16,492 90
McKinley-Darragh-Savage Mines	14,087 66
Nipissing Mining Co.	32,512 69
Temiskaming Mines, Ltd.	13,544 58
Trethewey Silver Cobalt Mines, Ltd.	897 00
Wettlaufer Lorrain Silver Mines	122 46

\$131,577 75

1912—Beaver Consolidated Mines, Ltd.	\$4,341 30
Buffalo Mines, Limited	5,677 20
Canadian Copper Co.	40,000 00
Cobalt Lake Mining Co.	1,850 75
Coniagas Mines, Limited	21,752 15
Kerr Lake Mining Co.	17,696 04
Lake Superior Corporation	110 04
La Rose Mines, Ltd.	32,636 78
McKinley-Darragh-Savage Mines	17,493 54
Miller Lake O'Brien Mine	858 39
Mond Nickel Co.	4,000 00
Nipissing Mining Co.	37,570 32
Temiskaming Mining Co.	4,160 81
Trethewey Silver Cobalt Mine	3,026 23
Wettlaufer Lorrain Silver Mines	9,101 70

\$210,275 25

1913—Beaver Consolidated Mines	\$1,789 12
Buffalo Mines, Ltd.	9,670 48
Canadian Copper Co.	40,000 00
Casey Cobalt Mining Co.	592 21
Cobalt Lake Mining Co.	4,595 39
Coniagas Mines, Ltd.	23,310 81
Dome Mines, Ltd.	943 28
Drummond Mines, Ltd.	542 57
Hollinger Gold Mines, Ltd.	5,663 71
Kerr Lake Mining Co.	15,956 82
La Rose Mines, Ltd.	22,929 76
McKinley-Darragh-Savage Mines, Ltd.	19,992 30
Miller Lake O'Brien Mine	3,463 65
Mond Nickel Co.	4,000 00

Nipissing Mining Co.	33,857 80
Temiskaming Mining Co.	7,956 08
Trethewey Silver Cobalt Mine	1,808 50
Wettlaufer Lorrain Silver Mines.....	9,140 29
	\$206,212 77
1914—Beaver Consolidated Mines, Ltd.	\$3,080 32
Buffalo Mines, Ltd.	5,957 70
Canadian Copper Co.	40,000 00
Casey Cobalt Silver Mining Co.	3,549 07
Cobalt Comet Mines, Ltd.	1,003 20
Cobalt Lake Mining Co.	3,287 63
Coniagas Mines, Ltd.	22,787 78
Dome Mines, Ltd.	7,335 59
Hollinger Gold Mines, Ltd.	28,787 39
Kerr Lake Mining Co.	15,067 68
La Rose Mines, Ltd.	18,919 14
McKinley-Darragh-Savage Mine	10,824 88
Mond Nickel Co.	4,000 00
Nipissing Mining Co.	25,691 06
Porcupine Crown Gold Mines, Ltd.	1,307 80
Seneca Superior Silver Mines, Ltd.....	7,339 48
Temiskaming Mining Co.	1,535 63
Trethewey Silver Cobalt Mines.....	775 85
Wettlaufer Lorrain Silver Mines	690 00
	\$201,940 20
Total.	\$1,075,273 54

On Motion of Mr. Macdiarmid, seconded by Mr. McGarry,

Resolved, That the House do forthwith resolve itself into a Committee to consider a certain proposed Resolution respecting the Toronto and Hamilton Highway Commission.

Mr. Hearst acquainted the House that His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, having been informed of the subject matter of the proposed Resolution recommends it to the consideration of the House.

The House then resolved itself into the Committee.

(In the Committee.)

Resolved, That the payment of principal and interest of the debentures of the Toronto and Hamilton Highway Commission to the amount of \$600,000

be guaranteed by the Province of Ontario and that the Treasurer of Ontario be authorized to execute a guarantee of the debentures in the form following:—

GUARANTEE.

Payment of the principal and interest of these debentures is guaranteed by the Province of Ontario under the provision of the Act of the Province of Ontario respecting the Toronto and Hamilton Highway Commission.

Treasurer of Ontario.

and the said guarantee shall be binding upon the Province of Ontario.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Crawford reported, That the Committee had come to a Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

Mr. Crawford reported the Resolution as follows:—

Resolved, That the payment of principal and interest of the debentures of the Toronto and Hamilton Highway Commission to the amount of \$600,000 be guaranteed by the Province of Ontario and that the Treasurer of Ontario be authorized to execute a guarantee of the debentures in the form following:—

GUARANTEE.

Payment of the principal and interest of these debentures is guaranteed by the Province of Ontario under the provision of the Act of the Province of Ontario respecting the Toronto and Hamilton Highway Commission.

Treasurer of Ontario.

and the said guarantee shall be binding upon the Province of Ontario.

The Resolution having been read the second time, was agreed to, and referred to the Committee of the Whole House on Bill (No. 71), Respecting the Toronto and Hamilton Highway Commission.

On Motion of Mr. Macdiarmid, seconded by Mr. McGarry,

Resolved, That the House do forthwith resolve itself into a Committee to consider certain proposed Resolutions respecting the Toronto and Hamilton Highway Commission.

Mr. Hearst acquainted the House that His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, having been informed of the subject matter of the proposed Resolutions recommends them to the consideration of the House.

The House then resolved itself into the Committee.

(*In the Committee.*)

Resolved—1. That there shall be paid out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund of Ontario to the Toronto and Hamilton Highway Commission a sum equal to twenty-five *per cent.* of the cost of construction of the roadway of the Commission, but not exceeding in the whole a sum of money at the rate of \$4,000 *per mile* of said roadway.

2. That where the Commission takes over as part of the roadway any road which has been heretofore constructed or improved by any other commission and aid has been granted for such construction or improvement out of the public moneys of the Province, such road shall not be included in estimating the amount payable under the preceding resolution, but there shall be payable out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund a sum equal to one-third of the cost of any improvements, alterations or repairs required to bring such road up to the standard adopted by the Commission for the remainder of the roadway.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Crawford reported, That the Committee had come to certain Resolutions.

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

Mr. Crawford reported the Resolutions as follows:—

Resolved—1. That there shall be paid out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund of Ontario to the Toronto and Hamilton Highway Commission a sum equal to twenty-five *per cent.* of the cost of construction of the roadway of the Commission, but not exceeding in the whole a sum of money at the rate of \$4,000 *per mile* of said roadway.

2. That where the Commission takes over as part of the roadway any road which has been heretofore constructed or improved by any other commission and aid has been granted for such construction or improvement out of the public moneys of the Province, such road shall not be included in estimating the amount payable under the preceding resolution, but there shall be payable out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund a sum equal to one-third of the cost of any improvements, alterations or repairs required to bring such road up to the standard adopted by the Commission for the remainder of the roadway.

The Resolutions having been read the second time, were agreed to, and referred to the Committee of the Whole House on Bill (No. 71), Respecting the Toronto and Hamilton Highway Commission.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 70), To amend an Act for raising money on the credit of the Consolidated Revenue Fund of Ontario, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Crawford reported, That the Committee had made some progress, and directed him to ask for leave to sit again.

Resolved, That the Committee have leave to sit again on Monday next.

The House then adjourned at 4.00 p.m.

Monday, March 1st, 1915.

PRAYERS.

3.00 O'CLOCK P.M.

Mr. Speaker informed the House that in accordance with the Motion passed at its sitting on Friday, he had caused the following despatch to be forwarded to the Imperial authorities:—

“War Office, London:—

“Please transmit to proper officer following message: Legislative Assembly of Ontario congratulates officers and men of Ontario who have been in action on their steadiness and valor when under fire for the first time in the present war, and gratefully recognizes the sacrifices they are making for our liberties as well as for the liberties of the world, and this Legislature is fully assured they will always maintain the honor of Canada and of the Empire.

“DAVID JAMIESON,

“Speaker.”

The following Petitions were severally brought up and laid upon the Table:—

By Mr. Torrance, the Petition of the City Council of Stratford.

By Mr. Crawford, the Petition of Victoria University.

By Mr. Pinard, the Petition of the City Council of Ottawa.

The following Petitions were read and received:—

Of the City Council of St. Catharines, praying that an Act may pass authorizing the issue of debentures to pay off floating indebtedness.

Of the Town Council of Orangeville, praying for certain amendments to the **Municipal Act in the direction of granting the Municipal Franchise to Married Women.**

Of the County Council of Kent, praying for certain amendments to the **Municipal Act respecting Audit of Accounts.**

The following Bills were severally introduced and read the first time:—

Bill (No. 60), intituled "An Act respecting the Town of Sturgeon Falls." Mr. Morel.

Referred to the Committee on Private Bills.

Bill (No. 84), intituled "An Act to amend the Municipal Act." Mr. Nixon.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time To-morrow.

Mr. Lang asked the following Question:—

1. What is the estimated expenditure for the current fiscal year for roads in New Ontario under the Northern and Northwestern Ontario Development Act, 1912. 2. What is the estimated expenditure for the current year for other purposes under the said Act.

To which the Prime Minister replied in the words and figures following:—

1. \$560,000, which includes bridging and drainage. 2. \$55,000, including experimental farms, unforeseen work, office and engineering expenses, equipment and plant—making a total of \$615,000.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 74), To authorize and confirm grants by Municipal Corporations for Patriotic purposes, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Donovan reported, That the Committee had made some progress, and directed him to ask for leave to sit again.

Resolved, That the Committee have leave to sit again To-morrow.

The following Bills were severally read the second time:—

Bill (No. 79), To amend the Ontario Medical Act.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 80), To amend the Mortgages Act.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of Bill (No. 81), To amend the Representation Act, having been read,

Mr. Lucas moved,

That the Bill be now read the second time.

Mr. Rowell moved, in amendment, seconded by Mr. Bowman,

That all the words of the Motion after the first word "That" be omitted and the following substituted therefor, "the Bill be not now read the second time, but be read the second time on this day six months."

And the Amendment, having been put, was lost on a division.

The Motion for the second reading, having been then again put, was carried on a division, and the Bill was read the second time and referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

The Order of the Day for resuming the Adjourned Debate on the Motion, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair and that the House do resolve itself into the Committee of Supply, having been read,

The Debate was resumed.

And after some time, it was, on the Motion of Mr. Clarke,

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned until To-morrow.

The House then adjourned at 5.45 p.m.

Tuesday, March 2nd, 1915.

PRAYERS.

3.00 O'CLOCK P.M.

The following Bill was introduced and read the first time:—

Bill (No. 85), intituled "An Act to amend The Municipal Act." Mr. Cargill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time To-morrow.

The House again resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 70), To amend an Act for raising money on the credit of the Consolidated Revenue Fund of Ontario, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Donovan reported, That the Committee had made some progress, and directed him to ask for leave to sit again.

Resolved, That the Committee have leave to sit again To-morrow.

The Order of the Day for resuming the Adjourned Debate on the Motion, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair and that the House do resolve itself into the Committee of Supply, having been read,

The Debate was resumed.

And after some time, it was, on the Motion of Mr. Mageau,

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned until To-morrow.

The House then adjourned at 6.20 p.m.

Wednesday, March 3rd, 1915.

PRAYERS.

3.00 O'CLOCK P.M.

The following Petitions were read and received:—

Of the City Council of Ottawa, praying that an Act may pass authorizing the passing of certain By-laws and for other purposes.

Of the City Council of Stratford, praying that an Act may pass authorizing the passing of By-laws for the issue of Debentures.

Of the Victoria University, praying that an Act may pass to amend 38 Vic., Cap. 79, so that Board of Regents shall consist of twenty-eight Members.

Mr. Hartt, from the Standing Committee on Standing Orders, presented their Fourth Report, which was read as follows and adopted.

Your Committee have carefully examined the following Petitions, and find the Notices as published in each case sufficient:—

Of the Town Council of Orillia, praying that an Act may pass to annex certain territory to the Corporation and to ratify and confirm certain By-laws.

Of the Railroad and City Y.M.C.A., of St. Thomas, praying that an Act may pass exempting property from taxation except for local improvements.

Of the Town Council of Hanover, praying that an Act may pass to ratify and confirm By-law No. 191, providing for the borrowing of \$3,300 to be expended in Public Works.

Of the Central Canada Exhibition Association, praying that an Act may pass to amend Act of Incorporation by defining powers.

Of George W. Doxsee and others of Toronto, praying that an Act may pass to incorporate Chiropractic College of Ontario.

Of the Town Council of Preston, praying that an Act may pass to ratify and confirm certain By-laws *re* local improvements.

Of the Town Council of Cornwall, praying that an Act may pass to ratify and confirm By-law No. 33 (1914), extending the franchise of the Cornwall Street Railway Light and Power Company for a period of twenty years.

Of the City Council of Peterborough, praying that an Act may pass authorizing the passing of By-laws *re* local improvements.

Of the City Council of Brantford, praying that an Act may pass enabling the Corporation to pass certain By-laws and for other purposes.

Of the Roman Catholic Episcopal Corporation of the Diocese of Peterborough, praying that an Act may pass to amend Act of Incorporation by enlarging borrowing powers.

Of James Albert Ellis of Ottawa, praying that an Act may pass authorizing the Law Society of Upper Canada to admit him to practise as a Barrister and Solicitor.

Of the Town Council of Midland, praying that an Act may pass incorporating within the Town the Water Lots in and adjacent to Midland Harbour and to empower the closing of certain streets.

Of the City Council of Hamilton, praying that an Act may pass authorizing the passing of certain By-laws for the issue of debentures *re* certain works and for other purposes.

Of the Town Council of Gravenhurst, praying that an Act may pass authorizing the Corporation to raise certain moneys and to issue debentures therefor.

Of the Hamilton Mountain Electric Railway Company, praying that an Act may pass extending the time for the commencement and completion of the Road.

Of the Ottawa and St. Lawrence Electric Railway Company, praying that an Act may pass to change the name of the Company and to extend the time for the construction of the line and for other purposes.

Of Sydney Chilton Mewburn of Hamilton, praying that an Act may pass to ratify and confirm a certain Judgment of the Supreme Court of Ontario, High Court Division, and all acts lawfully done thereunder.

Mr. Hartt, from the Standing Committee on Standing Orders, presented their Fifth Report, which was read as follows and adopted.

Your Committee have carefully examined the Petition of the City Council of Sault Ste. Marie, praying that an Act may pass to validate and confirm a certain agreement and certain By-laws authorizing the issue of debentures for

various purposes, and find that notice of the proposed application to this Legislature has been sufficiently advertised in "*The Ontario Gazette*," and in "*The Sault Star*," a newspaper published in the City of Sault Ste. Marie.

Your Committee also find that there is no mention in the Notice of the proposed confirmation of By-law No. 794, "To authorize the issue of debentures to raise the sum of \$26,965.71, being the amount payable by the City as its share of the cost of the site and building erected thereon for a House of Refuge for the District of Algoma," and they would therefore recommend that the attention of the Private Bills Committee be directed to this matter.

Mr. Lucas, from the Standing Committee on Private Bills, presented their First Report, which was read as follows and adopted.

Your Committee beg to report the following Bills without amendment:--

Bill (No. 1), An Act to incorporate the Toronto Municipal Loan Association.

Bill (No. 2), An Act to confirm By-law No. 551 of the Town of Brampton.

Bill (No. 18), An Act respecting the Hospital for Sick Children.

Bill (No. 32), An Act to authorize the Law Society of Upper Canada to admit William Archibald McFarlane as a student in his third year.

Bill (No. 57), An Act respecting the Protestant Orphan's Home, Toronto.

Your Committee beg to report the following Bills with amendments:--

Bill (No. 6), An Act to incorporate the City of Galt.

Bill (No. 16), An Act confirming an agreement between the Niagara, Welland and Lake Erie Railway Company and the Town of Welland.

Your Committee recommend that the fees, less the actual cost of printing, Bill together with the Act in Statutes, be remitted on Bill (No. 1), An Act to incorporate the Toronto Municipal Loan Association; Bill (No. 18), An Act respecting the Hospital for Sick Children, and Bill (No. 57), An Act respecting the Protestant Orphans' Home, Toronto, on the ground that they relate to charitable institutions.

Ordered, That the fees, less the actual cost of printing Bill together with Act in the Statutes, be remitted on Bills (No. 1), Toronto Municipal Loan

Association; (No. 18), Hospital for Sick Children, and (No. 57), Protestant Orphans' Home, Toronto.

The following Bills were severally introduced and read the first time:—

Bill (No. 5), intituled "An Act respecting the Town of Orillia." Mr. Hartt.

Referred to the Committee on Private Bills.

Bill (No. 12), intituled "An Act respecting the Hamilton Mountain Electric Railway Company." Mr. Regan.

Referred to the Committee on Railways.

Bill (No. 13), intituled "An Act respecting the Railroad and City Young Men's Christian Association of St. Thomas." Mr. Brower.

Referred to the Committee on Private Bills.

Bill (No. 15), intituled "An Act respecting the Town of Midland." Mr. Hartt.

Referred to the Committee on Private Bills.

Bill (No. 17), intituled "An Act respecting the City of Hamilton." Mr. Allan.

Referred to the Committee on Private Bills.

Bill (No. 20), intituled "An Act respecting the City of Brantford." Mr. Ham.

Referred to the Committee on Private Bills.

Bill (No. 23), intituled "An Act to confirm By-law No. 191 of the Town of Hanover." Mr. Cargill.

Referred to the Committee on Private Bills.

Bill (No. 25), intituled "An Act respecting the Central Canada Exhibition Association." Mr. Hurdman.

Referred to the Committee on Private Bills.

Bill (No. 27), intituled "An Act to authorize the Law Society of Upper Canada to admit James Albert Ellis to practice as a Barrister and Solicitor." Mr. Hurdman.

Referred to the Committee on Private Bills.

Bill (No. 29), intituled "An Act to incorporate the College of Chiropractic for Ontario." Mr. Hook.

Referred to the Committee on Private Bills.

Bill (No. 30), intituled "An Act respecting the Town of Preston." Mr. Hall (Waterloo.)

Referred to the Railway and Municipal Board as to Section Seven.

Bill (No. 36), intituled "An Act respecting the Town of Cornwall." Mr. Shearer.

Referred to the Committee on Private Bills.

Bill (No. 38), intituled "An Act respecting the Roman Catholic Episcopal Corporation for the Diocese of Peterborough in Ontario." Mr. Gillespie.

Referred to the Committee on Private Bills.

Bill (No. 48), intituled "An Act to consolidate the Floating Debt of the Town of Gravenhurst." Mr. Armstrong.

Referred to the Railway and Municipal Board.

Bill (No. 52), intituled "An Act respecting the Ottawa and St. Lawrence Electric Railway Company." Mr. Donovan.

Referred to the Committee on Railways.

Bill (No. 54), intituled "An Act respecting the City of Peterborough." Mr. Gillespie.

Referred to the Committee on Private Bills.

Bill (No. 55), intituled "An Act respecting the City of Sault Ste. Marie." Mr. McCrea.

Referred to the Committee on Private Bills.

Bill (No. 61), intituled "An Act relating to the Estate of George Thomas Tuckett, deceased." Mr. Owens.

Referred to the Commissioners of Estate Bills.

Bill (No. 86), intituled "An Act to amend The Municipal Act." Mr. Allan.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time To-morrow.

Bill (No. 87), intituled "An Act to amend The Ontario Railway Act." Mr. Allan.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time To-morrow.

Bill (No. 88), intituled "An Act to amend The Municipal Act." Mr. Rykert.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time To-morrow.

Bill (No. 89), intituled "An Act to amend The Assessment Act." Mr. Sharpe.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time To-morrow.

Bill (No. 90), intituled "An Act to amend The Local Improvement Act." Mr. Rykert.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time To-morrow.

Bill (No. 91), intituled "An Act to amend The Municipal Act." Mr. Allan.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time To-morrow.

Bill (No. 92), intituled "An Act respecting the Guelph General Hospital." Mr. Hanna.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time To-morrow.

Mr. Bowman asked the following Question:—

1. What is the total expenditure to the end of the fiscal year 1914, on the Asylum at Whitby, distinguishing between land and buildings. 2. What is the estimated cost of completing the buildings and plant.

To which the Provincial Secretary replied:—

See Statements of Expenditure and Estimates of Cost following:—

STATEMENT OF EXPENDITURE TO JANUARY 31st, 1915,
HOSPITAL FOR INSANE, WHITBY.

PERMANENT BUILDINGS.

Cottage No. 1.....	\$32,879 66	
Cottage No. 2.....	32,434 69	
Cottage No. 3.....	31,722 05	
Cottage No. 4.....	33,234 45	
Cottage No. 5.....	27,922 02	
Cottage No. 6.....	29,017 66	
Cottage No. 7.....	30,240 51	
Cottage No. 8.....	28,927 94	
Cottage No. 9.....	2,788 96	
Cottage No. 10.....	2,927 74	
Cottage No. 11.....	3,138 73	
Cottage No. 12.....	884 26	
Cottage No. 13.....	881 34	
Cottage No. 14.....	1,091 45	
Cottage No. 15.....	1,122 38	
Cottage No. 16.....	3,428 33	
Central Dining Hall and Kitchen No. 1.....	45,751 14	
Central Dining Hall and Kitchen No. 2.....	27,599 00	
Administration Building.....	4,540 05	
Water Works and Sewage Disposal.....	52,494 55	
Power Station Equipment for Heating, Lighting and Power, Domestic Hot Water, etc.....	8,066 27	
Refrigerator and Cold Storage.....	796 50	
		\$401,889 68

LAND INVESTMENT ACCOUNT.

Land Purchased.....	\$78,781 55	
Fencing.....	441 01	
Road Construction and Sidewalks.....	2,489 71	
Farm Drainage.....	7,725 68	
		\$89,437 95

INDUSTRIAL OPERATIONS.

Siegwart Beam Plant.....	\$18,156 50	
Carpenter Shop and Planing Mill.....	2,925 30	
Blacksmith Shop.....	196 34	
Gravel Screening Plant and Crusher.....	5,133 29	
		\$26,411 43

PLANT AND EQUIPMENT.

Railway, Locomotive, Cars, etc.....	\$16,257	64
Concrete Mixers, Pumps, Cement Gun, Brick Machinery, etc.	10,612	64
Clam Shells, Cars, Elevating and Steam Excavator Apparatus.	2,700	52
Fire Equipment, Telephone and Electric Lighting and Power Lines	3,206	81
Hoisting Engines, Derricks, Wheelbarrows, Cable Rope, Tools and Equipment generally.....	29,988	35
Motor Vehicle	3,210	59
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		\$65,976 55

OTHER ASSETS.

Prisoners' Dormitory, material in which is avail- able for elsewhere	\$9,502	44
Patients' Dormitory, material in which is avail- able for elsewhere	2,489	56
Other Buildings, material in which is available for elsewhere.	10,023	73
Live Stock and Farm Implements, etc.....	22,301	97
Furniture and Furnishings	14,468	16
General Repairs to Plants, Salaries of Construc- tion Staff and Operating Expenses to be dis- tributed.	11,980	12
Stocks on hand—		
Alca Plaster Stock.....	\$ 3	40
Blacksmith Shop	412	60
Brick.	1,667	87
Cement.	187	65
Clothing.	3,129	57
Feed and Fodder	3,242	21
Fuel Stock	1,078	11
Hardware.	52,598	05
Lime.	1,217	90
Lumber	11,010	83
Tile Stock	7,283	13
Provisions.	336	51
Paints and Oils	552	62
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		82,720 45
Accounts Receivable for sale of products to other Institutions.	275	40
Revenue for sale of products to other Institutions.	14,443	46
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		\$168,205 29

MISCELLANEOUS.

Grand Trunk Railway Siding.....	\$9,033 21	
Repairs to Farm Buildings.....	2,268 89	
Temporary Heating Unit.....	780 74	
Maintenance of Patients and Prisoners.....	115,487 69	
		<u>\$127,570 53</u>

SUMMARY.

Permanent Buildings.....	\$401,889 68
Land Investment Account.....	89,437 95
Industrial Operations.....	26,411 43
Plant and Equipment.....	65,976 55
Other Assets.....	168,205 29
Miscellaneous.....	127,570 53
	<u>\$879,491 43</u>

ESTIMATE OF COST OF CONSTRUCTION OF BUILDINGS OF
HOSPITAL FOR INSANE, WHITBY,

BASED ON A POPULATION OF 1,000 PATIENTS, PROVISION BEING MADE TO TAKE CARE OF INCREASED POPULATION. TO DO THIS HAS NECESSITATED CHARGING FOR LARGER SEWAGE DISPOSAL SYSTEM, WATERWORKS, HEAT, LIGHT AND POWER TRANSMISSION AND SIMILAR ITEMS WHICH MUST IN THE FIRST INSTANCE BE PUT IN WITH LARGE ENOUGH CAPACITY TO TAKE CARE OF ANY SUBSEQUENT INCREASE IN POPULATION.

Administration Building and connections to adjacent buildings.....	\$37,600 00
Two Admission Hospitals, Male and Female....	88,300 00
Two Cottages at Admission Centre.....	27,600 00
Kitchen and Dining Rooms at Admission Centre.	24,100 00
Two Acute Hospitals, Male and Female.....	122,400 00
Physician's Residence and Administrative Section of Cottage Centres.....	8,900 00
Two Infirmaries, Male and Female, at Cottage Centre.....	81,000 00
Ten Convalescent and Industrial Cottages, Male and Female.....	233,300 00
Two Kitchen and Dining Room Buildings, one for each Cottage Centre.....	54,200 00
Tubercular and Isolation Group.....	25,500 00
Power Building, Coal Vaults, Work Shop, Bakery, Stores, etc.....	88,200 00
Power Station Equipment for Heating, Lighting and Power, Domestic Hot Water, etc.....	90,000 00

Laundry and Wash Building	31,600 00
Laundry, Washing and Disinfecting Machinery and Equipment	12,200 00
Mortuary, Ambulance Shed, etc.....	5,600 00
General Medical Building and connection to adja- cent buildings	46,100 00
Sedimentation Tanks Nos. 1 and 2, Contact Beds, Iron and Tile Sewers and Discharge Pipe... ..	23,350 00
Storm Sewers, Road Gutters, Gulleys, Continuous Bath Drainage, Chlorination Tank and Dis- charge.	7,000 00
Steam and Hot Water Distribution System....	72,000 00
Electric Distribution System, including the light- ing of all roads	46,000 00
Water Main into Institution	6,500 00
Water Main around Buildings	15,000 00
Conduit, Tunnels, Trenching, etc., for Mains...	48,000 00
Refrigeration and Cold Storage.....	9,000 00
Clearing Grounds, Grading, etc.....	12,400 00
	\$1,215,850 00
Add for Professional Services (architects and engineers).....	60,000 00
	\$1,275,850 00
Add for Contingencies	50,000 00
	\$1,325,850 00
Lands.	93,326 00
	\$1,419,176 00

Mr. Bowman asked the following Question:—

1. What is the amount of the total expenditure to the end of the fiscal year 1914, on the Guelph Prison Farm, distinguishing between lands and buildings. 2. What is the estimated cost of completing the buildings and improvements at the Guelph Prison Farm.

And the Provincial Secretary replied:—

See Statements of Expenditure following:—

1. STATEMENT OF EXPENDITURE TO JANUARY 31ST, 1915,
ONTARIO REFORMATORY, GUELPH.

MAIN REFORMATORY BUILDINGS.

Administration Building and Officers' Quarters and Connection Link	\$84,503 81	
Centre Guard Tower, Reception Cells, Temporary Hospital	65,205 33	
Inside Administration Building, Detention Cells, Guards' Quarters, etc.	16,680 57	
Cell Blocks Nos. 1 and 2.....	84,884 17	
Dormitory No. 1 and Stair Tower.....	66,951 47	
Dormitory No. 2 and Stair Tower.....	64,914 55	
Heating and Ventilation Systems for Dormi- tories, Cells, Centre Guard Tower and In- side Administration Building	28,113 56	
Dining Room, Kitchen, Bakery and Stores.....	43,630 71	
Laundry and Bath House	32,110 26	
Steam Distribution Lines, Electrical Equipment in Power Station Transformers and Motors.	15,894 77	
Power House and Transformer Station, Smoke Stack, Coal Vaults, Steam and Power Trans- mission Line Tunnels	39,731 05	
Septic Tank Contact Bed, Sewers, Flushing Tanks and Disposal generally.....	11,976 18	
Covered Way	1,027 70	
Elevator Inside Administration Building.....	2,790 00	
		\$558,414 13

REFORMATORY INDUSTRIAL CENTRE.

Machine Shop, Shoe Shop and Tailor Shop.....	\$58,755 82	
Woolen Mill, Enamel and Paint Shop and Heat- ing Annex.	24,920 83	
Planing Mill and Woodworking Factory.....	17,877 35	
Raw Material and Finished Product Building..	6,333 21	
Dry Kiln.	1,638 47	
Evaporator.	502 72	
		\$110,028 40

LAND INVESTMENT ACCOUNT.

Lands Purchased	\$66,040 95	
Fences, Improving Lands, Roads and Bridges, etc.	40,110 01	
Drainage.....	1,344 33	
Orchard and Trees	3,312 69	
		\$110,807 98

PERMANENT INDUSTRIAL OPERATIONS.

Dairy and Storage Barns, Silos, Creamery Building, Refrigerator and Equipment and Herdsmen's Quarters.	\$32,681 09	
Alca Plaster Plant and Equipment.	1,618 80	
Cement Brick Plant	468 66	
Blacksmith Shop	1,564 33	
Carpenter Shop and Planing Mill.	4,480 99	
Crusher Plant and Storage Bins.	10,596 73	
Gravel and Sand Screening Apparatus.	211 44	
Hydrated Lime Plant	7,496 72	
Lime Kiln and Sheds	4,620 79	
Quarry Equipment	1,408 35	
Cement Structural Tile Plant	12,309 66	
Machine Shop	849 67	
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		\$78,307 23

PLANT AND EQUIPMENT.

Road Machinery, consisting of Steam Road Power Grader Wheel Scrapers, Portable Crusher and Traction Engine.	\$5,595 00	
Steam Boilers, Electric, Water and Telephone Equipment, Fire Protection, Concrete Mixers and Gasoline Engines	13,501 96	
Railway Equipment, including Rails, Locomotive, Cars, etc.	9,486 41	
Steam Shovel.	1,560 00	
Hoisting Engines and Derricks.	2,355 00	
Tools, Wheelbarrows, Cable Rope and Sundry Equipment.	4,270 11	
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		\$36,768 48

OTHER ASSETS—STOCKS ON HAND.

Cement Stock	\$ 644 91
Carpenter Shop Stock	1,240 92
Clay Brick Stock	972 58
Fuel Stock	6,167 86
Hardware Stock	14,472 30
Hydrated Lime Stock	1,167 03
Lumber Stock	30,454 17
Provision Stock	3,075 63
Paint and Oil Stock	687 65
Paint Shop Stock	741 72
Clay Tile Stock	996 26

Bills Receivable, being amount owing by other Institutions for work and material.....	12,280 15	
Revenue, being sale of materials and labor per- formed for other Institutions	47,274 70	
Live Stock and Implements	20,943 86	
Furniture and Furnishings	11,119 06	
Temporary Dormitory and other Temporary Buildings, material in which will be avail- able in construction elsewhere.....	31,089 83	
		<u>\$183,328 63</u>

MISCELLANEOUS.

C. P. R. Siding	\$ 734 49	
Improving Original Farm Buildings.....	7,141 15	
Reservoir and Waterworks Equipment.....	6,206 12	
Repairs and Betterments to Dairy Barn.....	1,878 91	
Repairs and Betterments to Trade Shop.....	409 50	
Repairs to Plant and Equipment	8,409 09	
General Expenses and Salaries on construction to be apportioned.	3,373 44	
Preliminary Investigation	466 64	
Architect and Engineering	41,287 72	
Maintenance of Prisoners	298,173 83	
		<u>\$368,080 89</u>

SUMMARY.

Main Reformatory Building	\$558,414 13
Reformatory Industrial Centre	110,028 40
Land Investment Account	110,807 98
Permanent Industrial Operations	78,307 23
Plant and Equipment	36,768 48
Other Assets	183,328 63
Miscellaneous.	368,080 89
	<u>\$1,445,735 74</u>

2. Fifty-five thousand dollars (\$55,000).

Mr. Proudfoot asked the following Question:—

1. What is the total expenditure to date in respect of the preparation, printing and distribution of the Revised Statutes of Ontario, 1914. 2. Have all accounts in connection with the revision of the Statutes been paid. 3. If all accounts have not been paid, what is the estimated balance payable.

And the Attorney-General replied in the words following:—

1. \$269,622.14. This includes the cost of printing, preparation and distribution of the Revised Statutes of Ontario, 1914; also the accounts of the Workmen's Compensation Commission, and other amounts paid for services and salaries which amount approximately to \$26,000. 2. No. 3. It is impossible to say what is the estimated balance payable, for the reason that the amount of the Printers' account is in dispute and the balance may be in favour of the Government or in favour of the Printers.

Mr. Ham asked the following Question:—

1. How many prisoners will the buildings on the Prison Farm at Guelph accommodate. 2. How many prisoners are committed to the Prison Farm at the present time. 3. What was the total cost of the cow stable at the Central Prison Farm, Guelph. 4. How many cattle will it accommodate. 5. For what purpose, if any, is it used beside the cow stalls.

To which the Provincial Secretary replied in the words and figures following:—

1. Five hundred and seventy-five. 2. Two hundred and eighty-three. 3. Cow stable, silos, root storage and manure sheds, \$15,500.00; forage storage, \$5,200.00; granary and implement storage, \$3,794.94. 4. One hundred and forty. 5. (a) In addition to being used solely as accommodation for cattle it has large root storage, capacity 2,600 bushels. Two silos, 18 x 35 feet, capacity 360 tons. (b) Forage storage in the upper structure, 45 x 80 feet with 18 foot posts, having a capacity of 180 tons of hay. (c) Accommodation for motors, grain-grinding machinery, where grain, not only for the cattle but for all the farm stock, is ground. (d) Granary capacity for storing grain of 9,800 cubic feet, or 6,000 measured bushels of grain. (e) Implement storage 38 x 160 feet, or 6,800 sq. feet of floor space, where all the farm machinery is stored, there being no other accommodation for it. If this space was used, as it may be, for storage of hay, it would accommodate 200 tons. It also has a large shed for the proper handling of manures in the basement. Included in the cost is a 20,000 gallon cistern for taking care of the liquid manures.

Mr. Atkinson asked the following Question:—

1. Has the Lake Huron and Northern Ontario Railway begun construction yet. If so, when did it begin, and what progress has been made. 2. Has the said railway company placed any settlers upon lands tributary to the railway, pursuant to subsection (b) of section 8 of 3 and 4 Geo. V., chap. 134. 3. Has the Honourable Minister of Lands, Forests and Mines designated the

plants to manufacture wood and timber that the said railway company must erect pursuant to subsection (c) of section 8 of 3 and 4 Geo. V., chap. 134. 4. If the Honourable Minister of Lands, Forests and Mines has designated such plants, has the railway company taken any steps to carry out the provisions of the said subsection. If so, what amount has been so expended by the railway company. 5. What steps are being taken by the said railway company to carry out the provisions of subsections (e) and (f) of section 8 of 3 and 4 Geo. V., chap. 134.

And the Minister of Lands, Forests and Mines replied as follows:—

1. Yes. 1st November, 1913. They report having spent \$22,256.20 securing right-of-way, clearing right-of-way and grading. Also spent \$56,000.00 re-building its Rock Lake connection. 2. No. It cannot purchase any land until it has ten miles of railway built. 3. No. 4. Answered by No. 3. 5. None at present.

On Motion of Mr. Gillespie, seconded by Mr. Davidson,

Ordered, That there be laid before this House a Return shewing:—
1. How many permanent officials and employees of all classes were engaged in the inside Civil Service on the 1st days of January, 1905 and 1915, respectively. 2. How many permanent officials and employees of all classes were engaged in the outside service on the 1st days of January, 1905 and 1915, respectively.

On Motion of Mr. Carter, seconded by Mr. Tolmie,

Ordered, That there be laid before this House a Return shewing:—1. All statements furnished by the Canada Copper Company, the International Nickel Company, the Mond Nickel Company and any other companies producing nickel, under section 8 of the Mining Tax Act respecting Taxation. 2. All reports from any Government mining assessor, made under the provisions of the Mining Taxation Act in respect of the mining operations of the Canada Copper Company, the International Nickel Company or the Mond Nickel Company, and particularly with reference to the royalties or taxes to be paid by the said Companies. 3. All correspondence between the Minister of Lands, Forests and Mines, or the Provincial Treasurer, or any officer or official of the Government, and the Canada Copper Company, the International Nickel Company, the Mond Nickel Company and any other Companies producing nickel, with reference to the amount of royalties or taxes paid by the said Companies, or any of them, to the Provincial Treasury of the Province in respect of the ore mined or the mining operations carried on by them in the Province of Ontario.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 79), To amend The Ontario Medical Act, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Eilber reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill without any amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 80), To amend The Mortgages Act, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Eilber reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill without any amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 81), To amend The Representation Act, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Eilber reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill without any amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

The following Bills were severally read the second time:—

Bill (No. 83), To amend The Mining Act of Ontario.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 78), To amend The Assessment Act.

Referred to the Municipal Committee.

Bill (No. 84), To amend The Municipal Act.

Referred to the Municipal Committee.

The House then adjourned at 6.00 p.m.

Thursday, March 4th, 1915.

PRAYERS.

3.00 O'CLOCK P.M.

The following Petition was brought up and laid upon the Table:—

By Mr. Shearer, the Petition of Catharine M. Crysler and others of Finch.

Mr. Lucas, from the Standing Committee on Private Bills, presented their Second Report, which was read as follows and adopted:—

Your Committee beg to report the following Bills without amendment:—

Bill (No. 10), An Act respecting the City of Sarnia.

Bill (No. 11), An Act respecting the Church of the Holy Trinity, Toronto.

Your Committee beg to report the following Bill with certain amendments:—

Bill (No. 14). An Act to confirm By-law No. 358 of the Town of Huntsville.

Your Committee recommend that, notwithstanding Rule 51 of Your Honourable House, the time for introducing Private Bills be extended to and inclusive of Thursday, the eleventh day of March, instant.

Your Committee recommend that the fees, less the cost of printing Bill together with Act in the Statutes, be remitted on Bill (No. 11), An Act respecting the Church of the Holy Trinity, Toronto, on the ground that it relates to a Religious Institution.

Ordered, That the time for introducing Private Bills be extended until and inclusive of Thursday, the eleventh day of March, instant.

Ordered, That the fees, less the cost of printing Bill together with Act in the Statutes, be remitted on Bill (No. 11), Church of the Holy Trinity, Toronto.

The following Bill was introduced and read the first time:—

Bill (No. 93), intituled “An Act to amend the Municipal Franchise Act.”
Mr. Sulman.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time To-morrow.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 72), To give further power to Courts with respect to the recovery of money secured by Mortgage and other similar matters, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Eilber reported, That the Committee had made some progress, and directed him to ask for leave to sit again.

Resolved, That the Committee have leave to sit again To-morrow.

The following Bills were severally read the second time:—

Bill (No. 76), To amend the Assessment Act.

Referred to the Municipal Committee.

Bill (No. 1), To incorporate the Toronto Municipal Loan Association.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 2), To confirm By-law No. 551 of the Town of Brampton.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 18), Respecting the Hospital for Sick Children.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 32), To authorize the Law Society of Upper Canada to admit William Archibald McFarlane as a Student in his third year.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 57), Respecting the Protéstant Orphans' Home, Toronto.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 6), To incorporate the City of Galt.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 16), Confirming an Agreement between the Niagara, Welland and Lake Erie Railway Company and the Town of Welland.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

Mr. Parliament asked the following Question:—

1. Was the address of the Honourable W. J. Hanna, delivered in the Legislative Assembly on the 19th February, 1914, in opposition to the proposal of the Leader of the Opposition that action should be taken at once by the Government to investigate conditions of labour in the Provinces, and the causes and results of unemployment with a view of proposing measures suitable to meet conditions, printed by order of the Legislative Assembly. If so, when was the order for printing given. 2. Who authorized printing on the face of the said pamphlet the words "Printed by order of the Legislative Assembly of Ontario." 3. Was this pamphlet distributed throughout the Provinces as a public document without the payment of postage. 4. Who paid for the printing of the pamphlet.

To which the Attorney-General replied as follows:—

1. No. Following the usual and long-established practice in such cases, the address was prepared and sent to the printers with the formal endorsement, "Printed by order of the Legislative Assembly," but no part of the printing account was charged to the Province. 2. Answered by No. 1. 3. A limited number was distributed without payment of postage, following the usual practice in such cases. 4. Answered by No. 1.

Mr. Parliament asked the following Question:—

1. Was the address of the Honourable the Provincial Secretary, delivered in the Legislature on April 14th, 1914, in reply to a motion of the Leader of the Opposition to abolish the bar, printed by order of the Legislative Assembly. 2. Who authorized the printing on the face of the said pamphlet the words, "Printed by order of the Legislative Assembly of Ontario." 3. Was this pamphlet distributed throughout the Provinces as a public document without the payment of postage. 4. Who paid for the printing of the pamphlet.

And the Attorney-General replied in the words following:—

1. No. Following the usual and long-established practice in such cases, the address was prepared and sent to the printers with the formal endorsement, "Printed by order of the Legislative Assembly," but no part of the printing account was charged to the Province. 2. Answered by No. 1. 3. A limited number was distributed without payment of postage, following the usual practice in such cases. 4. Answered by No. 1.

Mr. Racine asked the following Question:—

1. What amount has been received by the Government during the years 1910, 1911, 1912, 1913 and 1914, respectively, for automobile taxes.

And the Attorney-General replied in the figures following:—

Receipts for Motor Vehicle Licenses:—1910, \$24,394.01; 1911, \$50,-831.22; 1912, \$73,255.96; 1913, \$105,558.95; 1914, \$149,210.45.

Mr. Grieve asked the following Question:—

1. What was the total cost of the erection of the present Parliament Buildings as originally erected. 2. What is the amount of the total capital expenditure in respect of the alterations and additions to the present Parliament Buildings since the 1st day of January, 1905.

And the Minister of Public Works replied in the words and figures following:—

1. Cost of Parliament Buildings, as originally erected, to 31st December, 1893.....	\$1,267,290 47
Alterations and additions to December 31st, 1905.	9,103 15
	—————\$1,276,393 29
2. Cost of alterations to buildings, as originally erected since 1905	\$ 6,285 42
Cost of new North Wing, fireproof construction.	658,590 94
Cost of reconstruction, West Wing, destroyed by fire, fireproof construction.....	658,105 96
	—————\$1,322,982 32

Mr. Tolmie asked the following Question:—

1. What club licenses, if any, which were not in force on the first of May, 1914, have been issued in the Province on or since the said date. 2. To what clubs, associations and societies were such licenses issued. 3. In what municipalities are such clubs, associations and societies located.

To which the Attorney-General replied:—

1. Sudbury Club, Cadillac Club, Shuniah Club, Tamahaac Club. 2. Sudbury Club, Limited; Cadillac Club, Limited; Shuniah Club, Limited; Tamahaac Club, Limited. 3. Sudbury Club, Sudbury; Cadillac Club, Windsor; Shuniah Club, Port Arthur; Tamahaac Club, Ancaster Township, County of Wentworth.

The Order of the Day for resuming the Adjourned Debate on the Motion, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair and that the House do resolve itself into the Committee of Supply, having been read,

The Debate was resumed.

And after some time, it was, on the Motion of Mr. Davidson,

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned until To-morrow.

On Motion of Mr. Lucas, seconded by Mr. Duff,

Ordered, That the name of Mr. Hoyle be added to the Standing Committee on Private Bills.

The House then adjourned at 6.20 p.m.

Friday, March 5th, 1915.

PRAYERS.

3.00 O'CLOCK P.M.

Mr. Speaker informed the House: That the Clerk had received from the Railway and Municipal Board their Reports in the following cases:—

Bill (No. 8), To confirm By-law No. 400 of the Town of Sudbury, and

Bill (No. 19), Respecting the Town of North Bay.

The Reports were then read by the Clerk at the Table as follows:—

To the Honourable, the Legislative Assembly of the Province of Ontario.

Upon the reference, under Rule 61 (a) of your Honourable House to The Ontario Railway and Municipal Board of Bill (No. 8), intituled "An Act to confirm By-law No. 400 of the Town of Sudbury," the Board begs leave respectfully to report that in the judgment of the Board it is reasonable that the said Bill should be passed by your Honourable House.

All which is respectfully submitted,

D. M. MCINTYRE,
Chairman.
A. B. INGRAM,
Vice-Chairman.
H. N. KITTSON,
Commissioner.

Dated at Toronto,
this Second Day of March, 1915.

To the Honourable, the Legislative Assembly of the Province of Ontario.

Upon the reference, under Rule 61 (a) of your Honourable House to The Ontario Railway and Municipal Board of Bill (No. 19), intituled "An Act respecting the Town of North Bay," the Board begs leave respectfully to report that in the judgment of the Board it is reasonable that the said Bill should be passed by your Honourable House.

All which is respectfully submitted,

D. M. MCINTYRE,
Chairman.
A. B. INGRAM,
Vice-Chairman.
H. N. KITTSON,
Commissioner.

Dated at Toronto,
this Third Day of March, 1915.

Ordered, That Bill (No. 8), To confirm By-law No. 400 of the Town of Sudbury, and Bill (No. 19), Respecting the Town of North Bay, be referred to the Standing Committee on Private Bills, with instructions to consider the same with reference to the suggestions of the Railway and Municipal Board thereon.

The following Petitions were severally brought up and laid upon the Table:—

By Mr. McCrea, the Petition of the Town Council of Sudbury.

By Mr. Davidson, the Petition of J. L. Addison and others, of St. George.

Mr. Hartt, from the Standing Committee on Standing Orders, presented their Sixth Report, which was read as follows and adopted.

Your Committee have carefully examined the following Petitions and find the Notices as published in each case sufficient:—

Of the Town Council of Alliston, praying that an Act may pass to consolidate floating indebtedness and to confirm a certain conveyance by W. G. Fisher.

Of the Toronto and York Radial Railway Company, praying that an Act may pass permitting the Company to lay out, construct, complete and operate double tracks on Yonge Street, and for an extension of time.

Of Victoria University, praying that an Act may pass to amend 33 Vic., Cap. 79, so that the Board of Regents shall consist of twenty-eight members.

Of the City Council and the Water Commissioners of the City of Windsor, praying that an Act may pass to amend Cap. 58, 61 Vic., Sec. 18, and to ratify and confirm the expenditure of certain moneys.

Of the Toronto, Barrie and Orillia Railway Company, praying that an Act may pass to reduce Capital Stock and to extend the time for the commencement of the Road.

Of the City Council of London, praying that an Act may pass ratifying and confirming certain By-laws and to authorize the passing of By-laws providing for certain moneys.

Of the Township Council of York, praying that an Act may pass authorizing the passing of certain By-laws.

Of the Town Council of Wingham, praying that an Act may pass authorizing the passing of By-laws for the issue of debentures.

Of the City Council of Toronto, praying that an Act may pass to declare the true intent and meaning of a certain agreement between the Township

of York and the Toronto Suburban Street Railway Company and for other purposes.

Of the City Council of Port Arthur, praying that an Act may pass to ratify and confirm certain By-laws relating to the purchase and cultivation of lands.

Of the Town Council of Renfrew, praying that an Act may pass authorizing the Corporation to issue debentures for the raising of money to pay off the award of Railway and Municipal Board in *re* J. W. Jamieson and the Hydro-Electric Commission.

Mr. Hartt, from the Standing Committee on Standing Orders, presented their Seventh Report, which was read as follows and adopted.

Your Committee have carefully examined the Petition of the City Council of Ottawa, praying that an Act may pass authorizing the passing of certain By-laws and for other purposes, and find that Notice of the proposed application to this Legislature has been sufficiently published in "*The Ontario Gazette*" and "*The Citizen*," "*The Journal*," "*Free Press*" and "*Le Temps*," the last four newspapers being published in the City of Ottawa.

Your Committee find that there is no mention in the Notice of the proposed exchange of certain lands heretofore transferred by the City of Ottawa to the Ottawa Improvement Commission for the extension of its Driveway around Nepean Point to Sussex Street and Rideau Hall, for certain other lands more convenient for the said Driveway, and they would therefore recommend that the attention of the Private Bills Committee be directed to this matter.

The following Bills were severally introduced and read the first time:—

Bill (No. 24), intituled "An Act respecting the City of Windsor." Mr. Tolmie.

Referred to the Committee on Private Bills.

Bill (No. 31), intituled "An Act respecting the Town of Renfrew." Mr. Dunlop.

Referred to the Committee on Private Bills.

Bill (No. 35), intituled "An Act respecting the Town of Alliston." Mr. Ferguson (Simcoe.)

Referred to the Railway and Municipal Board as to sections two to twelve.

Bill (No. 37), intituled "An Act to consolidate the Floating Debt of the Town of Wingham." Mr. Musgrove (Huron.)

Referred to the Railway and Municipal Board.

Bill (No. 40), intituled "An Act respecting the Toronto, Barrie and Orillia Railway Company." Mr. Ferguson (Simcoe.)

Referred to the Committee on Railways.

Bill (No. 41), intituled "An Act respecting the City of London." Mr. McFarlan.

Referred to the Committee on Private Bills.

Bill (No. 42) intituled "An Act respecting the Township of York." Mr. Henry.

Referred to the Committee on Private Bills.

Bill (No. 46), intituled "An Act respecting the City of Port Arthur." Mr. Jarvis.

Referred to the Committee on Private Bills.

Bill (No. 47), intituled "An Act respecting the Toronto and York Radial Railway Company." Mr. Godfrey.

Referred to the Committee on Railways.

Bill (No. 51), intituled "An Act to consolidate and amend the Acts respecting Victoria University." Mr. Crawford.

Referred to the Committee on Private Bills.

Bill (No. 56) intituled "An Act respecting the Toronto Suburban Railway Company, and to compel the Toronto Railway Company to give extensions contracted for." Mr. Crawford.

Referred to the Committee on Railways.

Bill (No. 59), intituled "An Act respecting the City of Ottawa." Mr. Pinard.

Referred to the Committee on Private Bills.

The House resolved itself into a Committee, severally to consider the following Bills:—

Bill (No. 1), To incorporate the Toronto Municipal Loan Association.

Bill (No. 2), To confirm By-law No. 551 of the Town of Brampton.

Bill (No. 18), Respecting the Hospital for Sick Children.

Bill (No. 32), To authorize the Law Society of Upper Canada to admit William Archibald McFarlane as a Student in his third year.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Hoyle reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the several Bills without Amendments.

Ordered, That the Bills reported, be severally read the third time on Monday next.

The following Bills were severally read the second time:—

Bill (No. 10), Respecting the City of Sarnia.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House on Monday next.

Bill (No. 11), Respecting the Church of the Holy Trinity, Toronto.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House on Monday next.

Bill (No. 14), To confirm By-law No. 358 of the Town of Huntsville.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House on Monday next.

Bill (No. 85), To amend the Municipal Act.

Referred to the Municipal Committee.

Mr. Carter asked the following Question:—

1. What was the date of the establishment of the Agricultural College at Guelph. 2. What was the total capital expenditure for buildings and grounds, respectively, up to the 1st day of January, 1872. 3. What was the total capital expenditure on the buildings and grounds, respectively, between the 1st day of January, 1872, and the 1st day of January, 1905. 4. What was the total capital expenditure on buildings and grounds, respectively, between the 1st day of January, 1905, and the 31st October, 1914.

And the Minister of Public Works replied in the words following:—

1. September, 1873.
2. None.
3. \$637,616.50.
4. \$456,574.53.

Mr. Carter asked the following Question:—

1. Were Wm. H. Watt, Alex. Balfour, Thomas Barr and W. A. Tweedley employees of the Government at the Prison Farm at Guelph in the month of June last. 2. Are these men, or any of them, still in the employ of the Government; if so, where. 3. If any of these men have ceased to be in the employ of the Government, at what date did they cease to be in the Government's employ.

To which the Provincial Secretary replied as follows:—

1. Yes.
2. No.
3. On or about July 2nd, 1914.

The House again resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 70), To amend an Act for raising money on the credit of the Consolidated Revenue Fund of Ontario, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Crawford reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill without any amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time on Monday next.

On Motion of Mr. Rowell, seconded by Mr. Clarke,

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor praying that he will cause to be laid before this House a Return of: 1. Copies of all petitions or requests or communications received by the Government from Trades and Labour Councils, Municipal Authorities, Social and Philanthropic organizations, or other societies, organizations or individuals, in reference to the conditions of Unemployment in the Province, and in reference to governmental action to relieve conditions of unemployment. 2. All communications passing between the Government of Canada and the Government of Ontario, or any officer or official of the Governments respectively, in reference to conditions of unemployment, and as to governmental action in reference thereto. 3. A statement showing what action has been taken by the Government to relieve conditions of unemployment in the Province. 4. Copy of the Orders-in-Council appointing the Commission to investigate the conditions of Unemployment, and defining the scope of the work of the Commission.

The House then adjourned at 5.00 p.m.

Monday, March 8th, 1915.

PRAYERS.

3.00 O'CLOCK P.M.

The following Petitions were read and received:—

Of Catharine M. Crysler and others of Finch, praying that the Bill before the House to incorporate the Village of Crysler may not pass.

Of the Town Council of Sudbury, praying that an Act may pass to ratify and confirm certain By-laws.

Of J. L. Addison and others of St. George, praying for the prohibition of the retail sale of Alcoholic Liquor.

The following Bills were severally introduced and read the first time:—

Bill (No. 67), intituled "An Act to amend the Cemetery Act." Mr. Martyn.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time To-morrow.

Bill (No. 68), intituled "An Act to amend the Municipal Act." Mr. Gooderham.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time To-morrow.

Bill (No. 69), intituled "An Act respecting excessive injury, or wear, of Highways." Mr. Gooderham.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time To-morrow.

Bill (No. 94), intituled "An Act to regulate the load of Vehicles operated on Highways." Mr. Henry.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time To-morrow.

Bill (No. 95), intituled "An Act to amend the Local Improvement Act." Mr. Henry.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time To-morrow.

The following Bills were severally read the second time:—

Bill (No. 82), To amend the Ontario Railway and Municipal Board Act.

Referred to the Municipal Committee.

Bill (No. 88), To amend the Municipal Act.

Referred to the Municipal Committee.

The House resolved itself into a Committee, severally to consider the following Bills:—

Bill (No. 10), Respecting the City of Sarnia.

Bill (No. 11), Respecting the Church of the Holy Trinity, Toronto.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Crawford reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the several Bills without Amendments.

Ordered, That the Bills reported, be severally read the third time To-morrow.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of Bill (No. 73), To extend the Municipal Franchise to Married Women, having been read,

Mr. Tolmie moved,

That the Bill be now read the second time.

And a Debate having ensued,

It was, upon motion of Mr. Rowell,

Ordered, That the Debate be adjourned until To-morrow.

Mr. Hanna presented to the House by command of His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor:—

Report of the Timiskaming and Northern Ontario Railway Commission for the year ended October 31st, 1914. (*Sessional Papers, No. 47.*)

Also—Report of the Minister of Public Works of the Province for the year 1914. (*Sessional Papers, No. 13.*)

Also—Return to an Order of the House of the 22nd February, 1915, for a Return showing: If any part of the 32,000 acres now being cleared, or about to be cleared by the Government in the vicinity of Sudbury, is to be set apart or used to give work to the unemployed. How many acres are to be so set aside, and what are the terms and conditions upon which the unemployed can secure work. (*Sessional Papers, No. 59.*)

The House then adjourned at 5.30 p.m.

Tuesday, March 9th, 1915.

PRAYERS.

3.00 O'CLOCK P.M.

Mr. Speaker informed the House: That the Clerk had received from the Commissioners of Estate Bills, their Report in the following case:—

Bill (No. 61), Relating to the Estate of George Thomas Tuckett, deceased.

The Report was then read by the Clerk at the Table as follows:—

Sir,

We, the undersigned, two of the Commissioners of Estate Bills, have the honour to acknowledge receipt of your favour of the third of March instant, forwarding to us a copy of Bill (No. 61), Relating to the Estate of George Thomas Tuckett, deceased, and report thereon as follows:—

The said George Thomas Tuckett died on the 29th January, 1913, and his Will, bearing date the 18th April, 1911, was duly proved in the proper Surrogate Court in that behalf.

Thereafter the validity of the said Will and the testamentary capacity of the said testator were attacked in an action wherein George Joseph Tuckett and Blanche Inez Bragg, two of the children of the said George Thomas Tuckett, were plaintiffs, and Phyllis McNeil Tuckett, an infant, his only other child, was defendant.

This action came on for hearing before the Hon. The Chief Justice of the King's Bench, one of your Commissioners, on the 31st May, 1913, and

after evidence had been given sufficient to establish the invalidity of the said Will, a compromise was arrived at between the parties interested and the guardian *ad litem* of the said infant and the Official Guardian, who had been appointed to represent the grandchildren of the said testator, born and yet unborn, which compromise was approved by the said Court on behalf of the said infant and unborn grandchildren.

In and by the said judgment one-fifth of the gross income of the estate of the said testator, after making provision for certain payments in said judgment set out, was directed to be paid to each of the children of the said testator, but no provision was made respecting the ultimate disposition of the *corpus* of the said estate, save that found in paragraph ten of the said judgment.

The parties beneficially interested in the said estate now desire that legislative effect should be given to the said judgment, and that its provisions should be supplemented by appropriate provisions dealing with matters not therein provided for; and your Commissioners have heard the said parties by their Counsel, and the guardian *ad litem* appointed for the infant daughter of the testator, and the Official Guardian, who, in the said litigation represented the sole grandchild of the testator, now born, and any grandchildren who may hereafter be born; and after full discussion certain amendments suggested by your Commissioners to the said Act have been accepted and approved by all parties concerned.

Your Commissioners therefore report that, assuming the allegations contained in the preamble of the said Bill to be proved to the satisfaction of the House, it is reasonable that such Bill, amended as aforesaid and as shown in the Bill returned herewith, do pass into law, and the provisions thereof are proper for carrying its purposes into effect; and your Commissioners therefore approve of the said Bill as amended as aforesaid.

We are, Sir,

Yours, etc.,

GLENHOLME FALCONBRIDGE, C.J.K.B.

W. E. MIDDLETON, J.

ARTHUR H. SYDERE, Esq.,

Clerk of the Legislative Assembly,

Parliament Buildings, Toronto, Ont.

Ordered, That Bill (No. 61), Relating to the Estate of George Thomas Tuckett, deceased, be referred to the Committee on Private Bills, with instructions to consider the same with reference to the suggestions of the Commissioners of Estate Bills thereon.

The following Petition was brought up and laid upon the Table:—

By Mr. Jaques, the Petition of the Grace Methodist Church, Dunnville.

Mr. Hartt, from the Standing Committee on Standing Orders, presented their Eighth Report, which was read as follows and adopted:—

Your Committee have carefully examined the following Petitions and find the Notices as published in each case sufficient:—

Of the Town Council of Brockville, praying that an Act may pass to ratify and confirm By-law No. B 962 authorizing issue of debentures *re* local improvements.

Of the Sisters of St. Joseph of the Diocese of Toronto, praying that an Act may pass to amend their Act of Incorporation so as to extend scope of charitable and other works.

Of the Toronto Suburban Railway Company, praying that an Act may pass authorizing the Company to operate its railway on Sunday.

Of the Town Council of Hawkesbury, praying that an Act may pass to consolidate the debenture debt and authorizing the borrowing of money.

Mr. Hartt, from the Standing Committee on Standing Orders, presented their Ninth Report, which was read as follows and adopted:—

Your Committee have carefully examined the Petition of the City Council of Stratford, praying that an Act may pass authorizing the passing of certain by-laws for the issue of debentures, and for other purposes, and find that Notice of the proposed application to this Legislature has been published in the "*Ontario Gazette*" and in the "*Stratford Beacon*," this last-named newspaper being published in the said City of Stratford, but that said Notice has not appeared for the full period of six weeks as required by the Rules of your Honourable House.

Your Committee, however, have had produced before them a Declaration setting forth that one hundred and fifty posters, containing a copy of the said Notice, have been posted up in conspicuous places in and about the said City of Stratford, and considering that by such publications and posting, all parties interested have had an opportunity of becoming aware of the proposed legislation, they would recommend that the Notices as published be held sufficient.

Mr. Lucas, from the Standing Committee on Private Bills, presented their Third Report, which was read as follows and adopted:—

Your Committee beg to report the following Bills without amendment:—

Bill (No. 23), An Act to confirm By-law No. 191 of the Town of Hanover.

Bill (No. 36), An Act respecting the Town of Cornwall.

Bill (No. 38), An Act respecting the Roman Catholic Episcopal Corporation for the Diocese of Peterborough, in Ontario, Canada.

Your Committee beg to report the following Bills with certain amendments:—

Bill (No. 5), An Act respecting the Town of Orillia.

Bill (No. 13), An Act respecting the Railroad and City Young Men's Christian Association, of St. Thomas.

Bill (No. 54), An Act respecting the City of Peterborough.

Your Committee recommend that the fees, less the cost of printing the Bill and also of printing the Act in the Statutes, be remitted on Bill (No. 38), An Act respecting the Roman Catholic Episcopal Corporation of the Diocese of Peterborough, in Ontario, Canada, and Bill (No. 13), An Act respecting the Railroad and City Young Men's Christian Association, of St. Thomas, on the ground that they relate to Religious Institutions.

Ordered. That the fees, less the cost of printing the Bill, together with the Act in the Statutes, be remitted on Bill (No. 38), Roman Catholic Episcopal Corporation of Peterborough, and on Bill (No. 13), Railroad and City Y.M.C.A., St. Thomas.

The following Bills were severally introduced and read the first time:—

Bill (No. 28), intituled "An Act respecting the Town of Hawkesbury."
Mr. Munro.

Referred to the Railway and Municipal Board.

Bill (No. 34), intituled "An Act respecting the Town of Brockville."
Mr. Donovan.

Referred to the Committee on Private Bills.

Bill (No. 49), intituled "An Act respecting the Toronto Suburban Railway Company." Mr. Godfrey.

Referred to the Committee on Railways.

Bill (No. 62), intituled "An Act to amend the Acts respecting the Sisters of St. Joseph for the Diocese of Toronto." Mr. McCrea.

Referred to the Committee on Private Bills.

Bill (No. 64), intituled, "An Act respecting the City of Stratford." Mr. Torrance.

Referred to the Committee on Private Bills.

The Order of the Day for resuming the Adjourned Debate on the Motion, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair and that the House do resolve itself into the Committee of Supply, having been read,

The Debate was resumed,

And, after some time, the Motion, having been again put, was carried and the House accordingly resolved itself into the Committee.

(*In the Committee.*)

Resolved, That there be granted to His Majesty, for the services of 1915, the following sums:—

94. To defray the expenses of Legislation.....	9,037 01
95. To defray the expenses of the Supreme Court of Ontario...	1,106 32
96. To defray the expenses of the Sundry Civil and Criminal Justice.	20,711 27
97. To defray the expenses of the District of Algoma.....	6,231 95
98. To defray the expenses of the District of Thunder Bay.....	7,859 44
99. To defray the expenses of the District of Kenora.....	1,917 40
100. To defray the expenses of the District of Muskoka.....	1,550 00

101. To defray the expenses of the District of Manitoulin.....	1,464 21
102. To defray the expenses of the District of Sudbury.....	9,500 00
103. To defray the expenses of the District of Temiskaming.....	4,000 00
104. To defray the expenses of the District of Rainy River.....	1,000 00
105. To defray the expenses of the Public and Separate School Education.	12,048 69
106. To defray the expenses of the Normal and Model Schools, Toronto.	1,301 20
107. To defray the expenses of the Normal and Model Schools, Ottawa.	200 00
108. To defray the expenses of the Normal School, Hamilton....	18 83
109. To defray the expenses of the Normal School, North Bay....	3,019 18
110. To defray the expenses of the High Schools and Collegiate Institutes.	200 00
111. To defray the expenses of the Departmental Library and Museum.	118 25
112. To defray the expenses of the Public Libraries, Art Schools, Historical, Literary and Scientific Societies.....	95 01
113. To defray the expenses of the Provincial University and Mining Schools.	2,898 74
114. To defray the expenses of the Miscellaneous Education.....	1,894 15
115. To defray the expenses of The Ontario School for the Deaf, Belleville.	7,346 89
116. To defray the expenses of The Ontario School for Blind, Brantford.	3,822 63
117. To defray the expenses of the Hospital for the Insane, Brockville.	5,700 00
118. To defray the expenses of the Hospital for the Insane, Cobourg.	400 00

119. To defray the expenses of the Hospital for the Insane, Hamilton.	10,850 00
120. To defray the expenses of the Hospital for the Insane, Kingston.	4,770 00
121. To defray the expenses of the Hospital for the Insane, London.	3,000 00
122. To defray the expenses of the Hospital for the Insane, Mimico.	4,300 00
123. To defray the expenses of the Hospital for Feeble-Minded, Orillia.	1,820 00
124. To defray the expenses of the Hospital for the Insane, Toronto.	6,000 00
125. To defray the expenses of the Reception Hospital for the Insane, Toronto.	6,000 00
126. To defray the expenses of the Hospital for Epileptics, Wood- stock.	300 00
127. To defray the expenses of the Andrew Mercer Reformatory for Females, Toronto.	500 00
128. To defray the expenses of the Live Stock Branch.	8,500 00
129. To defray the expenses of the Ontario Veterinary College.	2,500 00
131. To defray the expenses of the Macdonald Institute and Hall.	2,000 00
132. To defray the expenses of the Poultry Department.	500 00
133. To defray the expenses of the Hospitals and Charities.	48,888 45
134. To defray the expenses of the Government House.	925 55
135. To defray the expenses of the Parliament and Departmental Buildings.	15,468 18

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Owens reported, That the Committee had come to several Resolutions; also, That the Committee had directed him to ask for leave to sit again.

Ordered, That the Report be received To-morrow.

Resolved, That the Committee have leave to sit again To-morrow.

On Motion of Mr. Lucas, seconded by Mr. Maediarmid,

Ordered, That the name of Sir Adam Beck be added to the Standing Committee on Private Bills.

Mr. Hanna presented to the House by command of His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor:—

Detailed Report of the Superintendent of Insurance Transaction for the year 1914. (*Sessional Papers, No. 10.*)

Also—Report of the Registrar of Friendly Societies' Transactions for the year 1914. (*Sessional Papers, No. 11.*)

Also—Loan Corporations' Statements, being Financial Statements made by Building Societies, Loan Companies, Loaning, Land and Trust Companies for the year 1914. (*Sessional Papers, No. 12.*)

The House then adjourned at 10.25 p.m.

Wednesday, March 10th, 1915.

PRAYERS.

3.00 O'CLOCK P.M.

Mr. Lucas, from the Standing Committee on Private Bills, presented their Fourth Report, which was read as follows and adopted:—

Your Committee report the following Bills with certain amendments:—

Bill (No. 15), An Act respecting the Town of Midland.

Bill (No. 27), An Act to authorize the Law Society of Upper Canada to admit James Albert Ellis to practise as a Barrister and Solicitor.

Bill (No. 43), An Act respecting the City of Toronto.

Your Committee recommend that, notwithstanding Rule 51 of Your Honourable House, the time for introducing Private Bills be extended to and inclusive of Tuesday, the sixteenth day of March, instant.

Ordered, That the time for introducing Private Bills be further extended until and inclusive of Tuesday, the sixteenth day of March, instant.

The following Bills were severally introduced and read the first time:—

Bill (No. 96), intituled "An Act to amend the Pharmacy Act." Mr. Torrance.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time To-morrow.

Bill (No. 97), intituled "An Act to amend the Municipal Act." Mr. Magladery.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time To-morrow.

Bill (No. 98), intituled "An Act to amend the Queen Victoria Niagara Falls Park Act." Mr. Macdiarmid.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time To-morrow.

Mr. Bowman asked the following Question:—

1. Was any commission paid on the sale of the Government Securities to Home, Smith & Company. 2. If so, how much, and to whom was commission paid. 3. What was the net amount received by the Province for these securities.

To which the Provincial Treasurer replied in the words following:—

1. Commission was allowed. 2. Three-quarters of 1 *per cent.* was deducted by the purchaser before payment to the Treasury Department. 3. Full returns not received.

On Motion of Mr. Racine, seconded by Mr. Ham,

Ordered, That there be laid before this House a Return showing: 1. Copies of all petitions or requests received by the Government since the 1st day of January, 1914, from any Municipal Authority or Body in the Province in ref-

erence to the imposition of a tax upon automobiles, or as to the distribution of that tax or a portion thereof to the municipalities maintaining the roads. 2. Copies of all correspondence between the Government and any officer or official thereof and any Municipality of the Province, or any Automobile Association or Organization in reference to the said matter.

The following Bills were severally read the second time:—

Bill (No. 5), Respecting the Town of Orillia.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 23), To confirm By-law No. 191 of the Town of Hanover.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 36), Respecting the Town of Cornwall.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 38), Respecting the Roman Catholic Episcopal Corporation for the Diocese of Peterborough in Ontario, Canada.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 13), Respecting the Railroad and City Young Men's Christian Association of St. Thomas.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 54), Respecting the City of Peterborough.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

The Order of the Day for resuming the Adjourned Debate on the second Reading of Bill (No. 73), To extend the Municipal Franchise to Married Women, having been read,

The Debate was resumed,

And, after some time, it was, on the motion of Mr. Studholme,

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned until To-morrow.

The House then adjourned at 6.05 p.m.

Thursday, March 11th, 1915.

PRAYERS.

3.00 O'CLOCK P.M.

Mr. Speaker informed the House:—

That the Clerk had received from the Railway and Municipal Board, their Reports in the following cases:—

Bill (No. 21), Respecting the Town of Gananoque; and

Bill (No. 30), Respecting the Town of Preston.

The Reports were then read by the Clerk at the Table as follows:—

To the Honourable the Legislative Assembly of the Province of Ontario.

Upon the reference, under Rule 61 (a) of your Honourable House to the Ontario Railway and Municipal Board, of Bill (No. 21), intituled "An Act respecting the Town of Gananoque," the Board begs leave respectfully to report that in the judgment of the Board it is reasonable that the said Bill should be passed by your Honourable House, except that the Board recommends that section 4 be amended by striking out all the words after the word "debentures" in the fifth line, for the reason that, as the town is obtaining an extension for thirty years for the payment of a floating debt of \$12,000, it does not seem reasonable that it should be allowed to exceed the statutory rate of twenty mills on the dollar.

All which is respectfully submitted.

D. M. McINTYRE,

Chairman.

Dated at Toronto this tenth day of March, 1915.

To the Honourable the Legislative Assembly of the Province of Ontario.

Upon the reference, under Rule 61 (a) of your Honourable House, to the Ontario Railway and Municipal Board, of section 7 of Bill (No. 30), intituled "An Act respecting the Town of Preston," the Board begs leave respectfully

to report that in the judgment of the Board it is reasonable that the said section 7 of the said Bill should be passed by your Honourable House.

All which is respectfully submitted.

D. M. McINTYRE,

Chairman.

Dated at Toronto this tenth day of March, 1915.

Ordered, That Bill (No. 30), Respecting the Town of Preston, and Bill (No. 21), Respecting the Town of Gananoque, be referred to the Committee on Private Bills with instructions to consider the same with reference to the suggestions of the Railway and Municipal Board thereon.

The following Petition was brought up and laid upon the Table:—

By Mr. Ferguson (Kent), the Petition of the County Council of Kent.

The following Petition was read and received:—

Of the Grace Methodist Church, Dunnville, praying for the suspension of all licenses for sale of alcoholic beverage during the continuance of the war.

Mr. Lucas, from the Standing Committee on Private Bills, presented their Fifth Report, which was read as follows and adopted:—

Your Committee beg to report the following Bills with certain amendments:—

Bill (No. 25), An Act respecting the Central Canada Exhibition Association.

Bill (No. 45), An Act to confirm certain By-laws of the Town of Owen Sound.

Bill (No. 51), An Act to consolidate and amend the Acts respecting Victoria University.

Your Committee recommend that the fees, less the cost of printing the Bill and also of printing the Act in the Statutes, be remitted on Bill (No. 51),

An Act to consolidate and amend the Acts respecting Victoria University, on the ground that it relates to an Educational Institution.

Ordered, That the fees, less the cost of printing the Bill, together with the Act in the Statutes, be remitted on Bill (No. 51), Victoria University.

The following Bills were severally introduced and read the first time:—

Bill (No. 99), intituled “An Act to amend the Municipal Act.” Mr. Regan.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time To-morrow.

Bill (No. 100), intituled “An Act for better protection of Workmen having certain claims for compensation against their employers.” Mr. Thompson (Simcoe.)

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time To-morrow.

Bill (No. 101), intituled “An Act to amend the Municipal Act.” Mr. Martyn.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time To-morrow.

Bill (No. 102), intituled “An Act to confirm the Title of the Government of Canada to certain lands and Indian lands.” Mr. Ferguson (Grenville.)

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time To-morrow.

The following Bills were severally read the second time:—

Bill (No. 92), Respecting the Guelph General Hospital.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 89), To amend the Assessment Act.

Referred to the Municipal Committee.

Bill (No. 93), To amend the Municipal Franchise Act.

Referred to the Municipal Committee.

Bill (No. 67), To amend the Cemetery Act.

Referred to the Municipal Committee.

Bill (No. 15), Respecting the Town of Midland.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 27), To authorize the Law Society of Upper Canada to admit James Albert Ellis to practise as a Barrister and Solicitor.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 43), Respecting the City of Toronto.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

The House resolved itself into a Committee, severally to consider the following Bills:—

Bill (No. 57), Respecting the Protestant Orphans' Home, Toronto.

Bill (No. 23), To confirm By-law No. 191 of the Town of Hanover.

Bill (No. 36), Respecting the Town of Cornwall.

Bill (No. 38), Respecting the Roman Catholic Episcopal Corporation for the Diocese of Peterborough in Ontario, Canada.

Bill (No. 13), Respecting the Railroad and City Young Men's Christian Association of St. Thomas.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Gamey reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the several Bills without Amendments.

Ordered, That the Bills reported, be severally read the third time To-morrow.

On Motion of Mr. Mageau, seconded by Mr. Carter,

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor praying that he will cause to be laid before this House a

Return of:—1. Copies of all Orders-in-Council and correspondence between the Government and any officer or official thereof and the Timiskaming and Northern Ontario Railway Company and any officer or official thereof in reference to the retirement of Frederick Dane as one of the Commissioners of the said Railway. 2. Copies of all Orders-in-Council and correspondence between the Government and any officer or official thereof and the Timiskaming and Northern Ontario Railway Company with reference to the appointment of Mr. Lee as one of the Commissioners of the said Railway.

The House, according to Order, again resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

(*In the Committee.*)

Resolved, That there be granted to His Majesty, for the services of 1915, the following sums:—

141. To defray the expenses of the Hospital for the Insane, Brockville.	\$7,300 00
142. To defray the expenses of the Hospital for the Insane, Cobourg.	1,800 00
143. To defray the expenses of the Hospital for the Insane, Hamilton.	19,400 00
144. To defray the expenses of the Hospital for the Insane, Kingston.	17,500 00
145. To defray the expenses of the Hospital for the Insane, London.	19,200 00
146. To defray the expenses of the Hospital for the Insane, Mimico.	15,050 00
147. To defray the expenses of the Hospital for Feeble-Minded, Orillia.	61,000 00
148. To defray the expenses of the Hospital for the Insane, Penetanguishene.	14,500 00
149. To defray the expenses of the Hospital for the Insane, Toronto.	202,900 00

150. To defray the expenses of the Hospital for Epileptics, Woodstock.	7,700 00
152. To defray the expenses of the Mercer Reformatory, Toronto.	1,600 00
153. To defray the expenses of the Normal and Model Schools, Toronto.	3,516 25
154. To defray the expenses of the Normal and Model Schools, Ottawa.	51,500 00
155. To defray the expenses of the Normal School, London.	2,113 00
156. To defray the expenses of the Normal School, Hamilton.	1,041 25
157. To defray the expenses of the Normal School, Peterborough.	39 0¢
159. To defray the expenses of the Normal School, North Bay.	231 50
160. To defray the expenses of the Training School, Sandwich.	200 00
161. To defray the expenses of The Ontario School for the Deaf, Belleville.	17,846 91
162. To defray the expenses of The Ontario School for the Blind, Brantford.	20,632 65
163. To defray the expenses of the Ontario Agricultural College.	22,834 87
164. To defray the expenses of the Ontario Veterinary College.	20,695 30
165. To defray the expenses of the Parry Sound District.	629 10
166. To defray the expenses of the Sudbury District.	20,596 60
167. To defray the expenses of the Nipissing District	924 50
168. To defray the expenses of the Algoma District.	60,000 00
169. To defray the expenses of the Rainy River District.	9,100 00
170. To defray the expenses of the Thunder Bay District.	31,640 00
171. To defray the expenses of the Kenora District.	13 69
172. To defray the expenses of the Temiskaming District.	27,906 00

173. To defray the expenses of the Miscellaneous Public Buildings.	4,660 00
174. To defray the expenses of the Game and Fisheries.....	4,960 76
175. To defray the expenses of the Treasury Department, Miscellaneous Services	3,250 00
176. To defray the expenses of the Charges on Crown Lands....	20,928 02
177. To defray the expenses of the Refunds	7,988 70
178. To defray the expenses of the Miscellaneous.....	500 00
136. To defray the expenses of the Osgoode Hall.....	150 00
137. To defray the expenses of the Government House.....	200,000 00
138. To defray the expenses of the Parliament Buildings.....	7,150 60
139. To defray the expenses of No. 5 Queen's Park.....	1,600 00
140. To defray the expenses of the Osgoode Hall.....	1,618 44
130. To defray the expenses of the Ontario Agricultural College.	4,575 00

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Gamey reported, That the Committee had come to several Resolutions; also, That the Committee had directed him to ask for leave to sit again.

Ordered, That the Report be received To-morrow.

Resolved, That the Committee have leave to sit again To-morrow.

The House then adjourned at 6.20 p.m.

Friday, March 12th, 1915.

PRAYERS.

3.00 O'CLOCK P.M.

Mr. Hartt, from the Standing Committee on Standing Orders, presented their Tenth Report, which was read as follows and adopted:—

Your Committee have carefully examined the following Petitions and find the Notices as published in each case sufficient:—

Of the Township Councils of Sombra and Sarnia, praying that an Act may pass to ratify and confirm certain By-laws.

Of the Town Council of Walkerton, praying that an Act may pass to consolidate the debenture and floating debt of the Corporation.

Of the City Council of St. Catharines, praying that an Act may pass authorizing the issue of debentures to pay off their floating indebtedness.

Mr. Lucas, from the Standing Committee on Private Bills, presented their Sixth Report, which was read as follows and adopted:—

Your Committee report the following Bills with certain amendments:—

Bill (No. 3), An Act to amend the Act to incorporate the Sisters of St. Joseph of the Diocese of London, in Ontario.

Bill (No. 17), An Act respecting the City of Hamilton.

Bill (No. 42), An Act respecting the Township of York.

Bill (No. 55), An Act respecting the City of Sault Ste. Marie.

Your Committee report the following Bill without amendments:—

Bill (No. 31), An Act respecting the Town of Renfrew.

Your Committee recommend that the fees, less the cost of printing the Bill and also of printing the Act in the Statutes, be remitted on Bill (No. 3), An Act to amend the Act to incorporate the Sisters of St. Joseph of the Diocese of London, in Ontario, on the ground that it relates to a Charitable Institution.

Ordered, That the fees, less the actual cost of printing the Bill, together with the Act in the Statutes, be remitted on Bill (No. 3), Sisters of St. Joseph of the Diocese of London.

Mr. Macdiarmid, from the Select Committee to which was referred Bill (No. 71), intituled "An Act respecting the Toronto and Hamilton Highway Commission," presented their Report, which was read as follows and adopted:—

Your Committee have carefully considered the said Bill and have prepared certain amendments thereto.

The following Bills were severally introduced and read the first time:—

Bill (No. 33), intituled "An Act respecting the Township of Sombra and the Township of Sarnia." Mr. Eilber.

Referred to the Committee on Private Bills.

Bill (No. 58), intituled "An Act to consolidate the general debenture and floating debt of the Town of Walkerton." Mr. Cargill.

Referred to the Railway and Municipal Board.

Bill (No. 63), intituled "An Act respecting the City of St. Catharines." Mr. Jessop.

Referred to the Railway and Municipal Board.

Bill (No. 103), intituled "An Act to amend the Municipal Act." Mr. Ham.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Monday next.

Bill (No. 104), intituled "An Act to amend the Municipal Act." Mr. McPherson.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Monday next.

Bill (No. 105), intituled "An Act to amend the Ontario Railway Act." Mr. Irish.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Monday next.

Bill (No. 106), intituled "An Act to amend the Boards of Education Act." Mr. Hook.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Monday next.

Bill (No. 107), intituled "An Act to amend the Motor Vehicles Act." Mr. Gooderham.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Monday next.

Bill (No. 108), intituled "An Act to amend the Local Improvement Act." Mr. Gooderham.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Monday next.

Bill (No. 109), intituled "An Act to amend the Municipal Act." Mr. Owens.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Monday next.

Bill (No. 110), intituled "An Act to amend the Municipal Act." Mr. McPherson.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Monday next.

Bill (No. 111), intituled "An Act to amend the Assessment Act." Mr. Price.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Monday next.

Bill (No. 112), intituled "An Act to amend the Local Improvement Act." Mr. McCrea.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Monday next.

Bill (No. 113), intituled "An Act to amend the Surveys Act." Mr. Ferguson (Grenville.)

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Monday next.

Bill (No. 114), intituled "An Act to provide for the payment of an Annuity to Alice, Lady Whitney." Mr. Hearst.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Monday next.

The following Bills were severally read the second time:—

Bill (No. 25), Respecting the Central Canada Exhibition Association.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House on Monday next.

Bill (No. 45), To confirm certain By-laws of the Town of Owen Sound.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House on Monday next.

Bill (No. 51), To consolidate and amend the Acts respecting Victoria University.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House on Monday next.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 83), To amend the Mining Act of Ontario, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Donovan reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill with certain amendments.

Ordered, That the Amendments be taken into consideration forthwith.

The Amendments, having been read the second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time on Monday next.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 72), To give further power to Courts with respect to the recovery of money secured by Mortgage and other similar matters, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Donovan reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill with certain amendments.

Ordered, That the Amendments be taken into consideration forthwith.

The Amendments, having been read the second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time on Monday next.

The Order of the Day for resuming the Adjourned Debate on the Motion for the second reading of Bill (No. 73), To extend the Municipal Franchise to Married Women, having been read,

The Debate was resumed.

And, after some time, it was, on the motion of Mr. Studholme,

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned until Monday next.

The House then adjourned at 6.05 p.m.

Monday, March 15th, 1915.

PRAYERS.

3.00 O'CLOCK P.M.

Mr. Speaker informed the House: That the clerk had received from the Commissioners of Estate Bills, their Second Report in the following case:—

Bill (No. 61), Relating to the Estate of George Thomas Tuckett, deceased.

The Report was then read by the Clerk at the Table as follows:—

Sir,

Since the undersigned Commissioners of Estate Bills presented to you their Report upon Bill (No. 61), Relating to the Estate of George Tuckett, deceased, they have been further waited upon by Counsel representing the different parties interested.

Counsel have had the draft amendments to the Bill under consideration and have submitted to your Commissioners a modification of the draft amendments proposed which meet the views of your Commissioners, and your Commissioners beg to report that the draft amendments accompanying this Report be substituted for the amendments heretofore suggested and that the Bill as now amended is proper for carrying its purpose into effect and that it is reasonable that the Bill, as now amended, should pass into law. We have the honour to be, Sir,

Your obedient servants,

GLENHOLME FALCONBRIDGE, C.J.K.B.

W. E. MIDDLETON, J.

ARTHUR H. SYDERE, ESQ.,

Clerk of the Legislative Assembly,

Parliament Buildings, Toronto.

Ordered, That Bill (No. 61), Relating to the Estate of George Thomas Tuckett, deceased, be referred to the Committee on Private Bills, with instructions to consider the same with reference to the further suggestions of the Commissioners of Estate Bills thereon.

Mr. Speaker also informed the House:—

That the Clerk had received from the Railway and Municipal Board, their Report in the following case:—

Bill (No. 35), Respecting the Town of Alliston.

The Report was then read by the Clerk at the Table as follows:—

To the Honourable the Legislative Assembly of the Province of Ontario.

Upon the reference, under Rule 61 (a) of your Honourable House, to the Ontario Railway and Municipal Board, of Bill (No. 35), intituled "An Act respecting the Town of Alliston." the Board begs leave respectfully to report that, in the judgment of the Board, it is reasonable that the said Bill should be passed by your Honourable House.

All which is respectfully submitted.

D. M. McINTYRE,
Chairman.

Dated at Toronto this 13th day of March, 1915.

Ordered, That Bill (No. 35), Respecting the Town of Alliston, be referred to the Committee on Private Bills with instructions to consider the same with reference to the suggestions of the Railway and Municipal Board thereon.

The following Petition was read and received:—

Of the County Council of Kent, praying for certain amendments to the Municipal Drainage Act.

The following Bills were severally introduced and read the first time:—

Bill (No. 115), intituled "An Act to amend the Ontario Telephone Act."
Mr. Lucas.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time To-morrow.

Bill (No. 116), intituled "An Act to amend the Law Society Act."
Mr. Lucas.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time To-morrow.

The following Bills were severally read the second time:—

Bill (No. 3), To amend the Act to incorporate the Sisters of St. Joseph of the Diocese of London in Ontario.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 17), Respecting the City of Hamilton.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 42), Respecting the Township of York.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 55), Respecting the City of Sault Ste. Marie.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 31), Respecting the Town of Renfrew.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 95), To amend the Local Improvement Act.

Referred to the Municipal Committee.

Bill (No. 97), To amend the Municipal Act.

Referred to the Municipal Committee.

Bill (No. 101), To amend the Municipal Act.

Referred to the Municipal Committee.

Bill (No. 98), To amend the Queen Victoria Niagara Falls Park Act.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of Bill (No. 90), To amend the Local Improvement Act, having been read,

Ordered, That the Order be discharged, and that the Bill be withdrawn.

The House resolved itself into a Committee, severally to consider the following Bills:—

Bill (No. 25), Respecting the Central Canada Exhibition Association.

Bill (No. 51), To consolidate and amend the Acts respecting Victoria University.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Hoyle reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the several Bills without Amendments.

Ordered, That the Bills reported, be severally read the third time, Tomorrow.

Mr. Racine asked the following Question:—

1. How many collegiates have been given approved school standing in grade 1 for 1912. 2. How many for 1913. 3. How many for 1914. 4. Where are the collegiates so graded for 1912 located. 5. Where are the collegiates so graded for 1913 located. 6. Where are the collegiates so graded for 1914 located. 7. How many collegiates have been given approved school standing in grade 2 for 1912. 8. How many for 1913. 9. How many for 1914. 10. Where are the collegiates so graded for 1912 located. 11. Where are the collegiates so graded for 1913 located. 12. Where are the collegiates so graded for 1914 located.

And the Minister of Education replied in the words following:—

1. 6. 2. 9. 3. 13. 4. Brockville, Chatham, Hamilton, Ottawa, Picton, Windsor. 5. Brockville, Chatham, Hamilton, Ottawa, Picton, Smith's Falls, Stratford, St. Thomas, Windsor. 6. Brantford, Brockville, Hamilton, Niagara Falls, Ottawa, Owen Sound, Picton, Port Arthur, Smith's Falls, Stratford, Riverdale (Toronto), Humberstone (Toronto), Windsor. 7. 22. 8. 22. 9. 17. 10. Berlin, Brantford, Clinton, Cobourg, Collingwood, Goderich, Guelph, Ingersoll, Lindsay, Napanee, Niagara Falls, Orillia, Owen Sound, Port Arthur, Renfrew, Ridgetown, Sarnia, Seaforth, Stratford, St. Catharines, St. Thomas, Vankleek Hill. 11. Berlin, Brantford, Clinton, Cobourg, Collingwood, Fort William, Goderich, Ingersoll, Lindsay, Morrisburg, Napanee, Niagara Falls, Orillia, Owen Sound, Port Arthur, Renfrew, Ridgetown, Sarnia, Seaforth, St. Catharines, Toronto (Harbord St.), Vankleek Hill. 12. Chatham, Clinton, Cobourg, Fort William, Goderich, Ingersoll, Lindsay, Morrisburg, Orillia, Renfrew, Sarnia, Strathroy, St. Catharines, St. Thomas, Oakwood (Toronto), Malvern Ave. (Toronto), Vankleek Hill.

Mr. Marshall asked the following Question:—

1. How many two-teachers High schools have been given approved school standing in grade 1 for 1912. 2. How many for 1913. 3. How many for 1914. 4. Where are the schools so graded for 1912 located. 5. Where are the schools so graded for 1913 located. 6. Where are the schools so graded for 1914 located. 7. How many three-teachers High schools have been given such approved school standing in grade 2 for 1912. 8. How many for 1913. 9. How many for 1914. 10. Where are the schools so graded for 1912 located. 11. Where are the schools so graded for 1913 located. 12. Where are the schools so graded for 1914 located.

To which the Minister of Education replied as follows:—

1. None. 2. None. 3. None. 4. There are none. 5. There are none. 6. There are none. 7. 15. 8. 12. 9. 13. 10. Arthur, Bradford, Deseronto, Gravenhurst, Haileybury, Niagara Falls South, Norwood, Oakville, Port Elgin, Richmond Hill, Rockland, Smithville, Stirling, Thorold, Warton. 11. Arthur, Bradford, Cayuga, Dundas, Grimsby, Hawkesbury, Penetanguishene, Richmond Hill, Rockland, Smithville, Streetsville, Warton. 12. Bradford, Cayuga, Deseronto, Dundas, Grimsby, Gravenhurst, Kenora, Niagara Falls South, Norwood, Penetanguishene, Richmond Hill, Rockland, Streetsville.

Mr. Carter asked the following Question:—

1. What are the names, ages, dates of appointment and salaries, respectively, of the Commissioners appointed under the Workmen's Compensation Act.

And the Attorney-General replied as follows:—

Commissioners, Workmen's Compensation Board.

Name and Position.	Age.	Date of Appointment.	Salary.
Samuel Price, Chairman	52	July 21, 1914	\$10,000 per annum.
Alex. W. Wright, Vice-Chairman	68	Sept. 17, 1914	8,500 per annum.
Geo. A. Kingston, Commissioner	45	Sept. 17, 1914	7,500 per annum.

Mr. Richardson asked the following Question:—

1. What sum has the Lieutenant-Governor in Council directed should be paid to the Workmen's Compensation Board to assist in defraying the expenses

incurred in the administration of Part I. of the Workmen's Compensation Act under section 68 of the said Act.

To which the Attorney-General replied:—

\$30,500 under section 68. (Salaries of Commissioners also paid under section 52.)

On Motion of Mr. Davidson, seconded by Mr. Ducharme,

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return showing: 1. What officers have been appointed by the Workmen's Compensation Board under section 59 of the Workmen's Compensation Act. 2. What are the names, dates of appointment, and salaries of each officer so appointed.

On Motion of Mr. Ducharme, seconded by Mr. Davidson,

Ordered, That there be laid before this House a Return showing: 1. All correspondence between the Government or any officer or official thereof and Paul Morand, License Inspector for North Essex, in reference to the resignation or dismissal in the month of April, 1914, of the said Paul Morand as License Inspector for North Essex. 2. All correspondence and communications between the Government or any officer or official thereof and the said Paul Morand and any resident or residents of North Essex with reference to the re-appointment of the said Paul Morand as License Inspector in North Essex in the month of June, 1914, a few days before the election.

The Order of the Day for resuming the Adjourned Debate on the Motion for the second reading of Bill (No. 73), To extend the Municipal Franchise to Married Women, having been read,

The Debate was resumed.

And, after some time, it was, on the Motion of Mr. Hearst,

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned until To-morrow.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 92), Respecting the Guelph General Hospital, and, after some time spent therein,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Donovan reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill without any amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

The House, according to Order, again resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

(In the Committee.)

Resolved, That there be granted to His Majesty, for the services of 1915, the following sums:—

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| 93. To defray the expenses of the Civil Government..... | \$34,064 78 |
| 151. To defray the expenses of the Ontario Reformatory, Toronto. | 126,600 00 |
| 158. To defray the expenses of the Normal School, Stratford.... | 1,500 00 |

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Donovan reported, That the Committee had come to several Resolutions; also, That the Committee had directed him to ask for leave to sit again.

Ordered, That the Report be received forthwith.

Resolved, That the Committee have leave to sit again To-morrow.

Mr. Donovan reported the following Resolutions from the Committee of Supply:—

93. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Thirty-four thousand and sixty-four dollars and seventy-eight cents be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Civil Government for the year ending 31st October, 1915.

94. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding nine thousand and thirty-seven dollars and one cent be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Legislation for the year ending 31st October, 1915.

95. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding One thousand one hundred and six dollars and thirty-two cents be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Supreme Court of Ontario for the year ending 31st October, 1915.

96. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Twenty thousand seven hundred and eleven dollars and twenty-seven cents be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Sundry Civil and Criminal Justice for the year ending 31st October, 1915.

97. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Six thousand two hundred and thirty-one dollars and ninety-five cents be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of District of Algoma for the year ending 31st October, 1915.

98. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Seven thousand eight hundred and fifty-nine dollars and forty-four cents be granted to His Majesty to defray expenses of District of Manitoulin for the year ending 31st October, 1915.

99. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding One thousand nine hundred and seventeen dollars and forty cents be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of District of Kenora for the year ending 31st October, 1915.

100. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding One thousand five hundred and fifty dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of District of Muskoka for the year ending 31st October, 1915.

101. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding One thousand four hundred and sixty-four dollars and twenty-one cents be granted to His Majesty to defray the the expenses of District of Thunder Bay for the year ending 31st October, 1915.

102. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Nine thousand five hundred dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of District of Sudbury for the year ending 31st October, 1915.

103. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Four thousand dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of District of Temiskaming for the year ending 31st October, 1915.

104. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding One thousand dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of District of Rainy River for the year ending 31st October, 1915.

105. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Twelve thousand and forty-eight dollars and sixty-nine cents be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Public and Separate School Education for the year ending 31st October, 1915.

106. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding One thousand three hundred and one dollars and twenty cents be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Normal and Model Schools, Toronto, for the year ending 31st October, 1915.

107. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Two hundred dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Normal and Model Schools, Ottawa, for the year ending 31st October, 1915.

108. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Eighteen dollars and eighty-three cents be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Normal School, Hamilton, for the year ending 31st October, 1915.

109. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Three thousand and nineteen dollars and eighteen cents be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Normal School, North Bay, for the year ending 31st October, 1915.

110. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Two hundred dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of High Schools and Collegiate Institutes for the year ending 31st October, 1915.

111. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding One hundred and eighteen dollars and twenty-five cents be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Departmental Library and Museum for the year ending 31st October, 1915.

112. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Ninety-five dollars and one cent be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Libraries, Art Schools, Historical, Literary and Scientific Societies for the year ending 31st October, 1915.

113. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Two thousand eight hundred and ninety-eight dollars and seventy-four cents be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Provincial University and Mining Schools for the year ending 31st October, 1915.

114. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding One thousand eight hundred and ninety-four dollars and fifteen cents be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Miscellaneous Education for the year ending 31st October, 1915.

115. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Seven thousand three hundred and forty-six dollars and eighty-nine cents be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of The Ontario School for the Deaf, Belleville, for the year ending 31st October, 1915.

116. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Three thousand eight hundred and twenty-two dollars and sixty-three cents be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of The Ontario School for the Blind, Brantford, for the year ending 31st October, 1915.

117. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Five thousand seven hundred dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Hospital for the Insane, Brockville, for the year ending 31st October, 1915.

118. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Four hundred dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Hospital for the Insane, Cobourg, for the year ending 31st October, 1915.

119. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Ten thousand eight hundred and fifty dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Hospital for the Insane, Hamilton, for the year ending 31st October, 1915.

120. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Four thousand seven hundred and seventy dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Hospital for the Insane, Kingston, for the year ending 31st October, 1915.

121. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Three thousand dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Hospital for the Insane, London, for the year ending 31st October, 1915.

122. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Four thousand three hundred dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Hospital for the Insane, Mimico, for the year ending 31st October, 1915.

123. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding One thousand eight hundred and twenty dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Hospital for Feeble-Minded, Orillia, for the year ending 31st October, 1915.

124. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Six thousand dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Hospital for the Insane, Toronto, for the year ending 31st October, 1915.

125. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Six thousand dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Reception Hospital for the Insane, Toronto, for the year ending 31st October, 1915.

126. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Three hundred dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Hospital for Epileptics, Woodstock, for the year ending 31st October, 1915.

127. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Five hundred dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Andrew Mercer Reformatory for Females, Toronto, for the year ending 31st October, 1915.

128. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Eight thousand five hundred dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Live Stock Branch for the year ending 31st October, 1915.

129. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Two thousand five hundred dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Ontario Veterinary College for the year ending 31st October, 1915.

130. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Four thousand five hundred and seventy-five dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Ontario Agricultural College for the year ending 31st October, 1915.

131. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Two thousand dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Macdonald Institute and Hall for the year ending 31st October, 1915.

132. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Five hundred dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Poultry Department for the year ending 31st October, 1915.

133. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Forty-eight thousand eight hundred and eighty-eight dollars and forty-five cents be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Hospitals and Charities for the year ending 31st October, 1915.

134. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Nine hundred and twenty-five dollars and fifty-five cents be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Government House for the year ending 31st October, 1915.

135. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Fifteen thousand four hundred and sixty-eight dollars and eighteen cents be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Parliament and Departmental Buildings for the year ending 31st October, 1915.

136. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding One hundred and fifty dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Osgoode Hall for the year ending 31st October, 1915.

137. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Two hundred thousand dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Government House for the year ending 31st October, 1915.

138. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Seven thousand one hundred and fifty dollars and sixty cents be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Parliament Buildings for the year ending 31st October, 1915.

139. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding One thousand six hundred dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of No. 5 Queen's Park for the year ending 31st October, 1915.

140. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding One thousand six hundred and eighteen dollars and forty-four cents be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Osgoode Hall for the year ending 31st October, 1915.

141. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Seven thousand three hundred dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Hospital for the Insane, Brockville, for the year ending 31st October, 1915.

142. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding One thousand eight hundred dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Hospital for the Insane, Cobourg, for the year ending 31st October, 1915.

143. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Nineteen thousand four hundred dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Hospital for the Insane, Hamilton, for the year ending 31st October, 1915.

144. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Seventeen thousand five hundred dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Hospital for the Insane, Kingston, for the year ending 31st October, 1915.

145. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Nineteen thousand two hundred dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Hospital for the Insane, London, for the year ending 31st October, 1915.

146. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Fifteen thousand and fifty dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Hospital for the Insane, Mimico, for the year ending 31st October, 1915.

147. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Sixty-one thousand dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Hospital for Feeble-Minded, Orillia, for the year ending 31st October, 1915.

148. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Fourteen thousand five hundred dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Hospital for Insane, Penetanguishene, for the year ending 31st October, 1915.

149. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Two hundred and two thousand nine hundred dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Hospital for the Insane, Toronto, for the year ending 31st October, 1915.

150. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Seven thousand seven hundred dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Hospital for Epileptics, Woodstock, for the year ending 31st October, 1915.

151. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding One hundred and twenty-six thousand six hundred dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Ontario Reformatory, Toronto, for the year ending 31st October, 1915.

152. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding One thousand six hundred dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Mercer Reformatory, Toronto, for the year ending 31st October, 1915.

153. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Three thousand five hundred and sixteen dollars and twenty-five cents be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Normal and Model Schools, Toronto, for the year ending 31st October, 1915.

154. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Fifty-one thousand five hundred dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Normal and Model Schools, Ottawa, for the year ending 31st October, 1915.

155. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Two thousand one hundred and thirteen dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Normal School, London, for the year ending 31st October, 1915.

156. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding One thousand and forty-one dollars and twenty-five cents be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Normal School, Hamilton, for the year ending 31st October, 1915.

157. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Thirty-nine dollars and six cents be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Normal School, Peterborough, for the year ending 31st October, 1915.

158. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding One thousand five hundred dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Normal School, Stratford, for the year ending 31st October, 1915.

159. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Two hundred and thirty-one dollars and fifty cents be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Normal School, North Bay, for the year ending 31st October, 1915.

160. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Two hundred dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Training School, Sandwich, for the year ending 31st October, 1915.

161. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Seventeen thousand eight hundred and forty-six dollars and ninety-one cents be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of The Ontario School for the Deaf, Belleville, for the year ending 31st October, 1915.

162. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Twenty thousand six hundred and thirty-two dollars and sixty-five cents be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of The Ontario School for the Blind, Brantford, for the year ending 31st October, 1915.

163. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Twenty-two thousand eight hundred and thirty-four dollars and eighty-seven cents be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Ontario Agricultural College for the year ending 31st October, 1915.

164. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Twenty thousand six hundred and ninety-five dollars and thirty cents be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Ontario Veterinary College for the year ending 31st October, 1915.

165. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Six hundred and twenty-nine dollars and ten cents be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Parry Sound District for the year ending 31st October, 1915.

166. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Twenty thousand five hundred and ninety-six dollars and sixty cents be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Sudbury District for the year ending 31st October, 1915.

167. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Nine hundred and twenty-four dollars and fifty cents be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Nipissing District for the year ending 31st October, 1915.

168. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Sixty thousand dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Algoma District for the year ending 31st October, 1915.

169. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Nine thousand one hundred dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Rainy River District for the year ending 31st October, 1915.

170. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Thirty-one thousand six hundred and forty dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Thunder Bay District for the year ending 31st October, 1915.

171. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Thirteen dollars and sixty-nine cents be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Kenora District for the year ending 31st October, 1915.

172. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Twenty-seven thousand nine hundred and six dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Temiskaming District for the year ending 31st October, 1915.

173. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Four thousand six hundred and sixty dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Miscellaneous Public Buildings for the year ending 31st October, 1915.

174. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Four thousand nine hundred and sixty dollars and seventy-six cents be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Game and Fisheries for the year ending 31st October, 1915.

175. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Three thousand two hundred and fifty dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Treasury Department Miscellaneous Service for the year ending 31st October, 1915.

176. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Twenty thousand nine hundred and twenty-eight dollars and two cents be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Charges on Crown Lands for the year ending 31st, October, 1915.

177. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Seven thousand nine hundred and eighty-eight dollars and seventy cents be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Refunds for the year ending 31st October, 1915.

178. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Five hundred dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Miscellaneous for the year ending 31st October, 1915.

The several Resolutions having been read the second time.

Ordered, That the further consideration of the One hundred and thirty-seventh, One hundred and forty-ninth and One hundred and fifty-first Resolutions be postponed until To-morrow.

The remaining Resolutions were concurred in.

Mr. Hanna presented to the House by command of His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor:—

Report of Births, Marriages and Deaths for the year 1914. (*Sessional Papers No. 20.*)

Also—Report of the Provincial Board of Health for the year 1914. (*Sessional Papers No. 21.*)

Also—Report of the Honourable Mr. Justice Riddell as representative of the Province of Ontario at the Ceremonies in the City of New Orleans held in Commemoration of the one hundredth anniversary of the Battle of New Orleans and of the one hundred years of peace which began with the end of that Battle. (*Sessional Papers No. 60.*)

Also—Report of the Commissioner appointed to enquire into the financial affairs of the Village of Weston. (*Sessional Papers No. 61.*)

Also—Return to an Order of the House of the 15th March, 1915, for a Return showing:—1. All correspondence between the Government or any officer or official thereof and Paul Morand, License Inspector for North Essex, in reference to the resignation or dismissal in the month of April, 1914, of the said Paul Morand as License Inspector for North Essex. 2. All correspondence and communications between the Government or any officer or official thereof and the said Paul Morand and any resident or residents of North Essex with reference to the re-appointment of the said Paul Morand as License Inspector in North Essex in the month of June, 1914, a few days before the election. (*Sessional Papers No. 62.*)

The House then adjourned at 5.55 p.m.

Tuesday, March 16th, 1915.

PRAYERS.

3.00 O'CLOCK, P.M.

Mr. Hartt, from the Standing Committee on Standing Orders, presented their Eleventh Report, which was read as follows and adopted.

Your Committee have carefully examined the Petition of Lincoln Hutton, of Bolton, praying that an Act may pass authorizing the Law Society of Upper Canada to admit him to practise as a Barrister and Solicitor, and find the Notices as published in this case sufficient.

Mr. Hartt, from the Standing Committee on Standing Orders, presented their Twelfth Report, which was read as follows and adopted.

Your Committee have carefully examined the Petition of Joseph Benoit and others of the Township of Finch, praying that an Act may pass to incorporate the Village of Crysler and find that Notice of the proposed application to this Legislature has been published in "*The Ontario Gazette*" and in "*The Cornwall Standard*," a newspaper published in the Town of Cornwall, in the County of Stormont, being the County in which the proposed Village of Crysler is situated.

Your Committee also find that the Petition describes by metes and bounds the portion of land which is said to comprise the unincorporated Village and which is now sought to be incorporated; the Notice does not mention definitely the territory proposed to be incorporated, but states that an application will be made by the residents of the unincorporated Village of Crysler "for an Act incorporating the said Village of Crysler as described in a Petition to be presented to the Legislature."

Your Committee are of the opinion that the Notice should also have set out the metes and bounds of the lands so proposed to be incorporated, and they would therefore recommend that the attention of the Private Bills Committee be directed to this matter.

Mr. Lucas, from the Standing Committee on Private Bills, presented their Seventh Report, which was read as follows and adopted.

Your Committee beg to report the following Bills, with certain amendments:—

Bill (No. 22), An Act respecting the Huron & Erie Loan and Savings Company.

Bill (No. 24), An Act respecting the City of Windsor.

Bill (No. 34), An Act respecting the Town of Brockville.

Bill (No. 41), An Act respecting the City of London.

Bill (No. 46), An Act respecting the City of Port Arthur.

Bill (No. 62), An Act to amend the Acts respecting the Sisters of St. Joseph for the Diocese of Toronto in Upper Canada.

Bill (No. 64), An Act respecting the City of Stratford.

Your Committee beg to report the following Bill without amendment:—

Bill (No. 19), An Act respecting the Town of North Bay.

Your Committee recommend that the fees, less the actual cost of printing be remitted on Bill (No. 29), An Act to incorporate the College of Chiropractic for Ontario, the same having been withdrawn by the promoters thereof. And also recommend that the fees, less the cost of printing the Bill and also of printing the Act in the Statutes, be remitted on Bill (No. 62), An Act to amend The Acts respecting the Sisters of St. Joseph for the Diocese of Toronto in Upper Canada, on the ground that the same relates to a Charitable Institution.

Ordered, That the fees, less the actual cost of printing, be remitted on Bill (No. 29), College of Chiropractic, and on Bill (No. 62), Sisters of St. Joseph, Diocese of Toronto, less the cost of printing the Bill, together with the Act in the Statutes.

The following Bills were severally introduced and read the first time:—

Bill (No. 39), intituled “An Act to authorize the Law Society of Upper Canada to admit Lincoln Hutton to practise as a Barrister and Solicitor.” Mr. Fallis.

Referred to the Committee on Private Bills.

Bill (No. 53), intituled “An Act to incorporate the Village of Crysler.” Mr. Shearer.

Referred to the Committee on Private Bills.

Bill (No. 117), intituled “An Act to amend The Municipal Act.” Mr. McKeown.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time To-morrow.

Bill (No. 118), intituled “An Act to amend The Municipal Act.” Mr. Gillespie.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time To-morrow.

The following Bills were severally read the second time:—

Bill (No. 113), To amend The Surveys Act.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 114), To provide for the payment of an Annuity to Alice, Lady Whitney.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 96), To amend The Pharmacy Act.

Referred to the Legal Committee.

Bill (No. 91), To amend The Municipal Act.

Referred to the Municipal Committee.

Bill (No. 68), To amend The Municipal Act.

Referred to the Municipal Committee.

Bill (No. 69), Respecting excessive injury, or wear, of Highways.

Referred to the Municipal Committee.

Bill (No. 94), To regulate the load of Vehicles operated on Highways.

Referred to the Municipal Committee.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of Bill (No. 86), To amend The Municipal Act, having been read,

Ordered, That the Order be discharged, and that the Bill be withdrawn.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of Bill (No. 87), To amend The Ontario Railway Act, having been read,

Ordered, That the Order be discharged, and that the Bill be withdrawn.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of Bill (No. 99), To amend The Municipal Act, having been read,

Ordered, That the Order be discharged, and that the Bill be withdrawn.

On Motion of Mr. Hearst, seconded by Mr. Pyne,

Resolved, That this House do forthwith resolve itself into a Committee to consider certain proposed Resolutions respecting a sum of money to be paid annually to Alice, Lady Whitney, widow of Sir James Pliny Whitney, K.C.M.G.

Mr. Hearst acquainted the House that His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, having been informed of the subject matter of the proposed Resolutions, recommends them to the consideration of the House.

The House then resolved itself into the Committee.

(In the Committee.)

1. *Resolved*, That there shall be payable out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund of Ontario, the sum of two thousand dollars in every year to Alice, Lady Whitney, widow of Sir James Pliny Whitney, Knight Commander of the Most Distinguished Order of St. Michael and St. George, late Prime Minister of Ontario, during her lifetime.

2. *Resolved*, That the annual sum so granted shall be payable as from the twenty-fifth day of September, A.D. 1914, in quarterly payments of five hundred dollars each, and shall be apportionable to the date of the death of the said Alice, Lady Whitney.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Gamey reported, That the Committee had come to certain Resolutions.

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

Mr. Gamey reported the Resolutions as follows:—

1. *Resolved*, That there shall be payable out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund of Ontario, the sum of two thousand dollars in every year to Alice, Lady Whitney, widow of Sir James Pliny Whitney, Knight Commander of the Most Distinguished Order of St. Michael and St. George, late Prime Minister of Ontario, during her lifetime.

2. *Resolved*, That the annual sum so granted shall be payable as from the twenty-fifth day of September, A.D. 1914, in quarterly payments of five hundred dollars each, and shall be apportionable to the date of the death of the said Alice, Lady Whitney.

The Resolutions having been read the second time, were agreed to, and referred to the Committee of the Whole House on Bill (No. 114), To provide for the Payment of an Annuity to Alice, Lady Whitney.

On Motion of Mr. McGarry, seconded by Mr. Macdiarmid,

Resolved, That this House do forthwith resolve itself into a Committee to consider certain proposed Resolutions respecting the Provincial War Tax.

Mr. Hearst acquainted the House that His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, having been informed of the subject matter of the proposed Resolutions, recommends them to the consideration of the House.

The House then resolved itself into the Committee.

(*In the Committee.*)

1. *Resolved*, That in each municipality which is separated from the county for municipal purposes and in each municipality in territory without county organization there shall be imposed and levied and collected annually a special rate of one mill in the dollar on all the rateable property therein to be known as The Provincial War Tax.

2. *Resolved*, That the special rate shall be levied and collected in the same manner as local rates and shall be similarly calculated upon the assessment as finally revised, and the amounts shall be entered in the collector's roll in a separate column to be designated "Provincial War Tax."

3. *Resolved*, That in each county there is hereby imposed and there shall be levied and collected annually a special rate (to be known as the Provincial War Tax) of one mill in the dollar on the total assessment of the rateable property in the county as equalized for county purposes.

4. *Resolved*, That the corporation of each county when striking the rate for county purposes in each year shall include therein and add thereto such special rate of one mill in the dollar and the same shall be assessed, levied and collected in all respects as though it were a rate for county purposes and it shall not be necessary for the clerk of the county to certify separately the amount to be raised thereby in each municipality, but he shall include in it the total amount certified by him under section 92 of The Assessment Act.

5. *Resolved*, That the amount so required to be raised in each municipality under section 2 and in each county under section 3 shall be paid over to the Treasurer of Ontario by the corporation of the municipality and county respectively not later than the 31st day of December in each year and shall be a debt due to him by the corporation, in default of payment thereof when sued for in his own name as for a debt due to the Crown in any court of competent jurisdiction.

6. *Resolved*, That the money received by the Treasurer of Ontario from such special rates shall form part of the Consolidated Revenue Fund of Ontario.

7. *Resolved*, That the Lieutenant-Governor in Council may raise by way of loan a sum not exceeding two million dollars (\$2,000,000), which shall be repayable within a term not exceeding five years, shall bear interest at such rate as may be fixed by the Lieutenant-Governor in Council, shall be raised upon the credit of the Consolidated Revenue Fund of Ontario and shall be chargeable thereupon.

8. *Resolved*, That the Lieutenant-Governor in Council may direct that any bonds or inscribed stock issued as security for such loan shall be free from any or all Provincial taxes, succession duties and impositions whatsoever.

9. *Resolved*, That the Lieutenant-Governor in Council may prescribe such forms and make such rules and regulations as may be deemed necessary for the full and proper carrying out of the provisions of the Act.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Gamey reported, That the Committee had come to certain Resolutions.

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

Mr. Gamey reported the Resolutions as follows:—

1. *Resolved*, That in each municipality which is separated from the county for municipal purposes and in each municipality in territory without county organization there shall be imposed and levied and collected annually a special

rate of one mill in the dollar on all the rateable property therein to be known as The Provincial War Tax.

2. *Resolved*, That the special rate shall be levied and collected in the same manner as local rates and shall be similarly calculated upon the assessment as finally revised, and the amounts shall be entered in the collector's roll in a separate column to be designated "Provincial War Tax."

3. *Resolved*, That in each county there is hereby imposed and there shall be levied and collected annually a special rate (to be known as the Provincial War Tax) of one mill in the dollar on the total assessment of the rateable property in the county as equalized for county purposes.

4. *Resolved*, That the corporation of each county when striking the rate for county purposes in each year shall include therein and add thereto such special rate of one mill in the dollar and the same shall be assessed, levied and collected in all respects as though it were a rate for county purposes and it shall not be necessary for the clerk of the county to certify separately the amount to be raised thereby in each municipality, but he shall include in it the total amount certified by him under section 92 of The Assessment Act.

5. *Resolved*, That the amount so required to be raised in each municipality under section 2 and in each county under section 3 shall be paid over to the Treasurer of Ontario by the corporation of the municipality and county respectively not later than the 31st day of December in each year and shall be a debt due to him by the corporation, in default of payment thereof when sued for in his own name as for a debt due to the Crown in any court of competent jurisdiction.

6. *Resolved*, That the money received by the Treasurer of Ontario from such special rates shall form part of the Consolidated Revenue Fund of Ontario.

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8. *Resolved*, That the Lieutenant-Governor in Council may direct that any bonds or inscribed stock issued as security for such loan shall be free from any or all Provincial taxes, succession duties and impositions whatsoever.

9. *Resolved*, That the Lieutenant-Governor in Council may prescribe such forms and make such rules and regulations as may be deemed necessary for the full and proper carrying out of the provisions of the Act.

The Resolutions having been read the second time, were agreed to, and referred to the Committee of the Whole House on Bill (No. 77), To levy a Provincial War Tax to supplement the Revenues of the Crown.

The following Bill was read the second time:—

Bill (No. 77), To levy a Provincial War Tax to supplement the Revenues of the Crown.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House forthwith.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the Committee, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Lennox reported, That the Committee had made some progress, and directed him to ask for leave to sit again.

Resolved, That the Committee have leave to sit again To-morrow.

The Order of the Day for resuming the Adjourned Debate on the Motion for the second reading of Bill (No. 73), To extend the Municipal Franchise to Married Women, having been read,

The Debate was resumed,

And, after some time,

The Motion for the second reading having been again proposed, was lost on the following Division:—

YEAS.

Messieurs:

Atkinson	Evanturel	Ham	Proudfoot
Bowman	Ferguson	McDonald	Richardson
Carter	Kent.	Marshall	Rowell
Clarke	Gillespie	Munro	Studholme
Davidson	Grieve	Parliament	Tolmie
			Wigle—20

NAYS.

Messieurs:

Allan	Ferguson	Irish	Musgrove
Armstrong	<small>Simcoe.</small>	Jaques	<small>Huron.</small>
Bennewies	Ferguson	Jarvis	Musgrove
Black	<small>Grenville.</small>	Johnson	<small>Niagara Falls.</small>
Brower	Gamey	Lennox	Nesbitt
Calder	Godfrey	Lucas	Nixon
Carew	Gooderham	McCrea	Owens
Cargill	Grigg	McElroy	Preston
Carscallen	Hall	<small>Lanark.</small>	<small>Lanark.</small>
Chambers	Hall	McFarlan	Price
Cooke	<small>Waterloo.</small>	McGarry	Pyne
Crawford	Hanna	McKeown	Rankin
Dargavel	Hartt	Macdiarmid	Russell
Donovan	Hearst	Machin	Rykert
Duff	Henry	Magladery	Sharpe
Dunlop	Hilliard	Martyn	Shearer
Edgar	Hook	Mason	Sinclair
Eilber	Hoyle	Mathieu	Sulman—66
		Mills	

PAIRS.

Sir Adam Beck.....Elliott.

And so it was declared in the negative.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of Bill (No. 103), To amend The Municipal Act, having been read,

Mr. Ham moved,

That the Bill be now read the second time.

And a Debate having ensued, it was, on the Motion of Mr. Studholme,

Ordered, That the Debate be adjourned until To-morrow.

The House then adjourned at 6.10 p.m.

Wednesday, March 17th, 1915.

PRAYERS.

3.00 O'CLOCK P.M.

Mr. Lucas, from the Standing Committee on Private Bills, presented their Eighth Report, which was read as follows and adopted:—

Your Committee beg to report the following Bills with certain amendments:—

Bill (No. 59), An Act respecting the City of Ottawa.

Bill (No. 61), An Act relating to the Estate of George Thomas Tuckett, deceased.

Bill (No. 21), An Act respecting the Town of Gananoque.

Bill (No. 30), An Act respecting the Town of Preston.

Bill (No. 8), An Act to confirm By-law No. 400 of the Town of Sudbury.

Bill (No. 33), An Act respecting the Township of Sombra and the Township of Sarnia.

Mr. Hearst delivered to Mr. Speaker a Message from the Lieutenant-Governor, signed by himself; and the said Message was read by Mr. Speaker, and is as follows:—

JOHN S. HENDRIE.

The Lieutenant-Governor transmits further Supplementary Estimates of certain sums required for the service of the Province for the year ending 31st October, 1915, and recommends them to the Legislative Assembly.

GOVERNMENT HOUSE,

Toronto, March 17th, 1915.

(*Sessional Papers No. 2.*)

Ordered, That the Message of the Lieutenant-Governor, together with the Estimates accompanying same, be referred to the Committee of Supply.

The following Bills were severally introduced and read the first time:—

Bill (No. 66), intituled "An Act to amend the Ontario Insurance Act." Mr. Lucas.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time To-morrow.

Bill (No. 119), intituled "An Act to amend the Municipal Act." Mr. Thompson (Simcoe.)

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time To-morrow.

Bill (No. 120), intituled "An Act to amend the Municipal Act." Mr. Mills.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time To-morrow.

Bill (No. 121), intituled "An Act to amend the Ontario Insurance Act." Mr. Hogarth.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time To-morrow.

Bill (No. 122), intituled "An Act to amend the Succession Duty Act." Mr. McGarry.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time To-morrow.

Bill (No. 123), intituled "An Act respecting certain Loans raised on the credit of the Consolidated Revenue Fund." Mr. McGarry.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time To-morrow.

Bill (No. 124), intituled "An Act to amend the Act respecting Municipal Institutions." Mr. Lennox.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time To-morrow.

The following Bills were severally read the second time:—

Bill (No. 100), For the better protection of Workmen having certain claims for compensation against their Employers.

Referred to the Legal Committee.

Bill (No. 109), To amend the Municipal Act.

Referred to the Municipal Committee.

Bill (No. 111), To amend the Assessment Act.

Referred to the Municipal Committee.

Bill (No. 112), To amend the Local Improvement Act.

Referred to the Municipal Committee.

Bill (No. 22), Respecting the Huron and Erie Loan and Savings Company.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 24), Respecting the City of Windsor.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 34), Respecting the Town of Brockville.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 41), Respecting the City of London.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 46), Respecting the City of Port Arthur.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 62), To amend the Acts respecting the Sisters of St. Joseph for the Diocese of Toronto in Upper Canada.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 64), Respecting the City of Stratford.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 19), Respecting the Town of North Bay.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 75), For the better regulation of the use of certain Public Waters.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 102), To confirm the Title of the Government of Canada to certain lands and Indian Lands.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 106), To amend the Boards of Education Act.

Referred to the Legal Committee.

Bill (No. 108), To amend the Local Improvement Act.

Referred to the Municipal Committee.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of Bill (No. 105), To amend the Ontario Railway Act, having been read,

Ordered, That the Order be discharged, and that the Bill be withdrawn.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of Bill (No. 107), To amend the Motor Vehicles Act, having been read,

Ordered, That the Order be discharged, and that the Bill be withdrawn.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 71), Respecting the Toronto and Hamilton Highway Commission, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Donovan reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill without any amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 113), To amend the Surveys Act, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Donovan reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill without any amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 114), To provide for the payment of an Annuity to Alice, Lady Whitney, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Donovan reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill without any amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 31), Respecting the Town of Renfrew, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Donovan reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill without any amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

The following Bill was read the second time:—

Bill (No. 115), To amend the Ontario Telephone Act.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House forthwith.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the Committee and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Donovan reported, That the Committee had made some progress, and directed him to ask for leave to sit again.

Resolved, That the Committee have leave to sit again To-morrow.

The following Bill was read the second time:—

Bill (No. 116), To amend the Law Society Act.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House forthwith.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the Committee and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Donovan reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill without any amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

Mr. Parliament asked the following Question:—

1. What officer or officers of the Government instructed the printing on the face of the pamphlet containing the address of the Hon. W. J. Hanna,

delivered in the Legislative Assembly on the 19th February, 1914, in opposition to the proposal of the Leader of the Opposition that action should be taken at once by the Government to investigate conditions of Labour in the Province, the words "Printed by order of the Legislative Assembly of Ontario."

2. Who were the printers of the said pamphlet. 3. What was the date on which the same was printed.

And the Provincial Secretary replied as follows:—

1. Following the usual and long-established practice in such cases, the instructions were given either directly or indirectly by the Provincial Secretary. 2. Methodist Book and Publishing House. 3. On or about the month of May, 1914.

Mr. Parliament asked the following Question:—

1. What officer or officers of the Government instructed the printing on the face of the pamphlet containing the address of the Hon. Provincial Secretary, delivered in the Legislature in April, 1914, in reply to a Motion of the Leader of the Opposition, the words "Printed by order of the Legislative Assembly of Ontario." 2. Who were the printers of the said pamphlet. 3. What was the date on which the same was printed.

And the Provincial Secretary replied:—

1. Following the usual and long-established practice in such cases, the instructions were given either directly or indirectly by the Provincial Secretary. 2. Methodist Book and Publishing House. 3. On or about the month of May, 1914.

Mr. Ferguson (Kent) asked the following Question:—

1. What is the total amount of the securities of the Province of Ontario sold during the current fiscal year. 2. What is the total amount of the securities of the Province of Ontario which have been paid off or retired by the Government during the current fiscal year.

And the Provincial Treasurer replied in the words and figures following:—

1. Balance of \$1,000,000 Loan Series "F".....	\$ 795,000 00
\$1,000,000 Loan Series "G".....	1,000,000 00
\$3,000,000 Loan Series "H".....	3,000,000 00
	\$4,795,000 00

2. £300,000 Treasury Bills paid off February 20th, 1915, at par	\$1,460,000 00
\$1,500,000 Treasury Bills, Bank of Montreal, paid off March 3rd, 1915	1,500,000 00
	\$2,960,000 00

Mr. Bowman asked the following Question:—

1. What was the date or dates upon which the Government of Ontario received from the Government of Canada the subsidy from the T. & N. O. Railway, and how much was received on each date respectively. 2. How much of the subsidy so received from the Government of Canada appears in the item of \$2,580,695.31 of Balance on Hand as *per* Statement 1, p. A16, Public Accounts, 1914. 3. Were any moneys received by the Government of Ontario from the Government of Canada in respect of subsidy for the T. & N. O. Railway during the fiscal year ending 31st October, 1914.

And the Provincial Treasurer replied in the words following:—

1. October 31st, 1913, \$2,134,080.00. 2. Cannot say. This amount is part of Consolidated Revenue Fund. 3. No.

Mr. Richardson asked the following Question:—

1. What was the amount of Crown Timber Dues past due and unpaid on the 31st October, in the years 1912, 1913 and 1914, respectively.

And the Minister of Lands, Forests and Mines replied in the figures following:—

31st October, 1912	\$1,172,496 95
31st October, 1913	1,217,838 85
31st October, 1914	1,461,615 15

Mr. Grieve asked the following Question:—

1. What are the names of the Medical Health Officers now in office, appointed under the Public Health Act, the respective dates of their appointment, and the amount of salary received by each.

To which the Provincial Secretary replied as follows:—

DISTRICT OFFICERS OF HEALTH.

Name.	Date of Appointment.	Salary per annum.
Dr. D. B. Bentley, Sarnia	August 1st, 1912	\$2,500 00
Dr. T. J. McNally, Guelph	August 1st, 1912	2,500 00
Dr. D. A. McClenahan, Hamilton	August 1st, 1912	2,500 00
Dr. George Clinton, Belleville	August 1st, 1912	2,500 00
Dr. P. J. Moloney, Cornwall	August 1st, 1912	2,500 00
Dr. R. E. Wodehouse, Fort William	August 1st, 1912	2,500 00
Dr. W. E. George, North Bay	August 1st, 1912	2,500 00

Mr. Grieve asked the following Question:—

1. What was the cost of the heating system or plant for Government House.
2. What was the cost of the cooling or ventilating system or plant for Government House.

And the Minister of Public Works replied in the words following:—

1. The heating, ventilating, plumbing, drainage, and fire protection required for the new Government House, was awarded in one contract, for the sum of \$74,986.00.
2. Answered by No. 1.

Mr. Davidson asked the following Question:—

1. When was D. Herlihy employed by the Government, or any officer or officers of the Government, in the year 1914.
2. When did he leave the employ of the Government in or since the year 1914.
3. What were his duties, and in what branch of the service was he employed in 1914.
4. Did he, while in the Government's employ, devote all his time to the work for which he was so engaged by the Government.
5. If not, how much time, giving dates and hours, did he devote to the said work.
6. What work, if any, other than the work for which he was engaged by the Government, did he perform while he was in the employ of the Government.
7. Has he been paid any other moneys by the Government or any officer or officers thereof, other than \$260 mentioned on page 542 of the Public Accounts for 1914.
8. Is he entitled to, or has he been promised, any other sum by the Government or any officer or officers thereof than the \$260 so paid him as aforesaid.
9. Was the said sum of \$260 paid him for work done in connection with the Forest Reserves only.
10. If not, for what other services was the sum paid, and how much of the said sum was paid for such services.
11. In what part of the Province was he so engaged in work for the Government.

And the Minister of Lands, Forests and Mines replied as follows:—

1. He was employed by the Department of Lands, Forests and Mines as a fire ranger in the Temagami Forest Reserve during the season of 1914 between the 13th of May and the 15th of September.
2. He worked up to the 15th of September, 1914, when his services ceased.
3. Answered by No. 1.
4. Yes.
5. Answered by No. 4.
6. None.
7. No.
8. No.
9. Yes.
10. Answered by No. 9.
11. Answered by No. 1.

Mr. Grieve asked the following Question:—

1. What was the total number of men employed under Mr. J. F. Whitson in making roads and doing work under the Northern and Northwestern Ontario Development Act, in the months of March, April, May, June, July, August, September and October, respectively, of the year 1914.

To which the Prime Minister replied in the words and figures following:

Month, 1914.	No. of men employed.	No. of contracts let.
March	153	2
April	467	5
May	1,523	14
June	4,002	72
July	4,796	54
August	3,166	5
September	252	..
October	207	..

The Government has no record of the men employed on contract work on the dates mentioned.

On Motion of Mr. Munro, seconded by Mr. Bowman,

Ordered, That there be laid before this House a Return showing:—1. How many timber berths or locations have been sold since the 1st day of January, 1914. 2. Were all such berths or locations advertised for sale; if not, which ones were sold without advertisement. 3. If any were sold without being advertised for sale, who were the purchasers, and what are the prices realized and the dates of the sales, respectively. 4. In what papers were the different timber berths or locations respectively advertised for sale, and what were the dates of such advertisements respectively. 5. What is the period for which they were so advertised in the said papers, respectively.

The Order of the Day for resuming the Adjourned Debate on the Motion for the second reading of Bill (No. 103), To amend The Municipal Act, having been read,

The Debate was resumed

And, after some time, it was on the Motion of Mr. Studholme,

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned until To-morrow.

Mr. Hanna presented to the House by command of His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor:—

Report on Highway Improvement in the Province, for the year 1914.
(*Sessional Papers*, No. 15.)

Also—Return to an Order of the House of the 10th March, 1915, for a Return showing:—1. Copies of all petitions or requests received by the Government since the 1st day of January, 1914, from any Municipal Authority or Body in the Province in reference to the imposition of a tax upon automobiles, or as to the distribution of that tax or a portion thereof to the municipalities maintaining the roads. 2. Copies of all correspondence between the Government and any officer or official thereof and any Municipality of the Province, or any Automobile Association or Organization in reference to the said matter. (*Sessional Papers* No. 64.)

The House then adjourned at 6.05 p.m.

Thursday, March 18th, 1915.

PRAYERS.

3.00 O'CLOCK P.M.

The following Bills were severally introduced and read the first time:—

Bill (No. 125), intituled "An Act to amend The Municipal Act." Mr. Sinclair.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time To-morrow.

Bill (No. 126), intituled "An Act to amend The Public Health Act." Mr. Proudfoot.

Ordered. That the Bill be read the second time To-morrow.

Bill (No. 127), intituled "An Act respecting Certain Bequests of the late George Cummings Butler Dwyer Brophy." Mr. Lucas.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time To-morrow.

Bill (No. 128), intituled "An Act respecting Accounting by persons administering Charitable Gifts." Mr. Lucas.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time To-morrow.

On Motion of Mr. Lucas, seconded by Mr. Hanna,

Ordered, That the reference to the Standing Committee on Railways of Bill (No. 56), Respecting the Toronto Suburban Railway Company and to compel the Toronto Railway Company to give Extensions contracted for, be cancelled, and that instead thereof the said Bill do stand referred to the Committee on Private Bills for consideration and report.

The following Bills were severally read the second time:—

Bill (No. 59), Respecting the City of Ottawa.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 61), Relating to the Estate of George Thomas Tuckett, deceased.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 21), Respecting the Town of Gananoque.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 30), Respecting the Town of Preston.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 8), To confirm By-law No. 400 of the Town of Sudbury.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 33), Respecting the Township of Sombra and the Township of Sarnia.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 117), To amend The Municipal Act.

Referred to the Municipal Committee.

Bill (No. 123), Respecting certain sums raised on the credit of the Consolidated Revenue Fund.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of Bill (No. 118), To amend The Municipal Act having been read,

Ordered, That the Order be discharged, and that the Bill be withdrawn.

The House again resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 77), To levy a Provincial War Tax to supplement the Revenues of the Crown, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Johnson reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill with certain amendments.

Ordered, That the Amendments be taken into consideration forthwith.

The Amendments, having been read the second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

The House again resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 115), To amend The Ontario Telephone Act, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Musgrove (Huron) reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill without any amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

The House resolved itself into a Committee, severally to consider the following Bills:—

Bill (No. 6), To incorporate the City of Galt.

Bill (No. 14), To confirm By-law No. 358 of the Town of Huntsville.

Bill (No. 5), Respecting the Town of Orillia.

Bill (No. 54), Respecting the City of Peterborough.

Bill (No. 15), Respecting the Town of Midland.

Bill (No. 43), Respecting the City of Toronto.

Bill (No. 45), To confirm certain By-laws of the Town of Owen Sound.

Bill (No. 3), To amend the Act to incorporate the Sisters of St. Joseph of the Diocese of London in Ontario.

Bill (No. 17), Respecting the City of Hamilton.

Bill (No. 42), Respecting the Township of York.

Bill (No. 55), Respecting the City of Sault Ste. Marie.

Bill (No. 19), Respecting the Town of North Bay.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair: and Mr. Musgrove (Huron), reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the several Bills without Amendments.

Ordered, That the Bills reported, be severally read the third time To-morrow.

The House, according to Order, again resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

(In the Committee.)

Resolved, That there be granted to His Majesty, for the services of 1915, the following sums:—

179	To defray the expenses of the Civil Government	\$8,499 33
180	To defray the expenses of the Legislation	1,100 00
181	To defray the expenses of the Administration of Justice.	570 31
182	To defray the expenses of the Education	4,618 32
183	To defray the expenses of the Public Institutions Main- tenance	8,335 15

184 To defray the expenses of the Agriculture	2,317 42
185 To defray the expenses of the Hospitals and Charities...	1,000 00
186 To defray the expenses of the Public Buildings	14,413 00
187 To defray the expenses of the Public Works	84,035 05
188 To defray the expenses of the Colonization Roads—North Division	74,267 50
189 To defray the expenses of the Colonization Roads—West Division	24,968 30
190 To defray the expenses of the Colonization Roads—East Division	59,558 75
191 To defray the expenses of the Colonization Roads—Timis- kaming Division	34,000 00
192 To defray the expenses of the Miscellaneous Colonization Roads	8,832 06
193 To defray the expenses of the Game and Fisheries Depart- ment	1,344 35
194 To defray the expenses of the Treasury Department—Mis- cellaneous Services	500 00
195 To defray the expenses of the Charges on Crown Lands..	930 00

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Crawford reported, That the Committee had come to several Resolutions; also, That the Committee had directed him to ask for leave to sit again.

Ordered, That the Report be received To-morrow.

Resolved, That the Committee have leave to sit again To-morrow.

Mr. Hanna presented to the House by command of His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor:—

Report of Northern Development Branch under 2 George V. cap. 2. for the year 1914. (*Sessional Papers No. 58.*)

Also—Return to an Order of the House of the 15th March, 1915, for a Return showing: 1. What officers have been appointed by the Workmen's Compensation Board under section 59 of the Workmen's Compensation Act. 2. What are the names, dates of appointment, and salaries of each officer so appointed. (*Sessional Papers No. 66.*)

Also—Report of the Secretary and Registrar of the Province for the year 1914. (*Sessional Papers No. 19.*)

Also—Return to an Order of the House of 3rd March, 1915, for a Return shewing:—1. All statements furnished by the Canada Copper Company, the International Nickel Company, the Mond Nickel Company and any other companies producing nickel, under section 8 of the Mining Tax Act respecting Taxation. 2. All reports from any Government mining assessor, made under the provisions of the Mining Taxation Act in respect of the mining operations of the Canada Copper Company, the International Nickel Company or the Mond Nickel Company, and particularly with reference to the royalties or taxes to be paid by the said Companies. 3. All correspondence between the Minister of Lands, Forests and Mines, or the Provincial Treasurer, or any officer or official of the Government and the Canada Copper Company, the International Nickel Company, the Mond Nickel Company and any other Companies producing nickel, with reference to the amount of royalties or taxes paid by the said Companies, or any of them, to the Provincial Treasury of the Province in respect of the ore mined or the mining operations carried on by them in the Province of Ontario. (*Sessional Papers No. 67.*)

The House then adjourned at 11.10 p.m.

Friday, March 19th, 1915.

PRAYERS.

3.00 O'CLOCK P.M.

Mr. Speaker informed the House:—

That the Clerk had received from the Railway and Municipal Board, their Reports in the following cases:—

Bill (No. 28), Respecting the Town of Hawkesbury.

Bill (No. 37), To consolidate the floating debt of the Town of Wingham.

Bill (No. 48), To consolidate the floating debt of the Town of Gravenhurst; and

Bill (No. 63), Respecting the City of St. Catharines.

The Reports were then read by the Clerk at the Table as follows:—

To the Honourable the Legislative Assembly of the Province of Ontario.

The Ontario Railway and Municipal Board, to which was referred Bill (No. 28), intituled, "An Act respecting the Town of Hawkesbury," begs leave to report that it is advised by the Town Clerk of the said Town of Hawkesbury that instructions have been issued to withdraw the said Bill.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

D. M. McINTYRE,
Chairman.

Toronto, March 18th, 1915.

To the Honourable the Legislative Assembly of the Province of Ontario.

Upon the reference, under Rule 61 (a) of your Honourable House, to The Ontario Railway and Municipal Board, of Bill (No. 37), intituled, "An Act to consolidate the floating debt of the Town of Wingham," the Board begs leave respectfully to report that, in the judgment of the Board, it is reasonable that the said Bill should be passed by your Honourable House.

All which is respectfully submitted.

D. M. McINTYRE,
Chairman.

Dated at Toronto this nineteenth day of March, 1915.

To the Honourable the Legislative Assembly of the Province of Ontario.

Upon the reference, under Rule 61 (a) of your Honourable House, to The Ontario Railway and Municipal Board, of Bill (No. 48), intituled "An Act to consolidate the floating debt of the Town of Gravenhurst," the Board begs leave respectfully to report that, in the judgment of the Board, it is reasonable that the said Bill (as amended in red ink in copy of Bill attached) should be passed by your Honourable House.

All which is respectfully submitted.

D. M. McINTYRE,
Chairman.

Dated at Toronto this nineteenth day of March, 1915.

To the Honourable the Legislative Assembly of the Province of Ontario.

Upon the reference, under Rule 61 (a) of your Honourable House, to The Ontario Railway and Municipal Board of Bill (No. 63), intituled, "An

Act respecting the City of St. Catharines," the Board begs leave respectfully to report that, in the judgment of the Board, it is reasonable that the said Bill should be passed by your Honourable House.

All which is respectfully submitted.

D. M. McINTYRE,
Chairman.

Dated at Toronto this nineteenth day of March, 1915.

Ordered, That Bill (No. 28), Respecting the Town of Hawkesbury; Bill (No. 37), To consolidate the floating debt of the Town of Wingham; Bill (No. 48), To consolidate the floating debt of the Town of Gravenhurst, and Bill (No. 63), Respecting the City of St. Catharines, be referred to the Committee on Private Bills with instructions to consider the same with reference to the suggestions of the Commissioners of Estate Bills thereon.

The following Bills were severally introduced and read the first time:—

Bill (No. 129), intituled "An Act to amend the Assessment Act." Mr. Hilliard.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Monday next.

Bill (No. 130), intituled "An Act to amend the Municipal Act." Mr. Allan.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Monday next.

Bill (No. 131), intituled "An Act to amend the Manhood Suffrage Act." Mr. Grieve.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Monday next.

Bill (No. 132), intituled "An Act to amend the Assessment Act." Mr. Lennox.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Monday next.

Bill (No. 133), intituled "An Act to amend the Municipal Act." Mr. Sulman.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Monday next.

Bill (No. 134), intituled "An Act to amend the Local Improvement Act." Mr. McFarlan.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Monday next.

Bill (No. 135), intituled "An Act to amend The Municipal Act." Mr. Sharpe.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Monday next.

The Order of the Day for the third reading of Bill (No. 115), To amend The Ontario Telephone Act, having been read.

Ordered, That the Order be discharged, and that the Bill be forthwith again referred to a Committee of the Whole, with instructions to amend the same.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the Committee; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Musgrove (Huron), reported, That the Committee had amended the Bill as directed.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time on Monday next.

The Order of the Day for the third reading of Bill (No. 72). To give further Power to Courts with respect to the recovery of money secured by Mortgage and other similar matters, having been read.

Ordered, That the Order be discharged, and that the Bill be forthwith again referred to a Committee of the Whole, with instructions to amend the same.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the Committee; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Musgrove (Huron), reported, That the Committee had amended the Bill as directed.

Mr. Lucas then moved,

That the Bill be now read the third time.

Mr. Studholme moved in amendment, seconded by Mr. Proudfoot, That all the words of the Motion after the word "That" be omitted, and the following substituted: "the Bill be not now read the third time, but be forthwith re-committed to a Committee of the Whole House with instructions to amend the same by striking out the words 'attributable directly, or indirectly, to the present war' where they appear in the 5th and 6th lines."

And the Amendment, having been put, was lost upon the following Division:—

Y E A S.

Messieurs:

Bowman	Ham	Parliament	Richardson
Carter	McDonald	Proudfoot	Rowell
Grieve	Munro	Racine	Studholme—12.

N A Y S.

Messieurs:

Allan	Gooderham	McElroy	Pratt
Beck	Grant	McGarry	Preston
Black	Grigg.	Macdiarmid	Lanark.
Brower	Hanna	Magladery	Price
Calder	Hartt	Martyn	Pyne
Carew	Hearst	Mason	Regan
Cargill	Hilliard	Mathieu	Rykert
Chambers	Hogarth	Morel	Sharpe
Crawford	Hook	Musgrove	Shearer
Devitt	Irish	Huron.	Sinclair
Duff	Jaques	Musgrove	Sulman
Edgar	Jarvis	Niagara Falls.	Thompson
Ferguson	Lennox	Nixon	Peterboro.
Grenville.	Lucas	Owens	Torrance—53.
Godfrey	McCrea		

P A I R S.

None.

The Motion for the third reading, having been then again submitted, was carried on a Division and the Bill was read the third time and passed.

The House, according to Order, again resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

(In the Committee.)

Resolved, That there be granted to His Majesty, for the services of 1915, the following sum:—

196 To defray the expenses of the Miscellaneous 3,139,665 51

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Lennox reported, That the Committee had come to a Resolution; also; That the Committee had directed him to ask for leave to sit again.

Ordered, That the Report be received forthwith.

Resolved, That the Committee have leave to sit again on Monday next.

Mr. Crawford reported the following Resolutions from the Committee of Supply:—

179. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Eight thousand four hundred and ninety-nine dollars and thirty-three cents be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Civil Government for the year ending 31st October, 1915.

180. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding One thousand one hundred dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Legislation for the year ending 31st October, 1915.

181. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Five hundred and seventy dollars and thirty-one cents be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Administration of Justice for the year ending 31st October, 1915.

182. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Four thousand six hundred and eighteen dollars and thirty-two cents be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Education for the year ending 31st October, 1915.

183. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Eight thousand three hundred and thirty-five dollars and fifteen cents be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Institutions Maintenance, for the year ending 31st October, 1915.

184. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Two thousand three hundred and seventeen dollars and forty-two cents be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Agriculture for the year ending 31st October, 1915.

185. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding One thousand dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Hospitals and Charities for the year ending 31st October, 1915.

186. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Fourteen thousand four hundred and thirteen dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Buildings for the year ending 31st October, 1915.

187. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Eighty-four thousand and thirty-five dollars and five cents be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Works for the year ending 31st October, 1915.

188. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Seventy-four thousand two hundred and sixty-seven dollars and fifty cents be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Colonization Roads, North Division, for the year ending 31st October, 1915.

189. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Twenty-four thousand nine hundred and sixty-eight dollars and thirty cents be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Colonization Roads, West Division, for the year ending 31st October, 1915.

190. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Fifty-nine thousand five hundred and fifty-eight dollars and seventy-five cents be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Colonization Roads, East Division, for the year ending 31st October, 1915.

191. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Thirty-four thousand dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Colonization Roads, Temiskaming District, for the year ending October 31st, 1915.

192. *Resolved*. That a sum not exceeding Eight thousand eight hundred and thirty-two dollars and six cents be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Miscellaneous Colonization Roads, for the year ending 31st October, 1915.

193. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding One thousand three hundred and forty-four dollars and thirty-five cents be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Game and Fisheries Department for the year ending 31st October, 1915.

194. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Five hundred dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Treasury Department, Miscellaneous Services for the year ending 31st October, 1915.

195. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Nine hundred and thirty dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Charges on Crown Lands for the year ending 31st October, 1915.

196. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Three millions one hundred and thirty-nine thousand six hundred and sixty-five dollars and fifty-one cents be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Miscellaneous for the year ending 31st October, 1915.

The several Resolutions having been read the second time, were concurred in.

On Motion of Mr. McGarry, seconded by Mr. Ferguson (Grenville),

Resolved, That the House do forthwith resolve itself into a Committee to consider certain proposed Resolutions respecting Succession Duties.

Mr. Hearst acquainted the House that His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, having been informed of the subject matter of the proposed Resolutions, recommends them to the consideration of the House.

The House then resolved itself into the Committee.

(In the Committee.)

Resolved, 1. That Clause A of section 2 of The Succession Duty Act, 1914, is amended by striking out \$10,000 and inserting \$5,000, and Clause "B" of the said section is amended by striking out \$50,000 in the last line thereof and inserting \$25,000, and Clause "C" of the said section is amended by striking out \$500 and inserting "\$300, unless such person is a member of a class and the whole value of the property to such class does not exceed \$600."

2. That Subsection 3 of Section 7 of The Succession Duty Act, as amended by Section 6 of The Succession Duty Act, 1914, is amended by striking out the words "case of any one person" in the fifth line of Clause "A" and inserting in lieu thereof the words "aggregate to persons named in this Subsection.

3. That Subsection 1 and Clause A of such subsection of section 7 of The Succession Duty Act, 1914, are amended by striking out \$50,000 wherever these figures occur, and inserting \$25,000 in lieu thereof. Subsections 3 and 6 of the said Section 7 and Clause "A" of the first mentioned Subsection are amended by striking out \$10,000 wherever these figures occur and by inserting \$5,000 in lieu thereof, and the last mentioned Subsection is further amended by inserting after the words "aggregate value" in the eleventh line

the following words: "Exceeds \$5,000 and does not exceed \$10,000—six *per cent.*"

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Crawford reported, That the Committee had come to certain Resolutions.

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

Mr. Crawford reported the Resolutions as follows:—

Resolved, 1. That Clause A of section 2 of The Succession Duty Act, 1914, is amended by striking out \$10,000 and inserting \$5,000, and Clause "B" of the said section is amended by striking out \$50,000 in the last line thereof and inserting \$25,000, and Clause "C" of the said section is amended by striking out \$500 and inserting "\$300, unless such person is a member of a class and the whole value of the property to such class does not exceed \$600."

2. That Subsection 3 of Section 7 of The Succession Duty Act, as amended by Section 6 of The Succession Duty Act, 1914, is amended by striking out the words "case of any one person" in the fifth line of Clause "A" and inserting in lieu thereof the words "aggregate to persons named in this Subsection."

3. That Subsection 1 and Clause A of such subsection of section 7 of The Succession Duty Act, 1914, are amended by striking out \$50,000 wherever these figures occur, and inserting \$25,000 in lieu thereof. Subsections 3 and 6 of the said Section 7 and Clause "A" of the first mentioned Subsection are amended by striking out \$10,000 wherever these figures occur and by inserting \$5,000 in lieu thereof, and the last mentioned Subsection is further amended by inserting after the words "aggregate value" in the eleventh line the following words: "Exceeds \$5,000 and does not exceed \$10,000—six *per cent.*"

The Resolutions having been read the second time, were agreed to, and referred to the Committee of the Whole House on Bill (No. 122), To amend The Succession Duties Act.

The Order of the Day for the third reading of Bill (No. 71), Respecting the Toronto and Hamilton Highway Commission, having been read.

Ordered, That the Order be discharged, and that the Bill be forthwith again referred to a Committee of the Whole, with instructions to amend the same.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the Committee; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Crawford reported, That the Committee had amended the Bill as directed.

Ordered That the Bill be read the third time on Monday next.

Mr. Hanna presented to the House by command of His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor—

Report of the Bureau of Mines for the year 1914. (*Sessional Papers No. 4.*)

Also—Return to an Address to His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor of the 11th March, 1915, for a Return of:—1. Copies of all Orders-in-Council and correspondence between the Government and any officer or official thereof and the Timiskaming and Northern Ontario Railway Company and any officer or official thereof in reference to the retirement of Frederick Dane as one of the Commissioners of the said Railway. 2. Copies of all Orders-in-Council and correspondence between the Government and any officer or official thereof and the Timiskaming and Northern Ontario Railway Company with reference to the appointment of Mr. Lee as one of the Commissioners of the said Railway. (*Sessional Papers No. 65.*)

The House then adjourned at 5.40 p.m.

Monday, March 22nd, 1915.

PRAYERS.

3.00 O'CLOCK P.M.

Mr. Speaker informed the House:—

That the Clerk had received from the Railway and Municipal Board, their Report in the following case:—

Bill (No. 50), To consolidate certain debentures and other debts of the Town of Listowel.

The Report was then read by the Clerk at the Table as follows:—

To the Honourable the Legislative Assembly of the Province of Ontario.

Upon the reference under Rule 61 (a) of your Honourable House to the Ontario Railway and Municipal Board of Bill (No. 50), intituled "An Act to consolidate certain debentures and other debts of the Town of Listowel," the

Board begs leave respectfully to report that, in the judgment of the Board, it is reasonable that the said Bill, as amended in the draft herewith submitted, should be passed by your Honourable House.

All which is respectfully submitted.

D. M. McINTYRE,

Chairman.

Dated at Toronto this twentieth day of March, 1915.

Ordered, That Bill (No. 50), To consolidate certain debentures and other debts of the Town of Listowel, be referred to the Committee on Private Bills with instructions to consider the same with reference to the suggestions of the Railway and Municipal Board thereon.

The following Bills were severally read the third time and passed:—

Bill (No. 2), To confirm By-law No. 551 of the Town of Brampton.

Bill (No. 18), Respecting the Hospital for Sick Children.

Bill (No. 10), Respecting the City of Sarnia.

Bill (No. 57), Respecting the Protestant Orphans' Home, Toronto.

Bill (No. 23), To confirm By-law No. 191 of the Town of Hanover.

Bill (No. 36), Respecting the Town of Cornwall.

Bill (No. 45), To confirm certain By-laws of the Town of Owen Sound.

Bill (No. 3), To amend the Act to incorporate the Sisters of St. Joseph of the Diocese of London in Ontario.

Bill (No. 17), Respecting the City of Hamilton.

The House resolved itself into a Committee, severally to consider the following Bills:—

Bill (No. 27), To authorize the Law Society of Upper Canada to admit James Albert Ellis to practise as a Barrister and Solicitor.

Bill (No. 22), Respecting the Huron and Erie Loan and Savings Company.

Bill (No. 24), Respecting the City of Windsor.

Bill (No. 34), Respecting the Town of Brockville.

Bill (No. 41), Respecting the City of London.

Bill (No. 46), Respecting the City of Port Arthur.

Bill (No. 62), To amend the Acts respecting the Sisters of St. Joseph for the Diocese of Toronto in Upper Canada.

Bill (No. 64), Respecting the City of Stratford.

Bill (No. 59), Respecting the City of Ottawa.

Bill (No. 61), Relating to the Estate of George Thomas Tuckett, deceased.

Bill (No. 21), Respecting the Town of Gananoque.

Bill (No. 30), Respecting the Town of Preston.

Bill (No. 8), To confirm By-law No. 400 of the Town of Sudbury.

Bill (No. 33), Respecting the Township of Sombra and the Township of Sarnia.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Donovan reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the several Bills without Amendments.

Ordered, That the Bills reported, be severally read the third time Tomorrow.

Mr. Tolmie asked the following Question:—

1. To what clubs now holding Club Licenses in the County of Essex, and on what dates respectively, were such licenses first issued in the said County.
2. In what municipalities in the County of Essex are such clubs respectively located.

And the Provincial Secretary replied as follows:—

1. Windsor Club, Limited, July 26th, 1912; The Alexandra Club of Windsor, September 13th, 1913; Essex County Golf and Country Club, Feb-

ruary 25th, 1914; Cadillac Club, Limited, November 13th, 1914. 2. Windsor Club, Limited, Windsor; The Alexandra Club of Windsor, Windsor; Essex County Golf and Country Club, Sandwich; Cadillac Club, Limited, Windsor.

On Motion of Mr. Ducharme, seconded by Mr. Ham,

Ordered, That there be laid before this House a Return showing:—1. Who is the Police Magistrate for the City of Windsor. 2. When was he appointed. 3. Whom did he succeed. 4. What salary does he receive from the City of Windsor. 5. How much from fees for convictions in County cases. 6. What amount in fees and costs in County cases has he collected from the 1st day of December, 1908, to the first day of January, 1915. 7. What amount for convictions in County cases has the Police Magistrate paid to the County Treasurer from the 1st December, 1908, to the 1st January, 1915. 8. What convictions has he reported to the Clerk of the Peace for Essex County from September 1st, 1914, to date.

On Motion of Mr. Tolmie, seconded by Mr. Carter,

Ordered, That there be laid before this House a Return showing:—1. Who is the Police Magistrate for Amherstburg. 2. When was he appointed. 3. Whom did he succeed. 4. What convictions has he reported. 5. What amount of fees and fines has he collected during his term of office. 6. What disposition was made by him of these fees and fines.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 75), For the better regulation of the use of certain Public Waters, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Donovan reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill with certain Amendments.

Ordered, That the Amendments be taken into consideration forthwith.

The Amendments, having been read the second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 123), Respecting certain Loans raised on the credit of the Consolidated Revenue Fund, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Donovan reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill without any Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 102), To confirm the Title of the Government of Canada to certain lands and Indian Lands, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Donovan reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill with certain Amendments.

Ordered, That the Amendments be taken into consideration forthwith.

The Amendments, having been read the second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 98), To amend the Queen Victoria Niagara Falls Park Act. and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Musgrove (Huron) reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill without any Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Resolutions reported from the Committee of Supply on the fifteenth instant, the consideration whereof had been postponed.

The One hundred and forty-ninth Resolution, respecting the Hospital for the Insane, Toronto, having been again read, was concurred in.

The One hundred and fifty-first Resolution, respecting the Ontario Reformatory, Toronto, having been again read, was concurred in.

The following Bills were severally read the second time:—

Bill (No. 127), Respecting certain bequests of the late George Cummings Butler Dwyer Brophy.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 110), To amend the Municipal Act.

Referred to the Municipal Committee.

The Order of the Day for resuming the Adjourned Debate on the Motion for the second reading of Bill (No. 103), To amend the Municipal Act, having been read,

The Debate was resumed,

And, after some time, it was on the Motion of Mr. Hearst,

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned until To-morrow.

The House then adjourned at 5.35 p.m.

Tuesday, March 23rd, 1915.

PRAYERS.

3.00 O'CLOCK P.M.

Mr. Lucas, from the Standing Committee on Private Bills, presented their Ninth Report, which was read as follows and adopted:—

Your Committee beg to report the following Bills without amendments:—

Bill (No. 35), An Act respecting the Town of Alliston.

Bill (No. 37), An Act to consolidate the Floating Debt of the Town of Wingham.

Bill (No. 48), An Act to consolidate the Floating Debt of the Town of Gravenhurst.

Bill (No. 63), An Act respecting the City of St. Catharines.

Your Committee beg to report the following Bill with certain amendments:—

Bill (No. 20), An Act respecting the City of Brantford.

Your Committee recommend that the fees less the cost of printing the Bill be remitted on Bills (No. 28), An Act respecting the Town of Hawkesbury; (No. 39), An Act to authorize the Law Society of Upper Canada to permit Lincoln Hutton to practise as a Barrister and Solicitor, and (No. 53),

An Act to incorporate the Village of Crysler, the same having been withdrawn by the promoters thereof.

Your Committee also recommend that notwithstanding Rule 51 of Your Honourable House, the time for receiving Reports on Private Bills be extended to and inclusive of Tuesday, the 30th day of March, instant.

Ordered, That the time for receiving Reports from Committees on Private Bills be extended until and inclusive of Tuesday, the Thirtieth day of March instant.

Ordered, That the fees, less the actual cost of printing, be remitted on the following Bills:—Bill (No. 28), Respecting the Town of Hawkesbury; Bill (No. 39), Lincoln Hutton, and Bill (No. 53), To incorporate the Village of Crysler.

The following Bills were severally introduced and read the first time:—

Bill (No. 137), intituled “An Act to amend The Municipal Act.” Mr. Allan.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time To-morrow.

Bill (No. 138), intituled “An Act to amend The Liquor License Act.” Mr. Hanna.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time To-morrow.

Bill (No. 139), intituled “An Act to amend The Municipal Act.” Mr. McFarlan.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time To-morrow.

Mr. Hearst delivered to Mr. Speaker a Message from the Lieutenant-Governor, signed by himself; and the said Message was read by Mr. Speaker, and is as follows:—

JOHN S. HENDRIE.

The Lieutenant-Governor transmits Estimates of certain sums required for the services of the Province for the year ending 31st October, 1916, and recommends them to the Legislative Assembly.

GOVERNMENT HOUSE,
Toronto, March 23rd, 1915.

(*Sessional Papers No. 2.*)

Ordered, That the Message of the Lieutenant-Governor, together with the Estimates accompanying same, be referred to the Committee of Supply.

The following Bills were severally read the third time and passed:—

Bill (No. 1), To incorporate the Toronto Municipal Loan Association.

Bill (No. 32), To authorize the Law Society of Upper Canada to admit William Archibald McFarlane as a Student in his third year.

Bill (No. 11), Respecting the Church of the Holy Trinity, Toronto.

Bill (No. 38), Respecting the Roman Catholic Episcopal Corporation for the Diocese of Peterborough in Ontario, Canada.

Bill (No. 13), Respecting the Railroad and City Young Men's Christian Association of St. Thomas.

Bill (No. 51), To consolidate and amend the Acts respecting Victoria University.

Bill (No. 71), Respecting the Toronto and Hamilton Highway Commission.

Bill (No. 14), To confirm By-law No. 358 of the Town of Huntsville.

Bill (No. 5), Respecting the Town of Orillia.

Bill (No. 42), Respecting the Township of York.

Bill (No. 19), Respecting the Town of North Bay.

The following Bills were severally read the second time:—

Bill (No. 104), To amend the Municipal Act.

Referred to the Municipal Committee.

Bill (No. 119), To amend the Municipal Act.

Referred to the Municipal Committee.

Bill (No. 124), To amend the Act respecting Municipal Institutions.

Referred to the Municipal Committee.

Bill (No. 125), To amend the Municipal Act.

Referred to the Municipal Committee.

Bill (No. 126), To amend the Public Health Act.

Referred to the Municipal Committee.

Bill (No. 130), To amend the Municipal Act.

Referred to the Municipal Committee.

Bill (No. 132), To amend the Assessment Act.

Referred to the Municipal Committee.

Bill (No. 133), To amend the Municipal Act.

Referred to the Municipal Committee.

Bill (No. 134), To amend the Local Improvement Act.

Referred to the Municipal Committee.

Bill (No. 135), To amend the Municipal Act.

Referred to the Municipal Committee.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of Bill (No. 120), To amend the Municipal Act having been read,

Ordered, That the Order be discharged, and that the Bill be withdrawn.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of Bill (No. 129), To amend the Assessment Act, having been read,

Ordered, That the Order be discharged, and that the Bill be withdrawn.

The Order of the Day for resuming the Adjourned Debate on the Motion for the second reading of Bill (No. 103), To amend the Municipal Act, having been read,

The Debate was resumed.

And, after some time,

The Motion for the second reading, having been again proposed, was lost upon the following division:—

YEAS.

Messieurs:

Atkinson	Evanturel	Hurdman	Pinard
Bowman	Ferguson	Lang	Racine
Carter	Kent.	McDonald	Richardson
Clarke	Gillespie	Mageau	Rowell
Davidson	Grieve	Munro	Studholme
Ducharme	Ham	Parliament	Tolmie
			Wigle—24.

NAYS.

Messieurs:

Allan	Fallis	Hoyle	Musgrove
Armstrong	Ferguson	Irish	Huron.
Beck	Simcoe.	Jaques	Musgrove
Bennewies	Ferguson	Jarvis	Niagara Falls.
Brower	Grenville.	Jessop	Nixon
Calder	Godfrey	Lucas	Owens
Cameron	Gooderham	McCrea	Pratt
Carew	Grant	McElroy	Preston
Cargill	Grigg	McFarlan	Durham.
Carscallen	Hall	McGarry	Price
Chambers	Lanark.	McKeown	Pyne
Cooke	Waterloo.	Macdiarmid	Rankin
Crawford	Hanna	Machin	Regan
Dargavel	Hartt	Maglady	Rykert
Devitt	Hearst	Martyn	Sharpe
Donovan	Henry	Mason	Sinclair
Duff	Hilliard	Mathieu	Sulman
Edgar	Hogarth	Mills	Thompson
	Hook		Simcoe.
			Torrance—68.

PAIRS.

None.

And so it was declared in the negative.

The House proceeded to take into further consideration the Resolution reported from the Committee of Supply, on the fifteenth instant, the consideration whereof had been postponed.

The One hundred and thirty-seventh Resolution, respecting the expenses of Government House, having been again read,

Mr. McGarry moved,

That the Resolution be now concurred in.

Mr. Bowman moved in Amendment, seconded by Mr. Munro,

That the Resolution be not now concurred in, but, in view of the excessive and wasteful expenditure already made on the new Government House and the additional sums required to complete and furnish it on the present scale of expenditure, and of the heavy charge which will be made on the revenues of the Province for its maintenance, and in view of the unsuitability of the present site, be it resolved that the new Government House be sold at the earliest practicable date for the best price obtainable therefor, and from the proceeds thereof a suitable site be purchased and thereon erected a Government House in keeping with the democratic sentiment of the people of this Province.

And the Amendment, having been put, was lost on the following division:—

YEAS.

Messieurs:

Atkinson	Ducharme	Lang	Parliament
Bowman	Evanturel	McDonald	Proudfoot
Carter	Gillespie	Mageau	Richardson
Clarke	Grieve	Marshall	Rowell
Davidson	Hurdman	Munro	Tolmie
			Wigle—21.

NAYS.

Messieurs :

Allan	Duff	Henry	Mason
Bennewies	Edgar	Hilliard	Mills
Black	Ferguson	Hogarth	Owens
Brower	<small>Simcoe.</small>	Hook	Price
Calder	Ferguson	Irish	Pyne
Carew	<small>Grenville.</small>	Jarvis	Rankin
Cargill	Godfrey	Lucas	Russell
Carscallen	Gooderham	McCrea	Sharpe
Chambers	Grant	McElroy	Shearer
Cooke	Grigg	McFarlan	Sinclair
Crawford	Hall	<small>Lanark.</small>	McGarry
Dargavel	<small>Waterloo.</small>	McKeown	Sulman
Devitt	Hanna	Macdiarmid	Thompson
Donovan	Hartt	Magladery	<small>Simcoe.</small>
	Hearst	Martyn	Thompson
			<small>Peterboro</small>
			Torrance—56.

PAIRS.

Foy	Elliott
Gamey	Ham

The Resolution was then concurred in.

On Motion of Mr. Bowman, seconded by Mr. Munro,

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor praying that he will cause to be laid before this House a Return showing: 1. Copy of Order-in-Council, dated 14th day of February, 1871, appropriating and transferring to the Government of the Province of Ontario the lands and property known as the Ontario Government House. 2. Copy of the Letters Patent, dated the 15th day of January, 1908, declaring the said lands to have been transferred and appropriated for the use of the Provincial Legislature of the Province of Ontario within the meaning of the British North America Act, 1867.

The House, according to Order, again resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

(In the Committee.)

Resolved, That there be granted to His Majesty, for the services of 1916, the following sums:—

1. To defray the expenses of the Lieutenant-Governor's Office..	\$5,450 00
2. To defray the expenses of the Office of the Prime Minister and President of the Council	15,650 00
4. To defray the expenses of the Education Department	39,325 00
5. To defray the expenses of the Lands, Forests and Mines De- partment	157,325 00
6. To defray the expenses of the Public Works Department...	101,100 00
7. To defray the expenses of the Game and Fisheries Department	22,250 00
8. To defray the expenses of the Treasury Department	53,054 00
9. To defray the expenses of the Audit Office.....	25,850 00
12. To defray the expenses of the Factory Inspection Branch ..	28,150 00
13. To defray the expenses of the Stationary Engineers	7,700 00
14. To defray the expenses of the Miscellaneous	19,050 00
16. To defray the expenses of the Supreme Court of Ontario ..	95,315 00
17. To defray the expenses of the Sundry Civil and Criminal Justice	462,926 66
18. To defray the expenses of the Administration of Justice in Districts	224,665 00
20. To defray the expenses of the Normal and Model Schools, Toronto	76,537 00
21. To defray the expenses of the Normal and Model Schools, Ottawa	51,865 00
22. To defray the expenses of the Normal School, London	28,515 00
23. To defray the expenses of the Normal School, Hamilton	24,285 00
24. To defray the expenses of the Normal School, Peterborough..	24,855 00
25. To defray the expenses of the Normal School, Stratford...	23,220 00
26. To defray the expenses of the Normal School, North Bay..	35,370 00
27. To defray the expenses of the High Schools and Collegiate In- stitutes	183,500 00
28. To defray the expenses of the Departmental Library and Museum	22,528 00
29. To defray the expenses of the Public Libraries, Art Schools, Literary and Scientific Societies	78,225 00
30. To defray the expenses of the Technical Education	115,600 00
31. To defray the expenses of the Superannuated Public and High School Teachers.	60,650 00
32. To defray the expenses of the Provincial University and Min- ing School	57,600 00
33. To defray the expenses of the Ontario School for the Deaf, Belleville	72,084 00

34. To defray the expenses of the Ontario School for the Blind, Brantford	53,084 00
35. To defray the expenses of the Miscellaneous	10,200 00
36. To defray the expenses of the Hospital for Insane, Brock- ville	159,702 00
37. To defray the expenses of the Hospital for Insane, Cobourg..	31,760 00
38. To defray the expenses of the Hospital for Insane, Hamilton..	220,204 00
39. To defray the expenses of the Hospital for Insane, Kingston .	138,560 00
40. To defray the expenses of the Hospital for Insane, London..	188,950 00
41. To defray the expenses of the Hospital for Insane, Mimico..	132,035 00
42. To defray the expenses of the Hospital for Feeble-Minded, Orillia	113,672 00
43. To defray the expenses of the Hospital for Insane, Penetan- guishene	69,586 00
44. To defray the expenses of the Hospital for Insane, Toronto..	184,622 00
45. To defray the expenses of the Reception Hospital for Insane, Toronto	18,000 00
46. To defray the expenses of the Hospital for Epileptics, Wood- stock	49,016 00
47. To defray the expenses of the Ontario Reformatory, Guelph..	101,240 00
48. To defray the expenses of the Ontario Reformatory Industries.	104,400 00
49. To defray the expenses of the Mercer Reformatory, Toronto.	37,540 00
50. To defray the expenses of the Miscellaneous	33,720 00
51. To defray the expenses of the Agricultural and Horticultural Societies	154,500 00
52. To defray the expenses of the Live Stock Branch	37,650 00
53. To defray the expenses of the Institutes	30,800 00
54. To defray the expenses of the Bureau of Industries	5,500 00
55. To defray the expenses of the Dairy Branch	62,000 00
56. To defray the expenses of the Fruit Branch	53,900 00
57. To defray the expenses of the Ontario Veterinary College ..	31,800 00
58. To defray the expenses of the Miscellaneous	125,100 00
59. To defray the expenses of the Agricultural College—Salaries and Expenses	168,725 00
60. To defray the expenses of the Macdonald Institute and Hall..	42,540 00
61. To defray the expenses of the Forestry	1,500 00
62. To defray the expenses of the Animal Husbandry, Farm and Experimental Feeding Department	22,850 00
63. To defray the expenses of the Field Experiments	17,005 00
64. To defray the expenses of the Experimental Dairy Department	9,756 00
65. To defray the expenses of the Dairy School	8,165 00
66. To defray the expenses of the Poultry Department	9,950 00
67. To defray the expenses of the Horticulture Department	12,150 00
68. To defray the expenses of the Agricultural Department	1,750 00
69. To defray the expenses of the Soil Physics Department	4,000 00
70. To defray the expenses of the Mechanical Department ...?..	1,250 00

72. To defray the expenses of the Hospitals and Charities.....	469,337	86
73. To defray the expenses of the Government House	21,350	00
74. To defray the expenses of the Parliament and Departmental Buildings	165,245	00
75. To defray the expenses of the Osgoode Hall	20,417	00
76. To defray the expenses of the Government House	100,000	00
77. To defray the expenses of the Parliament Buildings	300	00
78. To defray the expenses of the Osgoode Hall	19,975	00
79. To defray the expenses of the Public Institutions	407,300	00
80. To defray the expenses of the Educational	10,300	00
81. To defray the expenses of the Agriculture	23,000	00
82. To defray the expenses of the Districts	167,400	00
84. To defray the expenses of the Public Works	132,600	00
85. To defray the expenses of the Colonization Roads	84,000	00
86. To defray the expenses of the Game and Fisheries	132,800	00
88. To defray the expenses of the Treasury Department—Mis- cellaneous	47,450	00
89. To defray the expenses of the Provincial Secretary's Depart- ment—Miscellaneous	99,175	00
90. To defray the expenses of the Charges on Crown Lands—Out- side Service and Surveys	566,850	00
91. To defray the expenses of the Mines and Mining	91,650	00
92. To defray the expenses of the Expenditure on Parks	56,600	00
93. To defray the expenses of the Education	1,500	00
94. To defray the expenses of the Lands, Forests and Mines....	25,000	00
95. To defray the expenses of the Miscellaneous Refunds	30,000	00
96. To defray the expenses of the Succession Duty	36,000	00
97. To defray the expenses of Miscellaneous	45,600	00

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Donovan reported, That the Committee had come to several Resolutions; also, That the Committee had directed him to ask for leave to sit again.

Ordered, That the Report be received To-morrow.

Resolved, That the Committee have leave to sit again To-morrow.

Mr. Hanna presented to the House, by command of His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor:—

Agreement and Contract with Litho-Print, Limited, in connection with the Binding, etc., for the Departments of Government. (*Sessional Papers No. 63.*)

The House then adjourned at 12 Midnight.

Wednesday, March 24th, 1915.

PRAYERS.

3.00 O'CLOCK P.M.

Mr. Gooderham, from the Standing Committee on Railways, presented their First Report, which was read as follows and adopted:—

Your Committee have carefully considered Bill (No. 12), Respecting The Hamilton Mountain Electric Railway Company, and have prepared certain amendments thereto.

Your Committee have also carefully considered Bill (No. 26), Respecting The Forest Hill Electric Railway Company, and find the preamble thereof not proven, on the ground that legislation in the premises is neither necessary nor advisable.

Your Committee recommend that the fees, less the actual cost of printing, be remitted on said Bill (No. 26).

Ordered, That the fees, less the actual cost of printing, be remitted on Bill (No. 26), Forest Hill Electric Railway.

The following Bills were severally introduced and read the first time:—

Bill (No. 140), intituled "An Act to amend the Assessment Act." Mr. Cameron.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time To-morrow.

Bill (No. 141), intituled "An Act to amend the Municipal Act." Mr. Cameron.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time To-morrow.

Bill (No. 142), intituled "An Act to amend the Municipal Act." Mr. Jaques.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time To-morrow.

Bill (No. 143), intituled "An Act to amend the Local Improvement Act." Mr. Cameron.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time To-morrow.

Bill (No. 144), intituled "An Act to amend the Power Commission Act."
Mr. Hearst.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time To-morrow.

Bill (No. 145), intituled "An Act to amend the Workmen's Compensation Act." Mr. Lucas.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time To-morrow.

Bill (No. 146), intituled "An Act to amend the Corporations Tax Act."
Mr. McGarry.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time To-morrow.

The following Bill was read the third time and passed:—

Bill (No. 55), Respecting the City of Sault Ste. Marie.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 16), Confirming an Agreement between the Niagara, Welland and Lake Erie Railway Company and the Town of Welland, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Donovan reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill without any amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

The following Bills were severally read the second time:—

Bill (No. 35), Respecting the Town of Alliston.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 37), To consolidate the floating debt of the Town of Wingham.

• Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 48), To consolidate the floating debt of the Town of Gravenhurst.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 63), Respecting the City of St. Catharines.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 20), Respecting the City of Brantford.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 128), Respecting Accounting by persons administering Charitable Gifts.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 122), To amend the Succession Duties Act.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of Bill (No. 131), To amend the Manhood Suffrage Registration Act, having been read,

Ordered, That the Order be discharged, and that the Bill be withdrawn.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of Bill (No. 66), To amend the Ontario Insurance Act, having been read,

Mr. Lucas moved,

That the Bill be now read the second time.

And a Debate having ensued, it was

Ordered, That the Debate be adjourned until To-morrow.

On Motion of Mr. Lucas, seconded by Mr. Hanna,

Resolved, That the House do forthwith resolve itself into a Committee to consider certain proposed Resolutions respecting the Estate of George C. B. D. Brophy.

Mr. Hearst acquainted the House that His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, having been informed of the subject matter of the proposed Resolutions, recommends them to the consideration of the House.

The House then resolved itself into the Committee.

(*In the Committee.*)

Resolved, 1—That the Treasurer of Ontario is authorized to receive from the executors of the said George Cummings Butler Dwyer Brophy all sums of money to which the Crown as representing the Province of Ontario is entitled under the said will or owing to the failure of any bequest or devise made thereby, and the amount so paid to the Treasurer shall be paid over and form part of the Consolidated Revenue Fund of Ontario.

Resolved, 2—That the Lieutenant-Governor in Council be authorized to set apart out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund a sum not exceeding dollars, and the same or the interest thereon, not exceeding four *per centum per annum* half-yearly, may be paid over and applied by the Treasurer for the benefit of any of the relatives of the said testator as directed by the Lieutenant-Governor in Council in his absolute discretion.

Resolved, 3—That the Lieutenant-Governor in Council be authorized to direct payment out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund of a sum not exceeding the difference between the amount set apart under the Resolution numbered 2, and the total amount payable to the Crown under the said will to be paid out from time to time upon the requisition and expended under the direction of the member of the Executive Council for the time being charged with the administration of the prisons and public charities of the Province of Ontario, and to be applied in the establishment, erection and equipment of admission hospitals for the treatment of insane persons in connection with the Provincial Hospital for the Insane at Whitby, Ontario, such hospitals to be known and designated as "The Brophy Admission Hospitals for the Insane."

Resolved, 4—That if the amount which in the opinion of the Lieutenant-Governor in Council is sufficient for the purposes mentioned in the Resolution numbered 3 is less than the difference between the amount set apart under the Resolution numbered 2 and the total amount payable to the Crown under the said will, the Lieutenant-Governor in Council may direct the payment out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund of a sum not exceeding the difference between the total amounts set apart and applied under the Resolutions numbered 2 and 3 and the total amount payable to the Crown under the said will to be paid out and applied from time to time upon the requisition and expended under the direction of the Minister of Education upon such permanent additions or improvements to the Ontario School for the Deaf or the Ontario School for the Blind as the Lieutenant-Governor in Council, upon the recommendation of the

Minister of Education, may direct, such additions or improvements to be known and designated by a name which shall include the surname of the said testator as a part thereof.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Thompson (Simcoe) reported, That the Committee had come to certain Resolutions.

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

Mr. Thompson (Simcoe) reported the Resolutions as follows:—

Resolved, 1—That the Treasurer of Ontario is authorized to receive from the executors of the said George Cummings Butler Dwyer Brophy all sums of money to which the Crown as representing the Province of Ontario is entitled under the said will or owing to the failure of any bequest or devise made thereby, and the amount so paid to the Treasurer shall be paid over and form part of the Consolidated Revenue Fund of Ontario.

Resolved, 2—That the Lieutenant-Governor in Council be authorized to set apart out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund a sum not exceeding dollars, and the same or the interest thereon, not exceeding four *per centum per annum* half-yearly, may be paid over and applied by the Treasurer for the benefit of any of the relatives of the said testator as directed by the Lieutenant-Governor in Council in his absolute discretion.

Resolved, 3—That the Lieutenant-Governor in Council be authorized to direct payment out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund of a sum not exceeding the difference between the amount set apart under the Resolution numbered 2, and the total amount payable to the Crown under the said will to be paid out from time to time upon the requisition and expended under the direction of the member of the Executive Council for the time being charged with the administration of the prisons and public charities of the Province of Ontario, and to be applied in the establishment, erection and equipment of admission hospitals for the treatment of insane persons in connection with the Provincial Hospital for the Insane at Whitby, Ontario, such hospitals to be known and designated as “The Brophy Admission Hospitals for the Insane.”

Resolved, 4—That if the amount which in the opinion of the Lieutenant-Governor in Council is sufficient for the purposes mentioned in the Resolution numbered 3 is less than the difference between the amount set apart under the Resolution numbered 2 and the total amount payable to the Crown under the said will, the Lieutenant-Governor in Council may direct the payment out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund of a sum not exceeding the difference between the total amounts set apart and applied under the Resolutions numbered 2 and 3 and the total amount payable to the Crown under the said will to be paid out and applied from time to time upon the requisition and expended under the

direction of the Minister of Education upon such permanent additions or improvements to the Ontario School for the Deaf or the Ontario School for the Blind as the Lieutenant-Governor in Council, upon the recommendation of the Minister of Education, may direct, such additions or improvements to be known and designated by a name which shall include the surname of the said testator as a part thereof.

The Resolutions, having been read the second time, were agreed to, and referred to the Committee of the Whole House on Bill (No. 127), Respecting certain Bequests of the late George Cummings Butler Dwyer Brophy.

Mr. Grieve asked the following Question:—

1. Does the Government keep a record showing the number of prisoners committed to the Guelph Prison Farm, who are there through drink. 2. If such a record is kept, on what basis is the classification made. 3. What percentage of the inmates are there through drink.

And the Provincial Secretary replied in the words following:—

1. Prisoners are committed to the Ontario Reformatory for criminal offences only. 2. Answered by No. 1. 3. No such information disclosed on committal papers.

On Motion of Mr. Hurdman, seconded by Mr. Ham,

Ordered, That there be laid before the House a Return showing: 1. What is the total number of employers of labour coming under Schedule 1 of the Workmen's Compensation Act, as reported to the Workmen's Compensation Board. 2. What is the total number of employees so reported. 3. What is the total amount of the assessment for the year 1915 for such employers. 4. How much has been received to date in respect of such assessment. 5. How much is on deposit to the credit of this fund to date. 6. Where and to whose credit are the moneys on deposit.

On Motion of Mr. Ham, seconded by Mr. Hurdman,

Ordered, That there be laid before the House a Return showing: 1. What is the total number of the herd for dairy purposes now maintained by the Government at the Guelph Prison Farm. 2. How many of these were purchased

and how many raised on the farm, respectively. 3. What was the total amount paid by the Government for the portion of the herd purchased by them.

On Motion of Mr. Davidson, seconded by Mr. Gillespie,

Ordered, That there be laid before the House a Return showing: 1. What is the total number of employers of labour coming under Schedule 2 of the Workmen's Compensation Act, so far as ascertained by the Workmen's Compensation Board. 2. What is the total number of employees under Section 2. 3. What is the total number of employers coming under Section 3, so far as the Workmen's Compensation Board has been able to ascertain. 4. What is the total number of employees coming under Section 3, so far as the Workmen's Compensation Board has been able to ascertain.

The House, according to Order, again resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

(*In the Committee.*)

Resolved, That there be granted to His Majesty, for the services of 1916, the following sums:—

3. To defray the expenses of the Attorney-General's Department.	\$72,075 00
10. To defray the expenses of the Provincial Secretary's Department.	195,310 00
11. To defray the expenses of the Department of Agriculture. . . .	84,200 00
15. To defray the expenses of the Legislation	319,600 00
87. To defray the expenses of the Attorney-General's Department, Miscellaneous.	168,500 00

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Thompson (Simeoe) reported, That the Committee had come to several Resolutions; also, That the Committee had directed him to ask for leave to sit again.

Ordered, That the Report be received To-morrow.

Resolved, That the Committee have leave to sit again To-morrow.

Mr. Hanna presented to the House by command of His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor:—

Report of the Inspector of Legal Offices for the year 1914. (*Sessional Papers No. 6.*)

Also—Report of Stallion Enrollment Board of Ontario for the year 1914. (*Sessional Papers No. 39.*)

Also—Report of the Farmers' Institutes for the year 1914. (*Sessional Papers No. 40.*)

Also—Report of the Women's Institutes of the Province for the year 1914. (*Sessional Papers No. 41.*)

Also—Report of the Agricultural Societies of the Province for the year 1914. (*Sessional Papers No. 42.*)

The House then adjourned at 6.15 p.m.

Thursday, March 25th, 1915.

PRAYERS.

3.00 O'CLOCK P.M.

The following Bills were severally introduced and read the first time:—

Bill (No. 147), intituled "An Act respecting Public Roads and Highways." Mr. Macdiarmid.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time To-morrow.

Bill (No. 148), intituled "An Act respecting the furnishing of certain appliances for Protection against Accidents by Fire in Buildings." Mr. Lucas.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time To-morrow.

The following Bill was read the third time and passed:—

Bill (No. 31), Respecting the Town of Renfrew.

The Order of the Day for the third reading of Bill (No. 43), Respecting the City of Toronto, having been read.

Ordered, That the Order be discharged, and that the Bill be forthwith again referred to a Committee of the Whole, with instructions to amend the same.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the Committee; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Eilber reported, That the Committee had amended the Bill as directed.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time forthwith.

The Bill was then read the third time, and passed.

On Motion of Mr. Gooderham, seconded by Mr. Carscallen,

Ordered, That Bill (No. 26), Respecting the Forest Hill Electric Railway, reported adversely from the Standing Committee on Railways on yesterday, be recommitted to the said Committee for further consideration and report.

The following Bills were severally read the second time:—

Bill (No. 144), To amend The Power Commission Act.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 121), To amend The Ontario Insurance Act.

Referred to a Select Committee to be composed as follows:—Messieurs McPherson, McKeown, McCrea, Cameron, Sinclair, Clarke, Proudfoot and Carter.

Bill (No. 12), Respecting the Hamilton Mountain Electric Railway Company.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

The House resolved itself into a Committee, severally to consider the following Bills:—

Bill (No. 35), Respecting the Town of Alliston.

Bill (No. 37), To consolidate the floating debt of the Town of Wingham.

Bill (No. 48), To consolidate the floating debt of the Town of Gravenhurst.

Bill (No. 63), Respecting the City of St. Catharines.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Eilber reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the several Bills without Amendments.

Ordered, That the Bills reported, be severally read the third time Tomorrow.

Mr. Richardson asked the following Question:—

1. What was the total number of men employed in work on Colonization Roads in the Timiskaming Division, under the Colonization Roads Branch of the Government, during the months of March, April, May, June, July, August and September, respectively, of the year 1914.

And the Minister of Public Works replied in the words following:—

Total number of men employed on Colonization Roads in 1914, in Timiskaming District under direct payment of Colonization Roads Branch, Department of Public Works, in the months of:—

March	None
April	None
May	None
June	157
July	981
August	1,069
September	287

The Government has no record of the men employed in working on Colonization Roads under by-laws of Municipal Councils. Nine Municipal Councils expended under the direction of the Colonization Roads Branch, of the Department of Public Works, in the year 1914, the sum of \$45,306, of which the Government contributed \$22,653.

Mr. Davidson asked the following Question:—

1. What was the total number of men employed in working on Colonization Roads, under the Colonization Roads Branch of the Department of Public Works, in the months of March, April, May, June, July, August, September and October, respectively, of the year 1914.

And the Minister of Public Works replied in the words following:—

Total number of men employed on Colonization Roads in 1914, under direct payment of Colonization Roads Branch of Public Works Department in the months of:—

March	None
April	10
May	106
June	4,665
July	6,035
August	4,100
September	1,492
October	243

The Government has no record of the men employed in working on Colonization Roads under by-laws of Municipal Councils. One hundred and thirty-five Municipal Councils expended under the direction of the Colonization Roads Branch of the Department in the year 1914, the sum of \$243,908.34, of which the Government contributed \$121,954.17.

Mr. Parliament asked the following Question:—

1. What compensation do members of the Hydro-Electric Commission receive respectively, and from what source is the money provided.

To which the Attorney-General replied in the words following:—

The Chairman of the Hydro-Electric Commission receives \$12,000—\$6,000 of which is paid by the Province and \$6,000 by the Municipalities. The other members of the Commission do not receive any compensation.

Mr. Lang asked the following Question:—

1. Is it the intention of the Government to make any expenditures on Capital Account of the T. & N. O. Railway during the current fiscal year.
2. If so, what amount and for what particular purpose.

And the Minister of Public Works replied as follows:—

There will be capital expenditure upon the Timiskaming and Northern Ontario Railway for the present fiscal year, but the amount of such expenditure has not yet been decided upon.

Mr. Mageau asked the following Question:—

1. What was the total cut of Timber in the Province, as reported to the Crown Lands Department, for the years 1912, 1913 and 1914 respectively.

And the Minister of Lands, Forests and Mines replied in the words following:—

Information as to 1912 and 1913 is printed in the annual reports of the Department for those years, in detail. The report for 1914 is in the hands of the printer and will be laid on the table in a day or two, and will contain the same information in detail as to 1914.

On Motion of Mr. Richardson, seconded by Mr. Lang,

Ordered, That there be laid before this House a Return shewing:—1. How many convictions for violation of the Liquor License Law have been made for the Electoral District for North Essex since the reappointment of Paul Morand as License Inspector at the end of May, 1914. 2. Have Provincial officers or detectives been sent into this district since the 1st of June, 1914, to assist in securing enforcement of the law. 3. How many prosecutions have been instituted by, or at the instance of Provincial officers or detectives, and the said Paul Morand, respectively.

On Motion of Mr. Ferguson (Kent), seconded by Mr. Wigle,

Ordered, That there be laid before this House a Return shewing:—1. How many Dining or Buffet Cars have the T. & N. O. Railway purchased, and what was the date of purchase, and the price paid for the said cars respectively. 2. How many of such cars are in actual use upon the railway.

On Motion of Mr. Davidson, seconded by Mr. Gillespie,

Ordered, That there be laid before the House a Return shewing:—1. With what Fire Insurance Companies did the T. & N. O. Railway place its

Fire Insurance for the fiscal year ending 31st October, 1914, and through what agents was the Insurance placed. 2. With what Fire Insurance Companies has the T. & N. O. Railway Company placed its Fire Insurance for the current year, and through what agents has the Insurance been placed.

On Motion of Mr. Elliott, seconded by Mr. Bowman,

Ordered, That there be laid before the House a Return shewing:—1. If the Workmen's Compensation Board levied its assessment upon employers upon the basis of current cost, or the capitalized value. 2. If not on the basis of current cost, what amount or percentage has been added to the assessment over and above current cost. 3. If the Workmen's Compensation Board established a Reserve Fund under Section 92 of the Workmen's Compensation Act. 4. If so, what amount or percentage has been included in the sum assessed upon employers to provide this Reserve Fund.

On Motion of Mr. McGarry, seconded by Mr. Ferguson (Grenville),

Resolved, That this House doth ratify a certain Agreement and Contract made by and between the Litho-Print, Limited, of Toronto, of the first part, and Thomas W. McGarry, on behalf of His Majesty the King of the second part, which said Agreement and Contract is conditioned for the performance in a proper and workmanlike manner of all the ruling, printing and binding required for the service of the several Departments of Government for and during the period of five years, to be computed from the first day of March, 1915.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 128), Respecting Accounting by persons administering Charitable Gifts, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Thompson (Simcoe) reported, That the Committee had made some progress, and directed him to ask for leave to sit again.

Resolved, That the Committee have leave to sit again To-morrow.

Mr. Hanna presented to the House by command of His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor—

Report of the Bureau of Labour of the Province of Ontario for the year 1914. (*Sessional Papers No. 16.*)

Also—Report of the Hydro-Electric Power Commission for the year 1914.
(*Sessional Papers No. 48.*)

The House, according to Order, again resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

(*In the Committee.*)

Resolved, That there be granted to His Majesty, for the services of 1916, the following sums:—

19. To defray the expenses of the Public and Separate School Education	\$1,305,075 00
71. To defray the expenses of the Colonization and Immigration	119,800 00
83. To defray the expenses of the Miscellaneous	160,000 00

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Thompson (Simcoe) reported, That the Committee had come to several Resolutions.

Ordered, That the Report be received forthwith.

Mr. Donovan reported the following Resolutions from the Committee of Supply:—

1. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Five thousand four hundred and fifty dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Lieutenant-Governor's Office for the year ending 31st October, 1916.

2. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Fifteen thousand six hundred and fifty dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Prime Minister and President of the Council for the year ending October 31st, 1916.

3. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Seventy-two thousand and seventy-five dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Attorney-General's Department for the year ending 31st October, 1916.

4. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Thirty-nine thousand three hundred and twenty-five dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Education Department for the year ending 31st October, 1916.

5. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding One hundred and fifty-seven thousand and three hundred and twenty-five dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray

the expenses of Lands, Forests and Mines Department for the year ending 31st October, 1916.

6. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding One hundred and one thousand one hundred dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Works Department for the year ending 31st October, 1916.

7. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Twenty-two thousand two hundred and fifty dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Game and Fisheries Department for the year ending 31st October, 1916.

8. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Fifty-three thousand and fifty-four dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Treasury Department for the year ending 31st October, 1916.

9. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Twenty-five thousand eight hundred and fifty dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Audit Office for the year ending 31st October, 1916.

10. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding One hundred and ninety-five thousand three hundred and ten dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Provincial Secretary's Department for the year ending 31st October, 1916.

11. *Resolved*. That a sum not exceeding Eighty-four thousand two hundred dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture for the year ending 31st October, 1916.

12. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Twenty-eight thousand one hundred and fifty dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Factory Inspection Branch for the year ending 31st October, 1916.

13. *Resolved*. That a sum not exceeding Seven thousand seven hundred dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Stationary Engineers for the year ending 31st October, 1916.

14. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Nineteen thousand and fifty dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Miscellaneous for the year ending 31st October, 1916.

15. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Three hundred and nineteen thousand six hundred dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Legislation for the year ending 31st October, 1916.

16. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Ninety-five thousand three hundred and fifteen dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Supreme Court of Ontario for the year ending 31st October, 1916.

17. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Four hundred and sixty-two thousand nine hundred and twenty-six dollars and sixty-six cents be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Sundries Civil and Criminal Justice for the year ending 31st October, 1916.

18. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Two hundred and twenty-four thousand six hundred and sixty-five dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Administration of Justice in Districts for the year ending 31st October, 1916.

19. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding One million three hundred and five thousand and seventy-five dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Public and Separate School Education for the year ending 31st October, 1916.

20. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Seventy-six thousand five hundred and thirty-seven dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Normal and Model Schools, Toronto, for the year ending 31st October, 1916.

21. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Fifty-one thousand eight hundred and sixty-five dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Normal and Model Schools, Ottawa, for the year ending 31st October, 1916.

22. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Twenty-eight thousand five hundred and fifteen dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Normal School, London, for the year ending 31st October, 1916.

23. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Twenty-four thousand two hundred and eighty-five dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Normal School, Hamilton, for the year ending 31st October, 1916.

24. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Twenty-four thousand eight hundred and fifty-five dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Normal School, Peterboro, for the year ending 31st October, 1916.

25. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Twenty-three thousand two hundred and twenty dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Normal School, Stratford, for the year ending 31st October, 1916.

26. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Thirty-five thousand three hundred and seventy dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Normal School, North Bay, for the year ending 31st October, 1916.

27. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding One hundred and eighty-three thousand five hundred dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses

of High Schools and Collegiate Institutes for the year ending 31st October, 1916.

28. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Twenty-two thousand five hundred and twenty-eight dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department Library and Museum for the year ending 31st October, 1916.

29. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Seventy-eight thousand two hundred and twenty-five dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Libraries, Art Schools, Literary and Scientific Societies, for the year ending 31st October, 1916.

30. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding One hundred and fifteen thousand six hundred dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Technical Education for the year ending 31st October, 1916.

31. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Sixty thousand six hundred and fifty dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Superannuated Public and High School Teachers for the year ending 31st October, 1916.

32. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Fifty-seven thousand six hundred dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Provincial University Mining Schools, etc., for the year ending 31st October, 1916.

33. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Seventy-two thousand and eighty-four dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of The Ontario School for the Deaf, Belleville, for the year ending 31st October, 1916.

34. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Fifty-three thousand and eighty-four dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Ontario School for the Blind, Brantford, for the year ending 31st October, 1916.

35. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Ten thousand two hundred dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Miscellaneous for the year ending 31st October, 1916.

36. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding One hundred and fifty-nine thousand seven hundred and two dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Hospital for Insane, Brockville, for the year ending 31st October, 1916.

37. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Thirty-one thousand seven hundred and sixty dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Hospital for Insane, Cobourg, for the year ending 31st October, 1916.

38. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Two hundred and twenty thousand two hundred and four dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Hospital for Insane, Hamilton, for the year ending 31st October, 1916.

39. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding One hundred and thirty-eight thousand five hundred and sixty dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Hospital for Insane, Kingston, for the year ending 31st October, 1916.

40. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding One hundred and eighty-eight thousand nine hundred and fifty dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Hospital for Insane, London, for the year ending 31st October, 1916.

41. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding One hundred and thirty-two thousand and thirty-five dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Hospital for Insane, Mimico, for the year ending 31st October, 1916.

42. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding One hundred and thirteen thousand six hundred and seventy-two dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Hospital for Feeble-minded, Orillia, for the year ending 31st October, 1916.

43. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Sixty-nine thousand five hundred and eighty-six dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Hospital for Insane, Penetanguishene, for the year ending 31st October, 1916.

44. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding One hundred and eighty-four thousand six hundred and twenty-two dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Hospital for the Insane, Toronto, for the year ending 31st October, 1916.

45. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Eighteen thousand dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Reception Hospital for the Insane, Toronto, for the year ending 31st October, 1916.

46. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Forty-nine thousand and sixteen dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Hospital for Epileptics, Woodstock, for the year ending 31st October, 1916.

47. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding One hundred and one thousand two hundred and forty dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Ontario Reformatory, Guelph, for the year ending 31st October, 1916.

48. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding One hundred and four thousand four hundred dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Industries, Ontario Reformatory, for the year ending 31st October, 1916.

49. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Thirty-seven thousand five hundred and forty dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Andrew Mercer Reformatory for Females for the year ending 31st October, 1916.

50. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Thirty-three thousand seven hundred and twenty dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Miscellaneous for the year ending 31st October, 1916.

51. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding One hundred and fifty-four thousand five hundred dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Agricultural and Horticultural Societies for the year ending 31st October, 1916.

52. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Thirty-seven thousand six hundred and fifty dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Live Stock Branch for the year ending 31st October, 1916.

53. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Thirty thousand eight hundred dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Institutes for the year ending 31st October, 1916.

54. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Five thousand five hundred dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Bureau of Industries for the year ending 31st October, 1916.

55. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Sixty-two thousand dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Dairy Branch for the year ending 31st October, 1916.

56. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Fifty-three thousand nine hundred dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Fruit Branch for the year ending 31st October, 1916.

57. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Thirty-one thousand eight hundred dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Ontario Veterinary College for the year ending 31st October, 1916.

58. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding One hundred and twenty-five thousand one hundred dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Miscellaneous for the year ending 31st October, 1916.

59. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding One hundred and sixty-eight thousand seven hundred and twenty-five dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Ontario Agricultural College for the year ending 31st October, 1916.

60. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Forty-two thousand five hundred and forty dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of MacDonald Institute and Hall for the year ending 31st October, 1916.

61. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding One thousand five hundred dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Forestry for the year ending 31st October, 1916.

62. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Twenty-two thousand eight hundred and fifty dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Animal Husbandry, Farm and Experimental Feeding Departments for the year ending 31st October, 1916.

63. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Seventeen thousand and five dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Field Experiments for the year ending 31st October, 1916.

64. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Nine thousand seven hundred and fifty-six dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Experimental Dairy Department for the year ending 31st October, 1916.

65. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Eight thousand one hundred and sixty-five dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Dairy School for the year ending 31st October, 1916.

66. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Nine thousand nine hundred and fifty dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Poultry Department for the year ending 31st October, 1916.

67. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Twelve thousand one hundred and fifty dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Horticulture Department for the year ending 31st October, 1916.

68. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding One thousand seven hundred and fifty dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Apicultural Department for the year ending 31st October, 1916.

69. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Four thousand dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Soil Physics Department for the year ending 31st October, 1916.

70. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding One thousand two hundred and fifty dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Mechanical Department for the year ending 31st October, 1916.

71. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding One hundred and nineteen thousand and eight hundred dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Colonization and Immigration for the year ending 31st October, 1916.

72. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Four hundred and sixty-nine thousand three hundred and thirty-seven dollars and eighty-six cents be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Hospitals and Charities for the year ending 31st October, 1916.

73. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Twenty-one thousand three hundred and fifty dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Government House for the year ending 31st October, 1916.

74. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding One hundred and sixty-five thousand and two hundred and forty-five dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Parliament and Departmental Buildings for the year ending 31st October, 1916.

75. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Twenty thousand four hundred and seventeen dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Osgoode Hall for the year ending 31st October, 1916.

76. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding One hundred thousand dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Government House for the year ending 31st October, 1916.

77. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Three hundred dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Parliament Buildings for the year ending 31st October, 1916.

78. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Nineteen thousand nine hundred and seventy-five dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Osgoode Hall for the year ending 31st October, 1916.

79. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Four hundred and seven thousand three hundred dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Institutions for the year ending 31st October, 1916.

80. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Ten thousand three hundred dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Educational Buildings for the year ending 31st October, 1916.

81. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Twenty-three thousand dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Agricultural Buildings for the year ending 31st October, 1916.

82. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding One hundred and sixty-seven thousand four hundred dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of District Buildings for the year ending 31st October, 1916.

83. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding One hundred and sixty thousand dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Miscellaneous Buildings for the year ending 31st October, 1916.

84. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding One hundred and thirty-two thousand six hundred dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Works for the year ending 31st October, 1916.

85. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Eighty-four thousand dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Colonization Roads for the year ending 31st October, 1916.

86. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding One hundred and thirty-two thousand eight hundred dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Game and Fisheries for the year ending 31st October, 1916.

87. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding One hundred and sixty-eight thousand five hundred dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Attorney-General's Department Miscellaneous for the year ending 31st October, 1916.

88. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Forty-seven thousand four hundred and fifty dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Treasury Department Miscellaneous for the year ending 31st October, 1916.

89. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Ninety-nine thousand one hundred and seventy-five dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Provincial Secretary's Department Miscellaneous for the year ending 31st October, 1916.

90. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Five hundred and sixty-six thousand eight hundred and fifty dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Outside Service and Surveys for the year ending 31st October, 1916.

91. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Ninety-one thousand six hundred and fifty dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Mines and Mining for the year ending 31st October, 1916.

92. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Fifty-six thousand six hundred dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Parks for the year ending 31st October, 1916.

93. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding One thousand five hundred dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Educational Refunds for the year ending 31st October, 1916.

94. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Twenty-five thousand dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Lands, Forests and Mines Refunds for the year ending 31st October, 1916.

95. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Thirty thousand dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Miscellaneous Refunds for the year ending 31st October, 1916.

96. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Thirty-six thousand dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Succession Duty Refunds for the year ending 31st October, 1916.

97. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Forty-five thousand six hundred dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Miscellaneous for the year ending 31st October, 1916.

The several Resolutions having been read the second time,

Ordered, That the further consideration of the Seventy-sixth Resolution be postponed.

The remaining Resolutions were concurred in.

The House then proceeded to take into consideration the Resolution which had been postponed.

The Seventy-sixth Resolution, to defray the expenses of Government House, being again read.

Mr. McGarry moved,

That the Resolution be now concurred in.

Mr. Munro moved in Amendment, seconded by Mr. Bowman,

That all the words of the Motion after the first word "That" be omitted, and the following substituted:—

"the Resolution be not now concurred in, but that the same be recommended to the Committee of Supply with instructions to amend the same by striking out the sum of \$100,000 Additional appropriation for Government House."

And the Amendment, having been put, was lost on a Division.

The Main Motion, having been then again submitted, was carried on a Division and the Resolution was then concurred in.

And the House having continued to sit until Twelve of the Clock Midnight.

FRIDAY, 26TH MARCH, 1915.

The following Bills were severally introduced and read the first time:—

Bill (No. 149), intituled "An Act to amend The Department of Education Act." Mr. Pyne.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time at the next Sittings of the House To-day.

Bill (No. 150), intituled "An Act to amend The Public Schools Act." Mr. Pyne.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time at the next Sittings of the House To-day.

Bill (No. 151), intituled "An Act to amend The Continuation Schools Act." Mr. Pyne.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time at the next Sittings of the House To-day.

Bill (No. 152), intituled "An Act to amend The High Schools Act." Mr. Pyne.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time at the next Sittings of the House To-day.

Bill (No. 153), intituled "An Act to amend The Board of Education Act." Mr. Pyne.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time at the next Sittings of the House To-day.

Bill (No. 154), intituled "An Act to amend The Separate Schools Act." Mr. Pyne.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time at the next Sittings of the House To-day.

Bill (No. 155), intituled "An Act to amend The Truancy Act." Mr. Pyne.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time at the next Sittings of the House To-day.

Bill (No. 156), intituled "An Act to amend The Industrial Education Act." Mr. Pyne.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time at the next Sittings of the House To-day.

Bill (No. 157), intituled "An Act respecting the Board of Trustees of the Roman Catholic Separate Schools for the City of Ottawa." Mr. Pyne.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time at the next Sittings of the House To-day.

Bill (No. 158), intituled "An Act to Extend the Legislative Franchise to Women Entitled to vote at Municipal Elections." Mr. McDonald.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time at the next Sittings of the House To-day.

Bill (No. 159), intituled "An Act to amend The Highway Improvement Act." Mr. Maediarmid.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time at the next Sittings of the House To-day.

The House then adjourned at 12.15 A.M.

Friday, March 26th, 1915.

PRAYERS.

3.00 O'CLOCK P.M.

Mr. Gooderham, from the Standing Committee on Railways presented their Second Report, which was read as follows and adopted:—

Your Committee have carefully considered Bill (No. 49), Respecting The Toronto Suburban Railway Company and have prepared certain amendments thereto.

Mr. Hanna, from the Standing Committee on Municipal Law, presented their First Report, which was read as follows and adopted:—

Your Committee beg to report the following Bills without amendment:—

Bill (No. 82), An Act to amend the Ontario Railway and Municipal Board Act.

Bill (No. 93), An Act to amend the Municipal Franchises Act.

Your Committee beg to report the following Bills with certain amendments:—

Bill (No. 67), An Act to amend the Cemetery Act.

Bill (No. 126), An Act to amend the Public Health Act.

The following Bills were severally introduced and read the first time:—

Bill (No. 160), intituled "An Act to amend the Audit Act." **Mr. Bowman.**

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Monday next.

Bill (No. 161), intituled "The Statute Law Amendment Act, 1915." **Mr. Lucas.**

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Monday next.

Bill (No. 162), intituled "An Act to amend the Hydro-Electric Railway Act, 1914." Mr. Lucas.

Ordered. That the Bill be read the second time on Monday next.

Bill (No. 163), intituled "An Act for raising money on the credit of the Consolidated Revenue Fund of Ontario." Mr. McGarry.

Ordered. That the Bill be read the second time on Monday next.

The following Bills were severally read the third time and passed:—

Bill (No. 6), To incorporate the City of Galt.

Bill (No. 27), To authorize the Law Society of Upper Canada to admit James Albert Ellis to practise as a Barrister and Solicitor.

Bill (No. 22), Respecting the Huron and Erie Loan and Savings Company.

Bill (No. 34), Respecting the Town of Brockville.

Bill (No. 62), To amend the Acts respecting the Sisters of St. Joseph for the Diocese of Toronto in Upper Canada.

Bill (No. 64), Respecting the City of Stratford.

Bill (No. 59), Respecting the City of Ottawa.

Bill (No. 61), Relating to the Estate of George Thomas Tuckett, deceased.

Bill (No. 21), Respecting the Town of Gananoque.

Bill (No. 8), To confirm certain By-laws of the Town of Sudbury.

Bill (No. 16), Confirming an Agreement between the Niagara, Welland and Lake Erie Railway Company and the Town of Welland.

The House resolved itself into a Committee, severally to consider the following Bills:—

Bill (No. 20), Respecting the City of Brantford.

Bill (No. 12), Respecting the Hamilton Mountain Electric Railway Company.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Eilber reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the several Bills without amendments.

Ordered, That the Bills reported, be severally read the third time on Monday next.

The following Bills were severally read the second time:—

Bill (No. 140), To amend the Assessment Act.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House on Monday next.

Bill (No. 141), To amend the Municipal Act.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House on Monday next.

Bill (No. 143), To amend the Local Improvement Act.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House on Monday next.

Bill (No. 146), To amend the Corporations Tax Act.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House on Monday next.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 128), Respecting Accounting by persons administering Charitable Gifts, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Donovan reported, That the Committee had made some progress, and directed him to ask for leave to sit again.

Resolved, That the Committee have leave to sit again on Monday next.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 122), To amend the Succession Duties Act, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Donovan reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill without any amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time on Monday next.

On Motion of Mr. McGarry, seconded by Mr. Macdiarmid,

Resolved, That the House do forthwith resolve itself into a Committee to consider certain proposed Resolutions respecting the Corporations Tax.

Mr. Hearst acquainted the House that His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, having been informed of the subject matter of the proposed Resolutions, recommends them to the consideration of the House.

The House then resolved itself into the Committee.

(In the Committee.)

Resolved, 1.—That subsection (3) of section 4 of the Corporations Tax Act, as amended by the Corporations Tax Act, 1914, is repealed and the following substituted therefor:—

3.—(a) Every insurance company shall pay a tax of \$25,000.

(b) Provided that upon the application of any such company, which application shall be made at the time of filing the annual return provided for by section 8 of this Act, the Treasurer may in his discretion reduce the tax payable hereunder by such company to an amount which shall not be less than, in the case of life insurance companies, one and three-quarters *per cent.*, and in the case of every other insurance company one *per cent.*, calculated on the gross income received by the company on business transacted within Ontario.

(c) Where any country or any state of any country imposes a tax or license fee which has the effect of discriminating against insurance companies or against any classes of insurance companies organized under the laws of Canada or of Ontario and having their principal office in Ontario, or imposes a tax or license fee higher or greater than the tax or license fee which home companies in such country or state are required to pay, the Lieutenant-Governor in Council may direct that any insurance company which is organized in or under the laws of any such country or state, or has its head or principal office therein, and which transacts insurance-business in Ontario, shall pay, in addition to the tax imposed by this subsection, a tax the amount of which shall not exceed the equivalent of the extra tax or license fees or both imposed in such country or state.

Resolved, 2.—That subsection (11) of section 4 of the Corporations Tax Act, as amended by the Corporations Tax Act, 1914, is amended by striking out all the words after the word “thereof” in the fourth line thereof and inserting after the word “gain” in the second line thereof the following words: “and having a paid-up capital of \$20,000 or over.”

Resolved, 3.—That the first paragraph of subsection (12) of section 4 of the Corporations Tax Act, as amended by the Corporations Tax Act, 1914, is repealed and the following substituted therefor:—

“Every gas company and every electric company and every company supplying or dealing in light or power by gas or electricity or owning any plant or machinery for supplying light or power which is used for that purpose, whether by such company or any other company, shall pay a tax of one-tenth of one *per cent.* on the paid-up capital thereof, and an additional tax of one-half of one *per cent.* calculated on the net revenue of the company earned within Ontario, but this shall not apply to any gas or electric works owned and operated by a municipal corporation.”

Resolved, 4.—That subsection (14) of section 4 of the Corporations Tax Act, as amended by the Corporations Tax Act, 1914, is repealed and the following substituted therefor:—

- 14.—(a) Every company (other than a railway company operating a railway within Ontario) owning sleeping, parlour, dining, refrigerator, ore, coal or fruit cars run upon or used by any railway within Ontario, shall pay a tax of five cents for every one hundred miles or fraction thereof that such cars are run within Ontario.
- (b) Every railway company upon whose line of railway any such cars are so run shall collect from the owners of the cars the tax hereby imposed in respect of the mileage run upon its line, and shall pay the same to the Treasurer within the time provided by section 7 of this Act, and for the purposes of the collection and payment of the said tax such railway company shall be deemed to be an officer for the collection thereof within the meaning of the Public Revenue Act, and in default of such collection and payment shall be liable for the amount of such tax.
- (c) Every railway company upon whose line of railway any such cars are run shall, on or before the first day of June in each year, deliver in duplicate to the Treasurer such a return as

the Treasurer may prescribe for the purpose of the carrying out of the provisions of this subsection, and such return shall be verified as provided in section 8 of this Act, and for not making such return the company and the person or persons by whom the return should be verified shall be liable to the provisions of section 9 of this Act.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Eilber reported, That the Committee had come to certain Resolutions.

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

Mr. Eilber reported the Resolutions as follows:—

Resolved, 1.—That subsection (3) of section 4 of the Corporations Tax Act, as amended by the Corporations Tax Act, 1914, is repealed and the following substituted therefor:—

3.—(a) Every insurance company shall pay a tax of \$25,000.

(b) Provided that upon the application of any such company, which application shall be made at the time of filing the annual return provided for by section 8 of this Act, the Treasurer may in his discretion reduce the tax payable hereunder by such company to an amount which shall not be less than, in the case of life insurance companies, one and three-quarters *per cent.*, and in the case of every other insurance company one *per cent.*, calculated on the gross income received by the company on business transacted within Ontario.

(c) Where any country or any state of any country imposes a tax or license fee which has the effect of discriminating against insurance companies or against any classes of insurance companies organized under the laws of Canada or of Ontario and having their principal office in Ontario, or imposes a tax or license fee higher or greater than the tax or license fee which home companies in such country or state are required to pay, the Lieutenant-Governor in Council may direct that any insurance company which is organized in or under the laws of any such country or state, or has its head or principal office therein, and which transacts insurance business in Ontario, shall pay, in addition to the tax imposed by this subsection, a tax the amount of which shall not exceed the equivalent of the extra tax or license fees or both imposed in such country or state.

Resolved, 2.—That subsection (11) of section 4 of the Corporations Tax Act, as amended by the Corporations Tax Act, 1914, is amended by striking out all the words after the word “thereof” in the fourth line thereof and inserting after the word “gain” in the second line thereof the following words: “and having a paid-up capital of \$20,000 or over.”

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“Every gas company and every electric company and every company supplying or dealing in light or power by gas or electricity or owning any plant or machinery for supplying light or power which is used for that purpose, whether by such company or any other company, shall pay a tax of one-tenth of one *per cent.* on the paid-up capital thereof, and an additional tax of one-half of one *per cent.* calculated on the net revenue of the company earned within Ontario, but this shall not apply to any gas or electric works owned and operated by a municipal corporation.”

Resolved, 4.—That subsection (14) of section 4 of the Corporations Tax Act, as amended by the Corporations Tax Act, 1914, is repealed and the following substituted therefor:—

14.—(a) Every company (other than a railway company operating a railway within Ontario) owning sleeping, parlour, dining, refrigerator, ore, coal or fruit cars run upon or used by any railway within Ontario, shall pay a tax of five cents for every one hundred miles or fraction thereof that such cars are run within Ontario.

(b) Every railway company upon whose line of railway any such cars are so run shall collect from the owners of the cars the tax hereby imposed in respect of the mileage run upon its line, and shall pay the same to the Treasurer within the time provided by section 7 of this Act, and for the purposes of the collection and payment of the said tax such railway company shall be deemed to be an officer for the collection thereof within the meaning of the Public Revenue Act, and in default of such collection and payment shall be liable for the amount of such tax.

(c) Every railway company upon whose line of railway any such cars are run shall, on or before the first day of June in each year, deliver in duplicate to the Treasurer such a return as the Treasurer may prescribe for the purpose of the carrying

out of the provisions of this subsection, and such return shall be verified as provided in section 8 of this Act, and for not making such return the company and the person or persons by whom the return should be verified shall be liable to the provisions of section 9 of this Act.

The Resolutions having been read the second time, were agreed to, and referred to the Committee of the Whole House on Bill (No. 146), To amend the Corporations Tax Act.

Mr. Lang moved, seconded by Mr. Mageau,

That as the tourist traffic from this continent to the continent of Europe will be cut off during the war, the present affords a particularly favourable opportunity for directing the attention of the people of this continent to the unsurpassed natural advantages of this Province as a Health and Tourist Resort for the summer months; and as the Tourist traffic already established is a source of substantial profit and advantage to the people of this Province, this House would view with satisfaction prompt and vigorous action by the Government, in co-operation with existing agencies, to bring the natural advantages of this Province, particularly its newer sections, to the attention of the Tourist public on this continent.

And a Debate having arisen,

The Motion was, by leave of the House, withdrawn.

Mr. Hanna presented to the House by command of His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor:—

Return to an Address to His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor of the 23rd March, 1915, praying that he will cause to be laid before this House a Return showing: 1. Copy of Order-in-Council, dated the 14th day of February, 1871, appropriating and transferring to the Government of the Province of Ontario the lands and property known as the Ontario Government House. 2. Copy of the Letters Patent, dated the 15th day of January, 1908, declaring the said lands to have been transferred and appropriated for the use of the Provincial Legislature of the Province of Ontario within the meaning of the British North America Act, 1867. (*Sessional Papers No. 69.*)

Also—Proceedings of the Second Annual Convention of the Association of Cemetery Officials of Canada. (*Sessional Papers No. 68.*)

The House then adjourned at 5.45 p.m.

Monday, March 29th, 1915.

PRAYERS.

3.00 O'CLOCK P.M.

Mr. Speaker informed the House:—

That the Clerk had received from the Railway and Municipal Board, their Report in the following case:—

Bill (No. 58), To consolidate the general debenture and floating debt of the Town of Walkerton.

The Report was then read by the Clerk at the Table as follows:—

To the Honourable the Legislative Assembly of the Province of Ontario.

Upon the reference under Rule 61 (a) of your Honourable House to the Ontario Railway and Municipal Board of Bill (No. 58), intituled "An Act to consolidate the general debenture and floating debt of the Town of Walkerton," the Board begs leave respectfully to report that, in the judgment of the Board, it is reasonable that the said Bill, as amended in the draft herewith submitted, should be passed by your Honourable House.

All which is respectfully submitted.

D. M. McINTYRE,
Chairman.

Dated at Toronto this twenty-seventh day of March, 1915.

Ordered, That Bill (No. 58), To consolidate the general debenture and floating debt of the Town of Walkerton, be referred to the Committee on Private Bills with instructions to consider the same with reference to the suggestions of the Railway and Municipal Board thereon.

Mr. Hanna, from the Standing Committee on Municipal Law, presented their Second Report, which was read as follows and adopted:—

Your Committee have carefully considered the following Bills:—

Nos. 84, 85, 88, 97, 101, 109, 110, 117, 119, 124, 125, 130, 133 and 135, to amend the Municipal Act, and such of their provisions as have been approved have been embodied in a Bill intituled "The Municipal Amendment Act, 1915."

Your Committee have also carefully considered Bills Nos. 76, 89 and 111 to amend the Assessment Act, and such of their provisions as have been approved have been embodied in a Bill intituled "The Assessment Amendment Act, 1915."

Your Committee have also carefully considered Bills Nos. 95, 112 and 134 to amend the Local Improvement Act, and such of their provisions as have been approved have been embodied in a Bill intituled "The Local Improvement Amendment Act, 1915."

Your Committee have also carefully considered Bills Nos. 68, 91 and 104, to amend the Municipal Act; Bills Nos. 78 and 132, to amend the Assessment Act; Bill No. 108, to amend the Local Improvement Act; Bill No. 69, Respecting Injury or Wear to Highways; and Bill No. 94, To regulate the load of Vehicles operated on Highways, and beg to report that, in the opinion of your Committee, it is not advisable that any of their provisions should pass into law at this time.

Mr. Sulman, from the Standing Committee on Printing, presented their First Report, which was read as follows:—

Your Committee recommend that the following Documents be printed:—

Public Accounts for the fiscal year of 1914-15. (*Sessional Papers No. 1.*)

Supplementary Estimates for 1915 and Main Estimates for 1916. (*Sessional Papers No. 2.*)

Report of the Bureau of Mines for the year 1914. (*Sessional Papers No. 4.*)

Report of the Inspector of Division Courts for the year 1914. (*Sessional Papers No. 5.*)

Report of the Inspector of Legal Offices for the year 1914. (*Sessional Papers No. 6.*)

Report of the Temiskaming and Northern Ontario Railway Commission. (*Sessional Papers No. 7.*)

Report of the Superintendent of Insurance for the year 1914. (*Sessional Papers No. 10.*)

Report of the Registrar of Friendly Societies for the year 1914. (*Sessional Papers No. 11.*)

Loan Corporation Statements for the year 1914. (*Sessional Papers No. 12.*)

Report of the Minister of Public Works for the year 1914. (*Sessional Papers No. 13.*)

Report on Highway Improvement for the year 1914. (*Sessional Papers No. 15.*)

Report of the Bureau of Labour for the year 1914. (*Sessional Papers No. 16.*)

Report of the Board of Governors of the University of Toronto. (*Sessional Papers No. 18.*)

Report of the Secretary and Registrar of the Province for the year 1914. (*Sessional Papers No. 19.*)

Report of the Registrar-General for the year 1914. (*Sessional Papers No. 20.*)

Report of the Provincial Board of Health for the year 1914. (*Sessional Papers No. 21.*)

Report on the Operation of Liquor License Acts for the year 1914. (*Sessional Papers No. 28.*)

Report of the Stallion Enrollment Board for the year 1914. (*Sessional Papers No. 39.*)

Report of the Farmers' Institutes for the year 1914. (*Sessional Papers No. 40.*)

Report of the Women's Institutes for the year 1914. (*Sessional Papers No. 41.*)

Report of the Agricultural Societies for the year 1914. (*Sessional Papers No. 42.*)

Report of the Hydro-Electric Power Commission for the year 1914. (*Sessional Papers No. 48.*)

Return from the Records of the General and By-Elections during 1914. (*Sessional Papers No. 50.*)

Report of the Provincial Auditor for the year 1914. (*Sessional Papers No. 53.*)

Report of the Workmen's Compensation Board for the year 1914. (*Sessional Papers No. 54.*)

Copies of Regulations and Orders-in-Council *re* Education Department. (*Sessional Papers No. 56.*)

The Succession Duty Act and Rules and Regulations made thereunder. (*Sessional Papers No. 57.*)

Report of the Northern Ontario Development Branch for the year 1914. (*Sessional Papers No. 58.*)

Report of Mr. Justice Riddell on Peace Centenary held at New Orleans. (*Sessional Papers No. 60.*)

Agreement and Contract made with Litho-Print, Limited, for Government Binding. (*Sessional Papers No. 63.*)

Your Committee recommend that the following Documents be not printed:—

Report on the condition of the Library for the year 1914. (*Sessional Papers No. 52.*)

Copies of Orders-in-Council *re* payments of Judges' fees. (*Sessional Papers No. 55.*)

Report of Commissioner *re* financial affairs of Weston village. (*Sessional Papers No. 61.*)

Return *re* land being cleared near Sudbury by otherwise unemployed. (*Sessional Papers No. 59.*)

Return *re* dismissal of License Inspector Paul Morand, North Essex. (*Sessional Papers No. 62.*)

Return *re* imposition of tax upon Automobiles. (*Sessional Papers No. 64.*)

Return of correspondence *re* resignation of Mr. Frederick Dane. (*Sessional Papers No. 65.*)

Return *re* appointments and salaries paid to staff of Workmen's Compensation Board. (*Sessional Papers No. 66.*)

Your Committee recommend that the following Publications be purchased for distribution to the Members of the House:—

115 copies of "Canadian Annual Review," at \$3.00 *per copy*.

115 copies of "5,000 Facts About Canada," at 20 cents *per copy*.

Resolved, That this House doth concur in the First Report of the Standing Committee on Printing.

The following Bills were severally introduced and read the first time:—

Bill (No. 164), intituled "The Assessment Amendment Act, 1915." Mr. Hanna.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time To-morrow.

Bill (No. 165), intituled "The Municipal Amendment Act, 1915." Mr. Hanna.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time To-morrow.

Bill (No. 166), intituled "The Local Improvement Amendment Act, 1915." Mr. Hanna.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time To-morrow.

The following Bills were severally read the third time and passed:—

Bill (No. 25), Respecting the Central Canada Exhibition Association.

Bill (No. 15), Respecting the Town of Midland.

Bill (No. 24), Respecting the City of Windsor.

Bill (No. 30), Respecting the Town of Preston.

Bill (No. 48), To consolidate the floating debt of the Town of Gravenhurst.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of Bill (No. 160), To amend the Audit Act, having been read,

Mr. Bowman moved,

That the Bill be now read the second time.

And the Question, having been put, was lost on the following Division:—

YEAS.

Messieurs:

Bowman	Elliott	Marshall	Richardson
Carter	Grieve	Parliament	Rowell
Ducharme	Ham	Pinard	Studholme
		Proudfoot	Tolmie—14.

NAYS.

Messieurs:

Allan	Hall	McKeown	Preston
Armstrong	Hanna	Macdiarmid	Durham.
Calder	Hartt	Machin	Preston
Carew	Hearst	Magladery	Lanark.
Cargill	Henry	Martyn	Price
Chambers	Hook	Mason	Pyne
Crawford	Irish	Mathieu	Regan
Dargavel	Jaques	Musgrove	Russell
Donovan	Johnson	Huron	Rykert
Edgar	Lennox	Musgrove	Sharpe
Ferguson	Lucas	Niagara Falls.	Sinclair
Grenville.	McElroy	Nixon	Sulman
Gooderham	McGarry	Owens	Thompson
		Pratt	Peterboro.
			Torrance—49.

PAIRS.

None.

And so it was declared in the negative.

The Order of the Day for resuming the Adjourned Debate on the Motion for the second reading of Bill (No. 66), To amend the Ontario Insurance Act, having been read,

The Debate was resumed,

And after some time, the Motion for the second reading, having been again put, was, by leave of the House, withdrawn, and the Order for the second reading of the Bill discharged.

The Order of the Day for the House to resolve itself into the Committee on Bill (No. 140), To amend the Assessment Act, having been read,

Ordered, That the Order be discharged, and that the Bill be withdrawn.

The Order of the Day for the House to resolve itself into the Committee on Bill (No. 141), To amend the Municipal Act, having been read,

Ordered, That the Order be discharged, and that the Bill be withdrawn.

The Order of the Day for the House to resolve itself into the Committee on Bill (No. 143), To amend the Local Improvement Act, having been read,

Ordered, That the Order be discharged, and that the Bill be withdrawn.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of Bill (No. 142), To amend the Municipal Act, having been read,

Ordered, That the Order be discharged, and that the Bill be withdrawn.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of Bill (No. 139), To amend the Municipal Act, having been read,

Ordered, That the Order be discharged, and that the Bill be withdrawn.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of Bill (No. 137), To amend the Municipal Act, having been read,

Ordered, That the Order be discharged, and that the Bill be withdrawn.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of Bill (No. 149), To amend the Department of Education Act, having been read,

Ordered, That the Order be discharged, and that the Bill be withdrawn.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of Bill (No. 150), To amend the Public Schools Act, having been read,

Ordered, That the Order be discharged, and that the Bill be withdrawn.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of Bill (No. 151), To amend the Continuation Schools Act, having been read,

Ordered, That the Order be discharged, and that the Bill be withdrawn.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of Bill (No. 152), To amend the High Schools Act, having been read,

Ordered, That the Order be discharged, and that the Bill be withdrawn.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of Bill (No. 153), To amend the Board of Education Act, having been read,

Ordered, That the Order be discharged, and that the Bill be withdrawn.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of Bill (No. 154), To amend the Separate Schools Act, having been read,

Ordered, That the Order be discharged, and that the Bill be withdrawn.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of Bill (No. 155), To amend the Truancy Act, having been read,

Ordered, That the Order be discharged, and that the Bill be withdrawn.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of Bill (No. 156), To amend the Industrial Education Act, having been read,

Ordered, That the Order be discharged, and that the Bill be withdrawn.

On Motion of Mr. Carter, seconded by Mr. Richardson,

Ordered, That there be laid before this House a Return showing: All correspondence received by the Government or any member or official thereof, with reference to the appointment of present members to the Workmen's Compensation Board, or in support of the applications of the said members to be so appointed.

The following Bills were severally read the second time:—

Bill (No. 49), Respecting the Toronto Suburban Railway Company.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 148), Respecting the furnishing of certain appliances for protection against Accidents by Fire in Buildings.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 145), To amend the Workmen's Compensation Act.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 93), To amend the Municipal Franchises Act, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Donovan reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill without any Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 144), To amend the Power Commission Act, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Musgrove (Huron), reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill with certain Amendments.

Ordered, That the Amendments be taken into consideration forthwith.

The Amendments, having been read the second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 82), To amend the Ontario Railway and Municipal Board Act, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Musgrove (Huron) reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill without any Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

Mr. Hanna presented to the House, by command of His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor:—

Report of the Minister of Lands, Forests and Mines, for the year 1914.
(*Sessional Papers No. 3.*)

Also—Report of the Inspector of Registry Offices, for the year 1914. (*Sessional Papers No. 7.*)

Also—Report on Neglected and Dependent Children, for the year 1914. (*Sessional Papers No. 27.*)

Also—Special Report on the Organization and Administration of the Hospitals for the Insane, Feeble-Minded and Epileptics and District Industrial Farms of the Province. (*Sessional Papers No. 71.*)

Also—Return to an Order of the House of the 25th March, 1915, for a Return showing: 1. How many convictions for violation of the Liquor License Law have been made for the electoral District for North Essex since the re-appointment of Paul Morand as License Inspector at the end of May, 1914. 2. Have Provincial officers or detectives been sent into this district since the 1st of June, 1914, to assist in securing enforcement of the law. 3. How many prosecutions have been instituted by, or at the instance of Provincial officers or detectives, and the said Paul Morand, respectively. (*Sessional Papers No. 70.*)

The House then adjourned at 11.25 p.m.

Tuesday, March 30th, 1915.

PRAYERS.

3.00 O'CLOCK P.M.

Mr. Lucas, from the Standing Committee on Private Bills presented their Tenth Report, which was read as follows and adopted:—

Your Committee beg to report the following Bills with certain amendments:—

Bill (No. 60). An Act respecting the Town of Sturgeon Falls.

Bill (No. 58). An Act to consolidate the General Debenture and Floating Debt of the Town of Walkerton.

Bill (No. 50). An Act to consolidate certain Debentures and other Debts of the Town of Listowel.

Your Committee recommend that the fees, less the cost of printing the Bill, be remitted on Bill (No. 9), "An Act to exempt the Village of Merritton and the Village of Port Dalhousie from all liability for or in connection with

the Queenston and Grimsby Road." and on Bill (No. 44), "An Act respecting the Assessment of the Canadian Pacific Railway Company's Property in the Town of Owen Sound," the same having been withdrawn by the promoters thereof.

Mr. Gooderham, from the Standing Committee on Railways presented their Third Report, which was read as follows and adopted:—

Your Committee have carefully considered the following Bills and have prepared certain amendments thereto respectively:—

Bill (No. 7), Respecting the Humber Valley Electric Railway Company; and

Bill (No. 40), Respecting the Toronto, Barrie and Orillia Railway Company.

Your Committee have also carefully considered Bill (No. 26), Respecting the Forest Hill Electric Railway Company recommitted to Your Committee for further consideration and report, and beg leave to report that in the opinion of Your Committee it is not advisable that the said Bill should pass.

Your Committee have also carefully considered Bill (No. 4), Respecting the Eastern Ontario Electric Railway Company, Bill (No. 52), Respecting the Ottawa and St. Lawrence Electric Railway Company, and Bill (No. 47), Respecting the Toronto and York Radial Railway Company and find the preambles thereof not proven on the ground that in the opinion of Your Committee the legislation sought is not advisable.

Your Committee recommend that the fees, less the actual cost of printing, be remitted on said Bills Nos. 4, 52, 47, and 26.

Ordered, That the fees, less the actual cost of printing, be remitted on the following Bills:—Bill (No. 4), Eastern Ontario Electric Railway; Bill (No. 52), Ottawa and St. Lawrence Electric Railway; Bill (No. 47), Toronto and York Radial Railway; Bill (No. 26), Forest Hill Electric Railway; Bill (No. 9), Village of Merritton, and Bill (No. 44), Canadian Pacific Railway and Owen Sound.

The following Bills were severally introduced and read the first time:—

Bill (No. 167), intituled "An Act respecting the purchase, transfer and sale of Goods and Chattels in Bulk." Mr. McPherson.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time To-morrow.

Bill (No. 168), intituled "An Act respecting an Administration Building for the Board of Education of the City of Toronto." Mr. Pyne.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time To-morrow.

Bill (No. 169), intituled "An Act to amend the School Laws." Mr. Pyne.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time To-morrow.

The following Bills were severally read the third time and passed:—

Bill (No. 35), Respecting the Town of Alliston.

Bill (No. 37), To consolidate the floating debt of the Town of Wingham.

Bill (No. 82), To amend the Ontario Railway and Municipal Board Act.

Bill (No. 93), To amend the Municipal Franchises Act.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of Bill (No. 138), To amend the Liquor License Law, having been read,

Mr. Hanna moved,

That the Bill be now read the second time.

Mr. Proudfoot moved in Amendment, seconded by Mr. Munro,

That all the words of the Motion after the first word "That" be struck out and the following substituted, "the Bill be not now read the second time, but be it resolved that in this hour of national crisis and financial strain when the existence of our Empire is at stake and our undivided and unimpaired energies are urgently needed to meet the grave problems confronting us, and when it has been established beyond controversy that the liquor traffic is an internal enemy seriously impairing both the offensive and defensive powers of the nation and causing great economic waste; this House is of opinion that the present Bill entirely fails to meet the public demands:—

1. It does not close a single bar or club during the war.
2. It does not shorten the hours of sale of a single bar or club.

3. It does not enlarge the power of the people to close a single bar or club, or shorten the hours of sale in either during the war.

4. It does not enlarge the power of the people to deal with the traffic after the war.

And this House is further of the opinion that it is the imperative duty of the Government to render real assistance in the work of national defence and in the promotion of national efficiency, by introducing forthwith a Bill, which, in addition to closing all shops at seven o'clock in the evening and avoiding discrimination between our soldier and civilian population, will at least:—

1. Close all drinking places during the war (this covers all hotel and club licenses).

2. Grant to the electors of the Province the right to decide by a majority vote whether these drinking places shall remain closed or be re-opened at the end of the war, and

3. Provide more effective measures for wiping out any shops which may remain by making local option county wide.”

And a Debate having ensued,

And the House having continued to sit until Twelve of the Clock midnight.

Wednesday, 31st March, 1915.

The Debate was continued.

And, after some time, the Amendment, having been put, was lost on the following Division:—

YEAS.

Messieurs:

Atkinson	Ferguson	Lang	Racine
Bowman	Kent.	McDonald	Richardson
Carter	Gillespie	Marshall	Rowell
Clarke	Grieve	Munro	Studholme
Davidson	Ham	Parliament	Tolmie
Evanturel	Hurdman	Proudfoot	Wigle—23

NAYS.

Messieurs:

Allan	Ferguson	Lennox	Nesbitt
Armstrong	Simcoe.	Lucas	Owens
Bennewies	Ferguson	McCrea	Pratt
Black	Grenville.	McElroy	Preston
Brower	Gooderham	McFarlan	Durham.
Calder	Grant	McGarry	Preston
Cameron	Grigg	McKeown	Lanark.
Carew	Hall	McPherson	Price
Cargill	Lanark.	Macdiarmid	Pyne
Carscallen	Hall	Machin	Rankin
Chambers	Waterloo.	Magladery	Regan
Cooke	Hanna	Martyn	Russell
Crawford	Hartt	Mason	Rykert
Dargavel	Hearst	Mills	Sharpe
Devitt	Henry	Morel	Sinclair
Donovan	Hook	Musgrove	Sulman
Duff	Hoyle	Huron.	Thompson
Edgar	Irish	Niagara Falls.	Simcoe.
Fallis	Jarvis	Musgrove	Thompson
	Johnson		Peterboro.
			Torrance—69.

PAIRS.

Foy	Elliott.
Gamey	Mageau.

The Motion for the second reading, having been then again put, was carried on the following Division:—

YEAS.

Messieurs:

Allan	Ferguson	Lennox	Nesbitt
Armstrong	Simcoe.	Lucas	Owens
Bennewies	Ferguson	McCrea	Pratt
Black	Grenville.	McElroy	Preston
Brower	Gooderham	McFarlan	Durham.
Calder	Grant	McGarry	Preston
Cameron	Grigg	McKeown	Lanark.
Carew	Hall	McPherson	Price
Cargill	Lanark.	Macdiarmid	Pyne
Carscallen	Hall	Machin	Rankin
Chambers	Waterloo.	Magladery	Regan
Cooke	Hanna	Martyn	Russell
Crawford	Hartt	Mason	Rykert
Dargavel	Hearst	Mills	Sharpe
Devitt	Henry	Morel	Sinclair
Donovan	Hook	Musgrove	Sulman
Duff	Hoyle	Huron.	Thompson
Edgar	Irish	Niagara Falls.	Simcoe.
Fallis	Jarvis	Musgrove	Thompson
	Johnson		Peterboro.
			Torrance—69.

NAYS.

Messieurs:

Atkinson	Ferguson	Lang	Racine
Bowman	^{Kent.} Gillespie	McDonald	Richardson
Carter	Grieve	Marshall	Rowell
Clarke	Ham	Munro	Studholme
Davidson	Hurdman	Parliament	Tolmie
Evanturel		Proudfoot	Wigle—23

PAIRS.

Foy	Elliott
Gamey	Mageau.

And the Bill was then read the second time and referred to a Committee of the Whole House at the next Sittings of the House To-day.

The following Bill was introduced and read the first time:—

Bill (No. 170), intituled “An Act to enable the Executors of the late George Taylor Fulford to make a certain gift out of his estate for Patriotic purposes.” Mr. Lucas.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time at the next Sittings of the House To-day.

On Motion of Mr. Hearst, seconded by Mr. Pyne,

Ordered, That when this House adjourns To-day, it do stand adjourned until 15 Minutes past Two of the Clock in the afternoon of To-day instead of Three.

The House then adjourned at 3.20 a.m.

Wednesday, March 31st, 1915.

PRAYERS.

2.15 O'CLOCK P.M.

The following Bills were severally read the third time and passed:—

Bill (No. 79), To amend the Ontario Medical Act.

Bill (No. 114), To provide for the payment of an Annuity to Alice, Lady Whitney.

Bill (No. 116), To amend the Law Society Act.

Bill (No. 41), Respecting the City of London.

Bill (No. 98), To amend the Queen Victoria Niagara Falls Park Act.

The Order of the Day for the third reading of Bill (No. 70), To amend an Act for raising money on the credit of the Consolidated Revenue Fund of Ontario, having been read,

Ordered, That the Order be discharged, and that the Bill be forthwith again referred to a Committee of the Whole, with instructions to amend the same.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the Committee; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Machin reported, That the Committee had amended the Bill as directed.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the Third time To-morrow.

The Order of the Day for the third reading of Bill (No. 80), To amend the Mortgages Act, having been read,

Ordered, That the Order be discharged, and that the Bill be forthwith again referred to a Committee of the Whole, with instructions to amend the same.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the Committee; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Machin reported, That the Committee had amended the Bill as directed.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time forthwith.

The Bill was then read the third time, and passed.

The Order of the Day for the third reading of Bill (No. 115), To amend the Ontario Telephone Act, having been read,

Ordered, That the Order be discharged, and that the Bill be forthwith again referred to a Committee of the Whole, with instructions to amend the same.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the Committee; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Machin reported, That the Committee had amended the Bill as directed.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time forthwith.

The Bill was then read the third time, and passed.

The following Bills were severally read the second time:—

Bill (No. 7), Respecting the Humber Valley Electric Railway Company.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 40), Respecting the Toronto, Barrie and Orillia Railway Company.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 60), Respecting the Town of Sturgeon Falls.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 58), To consolidate the general debenture and floating debt of the Town of Walkerton.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 50), To consolidate certain debentures and other debts of the Town of Listowel.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 161), The Statute Law Amendment Act, 1915.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

The following Bill was read the second time:—

Bill (No. 147), Respecting Public Roads and Highways.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House forthwith.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the Committee, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Donovan reported, That the Committee had made some progress, and directed him to ask for leave to sit again.

Resolved, That the Committee have leave to sit again To-morrow.

The following Bill was read the second time:—

Bill (No. 162), To amend the Hydro-Electric Railway Act, 1914.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House forthwith.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the Committee, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Machin reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill without any Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time forthwith.

The Bill was then read the third time, and passed.

The following Bill was read the second time:—

Bill (No. 159), To amend the Highway Improvement Act.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House forthwith.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the Committee, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Eilber reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill without any Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time forthwith.

The Bill was then read the third time, and passed.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 67), To amend the Cemetery Act, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Machin reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill without any Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time forthwith.

The Bill was then read the third time, and passed.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 49), Respecting the Toronto Suburban Railway Company, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Machin reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill without any Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time forthwith.

The Bill was then read the third time, and passed.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 128), Respecting Accounting by persons administering Charitable Gifts, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Machin reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill with certain Amendments.

Ordered, That the Amendments be taken into consideration forthwith.

The Amendments, having been read the second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time forthwith.

The Bill was then read the third time, and passed.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 145), To amend the Workmen's Compensation Act, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Machin reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill with certain Amendments.

Ordered, That the Amendments be taken into consideration forthwith.

The Amendments, having been read the second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time forthwith.

The Bill was then read the third time, and passed.

The House again resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 74), To authorize and confirm grants by Municipal Corporations for Patriotic purposes, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Eilber reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill with certain Amendments.

Ordered, That the Amendments be taken into consideration forthwith.

The Amendments, having been read the second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time forthwith.

The Bill was then read the third time, and passed.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 148), Respecting the furnishing of certain appliances for protection against Accidents by Fire in Buildings, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Eilber reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill with certain Amendments.

Ordered, That the Amendments be taken into consideration forthwith.

The Amendments, having been read the second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time forthwith.

The Bill was then read the third time, and passed.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 161), "The Statute Law Amendment Act, 1915," and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Eilber reported, That the Committee had made some progress, and directed him to ask for leave to sit again.

Resolved, That the Committee have leave to sit again To-morrow.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 147), Respecting Public Roads and Highways, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Eilber reported, That the Committee had made some progress, and directed him to ask for leave to sit again.

Resolved, That the Committee have leave to sit again To-morrow.

Mr. McPherson, from the Standing Committee on Legal Bills, presented their First Report, which was read as follows and adopted:—

Your Committee have carefully considered the following Bills and have prepared certain Amendments thereto respectively:—

Bill (No. 96), To amend the Pharmacy Act.

Bill (No. 100), For better protection of Workmen having certain claims for Compensation against their employers.

Mr. McPherson, from the Select Committee to which was referred Bill (No. 121), To amend the Ontario Insurance Act, presented the following Report, which was read as follows and adopted:—

Your Committee have carefully considered the Bill to them referred and report the same without Amendment.

Your Committee recommend that the Order of Canadian Home Circles shall give to the Registrar of Friendly Societies an undertaking in form satisfactory to him, to carry out in good faith the following Resolutions adopted by your Committee:—

“That a sum of \$200,000 out of the Reserve Fund of the Order be set aside to carry out the following purposes:—

“1. To provide for the payment to all members who were totally disabled prior to May 1st, 1914, the total Disability benefits to which such members are entitled.

“2. Subject to any right to share under paragraph 3 hereof, to pay in full discharge of all claims to any person or member who has paid all the assessments called under the old rates up to 1st January, 1914, and who prior to 1st May, 1914, had reached his Life Expectancy age such further annual Life Expectancy payments as may be necessary to bring up the total number of such annual payments received by each of such persons to two instalments of Life Expectancy benefits.

“3. The balance of the said sum to be equitably and rateably apportioned among all those members of the Order who contributed to the Beneficiary Fund of the Order between September, 1892, and March, 1905, and who were in good standing in the Order on the 1st day of May, 1914, but, provided that any member of the Order who lapsed between the 1st of January, 1914, and the 1st of May, 1914, may share in the said apportionment if, before July

1st, 1915, the member pays up the assessments and dues left unpaid by him prior to May 1st, 1914, or applies to have them set off against any amount to which he may be entitled hereunder. Provided further that when the amount so apportioned is ascertained, the same shall be paid to him either in cash or in reduction of assessments or in the issue of paid-up insurance as may be determined by the Registrar of Friendly Societies, having due regard to the wishes of the applicant and the manner in which the said sum is at present invested.

“4. For the purpose of carrying the foregoing provisions into effect, all payments hereinbefore provided shall be made in the manner directed by the Registrar of Friendly Societies and all apportionments shall be subject to his approval.”

The House then resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 96), To amend the Pharmacy Act, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Eilber reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill without any Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time forthwith.

The Bill was then read the third time, and passed.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 100), For the better protection of Workmen having certain claims for compensation against their employers, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Eilber reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill without any Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time forthwith.

The Bill was then read the third time, and passed.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 121), To amend the Ontario Insurance Act, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Eilber reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill without any Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time forthwith.

The Bill was then read the third time, and passed.

The House according to order resolved itself into the Committee of Ways and Means.

(*In the Committee.*)

Resolved, That there be granted out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund of this Province a sum not exceeding Fourteen millions five hundred and five thousand nine hundred and eleven dollars and ninety cents (\$14,505,911.90), to meet the Supply to that extent granted to His Majesty.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Eilber reported, That the Committee had come to a Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be received forthwith.

Mr. Eilber, from the Committee on Ways and Means, reported a Resolution, which was read as follows:—

Resolved, That there be granted out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund of this Province, a sum not exceeding Fourteen millions five hundred and five thousand nine hundred and eleven dollars and ninety cents (\$14,505,911.90), to meet the Supply to that extent granted to His Majesty.

The Resolution, having been read a second time, was agreed to.

The following Bill was then introduced and read the first time:—

Bill (No. 136), intituled "An Act for granting to His Majesty certain sums of money to defray the expenses of Civil Government for the year ending 31st October, One thousand nine hundred and fifteen, and for the year ending 31st day of October, One thousand nine hundred and sixteen, and for other purposes therein mentioned." Mr. McGarry.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time To-morrow.

The following Bill was read the second time:—

Bill (No. 163), For raising money on the credit of the Consolidated Revenue Fund of Ontario.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to a Committee of the Whole forthwith.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the Committee, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Eilber reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill without any Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time forthwith.

The Bill was then read the third time, and passed.

The following Bill was read the second time:—

Bill (No. 164), "The Assessment Amendment Act, 1915."

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Committee of the Whole forthwith.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the Committee, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Eilber reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill with certain Amendments.

Ordered, That the Amendments be taken into consideration forthwith.

The Amendments, having been read the second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time forthwith.

The Bill was then read the third time, and passed.

The following Bill was read the second time:—

Bill (No. 165), "The Municipal Amendment Act, 1915."

Referred to a Committee of the Whole forthwith.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the Committee, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Eilber reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill with certain Amendments.

Ordered, That the Amendments be taken into consideration forthwith.

The Amendments, having been read the second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time forthwith.

The Bill was then read the third time, and passed.

The following Bill was read the second time:—

Bill (No. 166), “The Local Improvement Amendment Act, 1915.”

Referred to a Committee of the Whole forthwith.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the Committee, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Eilber reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill without any Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time forthwith.

The Bill was then read the third time, and passed.

The following Bill was read the second time:—

Bill (No. 170), To enable the Executors of the late George Taylor Fulford to make a certain gift out of his estate for Patriotic Purposes.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 138), To amend The Liquor License Law

And the Committee having continued to sit until Twelve of the Clock midnight.

THURSDAY, 1st April, 1915.

The House continued in Committee, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Eilber reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill with certain Amendments.

Ordered, That the Amendments be taken into consideration forthwith.

The Amendments, having been read the second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time at the next Sitzings of the House To-day.

On Motion of Mr. Mageau, seconded by Mr. Pinard,

Ordered, That there be laid before this House a Return showing:—1. The number of English-French schools which have complied in the year 1914 with Regulation 17 of the Department of Education passed in the year 1913. 2. The number of English-French schools which have not complied with said Regulation 17 in the year 1914. 3. What English-French schools have received grants in the year 1914 under the Public Schools Act, and the amount thereof. 4. Copy of joint reports, if any, made by any inspectors pursuant to Regulation 17 and dated on or about May 23rd, 1913. 5. Copy of letters exchanged between ex-Inspector Henri Saint Jacques and the Department of Education or any officer or officers thereof with reference to the resignation of the said Henri Saint Jacques which are dated on or about the 18th October, 1913, and the 23rd October, 1913.

On Motion of Mr. McGarry, seconded by Mr. Maediarmid,

Resolved, That the full Sessional Indemnity be paid to the Hon. Mr. Foy, Messieurs Ross, Elliott and Shearer and all other Members who were unavoidably absent.

The following Bill was read the second time:—

Bill (No. 157), Respecting the Board of Trustees of the Roman Catholic Separate Schools for the City of Ottawa.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole forthwith.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the Committee, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Eilber reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill with certain Amendments.

Ordered, That the Amendments be taken into consideration forthwith.

The Amendments, having been read the second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time forthwith.

The Bill was then read the third time, and passed.

On Motion of Mr. Hearst, seconded by Mr. Pyne,

Ordered, That when this House adjourns To-day, it do stand adjourned until Eleven of the Clock in the forenoon, Mr. Speaker to leave the Chair at One of the Clock, until Two, without the question being put.

Mr. Hanna presented to the House:—

Return to an Order of the House of the 24th March, 1915, for a Return showing: 1. What is the total number of the herd for dairy purposes now maintained by the Government at the Guelph Prison Farm. 2. How many of these were purchased and how many raised on the farm, respectively. 3. What was the total amount paid by the Government for the portion of the herd purchased by them. (*Sessional Papers No. 72.*)

The House then adjourned at 5.10 a.m.

Thursday, April 1st, 1915.

PRAYERS.

11.00 O'CLOCK A.M.

Mr. Sulman, from the Standing Committee on Printing, presented their Second Report, which was read as follows:—

Your Committee recommend that the following Documents be printed:—

Report of the Minister of Lands, Forests and Mines for the year 1914. (*Sessional Papers No. 3.*)

Report of the Inspector of Registry Offices for the year 1914. (*Sessional Papers No. 7.*)

Report of the Superintendent of Neglected and Dependent Children for the year 1914. (*Sessional Papers No. 27.*)

Your Committee recommend that the following Documents be not printed:—

Return of correspondence *re* Nickel supply from Ontario. (*Sessional Papers No. 67.*)

Proceedings of the Second Annual Convention of the Association of Cemetery Officials. (*Sessional Papers No. 68.*)

Return *re* Appropriation of Government House property. (*Sessional Papers No. 69.*)

Return *re* Convictions under Liquor License Act in North Essex. (*Sessional Papers No. 70.*)

Mr. Sulman, from the Standing Committee on Printing presented their Third Report, which was read as follows:—

Your Committee recommend that the following Documents be printed:—

Special Report on the Organization and Administration of the Hospitals for the Insane, Feeble-minded and Epileptics, etc., etc. (*Sessional Papers No. 71.*)

Your Committee recommend that 5,000 copies of the Budget Speech of the Honourable the Provincial Treasurer be printed. (*Sessional Papers No. 73.*)

Your Committee recommend that 5,000 copies of "Telephone Systems" and extracts from the Report of the Railway Board be printed. (*Sessional Papers No. 76.*)

Your Committee recommend that the following Document be not printed:—

Return *re* Herd maintained at Guelph Prison Farm for Dairy purposes. (*Sessional Papers No. 72.*)

Resolved, That this House doth concur in the Second and Third Reports of the Standing Committee on Printing.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 127), Respecting certain bequests of the late George Cummings Butler Dwyer Brophy, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Lennox reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill with certain Amendments.

Ordered, That the Amendments be taken into consideration forthwith.

The Amendments, having been read the second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time forthwith.

The Bill was then read the third time, and passed.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 126), To amend the Public Health Act, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Crawford reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill without any Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time forthwith.

The Bill was then read the third time, and passed.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 58), To consolidate the general debenture and floating debt of the Town of Walkerton, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Crawford reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill without any Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time forthwith.

The Bill was then read the third time, and passed.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 146), To amend the Corporations Tax Act, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Lennox reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill with certain Amendments.

Ordered, That the Amendments be taken into consideration forthwith.

The Amendments, having been read the second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time forthwith.

The Bill was then read the third time, and passed.

The following Bill was read the second time:—

Bill (No. 168), Respecting an Administration Building for the Board of Education for the City of Toronto.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House forthwith.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the Committee, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Lennox reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill with certain Amendments.

Ordered. That the Amendments be taken into consideration forthwith.

The Amendments, having been read the second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time forthwith.

The Bill was then read the third time, and passed.

The following Bill was read the second time:—

Bill (No. 169), To amend the School Laws.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House forthwith.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the Committee, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Lennox reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill with certain Amendments.

Ordered, That the Amendments be taken into consideration forthwith.

The Amendments, having been read the second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time forthwith.

The Bill was then read the third time, and passed.

The following Bill was read the second time:—

Bill (No. 136), For granting to His Majesty certain sums of money to defray the expenses of Civil Government for the year ending 31st October,

One thousand nine hundred and fifteen, and for the year ending 31st October, One thousand nine hundred and sixteen, and for other purposes therein mentioned.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time forthwith.

The Bill was then read the third time, and passed.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of Bill (No. 167), Respecting the Purchase, Transfer and Sale of Goods and Chattels in Bulk, having been read,

Ordered, That the Order be discharged, and that the Bill be withdrawn.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of Bill (No. 158), To extend the Legislative Franchise to Women entitled to vote at Municipal Elections, having been read,

Mr. McDonald moved,

That the Bill be now read the second time.

And the Motion, having been put, was lost on a Division.

And so it was declared in the Negative.

The Order of the Day for the third reading of Bill (No. 122), To amend The Succession Duties Act having been read,

Ordered, That the Order be discharged, and that the Bill be forthwith again referred to a Committee of the Whole, with instructions to amend the same.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the Committee, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Eilber reported, That the Committee had amended the Bill as directed.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time forthwith.

The Bill was then read the third time, and passed.

The Order of the Day for the third reading of Bill (No. 123), Respecting certain Loans raised on the credit of the Consolidated Revenue Fund, having been read,

Ordered, That the Order be discharged, and that the Bill be forthwith again referred to a Committee of the Whole, with instructions to amend the same.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the Committee; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Eilber reported, That the Committee had amended the Bill as directed.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time forthwith.

The Bill was then read the third time, and passed.

The Order of the Day for the third reading of Bill (No. 92), Respecting The Guelph General Hospital, having been read,

Ordered, That the Order be discharged, and that the Bill be forthwith again referred to a Committee of the Whole, with instructions to amend the same.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the Committee; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Eilber reported, That the Committee had amended the Bill as directed.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time forthwith.

The Bill was then read the third time, and passed.

The following Bills were severally read the third time and passed:—

Bill (No. 54), Respecting the City of Peterborough.

Bill (No. 46), Respecting the City of Port Arthur.

Bill (No. 33), Respecting the Township of Sombra and the Township of Sarnia.

Bill (No. 63), Respecting the City of St. Catharines.

Bill (No. 20), Respecting the City of Brantford.

Bill (No. 12), Respecting the Hamilton Mountain Electric Railway Company.

Mr. Racine asked the following Question:—

1. How many prisoners have escaped from the Guelph Prison Farm up to the 1st day of March, 1915. 2. How many escaped prisoners have been recaptured. 3. How many escaped prisoners are still at large.

And the Provincial Secretary replied as follows:—

1. 41 or 1 1-3% of 3,112 prisoners, being the total number on the Farm from commencement to March 1st, 1915. 2. 14. 3. 27 or 4-5 of 1% of the total number of prisoners as above.

Mr. Bowman asked the following Question:—

1. Has the Government received the returns for the sale of the bonds of the Province to Home Smith & Co. If so, what is the amount of the net proceeds of the loan. 2. Where was the money received by the Government—in London, England, or in Toronto. 3. If received in London, England, by what amount was the proceeds of the loan reduced by reason of the payment in London, England, rather than Toronto.

To which the Provincial Treasurer replied in the words following:—

1. No, not complete returns. 2. In London, England, and in Toronto. 3. Answered by No. 1.

Mr. Elliott asked the following Question:—

1. Did the Government promise to supply free milk to needy children in the City of Toronto attending the schools of the City. 2. If such promise was made, what was the date on which the promise was made, and what were the conditions, if any, for the making of such promise. 3. Has such promise been carried out. If not, why not.

And the Provincial Secretary replied in the words following:—

1. An offer was made to supply about 1,000 pounds of milk daily. 2. About the month of December last an offer was made conditional upon the city supplying the bread and making distribution of milk and bread in an approved

manner. 3. The offer to supply milk is still open but the Board of Control of the City of Toronto has only reached a decision recently that the distribution of the milk and bread should be made under the direction of the City Department of Health, and to this end requested a report on same from the City Medical Health Officer. The Government has not yet been advised as to what action, if any, has been taken by the Board of Control on the said Report.

Mr. Elliott asked the following Question:—

1. How much has the Government expended to date for war purposes.
2. What is the amount expended for each item respectively.

And the Provincial Treasurer replied in the words and figures following:

1. \$818,250.75.
 2. Flour for Great Britain, \$780,468.70; Evaporated Apples for Belgium, \$5,500.00; Evaporated Apples for Navy (including freight), \$6,381.85; Belgian Relief Fund, cash contributions, \$15,000.00; Belgian Relief, six carloads of beans, \$10,900.20.
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On Motion of Mr. Racine, seconded by Mr. Hurdman,

Ordered, That there be laid before the House, a Return showing: 1. How many persons in the employ of the Province or the Government are now serving with the Canadian or Allies' armies. 2. What are the names of the persons so serving, and what salaries do they respectively receive from the Government.

On Motion of Mr. Parliament, seconded by Mr. Grieve,

Ordered, That there be laid before the House, a Return showing: 1. What Fishermen received fishing licenses in Manitoulin Island for the fishing season, 1914, and upon what dates were these licenses granted respectively. 2. What Fishermen received fishing licenses for the year 1915, and upon what dates were these licenses granted respectively.

On motion of Mr. Atkinson, seconded by Mr. Marshall,

Ordered, That there be laid before this House a Return showing: 1. A copy of all the proceedings in the Police Court in the City of Toronto in the charge made against Herbert Capewell for demanding commissions on certain Government Military contracts for the supply of boots for the Canadian Ex-

peditionary Force, including therein the evidence and the Police Magistrate's judgment and commitment. 2. A copy of the record of the proceedings on the trial of the said Herbert Capewell before His Honour Judge Coatsworth in the County Judge's Criminal Court of the County of York, including the evidence, statements of Counsel and statement of acquittal.

On Motion of Mr. Hurdman, seconded by Mr. Ham,

Ordered, That there be laid before this House a Return showing: 1. All correspondence between the Government or any officer or official thereof and all Councils of Women and all other persons, societies or associations, in reference to the establishment of Houses of Refuge in municipalities and in regard to legislation for the purpose of requiring municipalities to establish Houses of Refuge for the care of feeble-minded and unfortunate persons. 2. All correspondence or communications between the Government or any officer or official thereof and the Councils of municipalities or any officer or official thereof, with reference to the compulsory establishment by municipalities of Houses of Refuge for feeble-minded and unfortunate persons.

On Motion of Mr. Richardson, seconded by Mr. Ferguson (Kent),

Ordered, That there be laid before the House, a Return showing: 1. If any requests have been made by the Lieutenant-Governor in Council to the Hydro-Electric Power Commission under Section 3 of the Hydro-Electric Railway Act, 1914, to inquire into and report upon the proposed electric railways in Ontario. 2. If requests have been made, what are the dates upon which such requests were made and with respect to what railways or territories were such requests made. 3. What reports, if any, have been received by the Lieutenant-Governor in Council on the proposed Hydro-Electric Railways in Ontario. 4. Has the Lieutenant-Governor in Council approved the construction of any such railways; if so, which ones.

Mr. Marshall moved, seconded by Mr. Gillespie,

That in view of the serious decline in our rural population, accompanied by a marked falling off in food production, in the face of Ontario's unsurpassed agricultural possibilities and millions of acres of unoccupied agricultural land, this House is of the opinion that a great advance in the agricultural policy of the Government is one of the most urgent and vital needs of Ontario to-day, such policy to include:—(1) Making more available to rural communities the scientific and technical knowledge taught in our agricultural college, by the establishment of agricultural schools and demonstration farms throughout the Province; (2) The inauguration of an effective

system of rural credits; (3) The development of co-operative effort in buying and selling; (4) Financial assistance by way of loans at a low rate of interest, on the security of land and improvements, to assist desirable settlers in establishing themselves in the newer parts of the Province, and to enable farmers in the older parts of the Province to improve and increase the productivity of their lands.

Mr. Ferguson (Simcoe) moved in Amendment, seconded by Mr. Macdiarmid,

That all the words of the Motion after the first word "That" be struck out and the following substituted therefor: "this House recognizes the soundness and stability of Ontario Agriculture as emphasized by the recent industrial and financial crisis through which the Province, in common with the rest of the world, has passed, and this House notes with satisfaction the improved conditions of the agricultural industry as illustrated among other things by higher standards and increased returns per acre and this House desires to place on record its appreciation of the encouragement of agricultural instruction in schools; the appointment of District Representatives; the holding of short courses and Rural School Fairs; the giving of farm demonstrations and the encouragement to co-operative organization and effort and this House commends the well defined policy of the Government to continue this work and to take such other steps as may be necessary and to aid the development of the newer districts, by the construction of roads; the carrying on of experimental work in farming; the advancing of seed to settlers and every other practical method."

Mr. Bowman moved in Amendment to the Amendment, seconded by Mr. Elliott,

That all the words of the Amendment, after the word "That" be struck out and the following be substituted therefor, the following to be added to the Main Motion. "this House regrets that the Government does not propose any radical advance in its agricultural policy to meet the urgent situation now confronting us."

And the Amendment to the Amendment, having been put, was lost upon the following Division:—

YEAS.

Messieurs:

Atkinson	Ferguson	McDonald	Richardson
Bowman	Kent.	Marshall	Rowell
Carter	Gillespie	Munro	Studholme
Clarke	Grieve	Parliament	Tolmie
Davidson	Ham	Pinard	Wigle—22
Ducharme	Hurdman	Racine	

NAYS.

Messieurs :

Armstrong	Fallis	Hoyle	Mathieu
Bennewies	Ferguson	Irish	Mills
Black	<small>Simcoe.</small> Ferguson	Jaques	Morel
Brower	<small>Grenville.</small> Gooderham	Jarvis	Musgrove
Calder	Grant	Lennox	<small>Huron.</small> Nesbitt
Cameron	Hall	Lucas	Owens
Cargill	<small>Lanark.</small> Hall	McCrea	Preston
Carscallen	<small>Waterloo.</small> Hall	McElroy	<small>Lanark.</small> Price
Crawford	Hanna	McFarlan	Pyne
Dargavel	Hearst	McGarry	Regan
Devitt	Henry	McKeown	Russell
Donovan	Hilliard	Macdiarmid	Rykert
Duff	Hook	Machin	Sharpe
Eilber		Mason	Sinclair—54

PAIRS.

None.

The Amendment, having been then put, was carried on the following Division:—

YEAS.

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Ducharme	Hurdman	Racine	

PAIRS.

None.

The original Motion, as amended, having been then put, was carried on the following Division:—

YEAS.

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Cameron	Gooderham	Lucas	Nesbitt
Cargill	Grant	McCrea	Owens
Carscallen	Hall	McElroy	Preston
Crawford	Lanark.	McFarlan	Lanark.
Dargavel	Waterloo.	McGarry	Price
Devitt	Hauna	McKeown	Pyne
Donovan	Hearst	Maediarmid	Regan
Duff	Henry	Machin	Russell
Eilber	Hilliard	Mason	Rykert
	Hook		Sharpe
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Clarke	Grieve	Parliament	Tolmie
Davidson	Ham	Pinard	Wigle—22
Ducharme	Hurdman	Racine	

PAIRS.

None.

And it was

Resolved, That this House recognizes the soundness and stability of Ontario Agriculture as emphasized by the recent industrial and financial crisis through which the Province in common with the rest of the world has passed; and this House notes with satisfaction the improved conditions of the agricultural industry as illustrated among other things by higher standards and increased returns *per acre*; and this House desires to place on record its appreciation of the encouragement of agricultural instruction in schools, the appointment of District Representatives, the holding of Short Courses and Rural School Fairs, the giving of farm demonstrations and the encouragement to co-operative organization and effort; and this House commends the well-defined policy of the Government to continue this work and to take such other steps as may be necessary and to aid the development of the newer districts by the construction of roads, the carrying on of experimental work in farming, the advancing of seed to settlers and every other practicable method.

The following Bills were severally read the third time and passed:—

Bill (No. 113), To amend the Surveys Act.

Bill (No. 102), To confirm the Title of the Government of Canada to certain lands and Indian Lands.

The Order of the Day for the third reading of Bill (No. 75), For the better regulation of the use of certain Public Waters having been read,

Ordered, That the Order be discharged, and that the Bill be forthwith again referred to a Committee of the Whole, with instructions to amend the same.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the Committee; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair: and Mr. Eilber reported, That the Committee had amended the Bill as directed.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time forthwith.

The Bill was then read the third time, and passed.

The Order of the Day for the third reading of Bill (No. 83), To amend the Mining Act of Ontario having been read.

Ordered, That the Order be discharged, and that the Bill be forthwith again referred to a Committee of the Whole, with instructions to amend the same.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the Committee; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Eilber reported, That the Committee had amended the Bill as directed.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time forthwith.

The Bill was then read the third time, and passed.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 170), To enable the Executors of the late George Taylor Fulford to make a certain gift out of his estate for Patriotic purposes and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Eilber reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill with certain Amendments.

Ordered, That the Amendments be taken into consideration forthwith.

The Amendments, having been read the second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time forthwith.

The Bill was then read the third time, and passed.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 147), Respecting Public Roads and Highways, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Eilber reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill with certain Amendments.

Ordered, That the Amendments be taken into consideration forthwith.

The Amendments, having been read the second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time forthwith.

The Bill was then read the third time, and passed.

The House resolved itself into a Committee, severally to consider the following Bills:—

Bill (No. 7), Respecting the Humber Valley Electric Railway Company.

Bill (No. 40), Respecting the Toronto, Barrie and Orillia Railway Company.

Bill (No. 60), Respecting the Town of Sturgeon Falls.

Bill (No. 50), To consolidate certain debentures and other debts of the Town of Listowel.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Eilber reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the several Bills without Amendments.

Ordered, That the Bills reported, be severally read the third time forthwith.

The Bills were then severally read the third time and passed.

The Order of the Day for the third reading of Bill (No. 81), To amend the Representation Act, having been read.

Mr. Lucas moved,

That the Bill be now read the third time.

Mr. Proudfoot moved in Amendment, seconded by Mr. Elliott, that all the words of the Motion after the first word "That" be stricken out and the following substituted therefor:—"the Bill be not now read the third time, but that the same be re-committed to a Committee of the Whole House with instructions to amend clause (a) of Section 2 of the Bill by striking out all the words after the word 'London' in the second line thereof, and to amend clause (b) of Section 2 by striking out all the words after the word 'London' in the third line thereof."

And the Amendment, having been put, was lost on a Division.

The Motion for the third reading, having been then again proposed, was carried and the Bill was read the third time and passed.

The Order of the Day for the third reading of Bill (No. 70), To amend an Act for raising money on the credit of the Consolidated Revenue Fund of Ontario, having been read,

Mr. Hearst moved,

That the Bill be now read the third time.

Mr. Carter moved in Amendment, seconded by Mr. Ham,

That all the words of the Motion after the first word "That" be stricken out and the following substituted therefor: " the Bill be not now read the third time, but be forthwith re-committed to a Committee of the Whole House with instructions to amend the same by adding thereto the following section:—

"6. Section 1 of the said 'The Northern and North-western Ontario Development Act, 1912,' being Chap. 2 of the Act passed in the second year of His Majesty is amended by adding thereto the following clause:—

"(f) for assisting desirable settlers to locate upon and improve their lands by loans at a low rate of interest to be secured on such lands and improvements."

And the Amendment, having been put, was lost on the following Division:—

YEAS.

Messieurs:

Atkinson	Elliott	Marshall	Racine
Bowman	Gillespie	Munro	Richardson
Carter	Grieve	Parliament	Rowell
Clarke	Ham	Pinard	Tolmie
Davidson	Hurdman	Proudfoot	Wigle—22
Ducharme	McDonald		

NAYS.

Messieurs:

Allan	Devitt	Hilliard	Mathieu
Armstrong	Duff	Hook	Mills
Bennewies	Edgar	Irish	Morel
Black	Eilber	Jaques	Musgrove
Brower	Ferguson	Lennox	Nesbitt ^{Huron}
Calder	^{Grenville.}	Lucas	Owens
Cameron	Gooderham	McFarlan	Preston
Carew	Hall	McGarry	^{Lanark.}
Cargill	^{Lanark.}	McKeown	Price
Carscallen	Hall	Macdiarmid	Pyne
Chambers	^{Waterloo.}	Machin	Sharpe
Cooke	Hanna	Magladery	Rankin
Crawford	Hartt	Martyn	Sinclair—51.
Dargavel	Hearst	Mason	

PAIRS.

Foy	Lang.
Gamey	Mageau.

The Motion for the third reading having been then again put,

Mr. Wigle moved in Amendment, seconded by Mr. Parliament,

That all the words of the Motion, after the word "That" be omitted, and the following substituted: "the Bill be not now read the third time, but be forthwith re-committed to a Committee of the Whole House with instructions to amend the same by adding to section 3 of the Bill the following:—

"The Lieutenant-Governor in Council may also direct that a sum not exceeding \$100,000 be set apart out of the appropriation made by The Northern and North-western Ontario Development Act (1912), for the purpose of assisting the settlers in Northern and North-western districts of the Province to drain their lands, to be advanced to the settlers on the same terms and conditions as in this Act provided for the supply of seed grain and other seeds to settlers."

And the Amendment having been put was lost on the following Division:—

YEAS.

Messieurs:

Atkinson	Elliott	Marshall	Racine
Bowman	Gillespie	Munro	Richardson
Carter	Grieve	Parliament	Rowell
Clarke	Ham	Pinard	Tolmie
Davidson	Hurdman	Proudfoot	Wigle—22
Ducharme	McDonald		

NAYS.

Messieurs:

Allan	Devitt	Hilliard	Mathieu
Armstrong	Duff	Hook	Mills
Bennewies	Edgar	Irish	Morel
Black	Eilber	Jaques	Musgrove
Brower	Ferguson	Lennox	Huron.
Calder	Grenville.	Lucas	Nesbitt
Cameron	Gooderham	McFarlan	Owens
Carew	Hall	McGarry	Preston
Cargill	Lanark.	McKeown	Lanark.
Carscallen	Hall	Macdiarmid	Price
Chambers	Waterloo.	Machin	Pyne
Cooke	Hanna	Magladery	Rankin
Crawford	Hartt	Martyn	Sharpe
Dargavel	Hearst	Mason	Sinclair—51.

PAIRS.

Foy	Lang.
Gamey	Mageau.

The Motion for the third reading having been then again submitted,

Mr. Munro moved in Amendment, seconded by Mr. Elliott,

That all the words of the Motion after the first word "That" be stricken out and the following substituted therefor: "the Bill be not now read the third time, but be forthwith re-committed to a Committee of the Whole House with instructions to amend the same by adding thereto the following section:—

"7. Section 9 of the said The Northern and North-western Ontario Development Act (1912), being Chapter 2 of the Act passed in the second year of the reign of His Majesty, is amended by striking out the words 'Lieutenant-Governor in Council' in the third line thereof and substituting therefor the words 'Legislative Assembly.'"

And the Amendment having been put, was lost on the following Division:—

YEAS.

Messieurs:

Atkinson	Elliott	Marshall	Racine
Bowman	Gillespie	Munro	Richardson
Carter	Grieve	Parliament	Rowell
Clarke	Ham	Pinard	Tolmie
Davidson	Hurdman	Proudfoot	Wigle—22
Ducharme	McDonald		

NAYS.

Messieurs:

Allan	Devitt	Hilliard	Mathieu
Armstrong	Duff	Hook	Mills
Bennewies	Edgar	Irish	Morel
Black	Eilber	Jaques	Musgrove
Brower	Ferguson	Lennox	Huron.
Calder	Grenville.	Lucas	Nesbitt
Cameron	Gooderham	McFarlan	Owens
Carew	Hall	McGarry	Preston
Cargill	Lanark.	McKeown	Lanark.
Carscallen	Hall	Macdiarmid	Price
Chambers	Waterloo.	Machin	Pyne
Cooke	Hanna	Magladery	Rankin
Crawford	Hartt	Martyn	Sharpe
Dargavel	Hearst	Mason	Sinclair—51.

PAIRS.

Foy	Lang.
Gamey	Mageau.

The Motion for the third reading, having been then again put, was carried, and the Bill was read the third time and passed.

The Order of the Day for the third reading of Bill (No. 77), To levy a Provincial War Tax to supplement the revenues of the Crown, having been read,

Mr. McGarry moved,

That the Bill be now read the third time.

Mr. Marshall moved in Amendment, seconded by Mr. Tolmie,

That all the words of the Motion, after the word "That" be omitted, and the following substituted: "the Bill be not now read the third time, but be forthwith re-committed to a Committee of the Whole House with instructions to amend the same by striking out all the words of section 6 of the Bill after the word 'paid' in the third line thereof, and by substituting therefor the following: 'into the Consolidated Revenue Fund of Ontario to be applied only as follows:—

" 1. To recoup the Consolidated Revenue Fund for the amount already paid out or which may hereafter be paid out for war purposes.

" 2. The balance to aid the cause of His Majesty and His Majesty's allies in the war now being waged, including those engaged in, or suffering from the war, the particular object to be determined by the Legislature, or by the Lieutenant-Governor in Council if the Legislature is not in Session, after consultation by the Government with His Majesty's Government in Great Britain through the proper channels.'

"And by adding the following words to subsection (1) of section 9: 'full proceeds of the said loan to be used for the purposes set out in section 6.'

And the Amendment, having been put, was lost on a Division.

The Motion for the third reading having been then again proposed, was carried and the Bill was read the third time and passed.

The Order of the Day for the third reading of Bill (No. 144), To amend the Power Commission Act, having been read,

Mr. Hearst moved,

That the Bill be now read the third time.

Mr. Bowman moved in Amendment, seconded by Mr. Elliott,

That all the words of the Motion, after the word "That" be omitted, and the following substituted: "the Bill be not now read the third time, but be forthwith re-committed to a Committee of the Whole House with instructions to amend the same by striking out section 2 thereof."

And the Amendment, having been put, was lost on a Division.

The Motion for the third reading, having been then again put, was carried and the Bill was read the third time and passed.

The Order of the Day for the third reading of Bill (No. 138), To amend the Liquor License Law, having been read,

Mr. Hanna moved,

That the Bill be now read the third time.

Mr. Ham moved in Amendment, seconded by Mr. Carter,

That all the words of the Motion, after the word "That" be omitted, and the following substituted: "the Bill be not now read the third time, but be forthwith re-committed to a Committee of the Whole House with instructions to amend the same by inserting in the fourth line of clause (b) of subsection (1) of section (9) of the Act, after the words, 'licensed tavern,' the words 'or in any shop or club.'"

And the Amendment, having been put, was lost on the following Division:—

YEAS.

Messieurs:

Atkinson	Elliott	Hurdman	Racine
Bowman	Ferguson	McDonald	Richardson
Carter	Kent.	Marshall	Rowell
Clarke	Gillespie	Munro	Studholme
Davidson	Grieve	Parliament	Tolmie
Ducharme	Hann	Proudfoot	Wigle—23.

NAYS.

Messieurs :

Allan	Duff	Hook	Morel
Armstrong	Edgar	Irish	Musgrove
Bennewies	Eilber	Jaques	Huron.
Black	Ferguson	Lennox	Nesbitt
Brower	Simcoe.	Lucas	Owens
Calder	Ferguson	McFarlan	Pratt
Cameron	Grenville.	McGarry	Preston
Carew	Gooderham	McKeown	Durham.
Cargill	Hall	Macdiarmid	Preston
Carscallen	Lanark.	Machin	Lanark.
Chambers	Waterloo.	Maglavery	Price
Cooke	Hanna	Martyn	Pyne
Crawford	Hartt	Mason	Rankin
Dargavel	Hearst	Mathieu	Sharpe
Devitt	Hilliard	Mills	Sinclair—54

PAIRS.

None.

The Motion for the third reading, having been again put,

Mr. Clarke moved in Amendment, seconded by Mr. Elliott,

That all the words of the Motion, after the word "That" be omitted, and the following substituted: "the Bill be not now read the third time, but be forthwith re-committed to a Committee of the Whole House with instructions to amend the same by striking out the words 'Lieutenant-Governor in Council' in the last line of section 15 and substituting therefor the word 'Board.'"

And the Amendment, having been put, was lost on the following Division:—

YEAS.

Messieurs :

Atkinson	Elliott	Hurdman	Racine
Bowman	Ferguson	McDonald	Richardson
Carter	Kent.	Marshall	Rowell
Clarke	Gillespie	Munro	Studholme
Davidson	Grieve	Parliament	Tolmie
Ducharme	Ham	Proudfoot	Wigle—23

NAYS.

Messieurs:

Allan	Devitt	Hilliard	Mills
Armstrong	Duff	Hook	Morel
Bennewies	Edgar	Irish	Musgrove
Black	Eilber	Jaques	<small>Huron</small>
Brower	Ferguson	Lennox	Nesbitt
Calder	<small>Simcoe.</small>	Lucas	Owens
Cameron	Ferguson	McFarlan	Pratt
Carew	<small>Grenville.</small>	McGarry	Preston
Cargill	Gooderham	McKeown	<small>Durham.</small>
Carscallen	Hall	Maediarmid	Preston
Chambers	<small>Lanark.</small>	Machin	<small>Lanark.</small>
Cooke	Hall	Magladery	Price
Crawford	<small>Waterloo.</small>	Martyn	Pyne
Dargavel	Hanna	Mason	Rankin
	Hartt	Mathieu	Sharpe
	Hearst		Sinclair—54

PAIRS.

None.

The Motion for the third reading having been then again proposed,

Mr. Carter moved in Amendment, seconded by Mr. Richardson,

That all the words of the Motion, after the word "That" be omitted, and the following substituted: "the Bill be not now read the third time, but be forthwith re-committed to a Committee of the Whole House with instructions to amend the same by inserting as section 19 (2) the following:—

'19.—(2) Notwithstanding anything in the Liquor License Act contained no sale or other disposal of liquor shall take place during the continuance of the war upon any premises for which a tavern or club license is issued under the Liquor License Act, or out of or from such premises, to any person whomsoever between the hour of seven o'clock in the afternoon of any day of the week other than Sunday and eight o'clock in the forenoon of the next day upon which liquor may be lawfully sold upon such premises.'

And the Amendment, having been put, was lost on the following Division:—

YEAS.

Messieurs:

Atkinson	Elliott	Hurdman	Racine
Bowman	Ferguson	McDonald	Richardson
Carier	<small>Kent.</small>	Marshall	Rowell
Clarke	Gillespie	Munro	Studholme
Davidson	Grieve	Parliament	Tolmie
Ducharme	Ham	Proudfoot	Wigle—23

NAYS.

Messieurs:

Allan	Devitt	Hilliard	Mills
Armstrong	Duff	Hook	Morel
Bennewies	Edgar	Irish	Musgrove
Black	Eilber	Jaques	Huron.
Brower	Ferguson	Lennox	Nesbitt
Calder	Simcoe.	Lucas	Owens
Cameron	Ferguson	McFarlan	Pratt
Carew	Grenville.	McGarry	Preston
Cargill	Gooderham	McKeown	Durham.
Carscallen	Hall	Macdiarmid	Preston
Chambers	Lanark.	Machin	Lanark.
Cooke	Waterloo.	Magladery	Price
Crawford	Hanna	Martyn	Pyne
Dargavel	Hartt	Mason	Rankin
	Hearst	Mathieu	Sharpe
			Sinclair—54

PAIRS.

None.

The Motion for the third reading having been then again put,

Mr. Carter moved in Amendment, seconded by Mr. Richardson,

That all the words of the Motion, after the word "That" be omitted, and the following substituted: "the Bill be not now read the third time, but be forthwith re-committed to a Committee of the Whole House with instructions to amend the same by inserting as section 19 (2) the following:

"19.—(2) Notwithstanding anything in the Liquor License Act contained no sale or other disposal of liquor shall take place during the continuance of the war upon any premises for which a tavern or club license is issued under the Liquor License Act, or out of or from such premises, to any person whomsoever between the hour of eight o'clock in the afternoon of any day of the week other than Sunday and eight o'clock in the forenoon of the next day upon which liquor may be lawfully sold upon such premises."

And the Amendment having been put, was lost on the following Division:—

YEAS.

Messieurs:

Atkinson	Elliott	Hurdman	Racine
Bowman	Ferguson	McDonald	Richardson
Carter	Kent.	Marshall	Rowell
Clarke	Gillespie	Munro	Studholme
Davidson	Grieve	Parliament	Tolmie
Ducharme	Ham	Proudfoot	Wigle—23

NAYS.

Messieurs:

Allan	Devitt	Hilliard	Mills
Armstrong	Duff	Hook	Morel
Bennewies	Edgar	Irish	Musgrove
Black	Eilber	Jaques	Huron.
Brower	Ferguson	Lennox	Nesbitt
Calder	Simcoe.	Lucas	Owens
Cameron	Ferguson	McFarlan	Pratt
Carew	Grenville.	McGarry	Preston
Cargill	Gooderham	McKeown	Durham.
Carscallen	Hall	Macdiarmid	Preston
Chambers	Lanark.	Macinn	Lanark.
Cooke	Waterloo.	Magladery	Price
Crawford	Hanna	Martyn	Pyne
Dargavel	Hartt	Mason	Rankin
	Hearst	Mathieu	Sharpe
			Sinclair—54

PAIRS.

None.

The Motion for the third reading having been then again submitted,

Mr. Carter moved in Amendment, seconded by Mr. Richardson,

That all the words of the Motion, after the word "That" be omitted, and the following substituted: "the Bill be not now read the third time, but be forthwith re-committed to a Committee of the Whole House with instructions to amend the same by inserting as section 19 (2) the following:—

'19.—(2) Notwithstanding anything in the Liquor License Act contained no sale or other disposal of liquor shall take place during the continu-

ance of the war upon any premises for which a tavern or club license is issued under the Liquor License Act, or out of or from such premises, to any person whomsoever between the hour of nine o'clock in the afternoon of any day of the week other than Sunday and eight o'clock in the forenoon of the next day upon which liquor may be lawfully sold upon such premises.' ”

And the Amendment, having been put, was lost on the following Division:—

YEAS.

Messieurs:

Atkinson	Elliott	Hurdman	Racine
Bowman	Ferguson	McDonald	Richardson
Carter	<small>Kent.</small>	Marshall	Rowell
Clarke	Gillespie	Munro	Studholme
Davidson	Grieve	Parliament	Tolmie
Ducharme	Ham	Proudfoot	Wigle—23

NAYS.

Messieurs:

Allan	Devitt	Hilliard	Mills
Armstrong	Duff	Hook	Morel
Bennewies	Edgar	Irish	Musgrove
Black	Eilber	Jaques	<small>Huron.</small>
Brower	Ferguson	Lennox	Nesbitt
Calder	<small>Simcoe</small>	Lucas	Owens
Cameron	Ferguson	McFarlan	Pratt
Cargill	<small>Grenville.</small>	McGarry	Preston
Carew	Gooderham	McKeown	<small>Durham.</small>
Carscallen	Hall	Macdiarmid	Preston
Chambers	<small>Lanark.</small>	Machin	<small>Lanark.</small>
Cooke	Hall	Magladery	Price
Crawford	<small>Waterloo.</small>	Martyn	Pyne
Dargavel	Hanna	Mason	Rankin
	Hartt	Mathieu	Sharpe
	Hearst		Sinclair—54

PAIRS.

None.

The Motion for the third reading having been then again proposed,

Mr. Carter moved in Amendment, seconded by Mr. Richardson,

That all the words of the Motion, after the word "That" be omitted, and the following substituted: "the Bill be not now read the third time, but be forthwith re-committed to a Committee of the Whole House with instructions to amend the same by inserting as section 19 (2) the following:—

" ' 19.—(2) Notwithstanding anything in the Liquor License Act contained no sale or other disposal of liquor shall take place during the continuance of the war upon any premises for which a tavern or club license is issued under the Liquor License Act, or out of or from such premises, to any person whomsoever between the hour of ten o'clock in the afternoon of any day of the week other than Sunday and eight o'clock in the forenoon of the next day upon which liquor may be lawfully sold upon such premises.' "

And the Amendment, having been put, was lost on the following Division:—

YEAS.

Messieurs:

Atkinson	Elliott	Hurdman	Racine
Bowman	Ferguson	McDonald	Richardson
Carter	<small>Kent.</small>	Marshall	Rowell
Clarke	Gillespie	Munro	Studholme
Davidson	Grieve	Parliament	Tolmie
Ducharme	Han	Proudfoot	Wigle—23

NAYS.

Messieurs:

Allan	Devitt	Hilliard	Mills
Armstrong	Duff	Hook	Morel
Bennewies	Edgar	Irish	Musgrove
Black	Eilber	Jaques	<small>Huron.</small>
Brower	Ferguson	Lennox	Nesbitt
Calder	<small>Simcoe</small>	Lucas	Owens
Cameron	Ferguson	McFarlan	Pratt
Carew	<small>Grenville.</small>	McGarry	Preston
Cargill	Gooderham	McKeown	<small>Durham.</small>
Carscallen	Hall	Macdiarmid	Preston
Chambers	<small>Lanark.</small>	Machin	<small>Lanark.</small>
Cooke	Hall	Magladery	Price
Crawford	<small>Waterloo.</small>	Martyn	Pyne
Dargavel	Hanna	Mason	Rankin
	Hartt	Mathieu	Sharpe
	Hearst		Sinclair—54

PAIRS.

None.

The Motion for the third reading having been then again put,

Mr. Elliott moved in Amendment, seconded by Mr. Bowman,

That all the words of the Motion, after the word "That" be omitted, and the following substituted: "the Bill be not now read the third time, but be forthwith re-committed to a Committee of the Whole House with instructions to amend the same by inserting as section 19 (3) the following:—

" 19.—(3) Notwithstanding anything in the Liquor License Act contained no sale or other disposal of liquor shall take place during the continuance of the war upon any premises for which a tavern, club or shop license is issued under the Liquor License Act, or out of or from such premises, to any person whomsoever after the hour of one o'clock on Saturday, save and except in places where a requisition for medical purposes, signed by a legally qualified medical practitioner, is produced by the vendee or his agent.' "

And the Amendment, having been put, was lost on the following Division:—

YEAS.

Messieurs:

Atkinson	Elliott	Hurdman	Racine
Bowman	Ferguson	McDonald	Richardson
Carter	Kent.	Marshall	Rowell
Clarke	Gillespie	Munro	Studholme
Davidson	Grieve	Parliament	Tolmie
Ducharme	Ham	Proudfoot	Wigle—23

NAYS.

Messieurs:

Allan	Devitt	Hilliard	Mills
Armstrong	Duff	Hook	Morel
Bennewies	Edgar	Irish	Musgrove
Black	Eilber	Jaques	Huron.
Brower	Ferguson	Lennox	Nesbitt
Calder	Simcoe.	Lucas	Owens
Cameron	Ferguson	McFarlan	Pratt
Carew	Grenville.	McGarry	Preston
Cargill	Gooderham	McKeown	Durham.
Carscallen	Hall	Maediarmid	Preston
Chambers	Lanark.	Machin	Lanark.
Cooke	Hall	Magladery	Price
Crawford	Waterloo.	Martyn	Pyne
Dargavel	Hanna	Mason	Rankin
	Hartt	Mathieu	Sharpe
	Hearst		Sinclair—54

PAIRS.

None.

The Motion for the third reading having been then again proposed,

Mr. Hurdman moved in Amendment, seconded by Mr. Munro,

That all the words of the Motion, after the word "That" be omitted, and the following substituted: "the Bill be not now read the third time, but be forthwith re-committed to a Committee of the Whole House with instructions to amend the same by adding to section 20 thereof, the words 'New Year's Day.'"

And the Amendment, having been put, was lost on the following Division:—

YEAS.

Messieurs:

Atkinson	Elliott	Hurdman	Racine
Bowman	Ferguson	McDonald	Richardson
Carter	Kent.	Marshall	Rowell
Clarke	Gillespie	Munro	Studholme
Davidson	Grieve	Parliament	Tolmie
Ducharme	Ham	Proudfoot	Wigle—23.

NAYS.

Messieurs:

Allan	Devitt	Hilliard	Mills
Armstrong	Duff	Hook	Morel
Bennewies	Edgar	Irish	Musgrove
Black	Eilber	Jaques	Huron.
Brower	Ferguson	Lennox	Nesbitt
Calder	Simcoe	Lucas	Owens
Cameron	Ferguson	McFarlan	Pratt
Carew	Grenville.	McGarry	Preston
Cargill	Gooderham	McKeown	Durham.
Carscallen	Hall	Macdiarmid	Preston
Chambers	Lanark.	Machin	Lanark.
Cooke	Waterloo.	Magladery	Price
Crawford	Hanna	Martyn	Pyne
Dargavel	Hartt	Mason	Rankin
	Hearst	Mathieu	Sharpe
			Sinclair—54

PAIRS.

None.

The Motion for the third reading having been then again submitted,

Mr. Parliament moved in Amendment, seconded by Mr. Wigle,

That all the words of the Motion, after the word "That" be omitted, and the following substituted: "the Bill be not now read the third time, but be forthwith re-committed to a Committee of the Whole House with instructions to amend the same by striking out section 23 thereof."

And the Amendment, having been put, was lost on the following Division:—

YEAS.

Messieurs:

Atkinson	Elliott	Hurdman	Racine
Bowman	Ferguson	McDonald	Richardson
Carter	Kent.	Marshall	Rowell
Clarke	Gillespie	Munro	Studholme
Davidson	Grieve	Parliament	Tolmie
Ducharme	Ham	Proudfoot	Wigle—23.

NAYS.

Messieurs:

Allan	Devitt	Hilliard	Mills
Armstrong	Duff	Hook	Morel
Bennewies	Edgar	Irish	Musgrove
Black	Eilber	Jaques	Huron.
Brower	Ferguson	Lennox	Nesbitt
Calder	Simcoe	Lucas	Owens
Cameron	Grenville.	McFarlan	Pratt
Carew	Gooderham	McGarry	Preston
Cargill	Hall	McKeown	Durham.
Carscallen	Lanark.	Macdiarmid	Preston
Chambers	Hall	Machin	Lanark.
Cooke	Waterloo.	Maglavery	Price
Crawford	Hanna	Martyn	Pyne
Dargavel	Hartt	Mason	Rankin
	Hearst	Mathieu	Sharpe
			Sinclair—54

PAIRS.

None.

The Motion for the third reading having been then again put,

Mr. Richardson moved in Amendment, seconded by Mr. Parliament,

That all the words of the Motion, after the word "That" be omitted, and the following substituted: "the Bill be not now read the third time, but be forthwith re-committed to a Committee of the Whole House with instructions to amend the same by providing for County Local Option."

And the Amendment, having been put, was lost on the following Division:—

YEAS.

Messieurs:

Atkinson	Elliott	Hurdman	Racine
Bowman	Ferguson	McDonald	Richardson
Carter	Kent.	Marshall	Rowell
Clarke	Gillespie	Munro	Studholme
Davidson	Grieve	Parliament	Tolmie
Ducharme	Ham	Proudfoot	Wigle—23

NAYS.

Messieurs:

Allan	Duff	Hook	Morel
Armstrong	Edgar	Irish	Musgrove
Bennewies	Eilber	Jaques	Huron.
Black	Ferguson	Lennox	Nesbitt
Brower	Simcoe	Lucas	Owens
Calder	Ferguson	McFarlan	Pratt
Cameron	Grenville.	McGarry	Preston
Carew	Gooderham	McKeown	Durham.
Cargill	Hall	Macdiarmid	Preston
Carscallen	Lanark.	Machin	Lanark.
Chambers	Waterloo.	Magladery	Price
Cooke	Hanna	Martyn	Pyne
Crawford	Hartt	Mason	Rankin
Dargavel	Hearst	Mathieu	Sharpe
Devitt	Hilliard	Mills	Sinclair—54

PAIRS.

None.

The Motion for the third reading having been then again put,

Mr. McDonald moved in Amendment, seconded by Mr. Proudfoot,

That all the words of the Motion, after the word "That" be omitted, and the following substituted: "the Bill be not now read the third time, but be forthwith re-committed to a Committee of the Whole House with instructions to amend the same by providing that in Local Option contests under the Liquor License Act the Local Option by-law shall be carried by a majority vote of the electors voting upon the same."

And the Amendment, having been put, was lost on the following Division:—

YEAS.

Messieurs:

Atkinson	Elliott	Hurdman	Racine
Bowman	Ferguson	McDonald	Richardson
Carter	Kent.	Marshall	Rowell
Clarke	Gillespie	Munro	Studholme
Davidson	Grieve	Parliament	Tolmie
Ducharme	Ham	Proudfoot	Wigle—23

NAYS.

Messieurs:

Allan	Duff	Hook	Morel
Armstrong	Edgar	Irish	Musgrove
Bennewies	Eilber	Jaques	Huron.
Black	Ferguson	Lennox	Nesbitt
Brower	Simcoe	Lucas	Owens
Calder	Ferguson	McFarlan	Pratt
Cameron	Grenville.	McGarry	Preston
Carew	Gooderham	McKeown	Durham.
Cargill	Hall	Macdiarmid	Preston
Carscallen	Lanark.	Machin	Lanark.
Chambers	Hall	Magladery	Price
Cooke	Waterloo.	Martyn	Pyne
Crawford	Hanna	Mason	Rankin
Dargavel	Hartt	Mathieu	Sharpe
Devitt	Hearst	Mills	Sinclair—54
	Hilliard		

PAIRS.

None.

The Motion for the third reading having been then again proposed, was carried, and the Bill was read the third time and passed.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 161), "The Statute Law Amendment Act, 1915."

And the Committee having continued to sit until Twelve of the Clock midnight.

Friday, 2nd April, 1915.

The House continued in Committee, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Eilber reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill with certain Amendments.

Ordered, That the Amendments be taken into consideration forthwith.

The Amendments, having been read the second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time forthwith.

Mr. Lucas moved,

That the Bill be now read the third time.

Mr. Atkinson moved in Amendment, seconded by Mr. Marshall,

That all the words of the Motion, after the word "That" be omitted, and the following substituted: "the Bill be not now read the third time, but be forthwith re-committed to a Committee of the Whole House with instructions to amend the same by striking out the section relating to the Lake Huron and Northern Ontario Railway."

And the Amendment, having been put, was lost on a Division.

The Motion for the third reading having been then again put, was carried and the Bill was read the third time and passed.

Mr. Lennox, from the Standing Committee on Public Accounts, presented their Report, which was read. (*Appendix No. 1.*)

The following Bill was introduced and read the first time:—

Bill (No. 171), intituled "An Act respecting the Superannuation of certain Teachers and Inspectors." Mr. Pyne.

Ordered, That the Bill be printed and distributed for the information of those concerned and then discharged from the Order Paper.

Mr. Bowman moved, seconded by Mr. Marshall,

That there be laid before this House, a Return of a copy of a statement prepared by the Provincial Auditor from his books and delivered to the Government, showing the receipts and expenditures of the Province for the fiscal year ending 31st October, 1914. 2. A statement prepared by the Provincial Auditor from his books and delivered to the Government, showing the total of the receipts of the Province for the fiscal year ending 31st October, 1914, described in Statement No. 1 of the Public Accounts as ordinary receipts, and a statement showing the total of the disbursements for the year, described in Statement No. 1 of the Public Accounts as ordinary expenditures. 3. A statement prepared by the Provincial Auditor from his books and delivered to the Government, showing the total receipts and disbursements for the fiscal year ending 31st October, 1914, less moneys borrowed by the Government directly or by the sale of Provincial securities. 4. A statement prepared by the Provincial Auditor from his books and delivered to the Government, showing the total receipts for the fiscal year ending 31st October, 1914, omitting from the receipts the moneys borrowed by the Government, and from the expenditures the moneys disbursed by the Government for Capital Expenditure on the T. & N. O. Railway Company and the Hydro-Electric and payments on account of the Public Debt. 5. A statement prepared by the Provincial Auditor from his books and delivered to the Government, showing the Capital Account of the T. & N. O. Railway for the fiscal year ending 31st October, 1914, including all payments made on account thereof up to the 31st October, 1914.

Mr. Machin moved in Amendment, seconded by Mr. Ferguson (Simcoe),

That all the words in the Motion after the first word "That" be stricken out and the following substituted therefor: "this House approves of the clear and satisfactory manner in which the Financial Statement, showing, with accurate detail, the receipts and expenditures of the Province for the fiscal year 1913-14, has been prepared and submitted to the House. And this House strongly deprecates the attempts being made to place on the records of this House incomplete and disconnected statements which will have a tendency to mislead the public and create an erroneous impression as to the true financial condition of the Province."

Mr. Proudfoot moved in Amendment to the Amendment, seconded by Mr. Marshall,

That all the words of the Amendment, after the first word "That" be struck out, and that there be added to the main Motion the following, "this House regrets the refusal of the Government to permit the Auditor giving to the Legislature a statement of the receipts and expenditures of the Province for the fiscal year ending 31st October, 1914, according to his books."

Objection was taken to the proposed Amendment to the Amendment by Mr. Ferguson (Grenville), on the ground that it contained allegation not borne out by fact, as the Public Accounts of the Province in the possession of the House did contain a complete and full statement of the receipts and expenditures of the Province, and Mr. Speaker's ruling upon the point raised being asked for, he said,

That he considered the point well taken and had no alternative but to declare the Amendment to the Amendment out of order.

At this point Mr. Proudfoot asked Mr. Speaker if, upon the same ground, he did not consider the Amendment equally out of order, and requested a ruling, and Mr. Speaker declared that he had no hesitation in saying that he considered the Amendment perfectly in order.

Mr. Proudfoot thereupon appealed to the House against the ruling, and the question being submitted, Mr. Speaker was sustained upon a Division.

The Amendment to the Main Motion, having been then submitted, the same was carried on a Division.

The Main Motion, as amended, was then submitted and declared to be carried on a Division, and it was

Resolved, That this House approves of the clear and satisfactory manner in which the Financial Statement, showing, with accurate detail, the receipts and expenditures of the Province for the fiscal year 1913-14 has been prepared and submitted to the House. And this House strongly deprecates the attempts being made to place on the records of this House incomplete and disconnected statements which will have a tendency to mislead the public and create an erroneous impression as to the true financial condition of the Province.

Mr. Tolmie moved, seconded by Mr. Carter,

That in the opinion of this House the growing importance of social and industrial problems demand the creation of a Department of the Government, presided over by a responsible Minister, whose chief concern should be to study and promote legislative and administrative action for the betterment of the conditions of the workers of the Province; and to this Department should be transferred the Bureau of Labour from the Department of Public Works, the Factory Inspection Branch from the Department of Agriculture, as well as the other branches of the Public Service particularly relating to the welfare of the industrial classes, including such administrative work as may be required in connection with the Workmen's Compensation Act; and that provision

should be made under this Department for the study of social and industrial problems, including the legislation in force in other industrial communities of the world, and the effects of such legislation in the betterment of social and industrial conditions.

That for the purpose aforesaid the work of the existing Department should be so re-arranged, if practicable, as to permit of the creation of the new Department without increasing the number of Cabinet Ministers.

And the Motion, having been put, was lost upon the following Division:—

YEAS.

Messieurs:

Bowman	Grieve	Parliament	Rowell
Carter	Ham	Proudfoot	Studholme
Davidson	Marshall	Richardson	Tolmie—13
Gillespie			

NAYS.

Messieurs:

Allan	Duff	Henry	Mills
Bennewies	Edgar	Hilliard	Musgrove
Black	Eilber	Hook	Huron.
Brower	Fallis	Irish	Nesbitt
Calder	Ferguson	Lucas	Owens
Cameron	Simcoe	McElroy	Preston
Carew	Ferguson	McFarlan	Durham.
Cargill	Grenville.	McGarry	Price
Carscallen	Gooderham	McKeown	Pyne
Chambers	Hall	Macdiarmid	Rankin
Cook	Lanark.	Machin	Regan
Crawford	Hall	Magladery	Rykert
Dargavel	Hanna	Martyn	Sharpe
Devitt	Hearst	Mason	Sinclair
			Thompson—53
			Peterboro.

PAIRS.

None.

And so it was declared in the Negative.

On Motion of Mr. Hearst, seconded by Mr. Pyne,

Resolved, That when this House adjourns To-day, it do stand adjourned until Three of the Clock in the afternoon of Thursday next, the Eighth day of April instant.

Mr. Hanna presented to the House, by command of His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor:—

Report of the Provincial Municipal Auditor, for the year 1914. (*Sessional Papers, No. 8.*)

Report of the Queen Victoria Niagara Falls Park Commission. (*Sessional Papers No. 9.*)

Also—Report of the Game and Fisheries Department for the year 1914. (*Sessional Papers, No. 14.*)

Also—Report of the Minister of Education for the year 1914. (*Sessional Papers, No. 17.*)

Also—Report of the District Board of Health, for the year 1914. (*Sessional Papers, No. 21A.*)

Also—Report upon the Feeble-Minded, in Ontario, for the year 1914. (*Sessional Papers, No. 24.*)

Also—Report upon the Hospitals and Charitable Institutions of the Province. (*Sessional Papers, No. 25.*)

Also—Report upon the Prisons and Reformatories, for the year 1914. (*Sessional Papers, No. 26.*)

Also—Report of the Department of Agriculture for the year 1914. (*Sessional Papers, No. 29.*)

Also—Report of the Agricultural College and Experimental Farm for the year 1914. (*Sessional Papers, No. 30.*)

Also—Report of the Ontario Veterinary College for the year 1914. (*Sessional Papers, No. 31.*)

Also—Report of the Ontario Agricultural and Experimental Union for the year 1914. (*Sessional Papers, No. 32.*)

Also—Report of the Corn Growers' Association for the year 1914. (*Sessional Papers, No. 33.*)

Also—Report of the Ontario Vegetable Growers' Association for the year 1914. (*Sessional Papers, No. 34.*)

Also—Report of the Beekeepers' Association for the year 1914. (*Sessional Papers, No. 35.*)

Also—Report of the Entomological Society for the year 1914. (*Sessional Papers, No. 36.*)

Also—Report upon the Hospitals for the Insane for the year 1914. (*Sessional Papers, No. 22.*)

Also—Report of the Dairymen's Association for the year 1914. (*Sessional Papers, No. 37.*)

Also—Report of the Live Stock Branch of the Province for the year 1914. (*Sessional Papers, No. 38.*)

Also—Report of the Horticultural Societies for the year 1914. (*Sessional Papers, No. 43.*)

Also—Report of the Fruit Growers' Association for the year 1914. (*Sessional Papers, No. 44.*)

Also—Report of the Bureau of Industries for the year 1914. (*Sessional Papers, No. 45.*)

Also—Reports of the Inspectors of Factories for the year 1914. (*Sessional Papers, No. 46.*)

*Also—Report of the Ontario Railway and Municipal Board for the year 1914. (*Sessional Papers, No. 49.*)

Also—Report of the Archivist for the year 1915. (*Sessional Papers No. 51.*)

Also—Financial Statement of the Treasurer of the Province of Ontario, 1915. (*Sessional Papers, No. 73.*)

Also—Telephone Systems as *per* Report of Ontario Railway and Municipal Board for 1913. (*Sessional Papers, No. 76.*)

Also—Statement on the distribution of the Revised and Sessional Statutes, up to 31st December, 1914. (*Sessional Papers, No. 81.*)

Also—Return to an Order of the House of 31st March, 1915, for a Return showing:—1. The number of English-French schools which have complied in the year 1914 with Regulation 17 of the Department of Education passed in the year 1913. 2. The number of English-French schools which have not complied with said Regulation 17 in the year 1914. 3. What English-French schools have received grants in the year 1914 under the Public Schools Act.

and the amount thereof. 4. Copy of joint reports, if any, made by any inspectors pursuant to Regulation 17 and dated on or about May 23rd, 1913. 5. Copy of letters exchanged between ex-Inspector Henri Saint Jacques and the Department of Education or any officer or officers thereof with reference to the resignation of the said Henri Saint Jacques which are dated on or about the 18th October, 1913, and the 23rd October, 1913. (*Sessional Papers, No. 74.*)

Also—Return to an Order of the House of the 17th March, 1915, for a Return showing:—1. How many timber berths or locations have been sold since the 1st day of January, 1914. 2. Were all such berths or locations advertised for sale; if not, which ones were sold without advertisement. 3. If any were sold without being advertised for sale, who were the purchasers, and what are the prices realized and the dates of the sales, respectively. 4. In what papers were the different timber berths or locations respectively advertised for sale, and what were the dates of such advertisements respectively. 5. What is the period for which they were so advertised in the said papers, respectively. (*Sessional Papers, No. 75.*)

Also—Return to an Order of the House of the 28th April, 1914, for a Return showing:—1. If the Government granted the right to cut Pine or any other timber to Messrs. Foley Bros., Contractors, or to the Northern Construction Company, Limited or to any person, firm or company in connection with the construction of the Canadian Northern Railway Company in the vicinity of Duchesne Lake, situate about 90 miles from the Town of Sudbury. 2. If so, to what persons, firms or companies were such permits made, and the dates of each. 3. What consideration did the Government receive with respect to each of the said permits, if any. 4. What Pine or other timber has been cut to date by each of the persons, firms or companies with respect to such permits. 5. How long was the right to cut to last and over what extent of land; and what were the other terms or conditions upon which such permits were made, if any. 6. What was the date of the completion of the construction of the Canadian Northern Railway at this point. 7. What amount of timber has been cut by any person, firm or company to whom such permit, as mentioned, has been made. 8. Is any person, firm or company at the present time cutting timber pursuant to such permit. (*Sessional Papers, No. 77.*)

Also—Return to an Order of the House of the 27th March, 1914, for a Return of:—All correspondence with reference to the resignation of Mr. Harkness, Manager, Superintendent of the Jordan Experimental Station. 2. The reports of the Committee or Advisory Board of the said farm for the years 1911, 1912 and 1913. 3. Statements showing the total expenditure to date divided between cost of building, cost of land, improvements of land and cost of management. (*Sessional Papers, No. 78.*)

Also—Return to an Order of the House of the 7th April, 1914, for a Return showing:—1. If the Lieutenant-Governor in Council made any arrangements under Section 9 of the Succession Duties Act, with any part of the British Dominions, or with any foreign country; and if so, with what Provinces or countries. 2. If no such arrangement has been made with the Province of Quebec, does the Honourable the Provincial Treasurer make an allowance with respect to Succession Duties in Ontario with respect to shares of stock of a bank or other financial institution whose head office is in the Province of Quebec. 3. If it is true that a Succession Duty is payable with respect to such shares, both in Quebec and Ontario, will legislation be introduced to protect estates from payment of double duty. (*Sessional Papers, No. 79.*)

Also—Return to an Order of the House of the 27th February, 1914, for a Return showing:—1. What consideration was paid by the licensee to the Government in respect of the issue of the original licenses respectively, of the territory included within the proposed agreement with the Pembroke Lumber Company. 2. How much was paid by the Pembroke Lumber Company for these licenses respectively at the date of the purchase thereof by them. 3. What amounts of pine, hemlock, cedar, spruce, hardwood and other timber respectively have been cut on the limits or areas covered by the proposed agreement and returned to the Department as so cut by the Pembroke Lumber Company in each of the years since the purchase thereof by them. (*Sessional Papers, No. 80.*)

The House then adjourned at 3.15 a.m.

Thursday, April 8th, 1915.

PRAYERS.

3.00 O'CLOCK P.M.

Mr. Sulman, from the Standing Committee on Printing, presented the following as their Fourth Report, which was read as follows:—

Your Committee recommend that the following Documents be printed:—

Report of the Provincial Municipal Auditor for the year 1914. (*Sessional Papers No. 8.*)

Report of the Queen Victoria Niagara Falls Park Commission for the year 1914. (*Sessional Papers No. 9.*)

Report of the Game and Fish Commission for the year 1914. (*Sessional Papers No. 14.*)

Report of the Department of Education for the year 1914. (*Sessional Papers No. 17.*)

Report of District Board of Health. (*Sessional Papers No. 21A.*)

Report upon the Hospitals for the Insane for the year 1914. (*Sessional Papers No. 22.*)

Report upon the Hospitals for the Idiots and Epileptics for the year 1914. (*Sessional Papers No. 23.*)

Report upon the Feeble-minded for the year 1914. (*Sessional Papers No. 24.*)

Report upon the Hospitals and Charities of the Province for the year 1914. (*Sessional Papers No. 25.*)

Report upon the Common Gaols, Prisons and Reformatories for the Province for the year 1914. (*Sessional Papers No. 26.*)

Report of the Department of Agriculture for the year 1914. (*Sessional Papers No. 29.*)

Report of the Agricultural College and Experimental Farm for the year 1914. (*Sessional Papers No. 30.*)

Report of the Veterinary College for the year 1914. (*Sessional Papers No. 31.*)

Report of the Agricultural and Experimental Union for the year 1914. (*Sessional Papers No. 32.*)

Report of the Corn Growers' Association for the year 1914. (*Sessional Papers No. 33.*)

Report of the Vegetable Growers' Association for the year 1914. (*Sessional Papers No. 34.*)

Report of the Bee-Keepers' Association for the year 1914. (*Sessional Papers No. 35.*)

Report of the Entomological Society for the year 1914. (*Sessional Papers No. 36.*)

Report of the Dairymen's Association for the year 1914. (*Sessional Papers No. 37.*)

Report of the Live Stock Branch for the year 1914. (*Sessional Papers No. 38.*)

Report of the Horticultural Societies for the year 1914. (*Sessional Papers No. 43.*)

Report of the Fruit Growers' Association for the year 1914. (*Sessional Papers No. 44.*)

Report of the Bureau of Industries for the year 1914. (*Sessional Papers No. 45.*)

Report of the Factories Inspectors for the year 1914. (*Sessional Papers No. 46.*)

Report of the Ontario Railway and Municipal Board for the year 1914. (*Sessional Papers No. 49.*)

Report of the Provincial Archivist for the year 1914. (*Sessional Papers No. 51.*)

Telephone systems, specifications, etc. (*Sessional Papers No. 76.*)

Your Committee recommend that the following Documents be not printed:—

Return *re* number of English-French Schools. (*Sessional Papers No. 74.*)

Return *re* Sale of Timber Berths since first of January, 1914. (*Sessional Papers No. 75.*)

Return *re* concessions to cut timber granted to Foley Bros. (*Sessional Papers No. 77.*)

Return *re* resignation of Mr. Harkness. (*Sessional Papers No. 78.*)

Return under Section 9 of Succession Duties Act. (*Sessional Papers No. 79.*)

Return *re* timber cut by Pembroke Lumber Company. (*Sessional Papers No. 80.*)

Return *re* distribution of Revised and Sessional Statutes. (*Sessional Papers No. 81.*)

Resolved, That this House doth concur in the Fourth Report of the Committee on Printing.

His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor proceeded in State to the Chamber of the Legislative Assembly and being seated upon the Throne.

Mr. Speaker addressed His Honour in the following words:—

May it Please Your Honour:—

The Legislative Assembly of the Province having, at the present Sittings thereof, passed several Bills, to which in the name and on behalf of the said Legislative Assembly, I respectfully request Your Honour's Assent.

The Clerk Assistant then read the Titles of the Acts that had passed, severally as follows:—

An Act to amend The Representation Act.

An Act to Levy a Provincial War Tax to supplement the Revenues of the Crown.

An Act for Raising Money on the Credit of the Consolidated Revenue Fund of Ontario.

An Act respecting Certain Loans Raised on the Credit of the Consolidated Revenue Fund.

An Act to amend an Act for Raising Money on the Credit of the Consolidated Revenue Fund of Ontario.

An Act to amend The Succession Duty Act.

An Act to amend The Corporations Tax Act.

An Act to provide for the Payment of an Annuity to Alice, Lady Whitney.

An Act respecting Certain Bequests of the late George Cummings Butler Dwyer Brophy.

An Act to enable the Executors of the late George Taylor Fulford to make a Certain Gift out of his Estate for Patriotic Purposes.

An Act to confirm the Title of the Government of Canada to Certain Lands and Indian Lands.

An Act to amend The Mining Act of Ontario.

An Act to amend The Queen Victoria Niagara Falls Park Act.

An Act for the Better Regulating of the Use of Certain Public Waters.

An Act to amend The Highways Improvement Act.

An Act respecting Public Roads and Highways in Ontario.

An Act respecting The Toronto and Hamilton Highway Commission.

An Act to amend The Power Commission Act.

The Statute Law Amendment Act, 1915.

An Act to amend The Mortgages Act.

An Act to give Further Power to Courts with respect to the Recovery of Money Secured by Mortgage and other similar matters.

An Act respecting Accounting by Persons Administering Charitable Gifts.

An Act to amend The Workmen's Compensation Act.

An Act for Better Protection of Workmen having Certain Claims for Compensation against their Employers.

An Act to amend The Law Society Act.

An Act to amend The Ontario Medical Act.

An Act to amend The Pharmacy Act.

An Act to amend The Surveys Act.

An Act to amend The Ontario Insurance Act.

An Act to amend The Ontario Railway and Municipal Board Act.

An Act to amend The Hydro-Electric Railway Act, 1914.

An Act to amend The Ontario Telephone Act.

The Municipal Amendment Act, 1915.

The Local Improvement Amendment Act, 1915.

The Assessment Amendment Act, 1915.

An Act to authorize and confirm Grants by Municipal Corporations for Patriotic Purposes.

An Act to amend The Municipal Franchises Act.

An Act to Improve the Administration of the Liquor License Laws.

An Act to amend The Public Health Act.

An Act respecting the furnishing of certain appliances for Protection Against Accidents by Fire in Buildings.

An Act to amend The Cemetery Act.

An Act to amend The School Laws.

An Act respecting an Administration Building for the Board of Education of the City of Toronto.

An Act respecting the Board of Trustees of the Roman Catholic Separate Schools of the City of Ottawa.

An Act respecting the Town of Alliston.

An Act to confirm By-law No. 551 of the Town of Brampton.

An Act respecting the City of Brantford.

An Act respecting the Town of Brockville.

An Act respecting the Town of Cornwall.

An Act to incorporate the City of Galt.

An Act respecting the Town of Gananoque.

An Act to consolidate the Floating Debt of the Town of Gravenhurst.

An Act respecting the City of Hamilton.

An Act to confirm By-law No. 191 of the Town of Hanover.

An Act to confirm By-law No. 358 of the Town of Huntsville.

An Act to consolidate certain Debentures and Other Debts of the Town of Listowel.

An Act respecting the City of London.

An Act respecting the Town of Midland.

An Act confirming an Agreement between the Niagara, Welland and Lake Erie Railway Company and the Town of Welland.

An Act respecting the Town of North Bay.

An Act respecting the Town of Orillia.

An Act respecting the City of Ottawa.

An Act to confirm certain By-laws of the Town of Owen Sound.

An Act respecting the City of Peterborough.

An Act respecting the City of Port Arthur.

An Act respecting the Town of Preston.

An Act respecting the Town of Renfrew.

An Act respecting the City of St. Catharines.

An Act respecting the City of Sarnia.

An Act respecting the City of Sault Ste. Marie.

An Act respecting the Township of Sombra and the Township of Sarnia.

An Act respecting the City of Stratford.

An Act respecting the Town of Sturgeon Falls.

An Act to confirm certain By-laws of the Town of Sudbury.

An Act respecting the City of Toronto.

An Act to consolidate the General Debenture and Floating Debt of the Town of Walkerton.

An Act respecting the City of Windsor.

An Act to consolidate the Floating Debt of the Town of Wingham.

An Act respecting the Township of York.

An Act respecting the Hamilton Mountain Electric Railway Company.

An Act respecting The Humber Valley Electric Railway Company.

An Act respecting the Toronto, Barrie and Orillia Railway Company.

An Act respecting The Toronto Suburban Railway Company.

An Act respecting the Central Canada Exhibition Association.

An Act respecting The Huron and Erie Loan and Savings Company.

An Act to incorporate The Toronto Municipal Loan Association.

An Act respecting the Guelph General Hospital.

An Act respecting the Hospital for Sick Children.

An Act respecting the Protestant Orphans' Home, Toronto.

An Act to consolidate and amend the Acts respecting Victoria University.

An Act respecting the Railroad and City Young Men's Christian Association of St. Thomas.

An Act respecting the Church of the Holy Trinity, Toronto.

An Act respecting the Roman Catholic Episcopal Corporation for the Diocese of Peterborough, in Ontario, Canada.

An Act to amend the Act to incorporate the Sisters of St. Joseph of the Diocese of London in Ontario.

An Act to amend the Acts respecting the Sisters of St. Joseph for the Diocese of Toronto in Upper Canada.

An Act to authorize the Law Society of Upper Canada to admit James Albert Ellis to practise as a Barrister and Solicitor.

An Act to authorize the Law Society of Upper Canada to admit William Archibald McFarlane as a Student in his third year.

An Act relating to the estate of George Thomas Tuckett, deceased.

To these Acts the Royal Assent was announced by the Clerk of the Legislative Assembly in the following words:—

“In His Majesty’s name, His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor doth assent to these Acts.”

Mr. Speaker then said:—

May it Please Your Honour:—

We, His Majesty’s most dutiful and faithful subjects, the Legislative Assembly of the Province of Ontario, in Session assembled, approach Your Honour with sentiments of unfeigned devotion and loyalty to His Majesty’s person and Government, and humbly beg to present for Your Honour’s acceptance a Bill intituled “An Act for granting to His Majesty certain sums of money for the public service of the financial year ending on the 31st day of October, 1915, and for the public service of the financial year ending on the 31st day of October, 1916,” and for other purposes therein mentioned.

To this Act the Royal Assent was announced by the Clerk of the Legislative Assembly in the following words:—

“His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor doth thank His Majesty’s dutiful and loyal Subjects, accept their benevolence and assent to this Act in His Majesty’s name.”

His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor was then pleased to deliver the following Speech:—

Mr. Speaker and Gentlemen of the Legislative Assembly:

I desire, in bringing your labours to a close, to express my appreciation of the careful and expeditious manner in which you have transacted the public business, and the spirit of patriotism which has characterized your deliberations.

Since you assembled our brave Canadian soldiers have come into actual contact with the enemy, and have distinguished themselves in a way worthy of our country and the source from which they come. It is with feelings of

pride and satisfaction that we have read of their achievements in defence of our Flag and Empire. Our hearts and our prayers are with them, and our confident hope is that the complete triumph of Great Britain and its Allies in the near future will ensure to the world an enduring peace.

I observe that you have approved of the steps taken by my Government in the direction of aiding the Mother Country, and that you have made provision, by means of a War Tax, for such further assistance as experience may show to be necessary. During the recess my advisers will secure all information possible in order to determine the manner in which further aid can be most effectively given.

The public response to the various appeals for funds for war relief purposes has been prompt and generous. I desire to direct attention to a measure you have adopted which confers authority upon municipal corporations to grant aid to the Patriotic Fund, the Red Cross Association, and the Belgian Relief Fund; to equip organizations for home defence; to insure the lives of soldiers; to provide for their dependents; and to send food and clothing for the relief of war sufferers. In making such grants at this time it will not be necessary for any Municipal Council to submit them to a vote of the ratepayers for ratification.

Information from various sections of the Province points to an unusually large yield of all kinds of foodstuffs during the coming season. This is the outcome of exceptionally favourable conditions as well as the patriotic appeals for increased production addressed to the farming community. In view of the possibility of a food shortage elsewhere it is to be hoped that these expectations will be fully realized.

An important advance has been made in the matter of Temperance Legislation, by a measure placing the control and supervision of the liquor traffic under a Provincial Commission, with large powers for restricting the hours within which liquor may be sold; for the suspension of its sale, and for imposing other conditions and restrictions in connection with such sale. Such a measure will prove very far-reaching in its nature, and it is the earnest hope of my Government that it will be met with generous public support so that it may be an effective means for promoting temperance and further reducing the evils of the drink habit.

By the adoption of an Act establishing a Department of Public Highways you have taken a necessary step towards giving effect to the recommendations of the Commission which recently went very thoroughly into this important question, affecting as it does the material welfare of all classes of the community.

Among other measures adopted are Acts giving further power to Courts with respect to the recovery of money secured by mortgages; setting apart a fund to provide seed grain for the relief of settlers in Northern Ontario; to amend The Corporations Tax Act; to amend The Power Commission Act; and for other purposes.

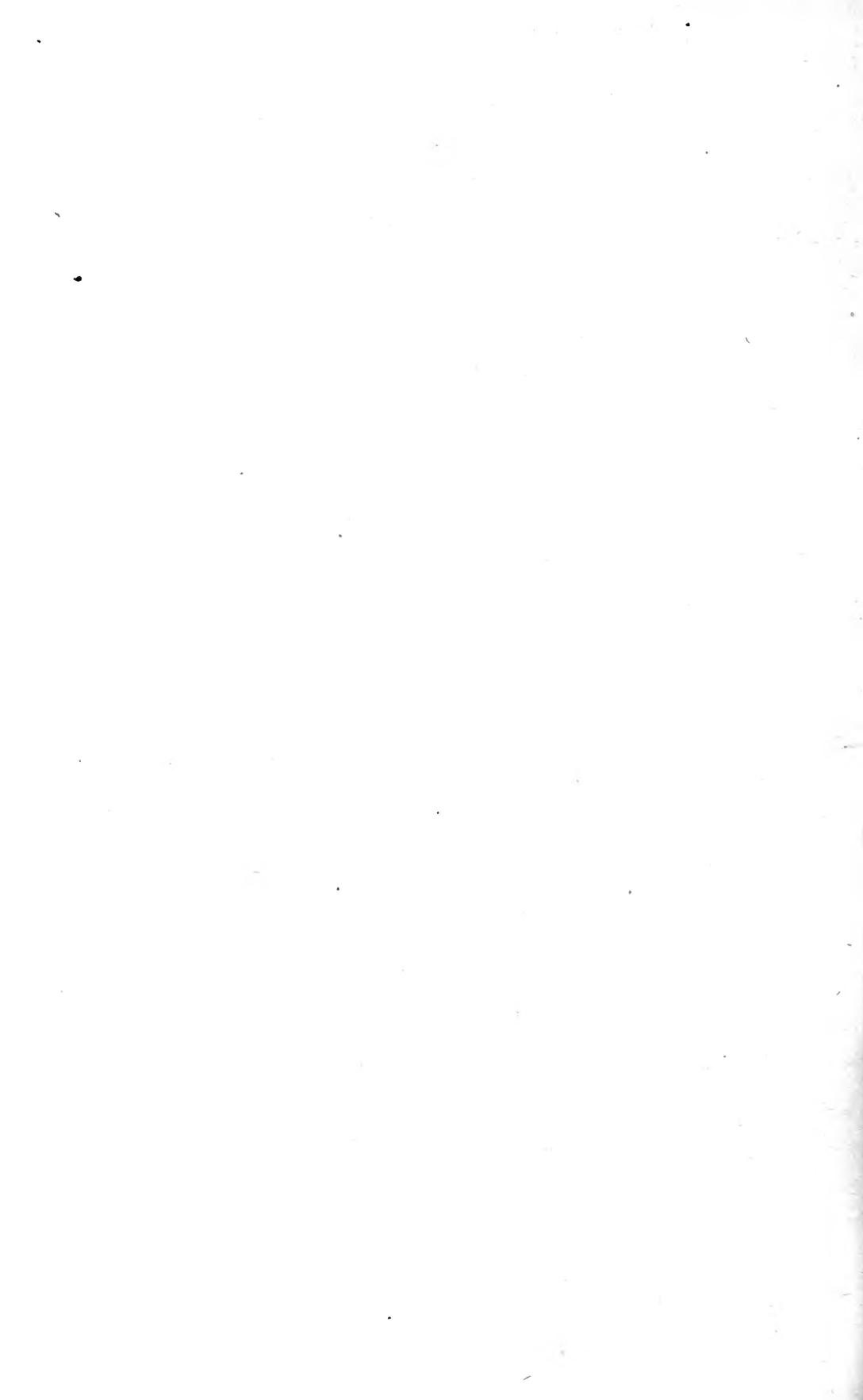
I desire to thank you for the liberal provision you have made for the various public undertakings and to assure you that the supplies you have voted will be administered with a view to efficiency and economy.

In conclusion, I thank you for the beneficial legislation you have enacted, and commend you and our country to the blessing and the protection of Almighty God which have been so bountifully vouchsafed to us in the past as individuals and as a nation.

The Provincial Secretary then said,

Mr. Speaker and Gentlemen of the Legislative Assembly:—

It is His Honour's will and pleasure that this Legislative Assembly be prorogued and this Legislative Assembly is accordingly prorogued.



Appendix

No. 1.

REPORT

OF THE

Committee on Public Accounts

1915



APPENDIX

No. 1.

Report of the Committee on Public Accounts, 1915.

To the Honourable the Legislative Assembly of the Province of Ontario:

The Standing Committee on Public Accounts begs leave to present the following as its Report:—

Your Committee has had produced before it the following accounts, vouchers, correspondence and particulars in connection with the Public Accounts of the Province of Ontario for the fiscal year ending 31st October, 1914, which it has carefully examined and considered:—

All Books of Account containing all receipts and payments of the Treasurer of Ontario appearing as Statement No. 1, on page *a16*, Public Accounts, 1914.

All accounts, vouchers and correspondence relating to Statement No. 14, appearing on page *a52*, Public Accounts, 1914.

Evidence in respect of item \$860,210.14, Licenses, appearing on page *a16* and item \$39,956.45, Enforcing License Act, appearing on page 570, Public Accounts, 1914.

Messrs. James Clancy, Provincial Auditor; W. N. Douglas, Chief Clerk, Treasurer's Department; H. Lovelock, Acting King's Printer; Emile Laverdure, License Commissioner, and W. J. Campbell, License Inspector for Russell County, were examined.

Your Committee has held, during the present Session, seven meetings, and submits herewith the Minutes of proceedings and the Evidence given, as taken by stenographers.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

T. HERBERT LENNOX,
Chairman.

Committee Room,
Toronto, April 1st, 1915.

MINUTES AND PROCEEDINGS PUBLIC ACCOUNTS COMMITTEE
ROOM, LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Toronto, March 12th, 1915.

The Select Standing Committee to whom was referred the examination of the Public Accounts of the Province for the fiscal year 1913-14, and composed of the following Members:—Sir Adam Beck, and Messieurs Bowman, Carew, Cargill, Carter, Clarke, Dargavel, Eilber, Elliott, Ferguson (Grenville), Gamey, Gillespie, Hall (Lanark), Hanna, Hartt, Hearst, Hilliard, Hogarth, Hook, Hurdman, Irish, Jaques, Johnson, Lennox, Lucas, Mageau, Machin, Magladery, Munro, Musgrove (Huron), McCrea, McElroy, McGarry, McKeown, Pinard, Price, Preston (Lanark), Proudfoot, Rankin, Rowell, Sinclair, Thompson (Simcoe), and Torrance, met this day at 11.30 a.m. for organization.

Present—Messieurs Bowman, Carew, Cargill, Clarke, Dargavel, Ferguson (Grenville), Gillespie, Hartt, Hurdman, Johnson, Lennox, Mageau, Magladery, Munro, Musgrove (Huron), McElroy, McGarry, McKeown, Pinard, Price, Preston (Lanark), Proudfoot, Rankin, Torrance.

On Motion of Mr. McGarry, seconded by Mr. Ferguson (Grenville),

Resolved, That Mr. Lennox be elected Chairman for the Session.

On Motion of Mr. Bowman, seconded by Mr. Hurdman,

Ordered, That James Clancy, Provincial Auditor, and C. H. Sproule, Deputy Provincial Treasurer, be summoned to attend at the next meeting of this Committee to give evidence in reference to Statement No. 1, appearing on page a16 of the Public Accounts for the year 1913-14, and the items therein contained, and to bring with them and produce before the Committee the Books of Account of the Treasury Department containing the receipts and payments of the Treasurer of Ontario during the fiscal year ending 31st October, 1914.

The Committee then adjourned to meet again on Wednesday, March 17th at 11.00 a.m.

Public Accounts Committee Room,

Wednesday, March 17th, 1915.

Committee met pursuant to adjournment at 11.00 a.m.

Present—Messieurs Lennox, Chairman; Bowman, Carew, Cargill, Carter, Clarke, Ferguson (Grenville), Gillespie, Hall (Lanark), Hartt, Hilliard, Hook, Irish, Jaques, Johnson, Machin, Magladery, Munro, Musgrove (Huron), McCrea, McGarry, McKeown, Preston (Lanark), Rankin, Sinclair, Torrance.

Messieurs James Clancy, Provincial Auditor, and W. N. Douglas, Chief Clerk, Treasury Department, attended with Books of Accounts, etc., as ordered.

Mr. James Clancy was sworn and examined.

Mr. McGarry objected to certain questions being asked witness and was sustained by the Chair. Yeas and nays asked for, and ruling of the Chair sustained in yeas 13, nays 3.

Mr. W. N. Douglas was sworn and examined.

Mr. McGarry explained under what conditions certain questions could be asked, relating to transactions with the Temiskaming and Northern Ontario Railway.

Mr. McGarry objected to a question asked being answered and was sustained by the Chair. Yeas and nays asked for, and ruling of the Chair sustained. Yeas 16, nays 5.

On Motion of Mr. Clarke, seconded by Mr. Gillespie,

Ordered, That Mr. F. R. Heakes, Provincial Architect, be summoned to appear before the Committee at its next meeting with all accounts and vouchers pertaining to the expenditures on the new Government House and give evidence regarding the item of \$108,598.08, p. 356, Public Accounts, 1914.

On Motion of Mr. Munro, seconded by Mr. Bowman,

Ordered, That the King's Printer be summoned to appear before the Committee at its next meeting to give evidence regarding Account No. 14, at p. a52, Public Accounts, 1914, and to bring with him all accounts and vouchers pertaining to the expenditures set forth in the said Account No. 14.

The Committee then adjourned to meet again on Friday, March 19th, at 11.00 a.m.

Public Accounts Committee Room,
Friday, March 19th, 1915.

Committee met pursuant to adjournment at 11.00 a.m.

Present—Messieurs Lennox, Chairman; Bowman, Carew, Cargill, Carter, Clarke, Dargavel, Ferguson (Grenville), Gillespie, Hartt, Hilliard, Hook, Irish, Jaques, Johnson, Machin, Maglavery, Munro, Musgrove (Huron), McCrea, McElroy, McGarry, Pinard, Preston (Lanark), Proudfoot, Sinclair, Torrance.

Mr. H. Lovelock, Acting King's Printer, attended and was sworn and examined.

Mr. W. N. Douglas, Chief Clerk, Treasury Department, was re-called and re-examined.

Mr. F. R. Heakes, Provincial Architect, attended, but was not examined.

On Motion of Mr. Bowman, seconded by Mr. Proudfoot,

Ordered, That Mr. Clancy, Provincial Auditor, be summoned to re-appear before this Committee at its next meeting and to bring all Books of Account relating to Statement No. 1, on page a16 of the Public Accounts for 1914.

On Motion of Mr. Bowman, seconded by Mr. Clarke,

Ordered, That Mr. S. A. Armstrong, Deputy Provincial Secretary, be summoned to appear before this Committee at its next meeting and give evidence respecting the item of \$4,000 which appears on page 22 of the Public Accounts for 1914, as having been paid to said Armstrong as salary.

The Committee then adjourned to meet again on Wednesday, March 24th, at 11.00 a.m.

Public Accounts Committee Room,
Wednesday, March 24th, 1915.

Committee met pursuant to adjournment at 11.00 a.m.

Present—Messieurs Lennox, Chairman; Bowman, Carew, Cargill, Carter, Clarke, Ferguson (Grenville), Gillespie, Hall (Lanark), Hartt, Hilliard, Hook,

Hurdman, Irish, Jaques, Johnson, Machin, Magladery, Munro, McCrea, McElroy, Pinard, Price, Preston (Lanark), Proudfoot, Rowell, Sinclair, Thompson (Simcoe), Torrance.

Mr. J. Clancy, Provincial Auditor, re-attended, with all Books of Account, as ordered.

Mr. S. A. Armstrong, Deputy Provincial Secretary, attended, but was not examined.

Mr. J. Clancy was re-examined.

Ordered, That Messrs. Clancy, Sproule, Armstrong, and Heakes be notified to re-attend at next meeting of the Committee.

The Committee then adjourned to meet again on Friday, March 26th, at 11.00 a.m.

Public Accounts Committee Room,
Friday, March 26th, 1915.

Committee met pursuant to adjournment at 11.00 a.m.

Present—Messieurs Lennox, Chairman; Bowman, Carew, Cargill, Carter, Dargavel, Eilber, Ferguson (Grenville), Gillespie, Hall (Lanark), Hartt, Hook, Hurdman, Jaques, Johnson, Mageau, Magladery, Munro, Musgrove (Huron), McCrea, McElroy, Pinard, Price, Preston (Lanark), Proudfoot, Rowell, Sinclair, Torrance.

Messrs. Clancy, Sproule and Heakes re-attended.

Messrs. Sproule and Heakes were not examined and ordered to attend at next meeting of the Committee.

Mr. J. Clancy, re-examined.

Mr. Ferguson (Grenville). objected to a certain question asked witness (see evidence). The Chair ruled in favor of the question being answered.

Yeas and Nays asked for and objection sustained. Nays 14, Yeas 9.

Mr. Ferguson (Grenville), again objected to a certain question asked (see evidence). The Chair ruled in favor of the question being answered.

Yeas and Nays asked for and objection sustained. Nays 16, Yeas 9.

Mr. J. Clancy ordered to attend at next meeting of the Committee with Books of Account, as produced at meeting of the Committee held on March 24th.

On Motion of Mr. Bowman, seconded by Mr. Gillespie,

Ordered, That Emile Laverdure, License Inspector for the County of Russell, residing at East Vieu, County of Russell, and W. J. Campbell, License Inspector for the County of Russell, residing at Metcalfe in the said County, be summoned to attend the next meeting of this Committee to give evidence in respect of the item of \$860,210.14, Licenses, appearing at page a16 of the Public Accounts for the fiscal year ending 31st October, 1914, and the item of \$39,956.45, Enforcing Liquor License, on page 570 of the Public Accounts.

On Motion of Mr. Carter, seconded by Mr. Bowman,

Ordered, That H. F. Macdonald, Accountant of the Temiskaming and Northern Ontario Railway Commission, be summoned to attend the next meeting of this Committee to give evidence in connection with the following items appearing in the Public Accounts for the fiscal year ending 31st October, 1914.

Statement No. 1, the items of \$250,000 and \$544,491.17, appearing on page a17, and the items of \$550,000 and \$544,491.17, appearing on page a18, and the item of \$550,000 appearing on page 636; and that he bring with him and produce to the Committee the books of the Commission showing the receipts and disbursements of the Commission for the fiscal year ending 31st October, 1914, together with the following vouchers:

Nos. 43793, 44160, 45047, 46187, 46677, 46900, 47533, 48737, 48946.

The Committee then adjourned to meet again on Tuesday, March 30th, at 10.30 a.m.

Public Accounts Committee Room,
Wednesday, March 31st, 1915.

By agreement, meeting of the Committee called for Tuesday, March 30th, at 10.30 a.m., was postponed until Wednesday, March 31st, at 10.30 a.m.

Committee met pursuant to adjournment and postponement, at 10.30 a.m.

Present—Messieurs Lennox, Chairman; Bowman, Carew, Cargill, Carter, Eilber, Ferguson (Grenville), Gillespie, Hall (Lanark), Hartt, Hilliard, Hook,

Hurdman, Irish, Johnson, Lucas, Mageau, Munro, Musgrove (Huron), McElroy, McGarry, Pinard, Price, Preston (Lanark), Rankin, Rowell, Sinclair, Torrance.

Mr. J. Clancy was re-called and re-examined.

Mr. W. N. Douglas was re-called and re-examined.

Messrs. Chas. H. Sproule, E. Laverdure, License Commissioner for Russell County; W. J. Campbell, License Inspector for Russell County, and D. Hamilton of Temiskaming and Northern Ontario Railway Commission, attended, but were not examined.

The Committee then adjourned to meet again on Thursday, April 1st, at 10 a.m.

Public Accounts Committee Room,
Thursday, April 1st, 1915.

Committee met pursuant to adjournment, at 10 a.m.

Present—Messieurs Lennox, Chairman; Bowman, Carter, Ferguson (Grenville), Gillespie, Hall (Lanark), Hurdman, Irish, Jaques, Johnson, Munro, Musgrove (Huron), McCrea, McElroy, McKeown, Preston (Lanark), Proudfoot, Sinclair, Thompson (Simcoe).

Messrs. F. R. Heakes and D. Hamilton attended but were not examined.

Mr. Emile Laverdure, License Commissioner for Russell County, was called, sworn and examined.

Mr. W. J. Campbell, License Inspector for Russell County, was called, sworn, and examined.

The Report was then adopted.

The Committee then adjourned.

PUBLIC ACCOUNTS COMMITTEE.

TORONTO, March 12th, 1915.

The Committee met at 11.30 a.m.

HON. MR. MCGARRY: I wish to nominate as Chairman a gentleman who for the past ten years has been a member of this House and for a number of years a member of this Committee, and whose qualifications for the honourable and distinguished office of Chairman of Public Accounts are, I think, all that one would desire. The person to whom I refer is T. Herbert Lennox.

HON. MR. FERGUSON: I heartily concur with that suggestion, and beg leave to second the motion.

The motion was then put to the Committee, and Mr. Lennox was elected Chairman and took the Chair.

MR. LENNOX: Gentlemen, permit me to thank you for the distinguished honour you have done me in electing me as presiding officer of this Committee. No one realizes more than I do the responsibility which is attached to this office, and I can only say that it will be my aim and my ambition to be absolutely fair and impartial and to see that the rights of the minority are protected. I do not expect to discharge the duties as well as my immediate predecessor, or any of my predecessors, but I shall at all events do the best I can, and in that regard I ask your support and hearty co-operation. Permit me again to thank you for the confidence you have shown in me by electing me to this office.

Mr. Bowman moved for the appearance of J. Clancy, Auditor-General, and E. H. Sproule, Assistant Provincial Treasurer, and the production of certain documents and the meeting then adjourned, to meet again on Wednesday, March 17th, at 11 a.m.

PUBLIC ACCOUNTS COMMITTEE.

TORONTO, March 17th, 1915.

The Committee met at 11 a.m., T. H. Lennox in the Chair.

J. Clancy, Provincial Auditor, called and sworn.

MR. BOWMAN: I see here, in the Public Accounts, a letter from you to the Provincial Treasurer. What does that letter imply. "I have the honour

to submit to you the Public Accounts for the twelve months ended October 31st, 1914 ”?

WITNESS: It implies just what it says. I cannot make it any stronger than it appears there.

Q.—Does that imply, that in submitting the Public Accounts, they are as prepared by you as Provincial Auditor?

A.—Quite so.

Q.—Yes, and under what Act do you prepare the Public Accounts. Under what Act do you get the authority for preparing the Public Accounts?

A.—Under the Audit Act. That authority—speaking from memory—is in section 21, subsection 3.

Q.—In comparing the Public Accounts for 1914 and some years back, going back, say, to the year 1909, I notice some difference——

MR. MCGARRY: What year?

Q.—Going back to 1909, comparing 1914 with 1909 there appears a difference in the form in which the Public Accounts are presented. Looking over the Public Accounts as presented by you, Mr. Clancy, in 1909, I notice that there are several appendixes and correspondence that appear in 1909. I do not see anything of that character in the Public Accounts of 1914?

A.—That is a fact.

Q.—Can you tell us why there is that change in the presentation of the Public Accounts?

A.—Well, the change arose from the exercise of the authority in the Treasury Board to direct in what manner the Public Accounts shall be printed or published, and under the authority of the power given by the Legislature it was separated into two parts.

Q.—I see there was a change made in the Audit Act?

A.—There was a change, of course.

Q.—In what year?

A.—I do not recall. I think probably in 1908 or 1909, it may have been later.

Q.—What year did you say?

A.—Probably in 1908 or 1909.

Q.—You think either 1908 or 1909?

A.—Yes. I think it was probably in 1909. But I am not sure as to the particular year.

Q.—I see that under that change in the Audit Act that the absolute power of preparing——

HON. MR. MCGARRY: You must not ask Mr Clancy to interpret legislation. You ought to go and get someone else to interpret it, or interpret it yourselves. You cannot get a witness here and try to get him to interpret

legislation, you have no right to do that at all. I do not want to interfere in any way with your examination, but you have no right to do that.

· MR. BOWMAN: I notice in the Public Accounts of 1914 a copy of a minute of the Treasury Board, dated the 13th day of February, A.D. 1915:

“Upon consideration of the report of the Honourable the Provincial Treasurer, dated the 13th day of February, A.D. 1915, the Treasury Board doth hereby order that, pursuant to the provisions of subsection 1 of section 32 of the Audit Act, Cap. 23, R.S.O. 1914, Statement No. 1 in the Public Accounts of Receipts and Payments for the year ending 31st of October, 1914, be published in the Public Accounts as set forth therein. Certified,

J. LONSDALE CAPREOL.”

MR. BOWMAN (continuing): Coming now to Statement No. 1, in view of this minute am I right in assuming——was this Statement prepared by you or prepared by the Treasury Board?

A.—It was prepared by the Treasurer.

Q.—It was prepared by the Treasury Board?

MR. McCRAE: I think he said the Treasurer.

WITNESS: Probably it would be more correct to say the Assistant Provincial Treasurer. I do not imagine the Treasurer himself prepares any part of it.

MR. BOWMAN: Am I correct then in assuming that as Auditor you had nothing to do with the preparation of Statement No. 1?

A.—Not in compiling it. I had to do with every item of expenditure and receipts that appear therein.

Q.—Previous to the change in the Audit Act in 1909 did the Treasury Board or the Treasury Department prepare that statement or did you?

HON. MR. MCGARRY: You cannot go back to 1909.

MR. CHAIRMAN: You will have to confine yourself to 1913-14, with the exception of those two items you have permission to go into.

HON. MR. MCGARRY: If you will refer to the statute you will find that you were a participating party in the legislation which makes it necessary for the Treasury Board to have that statement prepared. I say you were in the House at the time and you took no objection to the Act.

MR. BOWMAN: Excuse me, I——

HON. MR. MCGARRY: You made no motion against it. You were a consenting party to that legislation. . . You cannot take this witness back

to get his idea of this legislation. The fact is that it was prepared by the Treasury Board in accordance with the Statute, as he has sworn.

MR. BOWMAN: It was prepared by the Treasury Department, by the Treasury Board. It was not prepared by you?

A.—That Statement was not compiled by me, but the material therein, as far as the receipts and expenditures were concerned, was the work of the Audit office, whether it was the work also of the Treasury Department or not I do not know.

Q.—What do you wish us to understand by that? Was it checked over by you after it was prepared in the Treasury Department?

A.—The material was checked over and carefully gone into before that Statement was compiled.

Q.—It was gone over?

A.—Yes.

Q.—By the audit office?

A.—Yes.

Q.—So that was the only work in connection with this Statement that was done in the audit office?

A.—As a matter of auditing, of accounting.

Q.—I see. I notice that in this Statement Number 1 there is an item of \$544,491.17, in connection with which there is an affidavit signed "J. C." I presume that stands for J. Clancy?

A.—It does.

Q.—In connection with that footnote, "No receipts or payments in connection with these items," you told us a few minutes ago that the work in connection with this Statement was performed in the audit office and that the material for this statement was prepared in the audit office. At the head of Statement No. 1 "balance sheet showing the receipts and payments of the Treasurer of Ontario during the fiscal year ended 31st of October, 1914." In that Statement of receipts and expenditures during the fiscal year you will find an item of \$544,491.17 with a footnote saying "no receipts or payments in connection with these items," now how do you reconcile the heading of Statement No. 1 with that footnote, Mr. Clancy?

A.—The footnote reconciles everything, because it states the facts.

Q.—How can an item that is not a receipt be injected into the Statement which purposes to be a statement of receipts and expenditures for a certain period, a receipt that does not really exist?

A.—If you want an expression of opinion, I would not care to enter upon it. The footnote explains the fact.

Q.—Was that item of \$544,491.17 taken into consideration by you in preparing the material for this Statement No. 1?

A.—The \$544,491.17 had nothing to do with any material with which we had to deal.

Q.—The \$544,491.17 had nothing to do with any material you had to deal with. Then how did it appear in this Statement if it had nothing to do with the material you dealt with?

A.—We did not prepare this Statement. It was prepared by the Treasury Department.

Q.—Prepared by the Treasury Department? I understood you to say a few minutes ago that the audit office dealt with all the material and matter that appears in this Statement?

A.—I did not say that. I said the audit office dealt with all the material having relation to actual receipts and expenditures.

Q.—All the actual receipts?

A.—Yes.

Q.—You wish to make a distinction between actual receipts, real receipts and receipts that are not receipts at all?

A.—The footnote explains that.

Q.—If you, as auditor, had full control of the preparation of Statement No. 1 the same as I understand you had previous to the change in 1909. would you as auditor, having absolute control ———

HON. MR. MCGARRY: I object to that question.

MR. McCRAE: I object to it.

MR. HARTT: How can you ask him about something that cannot be a fact.

MR. CHAIRMAN: I think the question is out of order.

HON. MR. MCGARRY: It is a foolish question to ask, as he has asked it, a public servant of the Province to deal judgment upon the Government of Ontario. That is what you are asking Mr. Bowman. It is the most nonsensical question a member of this House could possibly ask.

The Chairman ruled the question out of order.

MR. BOWMAN: Notwithstanding that it is a nonsensical question, I want an answer, and I appeal from the ruling of the Chair.

The yeas and nays were taken upon Mr. Bowman's appeal, and the ruling of the Chair was sustained.

MR. BOWMAN (continuing): I notice Mr. Clancy that an item of \$544,491.17 appears as a receipt in this Statement No. 1, and that there is a disbursement of the same amount on the opposite side of the page. Does your footnote "no receipts or payments in connection with these items" apply to both items?

A.—It applies to both items, yes.

Q.—And your office—the audit office—did not deal with these two items, in any shape or form, in the preparation of the material, which you passed on to the Treasury Department in connection with Statement No. 1?

A.—It would, probably, be more correct to say that I did not participate in the preparation of the Statement, I have already stated that the material respecting receipts and expenditures, actual receipts and expenditures, were dealt with in the audit office.

Q.—Did you pass on to the Treasury Department any material or statement in connection with this Statement No. 1 here, to guide and direct the Treasury Department in the preparation of this Statement?

A.—The same material existed in both offices. Therefore they were possessed of all the facts just in the same manner that we were.

Q.—I see, as the material accumulated through your office, the same would occur in the Treasury Department?

A.—It comes from the Treasury Department as the initiatory step—it comes in the first instance from the Treasurer.

Q.—Am I right in assuming that, as a matter of absolute fact, your office had absolutely nothing to do with the preparation of this Statement?

A.—Not in compiling that Statement. But, incidentally, every item that appears in that Statement went through the audit office and was carefully analysed and audited. The compiling of the Statement is a somewhat different matter which, I say, we have nothing to do with.

MR. JOHNSON: This entry here, Mr. Clancy, is here with your sanction as auditor? This is here by your sanction?

WITNESS: Which item?

MR. JOHNSON: This item Mr. Bowman is questioning you about. . . . as auditor you approve of these figures?

A.—I approve of actual receipts and expenditures.

Q.—You have down here a statement of receipts and expenditures and you approve of that Statement?

A.—I have no choice of approving or disapproving of it. The Statement was prepared under an Act, on the authority of the Legislature. I had to obey it. There was no question of disapproving or approving of it.

MR. MUNRO: If you had prepared it yourself, independent of any—

MR. CHAIRMAN: That is the same question ruled out before.

MR. CARTER: Is the amount in that, as Mr. Johnson suggests there—

MR. JOHNSON: I did not ask that question at all.

MR. CARTER: Well, put your question again.

MR. JOHNSON: I asked whether, as auditor for the Province, these figures were approved by him.

MR. CLARKE: This \$544,000—if he approved of it.

MR. JOHNSON: Do not put words in my mouth. I will ask my own question. I think I have had a satisfactory answer to my question, Mr. Chairman.

MR. McCRAE: You simply certified as to the correctness of the figures. The form or compilation of the items is directed by the Treasury Board.

WITNESS: I certified to the figures in the explanatory note.

MR. McCRAE: But the form and compilation of the various items is directed by the Treasury Board?

MR. BOWMAN: Do I understand your question as to the figures being correct. Do you wish that to apply to the \$544,491.17?

HON. MR. MCGARRY: Your part as Auditor is as to the correctness of the figures. The form of compilation of the various items is directed by the Treasury Board under the Statute?

WITNESS: The whole Statement is under the direction of the Treasury Board. I approve of the items of actual receipts and expenditures appearing therein.

MR. CARTER: Coming to the explanatory note of this \$544,491.17. What is your explanation of that?

A.—That means just what it says.

MR. BOWMAN: If I understand Mr. McCrae's question aright, you certified to the correctness of the figures in Statement No. 1, but with the addition of the footnote in respect to two items. Does the fact that it appears here with this footnote mean that it carries your certificate as to the correctness of this item of \$544,491.17?

A.—I have already stated that I gave no expression in regard to that item. I made a footnote stating that it was neither a receipt nor an expenditure.

Q.—Then we are safe in assuming that, even if this appears here, your footnote is not to be assumed as carrying a certificate from you that these figures are correct?

HON. MR. MCGARRY: He has already stated what is to be assumed from that Statement. He says it speaks for itself and that is enough.

MR. BOWMAN (to witness): No one has the right to assume from your statement that these figures, even if they appear in Statement No. 1, carrying your footnote—no one has the right to assume that that carries with it a certificate that these figures are correct?

MR. McCRAE: Which figures? He states that, as far as actual receipts are concerned, the footnote explains it.

MR. BOWMAN: I am sorry that through the ruling of the Chair this Committee cannot find out what are your conclusions in connection with this matter, Mr. Clancy.

MR. HARTT: He distinctly states that the footnote explains it.

MR. BOWMAN: I want to clear up one point. Mr. McCrae questioned you as to the correctness of these figures——

HON. MR. MCGARRY: The Statement clears up itself. It states absolutely that there were no receipts or expenditures in connection with these items. What more do you want?

MR. GILLESPIE: I would like to ask—if this \$544,491.17 is not a receipt, and is not treated as a receipt, what is the actual deficit on the other side of the book?

HON. MR. MCGARRY: This man has nothing to do with that.

MR. CHAIRMAN: You can ask the Treasurer about that in the House.

MR. HARTT: That is too broad a question for this Committee to decide.

MR. CHAIRMAN: Mr. Clancy has nothing to do with that.

MR. BOWMAN: Mr. Clancy has told us he had nothing to do with the preparation of this Statement. That he had no responsibility in connection with it.

MR. JOHNSON: He said nothing of the kind.

MR. MUNRO: If you prepared a statement for a private company, Mr. Clancy, would ———

HON. MR. MCGARRY: He won't answer that. That is the same question as was asked before.

MR. CHAIRMAN: You need not answer that.

MR. CLANCY: That would be venturing an opinion I would not care to undertake.

MR. SINCLAIR: We are dealing with the facts here.

MR. HARTT: What right has Mr. Clancy to express an opinion of what any private company might do?

MR. MCCRAE: I think there is soreness because Mr. Clancy won't criticize the Treasury Board.

MR. CARTER: I do not think so. We were promised a clear statement by the Attorney-General as to whether this is in the receipts twice, whether it is in any other total.

HON. MR. MCGARRY: This isn't the place to argue that. The place is in the House.

MR. CARTER: Can I ask a question, Mr. Chairman?

MR. CHAIRMAN: Put your question.

MR. CARTER: Then I ask the Auditor, through you, whether this appears in any other place, with any other figures besides being stated here, this \$544,000. Is it in any other place, linked together with any other amounts?

HON. MR. MCGARRY: The Public Accounts will show the place where the \$544,000 appears. If every member was as industrious as Mr. Clancy he would know whether it appears twice or not. He wouldn't have to have pointed out the place where the item appears.

MR. CARTER: I am only inquiring as a member.

HON. MR. MCGARRY: And I am anxious to give you all information.

MR. CARTER: I have an open mind, I really have, but you will prejudice me against you.

HON. MR. MCGARRY: If we take up and argue every question we will never get through. We are anxious to get ahead. We have been blamed for delaying things before.

MR. CARTER: My question was a fair question.

MR. HARTT: This discussion is getting very general.

MR. CHAIRMAN: Mr. Clancy is waiting to answer proper questions.

MR. BOWMAN: In view of the ruling of the Chairman, and in view of the fact that Mr. Clancy did not prepare this Statement and that the Treasury Department prepared it under the change in the Audit Act of 1909, I do not see as we can get further with Mr. Clancy and will ask for Mr. Sproule. In the meantime we are through with Mr. Clancy though we may want him back again.

(Witness was then excused.)

WM. N. DOUGLAS, Chief Clerk in the Treasury Department, called and sworn:

MR. CHAIRMAN: What is your position?

A.—Chief Clerk in the Treasury Department.

MR. BOWMAN: I spoke to the Provincial Treasurer yesterday about making some reference to the Public Accounts of 1913, and he very kindly consented that I should have the privilege of doing so, and dealing with the receipt of two million odd dollars from the Dominion Government, in connection with the T. and N. O. subsidy.

HON. MR. MCGARRY: I wish to make a statement in that regard. As every honourable member knows, this Committee is charged by the House with the investigation of the Public Accounts of the last year only, 1913-1914. Mr. Bowman, in order to call up this particular item desires to refer to the accounts of 1912-1913. In Statement No. 1 of that year there are two items, one nine hundred thousand odd, credited as revenue for interest due from the T. and N. O. railway to the Government, another is an item of \$2,100,000 odd, received as a subsidy from the Dominion. I have consented to his going into these two particular items but it must be understood by the Committee that it is a license we are allowing the Committee and doesn't create a precedent for other items to be gone into, of other years.

MR. HARTT: I fear we are establishing a precedent that will have a tendency to lengthen out the duties of this Committee.

MR. BOWMAN: Now, going back to 1912-13, in connection with the Public Accounts of 1912-13, known as the Public Accounts of 1913, I notice there are two items in the statement of receipts. On page a16 of the Public Accounts of 1913 in what is treated, I understand, as current receipts—am I right in assuming that these items, on this page, are treated as current receipts?

WITNESS: Yes, current or ordinary receipts, as distinguished from capital receipts.

Q.—I find here an item of \$954,629.05, which was transferred to this Statement of ordinary current receipts from the amount which was received from the Dominion Government as a subsidy for the T. and N. O. How was the balance of that subsidy dealt with?

A.—It was dealt with as a capital receipt.

Q.—What was the total amount of that subsidy?

A.—Statement No. 21 will give the division.

Q.—On page a73 the total subsidy is shown as \$2,134,080.

A.—Yes, sir.

Q.—In the preparation of Statement No. 1 that was divided into two items?

A.—Two items; yes.

Q.—One was treated as a capital receipt—the \$1,170,450 was treated as a capital receipt?

A.—Yes.

Q.—And the balance was treated as an ordinary current receipt for that year—am I right in assuming that?

A.—The \$954,629.05 was applied as back interest due by the T. and N. O. Railway.

Q.—Back interest for what period?

A.—From October 31, 1909, to October 31, 1913.

Q.—That cleared up the total amount of arrears?

A.—Yes.

Q.—How was this \$1,179,450.95 disposed of. It appears in this Statement as a receipt on capital account. How was it actually disposed of?

A.—All receipts and all payments are carried to consolidated revenue fund at the end of the year, then they go into consolidated revenue.

Q.—Am I right in assuming that all receipts coming to the Provincial Treasurer go to the credit of that account?

A.—Yes, to the credit of that account.

Q.—From whatever source?

A.—Yes.

Q.—What appears on the debit side?

A.—Payments and expenditures for the year.

Q.—All expenditures for the year?

A.—Yes, all of what we call closed accounts.

Q.—What do you mean by closed accounts?

A.—These are closed accounts. Anything that is closed up for the year. Where there isn't any balance carried forward. These are balances carried forward.

MR. JOHNSON: I suppose you keep a cash account?

A.—First we debit the cash for all receipts and we credit the various accounts for which these receipts are carried.

Q.—You keep a record of the cash coming in in the cash book and the cash paid out in a cash book?

A.—Yes, of course we have a good many books, about twenty odd books.

Q.—When the receipts come in you put the money in the banks and charge it up to the banks?

A.—When it comes in we put it in the bank every day.

Q.—You put it through the cash book first?

A.—Yes.

Q.—On one side you have the receipts and on the other you can ascertain what the disbursements were?

A.—Yes.

MR. BOWMAN: I notice, in connection with this Statement, you show an amount at special deposit, an amount to current account.

HON. MR. MCGARRY: Is that 1913—you are dealing only with two items, remember.

MR. BOWMAN: Mr. Douglas has told us that in that Statement No. 1 there is an item of \$2,100,000 odd received from the Dominion Government as subsidy on the T. and N. O. Mr. Douglas has told us that of that amount some \$900,000 odd was treated as ordinary current receipts, to reimburse the Government for arrears of interest in connection with the expenditure on T. and N. O., and that the balance was treated as a receipt on capital account.

HON. MR. MCGARRY: It all went into consolidated revenue account.

MR. BOWMAN: Yes, the point I wanted to make is as to how the \$1,179,450.95 balance is finally disposed of.

HON. MR. MCGARRY: He said it went into the consolidated revenue fund and stayed there.

MR. BOWMAN: This amount of \$1,179,450.85 having gone into consolidated revenue account, am I safe in assuming that, having gone in there, that money was either paid out in 1913, or formed part of the \$2,380,000 balance carried forward?

HON. MR. MCGARRY: The Public Accounts show that. When he has sworn to the fact that it went into consolidated revenue account you have all the information you want. The other is a matter of deduction. That is the point I agreed to. These two items were to be mentioned, how it was treated, where it went to, namely the consolidated revenue fund. That exhausts the understanding we had. You can go, now, into the 1914 accounts and follow it up there. I know what question my honourable friend is going to ask, and he can ask the same question just as well, by referring to the Accounts of this year. Our understanding was specific, that you were to refer only to these two items. The question he is going to ask, I say, can be asked respecting the 1914 accounts.

MR. MUNRO: If there is nothing wrong, why object.

HON. MR. MCGARRY: There is nothing wrong except in your own mind. Mr. Bowman would not make that statement. Our understanding was definite, that these two items could be gone into, that he could refer to them. It was a matter of license and you are unjust in saying what you are saying. If you want to go to the House and argue it that is a different matter. I was willing to have him put questions respecting these two items, and allowed him to. Now he is going further and asking respecting the balance of money carried over that year. The same question can be asked in regard to the 1914 accounts. That is the proper time and place to ask.

MR. BOWMAN: In 1913 Accounts, there was a balance of \$2,380,695.31, that amount has been transferred to the account of 1914. How is that \$2,380,695.31 shown as a cash balance at the end of the year. How did you arrive at it?

WITNESS: You would have to go to the year before and start with the cash balance.

Q.—How is this amount of \$2,380,695 arrived at. The first item that appears here in connection with Statement No. 1 for the year 1914.

A.—That is the balance at the end of 1913, and of course, the balance at the first of November, 1914.

Q.—Then this amount is identically the same as the balance at the end of October, 1913?

A.—Yes.

Q.—How was that amount of \$2,380,695 arrived at, Mr. Douglas?

HON. MR. MCGARRY: That is the amount of cash on hand.

Q.—Is that balance in connection with the consolidated revenue account? In this balance on hand, there are the receipts and payments of the previous year, together with the cash balance at the beginning of the year?

A.—Not of the previous year, you have to take into consideration the receipts and payments and the cash balance you started with.

Q.—On the 31st of October, 1913?

A.—Yes.

Q.—You have the total receipts and total expenditures for 1913?

A.—Yes.

Q.—You have told us, in connection with the receipts in 1913, that there are two items, \$2,100,000 odd being the subsidy received from the Dominion Government in connection with the T. and N. O., so that if any of that money was left unexpended, if there was any balance in connection with that, it would appear here and be included in this item of \$2,380,000?

A.—I cannot say that. The \$2,380,000 was just the balance at the end of the previous year. These two items went into consolidated revenue, as do all receipts. At the end of the year that balance was on hand in the bank.

HON. MR. MCGARRY: When you start 1914 accounts with \$2,380,000 as cash, you have on hand in the bank, on that date, that much money, and there is no way of telling or figuring out of what items that balance is made up.

A.—You cannot do it. It is a balance on hand. That is all there is to it.

MR. BOWMAN: This balance of \$2,380,000 represents the cash you had left from receipts, no matter from what source, received in 1913.

A.—Yes.

MR. CHAIRMAN: They were placed in consolidated revenue fund.

HON. MR. MCGARRY: It represents the cash on hand at the end of the year.

HON. MR. FERGUSON: As shown by Statement No. 2, page a20.

MR. MUSGROVE: If you hadn't received that T. and N. O. subsidy and hadn't paid out anything, that cash would have been that much less?

MR. CLARKE: That is just it.

MR. BOWMAN: If the T. and N. O. subsidy had not been received——

HON. MR. MCGARRY: You cannot ask that question. You are going into the past year. You have the cash on hand at the beginning of the year. You must deal with the 1914 accounts.

MR. BOWMAN: If there was any unexpended portion of that subsidy, of the Dominion, of \$2,100,000 odd, that unexpended portion would be included in the cash balance of \$2,380,000.

HON. MR. MCGARRY: That is already answered when he says that was all the cash he had. The Public Accounts answer that.

MR. CHAIRMAN: You are asking him for information you can get yourself by looking up the Public Accounts. That is what they are printed for, to give you the very information you are asking for.

MR. BOWMAN: Was there, in the money received in 1914, any additional amount in the way of subsidy?

HON. MR. MCGARRY: That question has been asked in the House and will be answered this afternoon by me. That ought to be enough. I am not objecting to telling Mr. Bowman, but he must not ask too many questions about it. I will give it to him in the House.

MR. SINCLAIR: And you would, surely, get more publicity by an answer in the House.

HON. MR. MCGARRY: The question is, how far we can go when a question is on the order paper. The House is the place to ask it.

MR. MUNRO: Well, let him answer now.

WITNESS: No.

MR. BOWMAN: There was no receipt, during the year 1914, in connection with the T. and N. O. subsidy?

A.—No.

HON. MR. MCGARRY: The Public Accounts show that.

HON. MR. FERGUSON: You mean no receipt from the Dominion Government—Mr. Bowman, your question meant “no receipt from the Dominion Government?”

MR. BOWMAN: Yes.

WITNESS: No more from the Dominion Government was your question?

MR. BOWMAN: Yes.

A.—No, there was not.

MR. MUNRO: Why did the \$544,491 appear there as a cash receipt?

HON. MR. FERGUSON: That was clearly explained in the House, a number of times.

WITNESS: This is a direct charge upon the consolidated revenue fund, into which the Dominion subsidy was deposited; this is a direct charge on the consolidated revenue fund and credited as balance of interest due for the year 1914.

MR. MUNRO: If that appears in the total amount of cash on hand, why does it appear here?

A.—I did not say it appeared in the total amount of cash on hand.

MR. MUNRO: I understood you brought the total balance down.

MR. JOHNSON: That is shown in the first item. This \$2,380,000 represents all the cash in the Treasury Department at the end of the year and at the first of November, 1914.

A.—Yes, that is all the cash.

Q.—There was absolutely no other funds, of any nature, in the hands of the Treasury Department, than is shown in the cash on hand on the first of November, or rather on the 31st of October, 1913?

A.—No.

MR. BOWMAN: Can you tell me who prepared this statement—Statement No. 1?

A.—The accounts are checked up in the Treasury Department and the audit office and balanced. Although this was prepared in the Treasury Department, it is practically prepared and forwarded to the audit office. They have to do with the making up of it, so far as the receipts and payments are concerned.

Q.—Then when we come to this item, this Statement No. 1 of receipts and payments up to the 31st of October, 1914—that is the heading?

A.—Yes.

Q.—Receipts and payments of the Treasurer of Ontario. On page 17 there is an item “ Consolidated Revenue Fund, balance of interest as adjusted *re* the T. and N. O. Railway for the fiscal year 1913-14 from Dominion T. and N. O. subsidy—\$544,491.17.” That appears in the list of ordinary receipts?

A.—That is an adjusting entry of the balance of interest taken from the Consolidated Revenue Fund for that year.

Q.—It is treated here as an ordinary receipt?

HON. MR. MCGARRY: It is treated as an adjustment. It says so in the entry you have read.

MR. SINCLAIR: The witness said the same thing.

MR. BOWMAN: But there was no cash received. Was any entry made in the books, in making this transfer from consolidated, to some other special account?

A.—An entry was made in the books, yes. An adjusting entry.

Q.—Was any cheque issued in connection with it?

A.—There was no cheque used. There is a Journal entry.

Q.—Can you show us that entry?

A.—Certainly.

HON. MR. MCGARRY: Certainly, show him. Let the full light upon it. There never was any pretence that any money was received. You know that. He says, there was an adjusting of interest. The footnote says, there was no money received. There is nothing about the whole entry to be ashamed of at all.

Witness produced the Journal, opening at page 171 of the fiscal year of 1914.

HON. MR. MCGARRY: What is the first entry?

A.—The first entry is a credit to the T. and N. O. account. Interest balance as adjusted October, 1913, to October 31, 1914.

Q.—How much?

A.—\$544,491.17.

Q.—Then, on the other side what entry is there?

A.—On the other side there is a debit of the Consolidated Revenue Fund, for the payment of T. and N. O. interest, as it appears on the opposite page.

Q.—How much?

A.—\$544,491.17.

Q.—That is the entry you carried into this account?

A.—Yes.

MR. BOWMAN: This is the Journal entry?

A.—Yes.

Q.—Where is this carried to from the Journal?

A.—Into the Ledger.

Q.—Have you the Ledger here?

A.—Yes.

HON. MR. MCGARRY: You did not think we had this, did you?

(Ledger produced by witness.)

HON. MR. MCGARRY: This is the Ledger, page 237. What is the entry of the fiscal year 1914?

A.—Credit by sundries, Journal, page 171, \$544,491.17.

MR. MUSGROVE: To what account is that credited?

A.—Interest account.

Q.—It went into Interest Account and is the same in the Public Accounts?

A.—Yes.

MR. BOWMAN: On page 217, Consolidated Revenue Fund, what does that show?

A.—The Consolidated Revenue Fund is debited with \$544,491.17.

MR. JOHNSON: I understand that both items could be left out of the Statement entirely, without altering the facts?

A.—It would not alter the cash.

HON. MR. MCGARRY: But it would not have been proper book-keeping to have done it that way?

A.—It would not have been.

MR. BOWMAN: I notice here, on page 237 of the Ledger, you have an entry here in your Ledger, in connection with interest account; you have posted from page 171 of the Journal a credit item of \$544,491.17. I find you made a Journal entry on page 171, you charged up to the T. and N. O. Interest Account, an amount of \$544,491.17, which you posted to the Ledger on page 237, and credited to interest account. That is correct?

A.—Yes. \$544,491.17.

Q.—Now, in the Journal I find a debit entry, charging Consolidated Revenue Fund with the same amount of \$544,491 that you have posted on page 237 of the Ledger and charged to Consolidated Fund. Is that correct?

A.—That is correct. Yes.

Q.—That disposes of those two entries. You credit one entry, a credit entry to Interest account, and a debit entry charged against Consolidated Fund?

A.—Yes.

Q.—Now turn to the Interest account. This is a credit entry of interest, transferred from page 171 of the Journal?

A.—That is the credit entry, yes.

Q.—I find in the Ledger a debit entry to balance the Consolidated Fund —\$544,491.17, which balances this entry?

A.—Yes.

Q.—Where do you get this (indicating)?

A.—At the end of each year, all revenues and all expenditures are carried to Consolidated Revenue Fund. At the end of each year the Consolidated Revenue Fund is credited with the total of all revenues. This here is one in question. That is a receipt. On page 172 of the Journal, Consolidated Revenue Fund is credited with all these amounts.

Q.—Where do you get these totals from?

A.—They are all in the Ledger.

Q.—These are your balances, or total revenues?

A.—Those are the total revenues, received from the various departments.

HON. MR. MCGARRY: As shown in the Ledger accounts and as shown in the Public Accounts.

MR. JOHNSON: When these are posted, that closes the current accounts for the year?

A.—Yes. It closes these current accounts.

MR. BOWMAN: This record is supposed to represent a complete summary of the revenues received during the year?

A.—Those are the revenues from the main sources during the year. We have treated them as receipts.

Q.—Was this item a revenue?

A.—It was an adjustment.

Q.—Is it a real revenue?

A.—It is an adjustment. It is a revenue from Consolidated Fund, from the amount deposited in there in 1913.

Q.—What was the object of making these entries, of making that adjustment in that way, that interest adjustment?

HON. MR. MCGARRY: Didn't you, as a bookkeeper, consider that it was the right thing to do?

A.—Yes. It was done in 1913 because the T. and N. O. failed to pay the full amount of interest on Capital Account, to the extent of the amount paid in in 1913. This was done in 1914 for the same reason.

HON. MR. MCGARRY: As a matter of fact haven't you, for a number of years, paid out of ordinary expenditure railway subsidies and annuities, to the amount of eleven odd millions?

A.—Yes, nine millions or more on railway subsidies and two and a half millions on annuities.

HON. MR. MCGARRY: They were treated as ordinary expenditures and always paid out as ordinary expenditures?

A.—Yes.

Q.—And last year, you felt that the payment of T. and N. O. interest should be treated as ordinary, because these were treated as ordinary expenditures?

A.—Yes.

Q.—As a matter of fact, you prepared this Statement showing a balance of \$544,000 odd as interest?

A.—Yes.

Q.—As a book-keeper you decided that that was the proper thing to do with it?

A.—Yes.

Q.—You have been in the service of the Province a number of years?

A.—Yes.

Q.—And you were appointed by the old Government?

A.—Yes, the old Government.

MR. BOWMAN: Take Statement No. 1 here. I notice you show total ordinary expenditure is \$11,819,310.65. That is correct?

A.—That is correct.

Q.—And you show total ordinary receipts of \$11,121,382?

A.—Yes.

Q.—Or a difference—you show ordinary receipts some \$697,000 less than the ordinary expenditure?

A.—Yes, that is the difference, if those are correct.

Q.—You have told us, that this item of \$544,491.17 was not an actual receipt during the year, but simply an adjusting entry?

A.—It was an adjusting entry.

Q.—If that had not been made, and Statement No. 1 had shown just actual receipts and expenditures for the current year, what would have been the real difference between them—between the total ordinary expenditure and the total ordinary receipts?

HON. MR. MCGARRY: That is a matter of arithmetic. You can figure it out for yourself.

MR. BOWMAN: I would like Mr. Douglas to figure it out.

HON. MR. MCGARRY: You have no right to ask a question that is so patent from the Public Accounts themselves.

MR. BOWMAN: That is all right. I am asking for an answer. Am I entitled to an answer, Mr. Chairman?

MR. CHAIRMAN: It is quite plain on the face of the Public Accounts what it is.

MR. BOWMAN: That may be so, but I would like a ruling whether I am entitled to an answer from Mr. Douglas on that point.

MR. MUNRO: If this \$544,000 had not been carried over from the previous year, you would be how much short?

MR. CHAIRMAN: You know that without asking him. As I understand it the witness is here to give information and explanations about something you do not understand.

MR. BOWMAN: You have no right to assume that I understand this.

MR. CHAIRMAN: I assume that the witness is here, for the purpose of making explanations of certain items in the Public Accounts. If these items are perfectly plain, on their face, to the Public Accounts Committee, then, why are you asking the witness. What is there to be gained? There must be some other reason. It cannot be because you do not know. I give you more credit than that.

MR. BOWMAN: Am I entitled to an answer? If I am not entitled to have a question of that kind answered, it simply means that this Committee has degenerated into a farce, absolutely.

HON. MR. MCGARRY: This Committee is here investigating the Public Accounts and a witness has been called to give evidence upon some matter before you. You have got him before you, and you have gone absolutely around the confines of this matter. You cannot be after information, because that information is contained in your own question. The witness has sworn that no actual money came in.

MR. BOWMAN: I think I am entitled to an answer.

MR. CHAIRMAN: I do not think so. The question is absolutely unnecessary.

MR. BOWMAN: Then it simply means that this Committee has degenerated into an absolute farce.

MR. CHAIRMAN: If you can show me how you are prejudiced—

MR. BOWMAN: If we are not going to have any rights in this Committee, the best thing we can do is to retire from the Committee, and appeal to the House to see whether we are going to receive justice and fair play.

MR. JOHNSON: You threatened that before.

MR. CHAIRMAN: That is not going to affect my ruling.

MR. JOHNSON: We have had all this before.

MR. BOWMAN: Well, you will have it again.

MR. CHAIRMAN: If you can show me, Mr. Bowman, where you are being prejudiced, by reason of my refusal to permit the witness to answer the question, I shall most certainly allow him to answer it.

MR. BOWMAN: It is not necessary for me to make an explanation.

MR. CLARKE: Is there any reason why you should refuse, Mr. Chairman?

MR. CHAIRMAN: Because the answer is in the Public Accounts themselves. That is the reason.

MR. BOWMAN: I want to know if I am entitled to an answer to my question. If I am not, then I appeal from the ruling of the Chair.

The motion was put to the meeting and the ruling of the Chair was sustained.

MR. BOWMAN (continuing): I see, Mr. Douglas, in connection with this item of \$544,491.17, you treat the adjusting entry on the receipt side and add it as a receipt under ordinary current receipts, and when you make up your statement here, you dispose of it on the other side, by making a cross entry of \$544,491.17 as a payment on Capital Account. Why do you do that?

A.—It is part of what was deposited in Consolidated Revenue Fund as any moneys, ordinary payments of the year in question, 1914. It is taken from another source.

Q.—But why do you dispose of it as an ordinary receipt and make an entry on the opposite side as an expenditure under Capital Account. I would like to know, by what method of reasoning, you arrived at that conclusion.

A.—We bring it up, as an ordinary receipt on the receipt side, just as we dealt with what the T. and N. O. paid us—some \$250,000. We connected it with an adjusting entry to make the same total as if it was paid during the fiscal year, as an ordinary receipt. That is why it is brought up.

MR. CARTER: The real effect was that instead of a deficit of \$600,000 it would have been \$544,000 more, because there was no money received.

WITNESS: I do not understand the question.

HON. MR. MCGARRY: I think Mr. Bowman has the answer to the question just asked.

MR. BOWMAN: The witness hasn't given an explanation, clear to my mind, as to why it was treated this way.

HON. MR. MCGARRY: You have the groundwork now for a good speech on the iniquities of this Government.

MR. BOWMAN: What were the total receipts, as shown by this item on page 19, Mr. Douglas. In connection with the expenditure the total I find was \$22,196,758.42. That is the total expenditure in connection with current and capital account?

A.—No. That includes the balance on hand at the end of the year.

Q.—What was actually expended then? The amount here is twenty-two million odd. What amount would have to be deducted, to arrive at the actual expenditure?

A.—\$1,575,805.89.

Q.—That is the balance you show at the end of the year?

A.—That will be the balance, yes.

Q.—Have you the figures available. Can you give the figures of the actual expenditure, the total on Capital Account, for the year 1914?

A.—That could be produced.

MR. McCRAE: It is in the Public Accounts. It is this amount, less the balance at the end of the year (indicating).

MR. BOWMAN: Twenty millions odd, a little over twenty millions, represents the total expenditure for the year?

A.—Yes.

MR. BOWMAN: That doesn't represent the actual expenditure for the year, the real cash paid out?

MR. JOHNSON: What doesn't?

MR. BOWMAN: That twenty millions.

MR. JOHNSON: You are dealing with the cross entry. The actual amount paid out would be \$20,600,000 odd less the \$544,000?

A.—Yes, that is a cross entry.

MR. BOWMAN: And in the same way the actual amount of disbursements, as shown in this Statement No. 1, is \$544,491 greater than the actual receipts.

HON. MR. FERGUSON: There was no cash for that \$544,000. He has said so over and over again.

MR. BOWMAN: I think it is stretching a point to consider that adjusting. Some might be inclined to apply the term padding. A padding entry instead of an adjusting entry.

HON. MR. MCGARRY: It depends upon the experience you have had in that kind of work. You might be suspicious from past experiences.

MR. BOWMAN: Mr. Douglas, how do you arrive at the distribution of your expenditure, as to whether to treat an item as current expenditure, or as an expenditure on Capital Account?

A.—You mean expenditure or revenue?

Q.—I am dealing with expenditure.

A.—On the estimates of the current year. The capital expenditure is set forth in them—Public Buildings, etc., are in our estimates for the current year as capital expenditures.

Q.—This statement is made up in conformity with the estimates, which are produced in the House?

A.—Yes.

MR. BOWMAN: Mr. Chairman, you have ruled out certain questions that I cannot get answers to, so there is no use asking some others, I had in mind, regarding this entry. I think, Mr. Chairman, that the ruling you have given makes it impossible for us to get any further with Mr. Douglas.

HON. MR. MCGARRY: That is an unjust statement and we had better correct it. You were not seeking any information on that question, but you wished to have it go on the record. If Mr. Bowman was asking any question, he has before him no proof that he was seeking information at all.

MR. BOWMAN: I think the Chairman and the majority of the Committee were absolutely unreasonable in ruling as they did.

HON. MR. MCGARRY: You do not think that at all.

MR. BOWMAN: I absolutely do.

HON. MR. MCGARRY: You will laugh about it when you get out in the corridor, and tell about how close you came to putting one over on us.

MR. BOWMAN: This is entirely too serious a matter to be treated with the levity shown here.

MR. CHAIRMAN: You are just venting your feelings in talking that way.

The Committee then adjourned to meet again on Friday, March 19th, at 11 a.m.

PUBLIC ACCOUNTS COMMITTEE.

March 19, 1915.

The Committee met at 11 a.m. Mr. Lennox in the Chair.

MR. H. LOVELOCK, called and sworn.

MR. BOWMAN: I want Mr. Lovelock to give me some information in connection with the stationery account of page a52. In connection with the Government stationery office.

HON. MR. FERGUSON: What item?

MR. BOWMAN: It is in connection with the whole statement.

HON. MR. FERGUSON: The usual practice, as you know has been that when there is a lengthy statement of this kind, it has been indicated what is the particular item and we have produced the vouchers.

MR. BOWMAN: I do not think there will be any trouble on that point. (To witness): What is your position in the King's Printer's Department?

A.—Acting King's Printer or Assistant.

Q.—Can you tell me the method that is in effect in the King's Printer Department, in connection with the manner in which they deal with the supplies to the various departments of the Government? In the distribution of supplies from the King's Printer to the departments?

A.—It is done by requisitions from the different departments. They send requisitions to us of whatever may be required.

Q.—In what way do they send in their requisitions, monthly? or as they require supplies?

A.—As they require them.

Q.—From day to day?

A.—Yes, from day to day.

Q.—Does the King's Printer Department furnish all the stationery supplies kept in stock in the King's Printer Department?

A.—All kept in stock by the King's Printer, yes, we do that.

Q.—So that none of the departments buy supplies, such as you keep in your stock, outside?

A.—I cannot tell that. There may be some things purchased outside. I would not say that everything comes from the King's Printer Department.

Q.—The point is, is there any system or regulation that governs that, as far as you know?

A.—About everything coming from the King's Printer?

Q.—Yes?

A.—No.

Q.—So that you simply deal with the requisitions that come before you?

A.—Yes.

Q.—You cannot deal with anything else?

A.—No.

Q.—And if the various departments order printing or supplies, on their own motion, outside, your department would have no knowledge of that?

A.—We would have no knowledge of that.

Q.—What is the custom in connection with any printing that is done by your department. Under what authority do you order documents to be printed and have upon it the imprint of the King's Printer Department?

A.—By the Minister as a rule, or by the Printing Committee.

Q.—I see. Then am I correct in assuming that the department will not approve of any returns or documents, or anything of that character, unless

you receive an order from the Printing Committee, or from the Minister of the Department?

A.—Or the head of a department. Deputy Ministers may sign it.

Q.—During the last fiscal year, in connection with which the Public Accounts here deal, can you tell me whether there was an order by the Provincial Secretary, or the head of his department, for the printing of two speeches, delivered by the Provincial Secretary in the House, an order under which they were printed by the King's Printer Department.

MR. McCRAE: I object to that question unless it is shown by the Public Accounts that these are charged up to the Government.

MR. CHAIRMAN: I will allow the question.

WITNESS: There was no such order ever went through the King's Printer Department. I know nothing of any such order. It never went through and was never checked back.

Q.—You know nothing of any such order? What does that imply—that the King's Printer Department—

HON. MR. FERGUSON: It does not imply anything. It means what he says, that he knows nothing of such an order.

Q.—Have you any accounts about it?

A.—None whatever.

Q.—Did the King's Printer Department order the printing of these two speeches?

A.—No.

Q.—Or of any speeches delivered by the Provincial Secretary?

A.—No.

Q.—You have no vouchers or records in your department in connection with it?

A.—None whatever.

MR. McCRAE: There was no charge?

A.—No charge of any kind.

Q.—No money was paid out?

A.—None whatever. I looked into the accounts very carefully. I am positive nothing was paid out.

MR. PROUDFOOT: Who directs the actual printing?

A.—The Methodist Book Room or William Briggs.

Q.—Have you a contract with them for doing the printing?

A.—Yes.

Q.—When printing is sent to that firm, who sends it?

A.—As a rule it is sent from our Department. Sometimes it goes down from a department and they send me the requisition.

Q.—Then a department desiring any printing done may send the matter direct to the Book Room?

A.—Yes, providing they send me the requisition for it. That is just a matter of convenience. There have been cases at Osgoode Hall when that was done. We gave them permission to have work done where they were in a hurry.

Q.—So that you really have no control then over what may be printed?

A.—Oh, yes.

Q.—But not on what you do not send down yourselves.

A.—Yes, because I know the people who send it down, and if they don't send me the requisition within a reasonable time I ask for it.

Q.—Do you know of any matter having been sent down by the department and the requisition sent in to you afterwards?

HON. MR. FERGUSON: He has just said that Osgoode Hall did.

A.—Yes, they sent them down.

Q.—Outside of Osgoode Hall—from the various departments in the building here, are they in the habit of sending work down without sending it through you?

A.—Not unless they advise me of the fact that they do.

Q.—Then they may send it on and advise you after having sent it?

A.—Yes.

Q.—I thought it was the practice and rule of the Department that everything that went to the printer should go to you first and be sent by you to the printer?

A.—Not necessarily.

Q.—Isn't that a rule of the Department?

A.—It would be a difficult matter to enforce that rule in every case.

Q.—But is it a rule of the Department?

A.—I think not, not to my knowledge. I do not think there is any special rule relating to that.

Q.—What I want to get at is, if it is necessary that everything should go through your hands, before it goes to the printer?

A.—Not always.

Q.—Which department then has the liberty to send to the printer whatever they may desire to have printed.

A.—Provided they send me a requisition—

Q.—But that is merely to let you keep track of it.

A.—That is for keeping track of it, yes.

Q.—Wouldn't it simplify matters if you had a rule of that kind?

HON. MR. FERGUSON: That is not evidence.

MR. PROUDFOOT: Let him answer.

A.—It mightn't expedite matters any better.

Q.—You think it might not?

A.—No.

Q.—It looks like a good business proposition to do it that way, doesn't it?

HON. MR. FERGUSON: I object to this sort of suggestion and opinion. He is asking it, when he knows it is not evidence at all. He knows perfectly well that that is not within the function of the Committee at all.

MR. PROUDFOOT: Take your objection in the ordinary way.

HON. MR. FERGUSON: My objection is that he is asking the King's Printer if it wouldn't be better if he did this, that, or the other thing, with which he has nothing to do.

MR. PROUDFOOT: I submit, Mr. Chairman, that as representatives of the people of the Province——

HON. MR. MCGARRY: Not all of them, just a small portion.

MR. PROUDFOOT: This gentleman is an Officer, the head of a Department of very considerable importance in connection with the Government, and we should have the right to have his opinion as to whether or not—not whether the policy of the Government is wrong, but whether it would not be advisable to adopt such a policy as having everything go through the one department. That is my object. I am not attacking the position of the Department, or the policy of the Government. I could not, because they have no policy on this particular thing. I want to find out from this gentleman who knows, whether or not it would not be advisable to have it conducted in that particular way.

HON. MR. FERGUSON: We are here to examine into the Public Accounts, not to inquire about how officials do this, that, or the other thing. My honourable friend knows that. He won't say, candidly, that he is serious, when he says he has a right to ask such a question.

MR. PROUDFOOT: I am quite serious.

MR. CHAIRMAN: Please tell me this: The motion is that the King's Printer be summoned here to give evidence regarding Account No. 14. Would you say that his opinion as to what the policy of his Department should be is evidence with reference to the Public Accounts?

MR. PROUDFOOT: Undoubtedly, because we find here that, while it is necessary that requisitions should finally reach this gentleman, yet it apparently is not necessary that that should be done and we as a Committee in dealing with the Public Accounts surely have the right, if we think it advisable, to

recommend to the Government that a change should be made in that respect, providing the Committee does think so.

MR. HARTT: I think it is unfair for Mr. Proudfoot to ask any official of a department to come here and express opinions to help him establish a policy of his own, to ask the witness to confirm his ideas as to certain matters of opinion. I think we are just wasting a lot of time listening to certain members of the Committee giving their opinions on matters of policy.

MR. PROUDFOOT: I am not trying to give my opinion at all, and I am not trying to take up the time of the Committee. I am looking at it from the standpoint of business, as to how one would conduct it as they would their own business.

HON. MR. FERGUSON: It is facts we are after here.

MR. McCRAE: The evidence he seeks to get from this witness is opinion evidence. He must then satisfy this Committee that this man is an expert, and qualified to give opinions. You must satisfy this Committee that this man is an expert and qualified to advise the Province as to a proper policy before he can answer that question.

MR. PROUDFOOT: I should have thought that the fact that this gentleman is a Government official itself should be sufficient to qualify him to give expert evidence of this kind, upon any question as to what, in his opinion, would be a proper course to pursue. The Government has no policy on this so we are not attacking any policy.

HON. MR. MCGARRY: How do you know.

MR. PROUDFOOT: I am dealing with what the witness has stated.

MR. CHAIRMAN: He stated what the practice is.

MR. PROUDFOOT: Yes, and I asked him, as a matter of business, if it would not be advisable to do it in another way. Then the Committee could recommend or not as they see fit, that course to the Government.

MR. CHAIRMAN: I'm afraid I can't agree with you and I cannot allow the question.

MR. SINCLAIR: It was ruled on yesterday the same way.

MR. PROUDFOOT: This question was not up.

MR. SINCLAIR: The same type of question was.

MR. CARTER: I would like to get some idea of what we are here for. If we are only here to show whether moneys were misappropriated or that there is something wrong that way, then I know nothing and I might as well be out of here. I am willing that the Chairman bring us back if we wander, but it strikes me as very unfair if all we can ask is a direct question as to whether there has been any misappropriation or any money misspent. Is that all we are here for? Is that the whole duty of this Committee?

MR. CHAIRMAN: What I want to say is this, Mr. Carter. We are here to get facts with relation to the Public Accounts, on the conduct of the public business as shown by the Public Accounts. We are not here to ask any official of this Government if he thinks his Minister is doing his business properly or not. That is not the function of this Committee. If that is your expectation your experiences here will reveal to you that you are wrong.

MR. CARTER: I am not informed of these matters, but we are not going to get much here, I don't think.

MR. CHAIRMAN: Mr. Carter what is your business, you are a mercantile man?

A.—Yes.

MR. CHAIRMAN: My reason for asking is this: What would you think of the employee who expressed opinions as to whether the policy you are adopting in carrying on your business is right?

MR. CARTER: When I was Mayor of Guelph and on the Committee and any member wanted to ask me a question, and I couldn't answer, they would back up and look at me. They were on the Committee of Council, just like I am on this Committee and representing my people.

MR. CHAIRMAN: You can ask about anything in the Public Accounts as much as you like. But when you come to ask opinions it is different.

MR. HILLIARD: The way it seems to me is this: I assume that if I have the facts I can make up my own mind whether the business is right or wrong, and if it is wrong I can bring it up on the floor of the House.

MR. HARTT: That is the idea exactly. Mr. Carter has the same privilege. If he thinks they are doing wrong he can bring it up on the floor of the House.

MR. PROUDFOOT: I suppose I can understand you decline to permit me to ask that question.

MR. CHAIRMAN: Yes. I do not think it is a proper question.

MR. PROUDFOOT: Well, we will have to obey the ruling of the Chair.

MR. CHAIRMAN: You know you would not attempt to ask such a question in a Court of Justice.

MR. PROUDFOOT: I have not the slightest doubt I would have perfect liberty to ask that question and to go fully into it. I am perfectly satisfied my honourable friend has asked similar questions where he has been conducting investigations. Besides you are not, in my opinion, supposed to be tied down here to the exact rules of evidence.

MR. CHAIRMAN: We are not going to do that. As a matter of fact you have been here longer than I have, and you are more conversant with the rules. You put a resolution in and in place of specifying the items you wanted to examine into, we have here a blanket resolution involving several pages. This resolution does not specify any particular item, and Mr. Bowman just wants a general talk with this official about how he runs things. The Committee cannot allow that to be done. I think the Committee has dealt very leniently with this matter and you ought to be content, Mr. Proudfoot. I cannot permit you to go too far.

MR. PROUDFOOT: Now, Mr. Lovelock you say that the requisitions are sent into you at some stage at any rate. Did you receive requisitions in connection with these two speeches referred to?

A.—No, I did not.

Q.—Did you receive the requisitions after they were printed?

A.—No, sir.

Q.—Did you know whether they were printed or not by the Book Room which does the printing for the Government?

A.—I believe they were. I saw the impress on them. I did not know they were printed until I saw them. I happened to see one that was sent out.

Q.—Where was it sent out from?

A.—I do not know where it came from.

Q.—You mean?

A.—Probably one came into my office after being printed.

Q.—Were there a number of them in your office?

A.—No, I think not. There may have been a number. I don't remember. I happened to see one lying on my desk.

Q.—Were they sent to your office?

A.—No.

Q.—Or distributed from your office?

A.—No I do not know anything about them. The first they came to my knowledge was when I saw a copy, after they were printed. I was interested in what it said.

Q.—I am sure everyone would be interested in reading a delivery from the Provincial Secretary, because there is always something good in it. I am not blaming you for that at all. You say you did see these in your office?

A.—Yes.

Q.—Was there an account for printing these speeches sent to your office?

A.—No, sir.

Q.—Do all the accounts from this Book Room come to you, before they are passed by the audit department?

A.—Yes.

Q.—But that account did not come to you?

A.—No.

Q.—Did you have any communication with the Provincial Secretary in connection with it?

A.—None whatever.

Q.—So that your first knowledge of it was when you saw it in your office?

A.—Yes.

Q.—And that is the only knowledge you have of it, good, bad, or indifferent?

A.—That is the only knowledge. I took no further notice of it, other than to read it.

MR. PROUDFOOT: That is all.

The witness was then excused.

Mr. W. N. Douglas, Chief Clerk of the Treasury Department, recalled.

HON. MR. FERGUSON: What is this in relation to?

MR. BOWMAN: I want to deal with this item of \$544,000 odd, and I want to ask Mr. Douglas certain questions (to witness): If I read your answer correctly, Mr. Douglas, that you gave us the other day,—you told us that the item of \$544,491.17, which appears in the Public Accounts of 1914, in the column of ordinary receipts, was simply an adjusting entry?

A.—Yes, an adjusting entry.

Q.—There was no cash received, in connection with that item of \$544,491.17, in that year?

A.—No.

Q.—The total ordinary expenditure as shown on page a17 is \$11,819,310.65. Those are the correct figures, are they?

A.—Yes, those are the correct figures.

Q.—On the opposite side of the page the total ordinary receipts are shown as \$11,121,382.07? If my subtraction is correct the difference between those two items amounts to \$697,928.58. That is the deficit on current receipts and expenditure as shown by this statement?

A.—As shown by this statement it is the difference between ordinary receipts and ordinary expenditure.

Q.—In your column here of receipts you have an item of \$544,491.17, which was not a cash receipt in 1913-1914.

A.—It was not a cash receipt, no.

Q.—I find, in dealing with the actual receipts and the actual expenditures, that if you want to arrive at the actual deficit, the difference between actual cash receipts and actual expenditure, is my addition correct if to the \$697,928.58 I add the \$544,491.17, and I arrive at a total of \$1,242,419.75.

HON. MR. FERGUSON: If you add \$544,491.17 to \$697,928.58 you get the total, that is simply a matter of addition. It is self evident.

MR. BOWMAN: Would that be the correct deficit if you were only dealing with actual receipts and expenditures?

A.—If you took any item out there would be so much less.

Q.—That is true, but you told us this item was simply an adjusting entry and represented no cash.

HON. MR. FERGUSON: It is a cross entry.

MR. BOWMAN: Did it represent any cash?

A.—It represented cash that was received and went into Consolidated Revenue Fund the year before.

Q.—But for the year 1913-14 did the Department receive or not, any cash in any shape or form, in connection with this item of \$544,491.17.

A.—Not in 1914.

Q.—You have treated it simply as an adjusting entry?

A.—Yes.

Q.—Therefore, if that had not been made and you had simply prepared this Statement, showing actual cash receipts and actual cash expenditures for the current year of 1913-14, you would have shown a deficit of \$1,242 419.75, instead of \$697,928.58.

HON. MR. FERGUSON: You would have to eliminate this cross entry.

WITNESS: As I said, if you took away that item it would be that much more.

MR. MUSGROVE: If you left out the revenue of Lands, Forests and Mines, \$2,340,657.00, it would have been much less too.

MR. BOWMAN: But that was an actual cash receipt during 1913-14 and not an adjusting entry.

HON. MR. FERGUSON: We are simply wasting time, two from four always leaves two.

MR. BOWMAN: That is all right, but I want Mr. Douglas to verify my figures.

HON. MR. MCGARRY: In the total cash receipts, ordinary and capital, the inclusion of that item of \$544,491.17 makes no difference in the amount of the cash received during the whole year.

WITNESS: It makes no difference in the balance at the banks at the year end.

Q.—It doesn't make any difference in the total of receipts, ordinary and capital?

A.—No.

Q.—The inclusion of that item in capital expenditure makes no difference in the total of expenditure, ordinary expenditure and capital expenditure?

A.—No difference.

Q.—On the year's business this item of \$544,491.17 makes absolutely no difference. The effect of the entry is this, as I understand it. You had received the subsidy the year before and carried down a balance of \$1,100,000 odd into the Consolidated Fund that, the year before, went into capital receipts. That was done as a matter of book-keeping. Didn't you feel that it was your duty, as the official book-keeper in the Treasury Department, to take a portion of that \$1,100,000 odd, the year before placed in capital receipts, and place it this year in ordinary receipts?

A.—Yes.

Q.—And charge it to capital expenditure, to counteract the deficiency of interest which went into ordinary expenditure for the same year, the expenditure of \$544,491.17. You, as a matter of fact, suggested that that was the proper thing to do as book-keeper.

A.—Yes, it was done the previous year.

Q.—You suggested it this year as a matter of good book-keeping?

A.—Yes.

Q.—And it makes no difference in the total amount of receipts and expenditures, in the balance?

A.—There was no difference in the balance at the beginning or the end of the year.

Q.—As I understand it you were appointed by the old Government in the official capacity you have now?

A.—Yes.

Q.—You were appointed by the former Government?

A.—Yes.

Q.—Using your best judgment as an expert book-keeper, you say that entry is proper?

A.—That entry is proper.

Mr. Johnson here rose to give an illustration of a similar transaction, but Mr. Proudfoot objected, and the Chairman ruled that it could not be given.

MR. PROUDFOOT (to witness): Did you prepare these accounts?

A.—I helped to prepare them.

HON. MR. FERGUSON: Let us get it clear about how these accounts are prepared. I object to that question and I am going to tell why. If you will turn to Chapter 23, section 32, of the Revised Statutes of Ontario, you will find this there:

32—“(1) The Treasury Board may direct in what manner and with what detail the Public Accounts and Statements therein are to be prepared, and may make regulations in regard thereto for the guidance of the auditor who shall carry out the same.

“(2) The Treasury Board may in like manner make regulations in regard to reports and statements to be made by the Auditor under section 14, and the detail with which the same shall be printed in the Public Accounts, and it shall be the duty of the Auditor to conform to any regulation so made.” 9 Edw. VII. c. 10, s. 5.”

HON. MR. FERGUSON (continuing): I submit my learned friend cannot put questions to the witness here as to who directs, or how to over-ride in any way the law which places the preparation of the accounts with the Treasury Board.

MR. PROUDFOOT: I have a right to find out what directions are given this gentleman to prepare these accounts and I purpose following that up.

HON. MR. FERGUSON: The law says the Treasury Board shall do it.

MR. PROUDFOOT: It doesn't follow because there is something in the Statute that that has been followed. I want to find out what course they pursued in the preparation of these accounts. They might not have followed the statutes. Am I not entitled to an answer, Mr. Chairman?

MR. CHAIRMAN: Go on, I rule that you can go on at present. I will wait until you put your question and will rule on the question when you put it.

MR. PROUDFOOT: What directions do you get in regard to the preparation of these particular accounts?

A.—We do not get any particular instructions.

Q.—Who is the head of your Department?

A.—Hon. Mr. McGarry.

Q.—Yes, but who is your immediate chief?—Was Mr. McGarry the head of the Department at the time these accounts were prepared?

A.—He was, at the time they were issued.

Q.—But not when they were prepared?

A.—Yes, he was, a portion of the time they were under preparation.

Q.—Who is your immediate head in connection with the Department?

A.—Mr. Sproule, the Assistant Treasurer.

Q.—Where did Mr. Clancy come in, as far as your Department is concerned?

A.—They have a set of books in the audit office, and we have a set of books in the Treasury Department. We have to go through these accounts and our books have to be in accord at the end of the year a book on the receipts side and on the expenditure side.

Q.—Who takes control and makes up the accounts for the purposes of placing them into the blue book?

A.—Mr. Clancy is the man.

Q.—Is Mr. Clancy the gentleman who, in effect, issues this book called the Public Accounts?

A.—Yes, he is Provincial Auditor.

Q.—So that it is really issued under his direction?

A.—Yes.

Q.—Now, we find that Mr. Clancy on page a19, at the foot of the page, added here “no receipts or payments in connection with these items,” referring to the \$544,491.17 we have been referring to. Now, do you know why that entry is there?

HON. MR. FERGUSON: Surely he cannot answer that question. I object to my learned friend asking questions of that kind. The Treasury Board gives directions as to how the accounts shall be prepared and details, and as to what shall appear in them.

MR. PROUDFOOT: I quite understand that.

HON. MR. FERGUSON: It is not proper to ask him why that is put there.

MR. PROUDFOOT: Do you know why that entry at the foot of page a19 “No receipts or payments in connection with these items,” why was that placed there?

A.—That was placed there by Mr. Clancy. I do not know why.

HON. MR. MCGARRY: If you had come here the last day you would have heard the answer from Mr. Clancy himself.

MR. PROUDFOOT: I wanted to find out how much Mr. Douglas knew about that, and he stated that he knew nothing about it. (to witness): Was

this item of \$544,491.17 included in the amount which made up the total of all receipts received for 1912-13?

A.—It was in the subsidy received from the Dominion for the T. and N. O., the \$2,100,000 odd.

Q.—Was it all in?

A.—Yes, in capital receipts and in the balance brought down in 1913.

Q.—Where did it appear in the accounts of the previous year?

A.—It went into capital receipts, the \$1,100,000 odd.

Q.—It appeared in the \$1,100,000 odd, the balance coming over from that year?

A.—It appeared in capital receipts at the end of that year.

Q.—Was there a balance under the head of capital receipts for the year?

A.—There was this amount brought down of \$1,100,000 odd under capital receipts and \$900,000 odd applied in ordinary receipts for past interest owing by the T. and N. O. Railway.

Q.—Had you that on hand at the beginning of the year 1913-14, when the balance was arrived at?

A.—What do you mean?

Q.—You received it in 1913?

A.—Yes.

Q.—And it was included in the accounts for 1913?

A.—Yes.

Q.—Was there a balance carried forward from 1913 to 1914, which included the item of \$544,491.17?

A.—That went into Consolidated Revenue Fund, to which all payments in 1913 were added and all expenditures paid out. There was a cash balance and a portion of it was probably there, to what extent you cannot tell.

Q.—What was the item brought forward in which that would appear?

A Member: The Public Accounts would show it.

Q.—This is the surplus or a portion of the Consolidated Fund?

A.—The Consolidated Revenue Fund does not appear here. This is simply a cash balance.

Q.—Would this amount of \$544,000 odd appear in the cash balance.

A.—The cash balance is made up of ———

Q.—What is the cash balance?

A.—\$2,380,695.

Q.—Was that item of \$544,491.17 in that \$2,380,695, as a balance at the end of the fiscal year of 1913. Is that \$544,000 odd in there?

A.—The \$544,000 was in there along with the revenues that were received in 1913.

Q.—Having been received in 1913 it appears in that item of \$2,380,695. Isn't that so?

A.—All the revenue that came in from the Dominion subsidy is certainly in there.

Q.—I would like you to follow my question. The balance on hand under that heading was \$2,380,695?

A.—Yes.

Q.—Did that item include the \$544,000 odd?

A.—The \$2,380,695 was the balance, as I say, at the end of the fiscal year of 1913 and included everything received in 1913.

HON. MR. FERGUSON: It was the balance of cash?

A.—Yes.

MR. PROUDFOOT: It included the balance of \$544,000?

A.—It included everything.

Q.—You mean that as well?

A.—It included all receipts.

Q.—If this is included in the item of \$2,380,695, why was there any occasion for putting it in again as a receipt in that very same account?

HON. MR. FERGUSON: It is not in there.

MR. PROUDFOOT: It is.

HON. MR. MCGARRY: The \$2,380,000 doesn't form part of ordinary receipts. It is not added up in that column. This is the cash balance at the end of the year.

WITNESS: It is not added in there.

HON. MR. MCGARRY: This \$2,380,000 odd is cash on hand at the end of October, 1913, which appears at the top of Statement No. 1, that is not added up and does not form part of the ordinary receipts of \$11,121,382?

A.—Not one cent of it.

Q.—That is the reason it was put in as an ordinary receipt?

A.—Yes.

MR. PROUDFOOT: Although it was put in as an ordinary receipt it was not an ordinary receipt because you did not receive it in the ordinary way.

HON. MR. FERGUSON: There is an entry there, a cross entry.

HON. MR. MCGARRY: The footnote shows that it is not an ordinary receipt.—You think there is something wrong, Mr. Proudfoot, and there is absolutely nothing wrong. It is not an actual receipt. It is a matter of book-keeping.

MR. PROUDFOOT (to witness): Take the foot of page a19, we find you have a total of \$22,196,000 odd. Isn't the \$2,380,000 included in that?

A.—Everything is included in that.

Q.—Isn't that \$544,490 included in that total of \$22,196,000?

A.—Yes.

Q.—Included in the total receipts?

A.—Yes.

HON. MR. MCGARRY: And it is included in the expenditure as well?

A.—Yes.

Q.—So that the balance is unaltered?

A.—Yes.

MR. MUNRO: In 1913 you took credit for this in striking the year's business.

A.—There was an adjusting entry of \$900,000 odd. That was for interest for some years.

Q.—You only took credit for the amount less the \$544,000?

A.—Only for some \$900,000 odd in 1913.

HON. MR. MCGARRY: Didn't the \$1,179,000 odd go into capital account?

A.—Yes.

MR. MUNRO: Let me understand it. Didn't you take credit in 1913 for this \$544,000?

A.—Oh, no. We carried it down into capital account.

HON. MR. MCGARRY: After that interest was paid this \$1,179,000 odd, balance of the subsidy, went into Consolidated Revenue Fund in 1913. If instead of putting this \$1,179,000 balance into Consolidated Revenue Account in 1913 you had put it into a special trust account to the credit of the T. and N. O. Railway, then, this year, wouldn't you have had to take \$544,000 from that special fund and put it in ordinary revenue?

A.—You would.

Q.—And make the same entry?

A.—Yes.

Q.—So that you have only treated it the same way in the Consolidated Revenue Fund. It is a balance on hand at the beginning of the year, which does not form part of the ordinary receipts.

A.—It doesn't form part of the ordinary receipts.

Q.—You had to put it in as an ordinary receipt to balance the interest, in order to adjust that. It is just the same as if you had paid it into a special account. The same entry would have appeared?

A.—Yes.

MR. PROUDFOOT: In the Public Accounts of the previous year you show as a receipt, as a capital receipt, an amount of \$1,179,000 odd received from

the Dominion Government in connection with the T. and N. O. subsidy. If that \$1,179,000 is still on hand it would be shown in the item of \$2,380,000 cash on hand, wouldn't it? If it was not expended?

A.—The \$2,380,000 is just the cash balance for the year from all receipts, after the expenditure has been taken out.

Q.—This \$1,179,000 odd went into Consolidated Revenue as a receipt in 1912-13, as a cash receipt?

A.—Yes.

Q.—This balance of \$2,380,000 shows the total balance of both capital and current account?

A.—Yes, this is the cash on hand at the end of the year.

Q.—Was this item of \$1,100,000 odd cash received from the Dominion Government?

A.—Yes, from the Dominion Government.

Q.—And put into your cash account as a cash entry?

A.—Yes.

Q.—And if it was not expended, was not paid out during 1912-1913, it must necessarily form part of the cash of \$2,380,000 odd shown at the end of the year?

A.—It would form part, to what extent I cannot tell.

Q.—If that particular money was not expended it would form part of the balance. It was either expended or forms part of the balance of \$2,380,000 odd. That is correct?

A.—Yes.

Q.—There is a cash balance of \$2,380,000 odd, and in another column actual current receipts, ordinary receipts of \$11,121,382. That is correct?

A.—Yes.

Q.—And in that total is included the item of \$544,491?

A.—Yes.

Q.—Which was an adjusting entry—and is the cash receipt of \$1,179,000 odd received in 1912-13 the basis of this entry of \$544,000? Is that supposed to represent a portion of this \$1,179,000 odd?

A.—Oh, yes. This \$544,000 is an adjusting entry and of course would have to be taken from that account of Dominion subsidy.

Q.—Then turning to page a19. You show a total received here for the year in ordinary and capital receipts of \$22,196,758, do you not?

A.—Yes, that is a part.

Q.—And in order to make up that total, in that total is included the \$544,491.17, also the item of \$2,380,695?

A.—Yes, it is included.

Q.—Both items are included?

A.—Yes.

HON. MR. MCGARRY: Against that there is an item of \$544,000 odd in capital expenditure?

A.—Yes.

Q.—So that the entry does not appear twice?

A.—No.

Q.—The \$544,000 odd does not appear twice on the same side?

A.—No.

Q.—It appears once on the debit side and once on the credit side?

A.—Yes.

MR. PROUDFOOT: Mr. Douglas has told us the \$544,000 was part of the \$1,179 odd thousand received in cash in 1912-13.

HON. MR. FERGUSON: And forms part of the \$2,380,000?

MR. BOWMAN? And also forms part of the \$22,000,000 total.

MR. BOWMAN: If you dealt simply with one side the \$544,000 is included twice on that side, is that correct? If you dealt simply with one side?

A.—But you have to offset that. It is offset by a corresponding entry on the other side.

MR. BOWMAN: I am simply dealing with this one side, with this receipt side. In order to make up this total of \$22,000,000 odd, you told us the \$544,000 was a portion of that and the \$2,380,000. If you had simply this one side before you that item is included twice?

A.—If you just had the one side it would not be there at all. It would never have appeared there. It could not possibly be there. It could not be there without being offset by another entry on the other side.

Q.—I simply want an answer, yes or no, to that question.

MR. CHAIRMAN: That is a question you cannot get a yes or no answer to.

HON. MR. MCGARRY: You will have to take the man's explanation. This witness has a right to give an explanation. His answer is that he carried forward a balance to consolidated revenue, that that included this \$1,100,000 odd, that he had then put into ordinary receipts \$544,000, and against that a cross entry of \$544,000 odd in capital expenditure. On the total year's business the entry makes no difference whatever to the cash receipts or expenditures?

WITNESS: It makes no difference.

MR. BOWMAN: You mean it doesn't make any difference to the cash balance?

A.—Yes.

HON. MR. MCGARRY: Quite correct. It is the proper way to do it.

MR. CARTER: You say that in the consolidated account the \$544,000 is placed there and that you had about a million left, and the whole is added up into the \$22,000,000. This money is in the \$2,380,000 and in the \$544,000, and you have only put one entry on the other side.

HON. MR. MCGARRY: Let me explain it. You understand that last year we took \$900,000 odd out of this amount of \$2,100,000 and placed that to arrears of interest of the T. and N. O. We placed \$1,179,000 in the Consolidated Revenue Fund. If we had placed that in a special account for T. and N. O. what would have happened this year is this: The T. and N. O. owed us \$544,000. We would have issued our cheque against that special account and paid it into cash receipts where it is here, and charge to capital account the \$544,000 on the other side. So that these two entries would appear. This \$2,380,000 balance at the end of the year does not form part of the eleven millions of ordinary receipts. The reason we put that entry of \$544,000 in there as an ordinary receipt is that that \$2,380,000 does not form part of ordinary receipts. We took that \$544,000 out of that fund for the purposes of adjusting. If we left that one entry without a corresponding entry it would show \$544,000 more as receipts than would balance the books. Consequently we make an entry on the other side of \$544,000. Those two entries, one cash receipt and one as cash paid leave the \$1,179,000 odd as the only amount in the long run which appears as a receipt. According to the expert that is necessary to adjust the books properly. There is nothing about the account we are ashamed of.

MR. CARTER: You still have in the Consolidated Revenue Fund something left from that subsidy that has not been applied to anything? What is that balance? There was some \$900,000 in 1913, and \$544,000 in 1914, taken out.

Q.—But you have some yet in the consolidated fund?

A.—Yes, something over \$600,000.

The Committee then adjourned to meet again on Wednesday, March 24, at 11 a.m.

March 24, 1915.

The Committee met at 11 a.m.

MR. CLANCY, Provincial Auditor, recalled.

MR. BOWMAN: Mr. Clancy, you as Provincial Auditor have a complete set of books entirely independent of the books kept in the Treasury Department?

A.—We have.

Q.—For the information of the Committee will you outline the system of book-keeping which you carry on in your department, how you keep the accounts?

A.—To outline the whole system in detail would occupy a very considerable time. To state it as concisely as possible, we keep a record of every receipt and a record of every expenditure with respect to the Province, relating to the current year for which the books are kept.

Q.—You keep account of every receipt and every expenditure?

A.—Yes.

Q.—Do you deal with receipts and expenditures simply under one heading or do you deal with them as receipts on Capital Account and receipts on ordinary or current accounts?

A.—We make no distinction as to whether they may be capital or current. It would be difficult to treat them that way. We make no distinction in capital or current account. They are treated as receipts irrespective of any other consideration, but we always designate where they come from.

Q.—You have the books here?

A.—Yes, they are all here, I think.

Q.—Can you tell me, or will your books show, what were the total receipts from all sources during the current year of 1913-1914?

A.—Yes, The total receipts for the year were \$19,250,601.64.

Q.—According to your books the total receipts from all sources in the current year of 1914 were \$19,250,601.64?

A.—Yes.

Q.—Would that be shown in your Ledger?

A.—That is shown in the book.

Q.—You have that book here?

A.—Yes.

(Book produced. Identified as "Revenue Book.")

Q.—You deal with each month's revenue here as it is paid in?

A.—Yes, as it is paid in.

Q.—I see here for November, 1913, the total deposits were \$1,613,593.32?

A.—This relates to the deposits made in the bank, which is kept as a check upon the amount of receipts coming to the Treasurer. There is a double check. When the moneys come into the hands of the Treasurer, and the other is as to what disposal is made of these moneys by making deposits in the bank, and the two should be precisely the same. This has to conform with what disposition was made of it by the Treasurer when money was handed to him and what he did with that—and this is the deposit in the bank.

Q.—By checking up his deposits and his receipts you show what he has done with the money?

A.—Yes.

Q.—There is another book that will show how all these details are arrived at?

A.—That is so. (Referring to book.) First, as has been pointed out here, is a record of the sources from which it came, as will be seen here.

Q.—This is a record, a complete record, of all the revenues and the different headings under which the revenues were received?

A.—Yes.

Q.—All that were paid into the Treasury?

A.—Yes.

Q.—And the total of that should correspond with the total of the sums deposited by the Treasurer in the bank, covering the same period?

HON. MR. FERGUSON: That is simply so that you will have a second check upon these amounts?

A.—Yes.

MR. BOWMAN: These different items here constitute every account or item in which moneys were received by the Provincial Treasurer for the current year of 1913-14?

A.—Yes, as well as designating the sources.

Q.—Here is one, I see, sale of wolf skins, \$1,557.80; next, prisoners' fines, telephones, provincial police.

HON. MR. FERGUSON: All apparently itemized in detail.

MR. BOWMAN: The next item is an item here, from the Province of Nova Scotia, a small item from the printing company's revenue, Dr. McEachern, refund, Public Works Department refund, sale of old material.

A.—That all appears in the Public Accounts.

Q.—Wm. H. Marie, refund, S. W. Butt, payment in error, conscience money. I see that is very small—J. A. Halford, refund, registry office, Kenora; E. Bayly, personal telegrams, Attorney-General's Department. Now we come down here to the larger items. Here we have T. and N. O. proceeds from earnings, \$250,000. That is the total amount you have in your books here?

HON. MR. FERGUSON: You got a cheque from them for this \$250,000?

A.—Yes.

MR. BOWMAN: In what respect does that statement differ from statement No. 1 that appears in the Public Accounts of 1913-14?

A.—There is the difference of \$544,491.17.

Q.—Why does that item not appear in your books here?

A.—We did not receive any cash, as is explained in the footnote; therefore it didn't appear.

Q.—Is this a correct statement here of the receipts and expenditures of the Treasury Department for the current year of 1913-14?

A.—It is a correct statement of all actual receipts and expenditures.

Q.—You told us, according to this statement here, that the total receipts for the current year of 1913-14 were \$19,250,601.64?

A.—Yes.

Q.—What is the total expenditure for the current year 1913-14, according to your books?

A.—We would have to go through all the books.

HON. MR. FERGUSON: It is in the Public Accounts.

MR. CHAIRMAN: If he wants it he will have to have it.

MR. BOWMAN: This Revenue Book shows the total receipts of 1913-14?

A.—Yes.

Q.—Have you no book which shows in the same concise, concrete form the total expenditure for 1913-14?

A.—We have many books that show that.

Q.—But have you no single book?

HON. MR. FERGUSON: He explained that this was taken from several books, and not just one.

WITNESS: We have no single book to show that.

MR. CHAIRMAN: You can go through your books and find out?

A.—Yes.

MR. BOWMAN: What is the total that would be arrived at if you took the time to go through your books, through the accounts in detail?

A.—The same appears here in the Public Accounts. The total expenditure would be as shown here, less the sum of \$544,491.17.

Q.—And what is that?

A.—I haven't figured it out. The actual receipts as shown in the Public Accounts and the actual expenditures as appearing in the Public Accounts in substance differ to the extent of the \$544,491.17, on both sides. That is the fact.

HON. MR. FERGUSON: That is a cross entry.

A.—I would not express any opinion as to that.

MR. BOWMAN: It would be more satisfactory if Mr. Clancy would make up that amount from his books and give us exactly what his books show.

MR. CHAIRMAN: Mr. Clancy will give you anything you want.

WITNESS: I will be glad to. There is nothing to conceal.

Examined by Mr. Rowell.

MR. ROWELL: I would like to ask Mr. Clancy about an item appearing on page a16—Statement No. 1, under "special warrants," there is an item of \$574,763.70. Will you just tell us what is the procedure in connection with the issuing of special warrants as far as it relates to the audit office?

A.—The Audit Act provides that, when the House is not in session, that under the authority of the Lieutenant-Governor in Council, special warrants may be issued. That is where there are no appropriations. Where there are appropriations then Treasury minutes are issued on the authority of the Treasury Board and then such additional sums as may be required from time to time are passed and treated as the appropriations of that year.

Q.—Is that the case unless it is an unforeseen expenditure?

A.—I cannot be the judge of what was expected. Those with the responsibility must decide that. The audit office could not undertake to say what was expected and what was not. The order is passed and we obey it.

Q.—Speaking from the standpoint of Auditor, is it justified in the Audit Act only in the case of unforeseen expenditure?

A.—That must be in the judgment of the Executive Council and not the Auditor.

HON. MR. FERGUSON: You have no discretion?

A.—No.

MR. ROWELL: I am not asking you to express any opinion—

A.—I am trying to state the facts.

Q.—Under the Audit Act, as it governs you, a Treasury Warrant should only be issued in case of unforeseen and unprovided-for expenditure, but you are not the judge of what is unforeseen? Is that a fair statement?

A.—Yes, that is a fair statement.

Q.—The Audit Act, as you understand it, as it governs you, does not contemplate the issue of Treasury Warrants for expenditures that are foreseen and can be provided for?

A.—I cannot express any opinion of that kind at all. As the order provides I am obliged to obey without taking into consideration whether it is right or not.

Q.—Has that always been the law?

A.—As long as I have been in the audit office.

Q.—Then when a question comes up for the issue of a Treasury Warrant what is the procedure; just explain it?

A.—The Department requiring the money makes application to the Treasurer and the Treasurer then makes application for the granting of the warrant.

Q.—Then there is a provision in the Audit Act where, if you do not approve of the issue of a cheque or a warrant, you state your objections?

A.—That is in respect to a Treasury minute or a minute of the Treasury Board, where they ask sums in addition to what is appropriated.

Q.—You do not read the Act as making that applicable to Treasury Warrants?

A.—No. They are quite distinct.

Q.—Then in the case of a Treasury Warrant you express no opinion one way or the other?

A.—None whatever.

Q.—There would be no correspondence between you and the Treasurer or the Treasury Board in reference to Treasury Warrants?

A.—No.

Q.—Then what form of direction do you get where it is a special warrant?

A.—We get a copy of the Minute of Council granting it.

Q.—And you act on that and issue the Treasury Warrant?

A.—Yes. We act on it as the requisitions are made from time to time drawing against the sum provided for.

Q.—Then I see among the items for which Treasury Warrants were issued, “Revision of the Statutes, \$47,386.73.”

A.—That appears there.

Q.—That is apparently one of the unforeseen and unprovided expenditures of last year. I see another unforeseen and unprovided expenditure was \$148,000 for the general elections. That was one of the expenditures?

A.—Yes.

Q.—Then I notice that the expenditures this year under special warrants, quite apart from the gifts of flour, and the gift to Belgium, are much larger than usual?

A.—I think they were large this year.

Q.—In fact, much larger, leaving out of account these special war expenditures?

A.—Speaking subject to correction I think they were larger.

Q.—On this you obeyed orders and expressed no opinion?

A.—No.

Q.—Then take the other classes of expenditure, where you say that under the Audit Act you may express an opinion for or against. Those are limited to what cases?

A.—What class of cases do you mean?

Q.—Have you, since the Audit Act has been changed, any correspondence—or take this year particularly—between yourself and the Treasurer, with reference to these cases where appropriations exceed the estimate?

A.—What changes do you refer to?

Q.—The general change in the Audit Act in 1909.

A.—There have been changes, but I do not think there has been any change in that respect.

Q.—Not in that respect?

A.—I don't think so.

Q.—No correspondence, this last year, between you and the Treasurer or the Treasury Board in reference to any payments, in the case of payments last year under the authority of a Minute of the Treasury Board?

A.—None.

Q.—In some of the Public Accounts there have been items of correspondence?

A.—Not in respect to that service.

Q.—In what service is it these items of correspondence arise?

A.—You have reference to the year just closed?

Q.—Yes.

A.—There were none during the year just closed.

Q.—I want an illustration of the class of correspondence that might arise.

HON. MR. FERGUSON: He says there was none in the past year.

MR. ROWELL: Quite so, but—

HON. MR. FERGUSON: We are confined to the operations of the past year. We cannot go beyond them.

MR. ROWELL: I am just asking for an illustration of the class of case.

HON. MR. FERGUSON: But no case has arisen. There isn't any case.

MR. ROWELL: I want to know what class of a case—

WITNESS: There were none during last year.

HON. MR. FERGUSON: He surely cannot foretell what is going to occur.

MR. ROWELL: I am not asking him what is going to occur. I am merely asking about what class of case any correspondence would take place.

MR. CHAIRMAN: If it did not occur during the last year you would not have a right to ask it.

MR. ROWELL: If we are not entitled to ask the Auditor about his duties under the Act, if the Chairman objects to us asking it under this item, we will ask him to come here on his own salary and ask him what are his duties under the Act.

MR. CLANCY: I have no objection to answering the question.

MR. CHAIRMAN: Then answer it, Mr. Clancy.

A.—Generally speaking, correspondence takes place respecting requisitions made for payment on one side, that, in the opinion of the Auditor, should not be made, and on the other side with respect to the payments of revenue that the Auditor thinks should be paid in, that have not been paid.

Q.—Then, in respect to the payments that should be made, is that in cases where they are not covered by appropriations?

A.—Cases where we think sums should be paid in.

Q.—But that is not a case of disbursements?

A.—That is receipts, sums due the Province and not paid.

Q.—But I was referring to the case of disbursements.

A.—Well, in cases where we think the sum proposed to be paid is larger than that which we think they are entitled to.

Q.—Is that because of an insufficient appropriation?

A.—Because there was no legal authority to pay it, or because it had not been earned.

HON. MR. FERGUSON: But nothing of the kind occurred during the past year?

A.—No.

MR. ROWELL: In connection with the appropriation of these amounts, are there any other items in the Public Accounts, except this Statement No. 1, which have not been prepared by you?

A.—Yes, there are several items here that do not involve receipts or expenditures that are made up by the Treasury Department commencing with Statement No. 15, that is on page a58, commencing with that Statement and concluding with Statement No. 24 on page a68. Those are made up by the Treasury Department and do not involve receipts or expenditures or are connected in any direct sense with Statement No. 1.

HON. MR. FERGUSON: You mean, Statements 15 to 24 inclusive?

A.—Yes.

MR. ROWELL: Those are not prepared by you?

A.—No. They do not involve any accounting.

Q.—Are there any other statements in the Public Accounts which involve accounting which are not prepared by you?

A.—Not with the exception of Statement No. 1.

Q.—I think there is the Hydro-Electric statement which was not prepared by you—

A.—Oh, yes. . . I wish to make that correction. A statement in respect of the Hydro-Electric of actual receipts and payments appears in the Public Accounts, and on both sides of Statement No. 1, although there is no statement put in there of actual payments and actual receipts.

Q.—What is this statement here to which you have put a note. I see this is your note here. "Not audited by audit office." Just tell us what that means?

A.—I cannot make it plainer than the statement itself. It means there is no audit of that Statement.

Q.—"No audit by the audit office?"

A.—That does not mean there was no audit of the accounts, but the accounts do not appear and the statement does.

Q.—You haven't checked up this statement with the actual accounts?

A.—No.

Q.—That statement appears here, instead of the accounts, by the direction of a minute of the Treasury Board of the 18th of January, 1915, pursuant

to the provisions of sub-section 1 of section 32 of the Audit Act. That was the section that was incorporated in the Act in 1909, which gives the Treasury Board power to direct the form of statements?

A.—Yes.

Q.—Who constitute the Treasury Board?

A.—The Attorney-General, the Treasurer and the Prime Minister.

Q.—Then are there any other items in the accounts, any other statement here, which were not prepared by you, that cover receipts and disbursements?

A.—I do not recall any.

Q.—Then you did audit the accounts of the Commissions, the T. and N. O. and the Hydro?

A.—Yes.

Q.—The accounts of the T. and N. O. do not appear in here? I believe they appear in another return, in a separate report?

A.—Yes.

Q.—Now I see in this Statement No. 1 there is an item of statutory expenditure of \$2,233,702. Then there are various other items of statutory expenditure throughout the accounts. Do you divide them in your books.

A.—Yes, we divide them. There are two means by which appropriations are made. One is through the estimates each year, the other is by Acts of the Legislature, appropriating certain sums, which is a charge every year against Consolidated Revenue.

Q.—They are a first charge?

A.—They are a permanent charge.

Q.—Have you a book that will show how you keep them in your office, the distinction made between the appropriations made by the Legislature and the appropriations made by Statute?

A.—Of course, the statement here shows that, and we have it in the books.

Q.—Just give us an idea of how the accounts are kept.

(Ledger "C" produced.)

A.—Referring to current ledger "C" of the audit office, on page 3. This shows the expenditure made against the appropriations for 1914, through the estimates.

Q.—Now just to get an idea—the first item happens to be Colonization Roads?

A.—Yes.

Q.—You have an item here, an appropriation of \$562,559.63.

A.—That is the total sum appropriated.

Q.—Against that you have charged the various items as they are paid out?

A.—Yes.

Q.—Then assume that before the year ends there is a demand for more money than is actually appropriated, how is that dealt with?

A.—Then the Department would apply for a Treasury minute by reason of their being authority to enlarge that appropriation.

Q.—What authority is there for raising that?

A.—By a Minute of the Treasury Board as already explained.

Q.—Would a new Minute of the Treasury Board be passed in every case?

A.—Yes, in every case.

Q.—Can you give me a case where there is a Minute and show how the entries are kept?

A.—I would have to get the books.

Q.—Assuming that for colonization roads, before the season was over, there was a demand for a further sum and the Treasury Board made a Minute granting it, what entry would appear in the books?

A.—An entry would appear in the books showing the total appropriation. The sum added to that would appear in here as well, in addition to the appropriations, because we put in here what was appropriated in the first instance by the Legislature and then add, when the item arises, the additional sum raised under that warrant.

Q.—So that this particular amount would show the whole transaction from beginning to end?

A.—Yes.

Q.—Now just let us see how it works out. Did you spend last year the total amount on Colonization Roads? Your appropriation was \$562,000 odd. What was the expenditure?

A.—The expenditure is shown here—\$480,845.37.

Q.—This is the case where you did not spend the total appropriation and there is a balance of \$82,000?

A.—There may be Treasury Minutes. While the whole sum may not have been expended, there may be items under Treasury Minutes where some services have received more.

HON. MR. FERGUSON: Where you have enlarged some particular item, yet the whole sum would be unexpended. You have an estimate of so much, so much was voted, and there was not sufficient for some particular item and a larger sum had to be expended. Then you would get a Treasury Minute?

A.—Yes, a Treasury Minute.

MR. ROWELL: Now show us how you deal with Statutory Expenditure.

A.—On page 289 under the heading, as shown here, are included services to be dealt with, where moneys are appropriated as a fixed charge on Consolidated Revenue and all expenditures made under the authority of that are recorded here.

Q.—Take the public debt—

A.—That would not appear here. Whatever we paid on account of it that year would be.

Q.—What amount?

A.—That would be Statutory Expenditure, and not only interest, there is the cost of placing loans, telegraph costs and everything else. The Act pro-

vides they shall be charged to Consolidated Revenue, and under that heading, will appear there, the different items.

Q.—You can, from this, tell the total amount paid last year on the public debt?

A.—We could show what was paid, the sums that were paid.

Q.—Then the book sets out the different loans. Have you the loans here under 2 George V. That is the Northern Development Act, the five millions. How much does that show has been sold under 2 George V.

A.—We do not record that here. We only record the sums paid up against the appropriation on that account.

Q.—You just record the charges made against it?

A.—Yes, against the statutory provision.

Q.—Then what is this item here, under this heading of \$532,661, on page 305.

A.—That will be the total expenditure made for that year for all purposes, including these charges.

Q.—The total expenditure made to the end of the year 1913-14. How does it come to be in this account, the \$532,661, if it doesn't represent any disbursement in connection with this loan.

A.—You include the loan and other items. You would have to get the vouchers.

Q.—You treat the various statutory expenditures under separate headings in the same way as you treat appropriations by the House?

A.—Yes.

Q.—And you have the different accounts—this is for making roads in Northern and Northwestern Ontario, this expenditure is an account of roads under the Northern Ontario Development Act?

A.—Yes.

Q.—Then you get the total expenditure during the past year in respect to this item—\$804,939, the item appearing on page 316.

A.—Then there is another item, \$9,000 for the Northern Development branch, clearing, cultivating, seeding—.

Q.—There is \$804,939 here under section "B" and \$9,000 under section "D"—.

A.—I might explain that Orders in Council are passed in each case designating the services on which that money shall be expended. As has been explained, all the expenditure under the different Orders in Council for the services included there, all go to make the \$816,226 and are put separately here because they are for separate services, as authorized by the Lieutenant-Governor-in-Council.

Q.—I see you have another heading, special warrants. Under special warrants the items are set out in the same way as other appropriations.

A.—Yes.

Q.—So there are three classes of expenditure that come under your supervision, appropriations made by the House, statutory charges, and special warrants?

A.—Yes, all authorized in different forms.

Q.—Now are there any others?

A.—I don't recall any.

Q.—Now, then, Revision of the Statutes, special warrants, \$48,000. Have you the total on statutory revision?

A.—We have the total cost in our books.

Q.—You mean from the outset?

A.—Oh, no. We have only the expenditure during the year.

Q.—I understood you to say before, that you made no division in your books as between ordinary expenditure and ordinary receipts?

A.—We class the expenditures as they are authorized, namely, whether they are authorized by the estimates, authorized by the authority of the statutes as a permanent charge on consolidated revenue. Where they are we so class them. Where the money is raised under special warrants we so class that.

Q.—You make no distinction in your accounts between what is termed ordinary expenditure in this Statement No. 1 and further expenditure included in the statement.

A.—No distinction. The only distinction made is in the means for which the money is raised.

Q.—I am not speaking now of money raised. I am speaking of disbursements.

A.—The disbursements are carried out in the same way.

Q.—Yes, but you do not distinguish between what may be called ordinary expenditure and what may be called capital expenditure.

HON. MR. FERGUSON: You have to preserve uniformity of system on both sides?

A.—Yes.

Q.—What should be classed as ordinary expenditure and what should be classed as capital expenditure, is a matter which the Treasury Board settles?

A.—That is a matter that rests with them.

MR. ROWELL I understood you to say, too, that your accounts differ from this statement only in that your statement does not show that \$544,000?

A.—Our statement shows actual receipts and expenditures and the \$544,000, as indicated by that footnote, doesn't include any receipt or expenditure on the other side, therefore, it does not appear in our accounts.

Q.—Then, Mr. Clancy, as Auditor, if you put this statement the way it is prepared here, with a view to arriving at how that would figure in your reports, your accounts would, for these items, show this amount of \$11,121,382 less the \$544,491?

A.—We did not do that.

Q.—But if you took these items as divided in this and compare them with your books, yours would show this \$11,121,382 less the \$544,491?

A.—It would show it; does so, in fact.

Q.—Then your items on the other side total up an ordinary expenditure of \$11,819,310. Your books show the same as that, for these items?

A.—The total expenditure was \$20,076,461.36. That was the total expenditure.

Q.—Then the bank balance shown at the end of the year was \$1,575,805.89?

A.—Yes.

Q.—And the total, including the bank balance, would be how much?

HON. MR. FERGUSON: That would be the two added together.

MR. ROWELL: Coming back to the question I asked. Take the items appearing on this disbursement side of Statement No. 1, which are detailed here, \$11,819,310. Does that correspond to the corresponding items in your books?

A.—The \$19,250,601.64 corresponds with our books.

Q.—That is not my question. The question is this. Take the items appearing on the disbursement side of Statement No. 1, which are totalled up here—\$11,819,310. Do these items, so totalled up, correspond with the items in your books?

A.—The total sum in there differs from the total in our books by the sum of \$544,491.17.

Q.—That is on the receipt side.

A.—On the expenditure side in the same way.

Q.—What we want to deal with is what my honourable friend describes as current expenditure. The figure at the bottom here says total ordinary expenditure \$11,819,310. Do the items in your books correspond, or not, to the items here. Would they give you, for these items, the same total?

A.—You have mentioned current expenditure. I have already stated that we have not taken into account, in any shape or form, what is capital or current. I am following your question as well as I can. Therefore, the total of expenditure and receipts in Statement No. 1 differs in no sense except to the extent of the item of \$544,491 on each side of Statement No. 1. That is the difference.

HON. MR. FERGUSON: In other words, there was no cash receipt.

WITNESS: As explained in the footnote.

MR. ROWELL: That does not answer my question. I am dealing with the amount, as it is here described in this account, as total ordinary expenditure.

A.—And I have explained that we have not considered or entered anything under the name of ordinary or capital expenditure.

HON. MR. FERGUSON: You are asking him to make a comparison with an account which doesn't appear in his books.

MR. ROWELL: I am asking if the items which appear on this page, on pages a16 and 17, which total up payments of \$11,819,310, and which are here described as total ordinary expenditure, correspond with similar items in your books?

A.—With the exception of that \$544,491.

Q.—The \$544,491 doesn't appear there.

A.—It appears in the Statement, whether on that page or not.

Q.—Dealing solely with the payments here, total ordinary expenditures on a16 and 17. There is no item of \$544,491 in that total?

A.—No.

Q.—Then that corresponds exactly with yours?

A.—There is no difference.

HON. MR. FERGUSON: Your question relates entirely to the form in which the accounts should be made up.

MR. ROWELL: No. It relates entirely to the facts. It has nothing to do with the form. (to witness): As far as that item is excluded they are identical with yours?

A.—Yes.

Q.—Did this appear in the corresponding total on the receipt side?

A.—Yes.

Q.—If you eliminated that item of \$544,491 from the receipt side, up to that point we would have the same as your books?

A.—Just the same.

Q.—If you did eliminate that there would be a difference between these corresponding items on your books of \$1,200,000 odd?

A.—There would be, as far as the statement was concerned, without any regard to the facts.

Q.—Take the statement—we will go slower. Now take this item of \$544,491.17. . . Now we have this total of \$11,121,382.07 of total ordinary receipts and take out the item of \$544,491.17, which is not in your books—

A.—Which should leave \$10,576,890.90.

Q.—That would leave on the receipt side \$10,576,890.90. Now on the disbursement side there is total ordinary expenditure \$11,819,310.65.

HON. MR. FERGUSON: That doesn't touch on the fact, as he has explained. It only relates to this particular form of statement.

MR. ROWELL: The statements we have here are the facts. (to witness): The statements you have in your book are the facts?

A.—Yes, in our accounts.

Q.—Then that would show, according to your books, on the basis of this statement of ordinary receipts and expenditure, a difference or deficit of \$1,243,419.75?

A.—Well, I have not gone into that.

Q.—But Mr. Clancy, these would be actual receipts and actual disbursements, up to this point, we are not going beyond that, up to this point, this total of \$11,819,310.

A.—On the assumption that your calculation would be correct that would be the fact.

Q.—Just check that particular item.

A.—The total——.

Q.—I am just dealing with what is here described.

HON. MR. FERGUSON: You cannot expect the witness to answer—he must be allowed to explain.

WITNESS: I repeat that I have not gone into, or have we considered in any shape or form, where these figures would lead to, or added them up in that way. My answer is that total receipts on one side are \$10,576,890 and total expenditures on the other side \$20,076,461.36. Now that is regardless of any conclusions that may be reached between the commencement of the statement and the conclusion of it.

Q.—There is another question I want to ask. Instead of giving me the total expenditure, give me what is described as total ordinary expenditure, as set forth in this statement.

A.—What it is is described in that statement?

Q.—The total receipts, here described as ordinary, you tell us are \$10,576,890.

A.—The total receipts, without classifying them under any particular name.

Q.—Yes, now the total ordinary expenditure, without classification, embracing items here, amounts to \$11,819,310?

A.—Up to that period, yes.

Q.—And the difference between the two items, here described as total ordinary receipts and total ordinary expenditure, according to your books, is \$1,243,419?

HON. MR. FERGUSON: According to that statement. Not according to his books. According to the statement for which he is not responsible.

MR. ROWELL: According to the statement at the bottom of page a17 it would be the same as yours deducting the \$544,491 from the receipts. That leaves \$1,243,419.75 as a result at the end of that page?

A.—Yes.

HON. MR. FERGUSON: Which doesn't necessarily cover the whole situation?

A.—No.

MR. ROWELL: It covers what the Government describes as ordinary receipts and expenditures.

HON. MR. FERGUSON: It covers what my learned friend wants.

MR. ROWELL: Now let us come further and take the whole of it, because you do not make any division. Can you tell me what was the total difference between receipts and expenditures for the year, leaving out borrowed money?

A.—I would have to make it up. We will make it up for you in a statement.

Q.—The statement should cover this; what is the difference between total receipts and expenditures, excluding on the receipt side borrowed money, and on the disbursement side the Hydro-Electric and T. and N. O. Capital expenditure and payments on the Public Debt?

A.—Borrowed money is a large term. The sale of what particular Government securities?

Q.—The securities set out in Statement No. 1. Exclude from the statement the proceeds of the sale of Government securities on the one hand and exclude on the payment side the T. and N. O. and Hydro-Electric and payments on Government securities.

Witness promised to produce statement.

MR. ROWELL: You have an item here. What is that?

A.—That item indicates the whole of the revenue, the whole sum. What we have here indicated is only a portion of the receipts. This is to be added.

Q.—How would you classify the receipts totalled there of \$8,673,710, as distinct from receipts appearing on the prior page?

A.—By what appears in the statement itself, describing the source from which the money comes.

Q.—That is not the fact with borrowings?

A.—With borrowings it all goes to form part of the Consolidated Revenue and there is no distinction between that and any other.

Q.—The total amount we have here is \$8,673,710.74?

A.—It doesn't include all that. What is described here, the item of \$3,902,944.87 is the proceeds of that loan. We go further down and there is another from another loan. The statement shows the sources. We cannot indicate any more than the sources from which it comes.

Q.—Can you give us the actual receipts last year from the sale of Government securities or bonds?

A.—We have made a statement there. That is the statement.

Q.—I thought you said there was something more. I want you to give me what represents the real borrowings.

HON. MR. FERGUSON: Cannot you separate them yourself?

MR. ROWELL: I want to get from the Auditor what he says are the borrowings and, on the other side, give us what were the payments on Capital Expenditure on the T. and N. O. and the Hydro. What are described here as statutory expenditures.

Witness undertook to prepare a statement, and the Committee then adjourned to meet again on Friday, March 26 at 11 a.m.

PUBLIC ACCOUNTS COMMITTEE.

March 26, 1915.

The Committee met at 11 a.m.

Mr. Clancy, Provincial Auditor, recalled.

MR. ROWELL: Mr. Clancy, I asked you, when you were here the other day, to prepare a statement which would exclude from the statement the proceeds of the sale of Government securities on the one side—the receipt side—and exclude on the payment side T. and N. O., Hydro-Electric and payments on account of Government securities—

HON. MR. FERGUSON: Before we proceed with this examination we might as well make the position clear. My honourable friend has written a letter to the Auditor, Mr. Clancy, setting forth some six or eight special calculations he wants made from his own point of view. All the information he asks for is contained in the Public Accounts and what he now asks the Auditor to do is practically to prepare him another set of Public Accounts, as far as these particular items go, and prepare that according to his views. The Public Accounts are prepared under the direction of the Treasury Board and I protest most strongly against my honourable friend asking the Auditor to revise what he has already been directed to do by the Treasury Board, and what he has done accordingly. The Public Accounts are open for any gentleman to make his own calculations and draw his own conclusions and to conduct his examination, but I think, and the gentlemen of the Committee will bear me out, that it is highly improper that the Auditor should be asked to prepare the Public Accounts along lines suggested by my honourable friend. That is the position, and I want the matter fully understood and settled before we proceed.

MR. ROWELL: The Auditor is a responsible Auditor of this Legislature and he is the man to whom the Public and the Legislature look to audit the Public Accounts of the Province. He keeps in his own office a full set of books—

HON. MR. FERGUSON: You were practically asking him to prepare a new set of accounts.

MR. ROWELL: I am stating my position, I submit I have a right to state it. The Auditor keeps in his office these books which show what he says are the actual receipts and disbursements of the Province for the last year. I am not asking him to express his opinion on anything. I am asking him to give this Committee the benefit of a statement, prepared by him from his own books, which according to the evidence he has sworn to will show the actual receipts and disbursements of the Province for the year. I cannot understand why the Government should object to the Auditor of the Province giving to this

Committee and this Legislature direct information taken from his own books in the audit office. I submit this Committee is entitled to it and to deprive us of it is to deprive this Committee of its most useful function.

HON. MR. FERGUSON: Let me ask one question. My honourable friend will admit that every bit of information for which he asks is contained in the Public Accounts, is it not?

MR. ROWELL: Every bit? Oh, no.

HON. MR. FERGUSON: Every bit can be obtained from the Public Accounts if you choose to make the calculations. Is that not a fact?

MR. ROWELL: Every bit of information I am asking for is not. I want to know as to what is contained in the Auditor's books. If we get what is in the Auditor's books we can deal with the accounts.

HON. MR. FERGUSON: Be fair. Is not every bit of information you are asking for contained in that book of Public Accounts?

MR. ROWELL: Not in the form in which it appears in the Auditor's books.

HON. MR. FERGUSON: You mean, not in the form in which you desire it.

MR. ROWELL: I want the form of the actual receipts and disbursements.

HON. MR. FERGUSON: All of which can be obtained from that book.

MR. ROWELL: If a person is an expert and goes through them and finds out what are proper receipts, but we do not want controversy. We want the Auditor's own statement. We are prepared to take the Auditor's statement.

HON. MR. FERGUSON: And he tells you the information is all contained in the Public Accounts. My honourable friend may take an expert, someone more expert than he is to figure it out. The information is all contained in the Public Accounts. He must make his own calculations and deductions, just as I must make them, from the Public Account. I do not purpose that my honourable friend—

MR. ROWELL: Does my honourable friend contend that the Government has the right to prepare statements of the finances of this Province, which we believe not to be a correct statement, and deny us the right to get from the Provincial Auditor the respective amounts in the Ledger, the items the actual books and actual accounts disclose?

HON. MR. FERGUSON: You have examined the Auditor at length on the Public Accounts. Your jurisdiction is to deal with the Public Accounts. My

honourable friend should not ask this Committee to play the scavenger for him in looking up campaign matter for him at these meetings.

MR. JOHNSON: It strikes me that if the Committee were to agree it would imply that we think these accounts are unreliable. We couldn't do that.

MR. CHAIRMAN: I am not clear as to what Mr. Rowell wants, myself. What is it you do want?

MR. ROWELL: I want from the Auditor, first a statement of receipts and expenditures of the Province for the fiscal year ending the 31st of October last, based on your own books.

MR. CHAIRMAN: Then let us deal with that first.

HON. MR. FERGUSON: That is contained in these Public Accounts, every item, every dollar of it, and he won't contend otherwise. There is not a dollar in the books in connection with the finances of the Province that is not shown in the Public Accounts. He must admit that. Is that not the fact, Mr. Rowell?

MR. ROWELL: I do not purpose sitting here to be interrogated by my honourable friend. I have stated before that the books do not show what we say is the accurate statement of the Public Accounts. We have asked the Auditor to give us a statement and what we want is a statement from his books.

MR. CHAIRMAN: There is no objection to you asking him those things.

HON. MR. FERGUSON: If my honourable friend will point out to us any inaccuracy in the Public Accounts, if he will show us where there is a misappropriation of a cent, in any way, then we will have some ground for considering his request.

MR. CHAIRMAN: I think we are losing a lot of time.

HON. MR. FERGUSON: We are here to do business. To examine the finances of the Province. We are not here to manufacture material for campaign speeches.

MR. ROWELL: The trouble is, we have manufactured accounts. We want to get the real accounts.

HON. MR. FERGUSON: My honourable friends will persist in doing what they know is entirely improper.

MR. BOWMAN: I object to that statement, that we are doing something that is highly improper. As a member of this Committee I want to resent any

accusation against the members of this Committee, in the strongest possible language. That was most uncalled for.

HON. MR. FERGUSON: My honourable friend is unduly sensitive. I stated that the method of procedure was entirely wrong.

MR. CHAIRMAN: If you will ask the question I will see whether it is right or not.

MR. ROWELL: Then, Mr. Clancy, coming to Statement No. 1 in the Public Accounts, I want to ask you first, and what I understood was to be prepared in accordance with the first question was this: What are the receipts of the Province according to your books for the last year, excluding all borrowed money, in order that we may get, apart from borrowings, what the real receipts are?

HON. MR. FERGUSON: There you go again. That is all shown in the Statement. My honourable friend is keeping this Committee here to get from the witness calculations which he is capable of making for himself. I object to Mr. Clancy answering that.

MR. JOHNSON: I understood my honourable friend to say this was a manufactured account. Does he mean manufactured by the officials of the Department for certain purposes?

MR. ROWELL: The statement was prepared under the direction of the Treasury Board and not of the Auditor.

MR. JOHNSON: You used the word "manufactured." I do not like that.

MR. ROWELL: I want to get the statement of the Auditor with reference to it.

HON. MR. FERGUSON: You think you can come to this Committee and make it appear that there is something improper without taking any responsibility. You know perfectly well that if you think the accounts are incorrect the proper place to make a charge is on the floor of the House on your responsibility as a member. You know perfectly well that you are only coming here to make a bear-garden play to fill the newspapers and create the impression that something is wrong.

MR. CARTER: Why do you charge us constantly with coming here to make it a bear garden. I deny that. I resent it. I will not be included as one who makes a bear garden of this Committee.

HON. MR. FERGUSON: As far as Mr. Carter is concerned I withdraw any suggestion.

MR. ROWELL: I ask Mr. Clancy for this statement. The reason I ask it is to avoid controversy between the members of the House as to what the accounts do show. What I want to get from you, Mr. Clancy, is this, what are the total receipts for last year, excluding the borrowings, so that we may get the real receipts, apart from those items?

MR. CHAIRMAN: Can that be ascertained by Mr. Rowell by reference to the blue books?

WITNESS: Of course. That is all contained in the Public Accounts.

Q.—He can find it if he likes. It is all contained in the accounts?

A.—Yes, anyone can find it.

MR. SINCLAIR: That question should not be asked. Surely there was a ruling made on that the first day, that kind of a question.

MR. CHAIRMAN: I do not say the question should not be asked, I do not see any reason why it should be answered. I may have a wrong conception of the duties of this Committee, but it seems to me we are here for the purpose of investigation and looking into the accounts, not for the purpose of making calculations.

MR. ROWELL: But surely it is the proper thing——

MR. CHAIRMAN: What is to be gained?

MR. ROWELL: To get a correct statement of the Public Accounts, of the financial position of this Province, a correct statement of actual receipts and disbursements.

MR. CHAIRMAN: That means that the Public Accounts are not correct?

MR. ROWELL: We do not believe they are correct. We want a chance to investigate.

HON. MR. FERGUSON: Why doesn't he specify the item that he says is not correct. Every item he has asked about is contained there. Let him take his pencil and show where they are correct. Let him do his own calculation.

MR. ROWELL: Surely the Government doesn't object to the Auditor of the Province giving a statement of receipts and disbursements.

MR. CHAIRMAN: He has. That is his statement.

MR. ROWELL: He says it is not his statement.

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MR. ROWELL: I will ask the Auditor.

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MR. CHAIRMAN: The books are here. You can have everything you want.

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MR. CHAIRMAN: Now, Mr. Carter, you apparently do not understand that \$544,000 item?

MR. CARTER: I do not.

MR. CHAIRMAN: So that there may be no mistake about it I think the Committee would like you to ask any question you like.

MR. CARTER: I will ask questions at the opportune time. Mr. Rowell has got the gentleman in charge. When he gets through I will follow my own course. You have treated me fairly outside of twice, twice you didn't. Now, Mr. Chairman, honest bright I think that is a good record for you.

MR. CHAIRMAN: Now, Mr. Bowman, now we will hear what you were so anxious to say.

MR. BOWMAN: Since your procedure with Mr. Carter, to get him to take the witness out of the hands of Mr. Rowell, has failed, I have no further objection to make.

MR. CHAIRMAN: Mr. Rowell was not talking about that item.

MR. ROWELL: My examination was dealing with the whole item that includes that item. (To witness): Can you give me the answer to my question, as to what were the receipts for the fiscal year ending October 31st, 1914, excluding the borrowed moneys—so that we can get at actual receipts?

HON. MR. FERGUSON: Again I say the answer is in your own hands. The documents are the best evidence you can get.

MR. CHAIRMAN: You may answer that.

A.—The Public Accounts as they appear in our books, in the books of the audit office, make no distinction such as you have said, separating the borrowed money from the others.

MR. ROWELL: Then as Auditor, having charge of these books, will you kindly separate them and give me the actual receipts less the borrowings.

HON. MR. FERGUSON: My learned friend has that in the Public Accounts. He has them all. I protest against the Auditor being asked to compile a new set of accounts.

MR. CHAIRMAN: Can that be ascertained from the Public Accounts?

A.—It can be ascertained from Statement No. 1 itself.

MR. ROWELL: Then you decline to permit the witness to give the answer to that question?

MR. CHAIRMAN: No, no. I think he has answered it.

MR. ROWELL: No, he has not—if I may respectfully correct you.

MR. CHAIRMAN: Then you ask him again. I think he did answer it.

MR. ROWELL: I ask you as Auditor in charge of the books of the audit office, if you will tell me, taking your books or any statements you have, what were the actual receipts of the Province last year leaving out borrowed money.

HON. MR. FERGUSON: Again, it is a repetition of the same question, and the same objection obtains. As Mr. Clancy has stated that is all contained in Statement No. 1. It is a mere matter of addition and subtraction to get it, isn't it, Mr. Clancy?

A.—Yes.

MR. CHAIRMAN: Then answer it in that way and put it on record.

HON. MR. FERGUSON: He has already said that.

WITNESS: If you want an answer, in detail, as Mr. Rowell has asked. Do you desire me to so answer it?

MR. CHAIRMAN: Yes, I think you should.

HON. MR. FERGUSON: I object to that—

MR. CARTER (interrupting): As a point of order—you have ruled that he may answer, cannot we have it?

HON. MR. FERGUSON: My honourable friend is, perhaps, not as familiar with the procedure in this Committee as he might be.

MR. CARTER: I am willing to learn all the procedure that obtains here. But it is not always observed by my friend there, more than anyone else.

HON. MR. FERGUSON: I have already protested. I do not purpose sitting here and permitting, without my protest, the Auditor revising the statement already prepared, which, he says, contains every bit of information he might

MR. CHAIRMAN: And you are going to get it if I can help you.

MR. ROWELL: If there is nothing to hide why cannot the witness be allowed to answer the question. There is the point. If there is nothing to hide I think my honourable friend is doing an injustice not only to the Committee but to the Government. If there is something to hide he is taking the very course he should take.

HON. MR. FERGUSON: It is not a question of something to hide. I raised an objection to the witness answering this question, and I raised it upon meritorious grounds.

MR. ROWELL: Again I ask the Auditor to tell me the amount of the expenditure of the Province for the fiscal year ending the 31st of October, 1914, according to his books.

HON. MR. FERGUSON: I object.

MR. ROWELL: Then I ask for the ruling of the Chair.

MR. CHAIRMAN: Personally, I think the question should be answered, but in view of the action of the Committee a few minutes ago, I suppose that the Committee won't stand for it.

MR. ROWELL: I think we should have your ruling, Mr. Chairman.

MR. CHAIRMAN: I think it ought to be answered.

HON. MR. FERGUSON: I object for the same reason as before. My learned friend is asking the Auditor to draw conclusions which he can draw himself. The figures are all there and the Auditor has said they are all there. If you rule, I appeal from your ruling again.

The vote was then taken upon the question "shall the ruling of the Chair be sustained," and resulted as follows:

Yeas : Messrs. Bowman, Carter, Gillespie, Hurdman, Mageau, Munro, Pinard, Proudfoot and Rowell (9).

Nays: Messrs. Carew, Dargavel, Eilber, Ferguson, Hall, Hartt, Hook, Jaques, Johnson, Magladery, Torrance, Sinclair, Price, McCrae, McElroy and Musgrove (16).

The ruling of the Chair was not sustained.

MR. ROWELL: Another question, Mr. Clancy, have you prepared from your books a statement of the receipts and expenditures of the Province for the fiscal year ending the 31st of October, 1914, based upon the figures in your own books?

HON. MR. FERGUSON: Same thing again.

MR. ROWELL: I am asking if he has prepared a statement, from his own books, of receipts and expenditures.

HON. MR. FERGUSON: I can answer for him, he has prepared a statement. I do not think it is proper, Mr. Chairman, to ask this Committee to sit here, while the honourable member asks questions over and over again, for a ruling and a vote. If we do, the whole procedure has developed into a farce. The principle has been laid down as to what Mr. Clancy may be asked and that principle should govern.

MR. JOHNSON: I ask the leader of the Opposition for whom Mr. Clancy should make such a statement. It is entirely unusual. It has never been done. Everything is in the Public Accounts, He would be entitled to prepare a statement for any member of the Legislature. As Auditor, representing the Legislature and the people, he has prepared a statement and delivered that to the Government. My learned friend has the statement.

HON. MR. FERGUSON: When my honourable friend pretends to say the Auditor is bound to prepare a statement for any member of the Legislature, he is stating something that is entirely erroneous. The Auditor has no business to do anything of the sort. The Auditor is subject to the Treasury Board. The fact is this, and he won't deny it. My learned friend suggested that Mr. Clancy prepare a certain statement. He writes a letter in which he sets forth a list of five carefully-prepared statements, all of which information is contained within the Public Accounts, and which he can obtain for himself. He wants statements prepared, merely in accordance with his own view of how they should be. I submit that that is not proper material for examination before this Committee.

MR. ROWELL: Let me state my position. They were not to be statements prepared according to my own opinion, but according to figures in the Auditor's own books. What I ask now is this: Has the Auditor prepared such a statement. Has he in his custody now, a statement of the receipts and expenditures of the Province for the fiscal year ending the 31st of October, 1914, based on the entries in his own books. It is simply a question whether he has or not.

HON. MR. FERGUSON: I can answer for the Auditor. He has. In answer to my honourable friend's letter.

MR. ROWELL: My honourable friend has no right to answer the question for the witness.

MR. PROUDFOOT: I rise to a point of order. I want to know whether he has a right to answer before the witness.

HON. MR. FERGUSON: I will put it in another way. I will show why the question should not be answered, if you prefer it that way. My honourable friend writes to the Auditor a letter asking him to prepare certain information, all of which is contained in the Public Accounts, and to all of which he has access himself, and all of which can be prepared by himself and according to his own particular view or purpose. My objection is that he hasn't any right to address any official of this Government or any Department of it, or any other Government for that matter, and ask him to prepare a statement in accordance with his own views, when he already has prepared his Statement under the authority of the Government. Everything available about the Public Accounts, every dollar of receipts and expenditures, which the Treasury Department has received or handled, was before him. In view of him having written the letter, the Auditor, as a matter of courtesy, thought he was entitled to prepare such a statement. The fact of him having done it as a matter of courtesy, doesn't give my honourable friend here a right of access to that statement, because the Auditor should not have done it.

MR. JOHNSON: Mr. Clancy will you—

MR. ROWELL: I submit that I am entitled to have my question disposed of one way or the other before any other question is put to the witness. I desire, before asking for your further ruling, to refer to what my honourable friend has said. He says I had no right to ask the Auditor to prepare this statement. I desire to dissent from that proposition, and for this reason. When we were here the other day I asked the Auditor with reference to certain items in his books. The Auditor said it would take a little time to prepare them, and it was understood that the matter would stand over, and the Auditor would prepare a statement for this meeting, in order to facilitate the proceedings this morning I set out in writing to the Auditor the particular statements we desired. I had a conference with Mr. Bowman and he told me that Mr. McGarry had asked that we let the Auditor know any points on which we wanted information, so that he would not come here with unnecessary books and accounts. Pursuant to that understanding and to facilitate the proceedings of the Committee, I have asked for these statements. My question now is simply—has the Auditor prepared that statement?

HON. MR. FERGUSON: My honourable friend knows perfectly well that the man he should have addressed that letter to, was the Treasurer of the Province, not an official underling. The Auditor, as a matter of courtesy, when he got the letter, prepared the statement, and his Chief, when the statement

came before him, said that that statement was in the Public Accounts. That is where they must get it. I do not propose to let anybody come into my Department and obtain material they can get in the Public Accounts.

MR. JOHNSON: Mr. Clancy, I would like to ask you this: Is it customary for you, as Auditor for this Province of Ontario, to compile special statements such as Mr. Rowell asked for?

WITNESS: I have had no experience of it, as custom or otherwise, to prepare statements until this year. The matter of statements was discussed at this Committee, probably not definitely, but in a general sense. Mr. Rowell intimated to me in the letter that has already been referred to to-day the details of such statements as he referred to. The statements—whatever have been made up, were made up entirely at the request of Mr. Rowell, subject, of course, to the pleasure of the Committee.

MR. JOHNSON: Have you ever before been called upon or have submitted such statements as Mr. Rowell calls for?

A.—I have not.

MR. JOHNSON: There you are!

MR. McCRAE: I think it would save a great deal of time if Mr. Rowell insists upon asking a series of questions and getting a series of rulings—I would like to put the whole matter before the Committee. These accounts are offered by the Government as a statement of the Public Accounts for the year 1913-14. Mr. Clancy, the Auditor, has stated that all the information appertaining to the Public Accounts of 1914 are contained in the book—the Public Accounts book here. Mr. Rowell comes here and expresses his opinion that the accounts are not correct and that, in other words, the Government has furnished an incorrect statement of the Public Accounts of this Province, and proceeds to ask certain questions for the purpose of putting them on the records of this Committee. If these questions were asked fairly there would not, perhaps, be so much objection. The last question asked, the question was put this way: "From your books, how much are the revenues and expenditures during the past year?" Mr. Clancy, having previously stated that all the information was contained in the blue book, it seems that that question, going out before the public without contradiction, might give the impression that the books Mr. Clancy had, differed from the blue books of this Province, and that a certain state of affairs existed, which did not show by the blue books of the Government. I submit, that the object of the number of questions my learned friend has asked, is just to put a wrong impression upon the records of this Committee, and a general ruling should be made, that in an investigation of this kind when anybody comes before this Committee alleging that an improper statement has been furnished by the Government, which is the gravamen of the charge by Mr. Rowell, he must

take up the items he alleges to be improper and discuss them from that standpoint, so that the Committee may know what is before them, rather than to ask a series of questions which, by implication, cast a reflection upon the Government, and seeking to show that, in another set of books, controlled by the Auditor, a different statement of accounts appears to those which the Auditor has sworn are correct.

MR. ROWELL: No. He has declined any responsibility.

MR. McCRAE: He has pointed out his duty to comply with the form submitted by the Treasury Board, and having given that, he has sworn that all the items, as far as the correctness of these is concerned, are there. There may be a difference of opinion as to the \$544,000. That seems to be the bone of contention. But I submit that Mr. Clancy, as an officer of this Department, should not be asked, when his duties are to respect the statement from the Treasury Board, to stand up and say, "I disagree or do not disagree" with the Treasury Board in their Statement. He has said as far as the items appearing in this statement are concerned, as far as the dollars and cents are concerned, they are correct, and in the footnote he makes it clear that the cross items of \$544,000 are not actual receipts or expenditures. The footnote explains that. Instead of a series of questions being put on the records of this Committee from which wrong conclusions may be drawn, the proper duty of the Committee is to have a copy of the challenges of the accounts set forth on the evidence specifically, so that the Committee will have clearly before it what his grounds are.

MR. BOWMAN: I just want to refer to a matter touched on by Mr. Ferguson. He intimated that Mr. Rowell had no right to address any official of the Government, that he should have addressed the Treasurer. Mr. Rowell did address the Provincial Treasurer through me. It was as a result of an arrangement arrived at between the Provincial Treasurer and myself that Mr. Rowell proceeded in the manner in which he did. The Provincial Treasurer asked me to intimate to the officials of his Department what was required, so as to save unnecessary work in bringing books and material before this Committee. It was in view of that understanding, arrived at between the Provincial Treasurer and myself, that Mr. Rowell addressed the Provincial Auditor as he did.

MR. FERGUSON: Did the Treasurer say to intimate to him or the officials?

MR. BOWMAN: He said to let the officials know.

MR. ROWELL: I asked the Auditor if he prepared a statement from his own books. I ask for your ruling, Mr. Chairman.

MR. CHAIRMAN: In view of my former ruling, I think the question should not be answered.

MR. ROWELL: In view of the action of the Committee on your former ruling?

MR. CHAIRMAN: Yes.

MR. ROWELL: I submit you are entitled to your own judgment.

MR. CHAIRMAN: It is not necessary to make any comment on it. I have ruled.

MR. ROWELL: In view of the action of the Committee in not sustaining your former ruling?

MR. CHAIRMAN: And you think I was wrong?

MR. ROWELL: Out of deference to its opinion you rule this question out?

MR. CHAIRMAN: Yes.

MR. ROWELL: Another question. Have you prepared a statement showing the total receipts of the Province for the fiscal year ending the 31st of October, 1914, which are described in Statement No. 1 as ordinary receipts and the total disbursements for the year described in Statement No. 1 as ordinary expenditures?

HON. MR. FERGUSON: Just a moment, Mr. Clancy. That is another statement involving everything we have discussed.

MR. CHAIRMAN: We had better settle this, whether he should or should not produce a statement which he has, or which you suggest he has.

MR. ROWELL: I did not suggest that he has; pursuant to the understanding I asked Mr. Clancy if he would facilitate the work of the Committee by preparing certain statements.

HON. MR. FERGUSON: You mean facilitate your work.

MR. ROWELL: I thought the work of this Committee was to get the facts. You have burked investigation from the outset.

HON. MR. FERGUSON: It is not the work of this Committee to furnish material for campaign speeches.

MR. CHAIRMAN: The question is whether he should produce the statement which you suggest he has.

MR. ROWELL: I am entitled to put on record my question with reference to each statement—I speak with great respect.

MR. CHAIRMAN: All right.

MR. ROWELL: Is your ruling the same with reference to that?

MR. CHAIRMAN: Yes.

MR. ROWELL: Then, Mr. Clancy, have you prepared a statement showing the total receipts and disbursements for the fiscal year ending the 31st of October, 1914, omitting the sums realized on the sale of Government securities or ————— of the Province, as well as a statement showing the actual receipts of the Province, less the moneys borrowed during the year by the Province—prepared from your books?

HON. MR. FERGUSON: I object.

MR. CHAIRMAN: You object to that? Why?

HON. MR. FERGUSON: On the same ground as the others, exactly.

MR. CHAIRMAN (to Mr. Rowell): I am against you.

MR. ROWELL: For the same reason? In view of the ruling of the Committee?

MR. CHAIRMAN: Yes.

MR. ROWELL: I ask Mr. Clancy if he has a statement showing the total receipts for the year, omitting moneys borrowed or realized from the sale of Government securities, and omitting on the disbursement side, payments on retired Treasury bills or Government securities and payments on account of Hydro-Electric and T. and N. O. as shown on pages 18 and 19, Statement No. 1.

HON. MR. FERGUSON: Same objection.

MR. CHAIRMAN: Same ruling.

MR. ROWELL: Same ruling, same reason. I ask Mr. Clancy if he has prepared a statement of the capital account of the T. and N. O. on the first of November, 1913, and showing all payments made on account thereof, up to the 31st of October, 1914?

HON. MR. FERGUSON: Same objection.

MR. CHAIRMAN: Same ruling.

MR. ROWELL: Same ruling, same reason?

MR. CHAIRMAN: Yes.

MR. ROWELL: Then, Mr. Clancy, if you cannot give us any information about these statements, we will have to ask you to have your actual books here and we will see the books ourselves.

HON. MR. FERGUSON: One question. No statement that you can make, Mr. Clancy, from your books, would show any difference in the financial position of the Province, as you have indicated it in this Statement here?

WITNESS: Not the slightest.

MR. ROWELL: That question put in that way would give an entirely misleading impression.

MR. JOHNSON: It is an honest reply to the question.

MR. ROWELL: There are two sets of books. The books are not the same.

HON. MR. FERGUSON: My learned friend will not charge that where he will be held responsible for it.

MR. ROWELL: When the books are produced we will prove it.

HON. MR. FERGUSON: I repeat; my learned friend will not charge that in a place where he will be held responsible. He makes the charge here because he knows he cannot be held responsible for it. He is stating, without assuming any responsibility, that which he knows is absolutely untrue.

MR. ROWELL: We are not going to have the accounts of the Province manipulated, without having something to say about it.

HON. MR. FERGUSON: I will not permit my learned friend—

MR. CHAIRMAN: You have no right to say that. We are endeavoring to be absolutely fair. As Chairman of the Committee I have afforded you every possible opportunity of obtaining everything you want.

HON. MR. FERGUSON: I am not satisfied with that—

MR. CHAIRMAN: I have tried to be fair, and this is what I get.

MR. ROWELL: If you thought that, in any way, referred to you, I unhesitatingly withdraw. It had no application to you whatever.

HON. MR. FERGUSON: I am not satisfied with that. If you insinuate here that these accounts are manipulated by any member of the Government, I say you should withdraw. It is a cowardly assertion he dare not make on the floor of the House, that he daren't make on the floor of the House. He is saying it to get it into the headlines of the newspapers. It is a cowardly statement, he dare not make it on the floor of the House.

MR. CHAIRMAN: I think the statement was absolutely unwarranted.

MR. ROWELL: I will withdraw the statement until we get the books here, until Tuesday, when we will see what the facts are.

MR. CHAIRMAN: Isn't it always better to have the facts before you make these charges?

HON. MR. FERGUSON: No man ever dared to make such a charge, to point to a single dollar of income that has been improperly dealt with.

The Committee then adjourned to meet again on Wednesday, March 31, at 10.30 a.m.

PUBLIC ACCOUNTS COMMITTEE.

March 31, 1915.

The Committee met at 10.30 a.m.

HON. MR. MCGARRY: Before the proceedings of the meeting begin I wish to refer to a matter that took place here the last day. There seems to be some misunderstanding so far as the Treasury Department is concerned and I wish to clear it up. When the first meeting took place Mr. Clancy was a witness, and Mr. Bowman spoke to me then, asking me if I had any objection to his pointing out to Mr. Clancy what books they desired produced here from the audit department. I said that there was no objection at all and that all the books in our Department would be produced any time, that he could go and see Mr. Sproule and point out what he wanted. But there never was at that time, or from that time to the present time, any suggestion that there would be given, through the audit office or the Treasury Department, any particular statement other than the books themselves. Now I find that the leader of the Opposition, on the 25th of March, made a demand on Mr. Clancy for certain statements, and one of the statements he wanted, according to the letter, was a statement showing the total receipts of the Province for the fiscal year ending the 31st of October, 1914, described in Statement No. 1 of ordinary receipts and disburse-

ments. In spite of the fact that, at that very meeting, Mr. Clancy had sworn that in his books there is no separate statement for ordinary and current receipts or expenditure—as shown on page 99 of the evidence—he endeavored to get from Mr. Clancy a statement, from the books, of matters which are not separated in those books at all. Now I want to say here that the Treasury Department has never had any objection to producing every book we have in that Department, and they are here to-day, every book. We are prepared to produce every book from the Treasury Department, but we are not going to allow the leader of the Opposition to dictate the form in which the Statement shall be produced before the House. All the information my learned friend wants is contained in the Public Accounts or in the books of the Department and these are here for my honourable friend's inspection. They are here now and he is free to go through them from cover to cover, up and down and around to satisfy himself as to this statement. I make this statement out of fairness to Mr. Bowman, and to Mr. Clancy as Auditor, and Mr. Sproule as Deputy in my Department. As far as Mr. Clancy is concerned he understood that, at the previous meeting, this Committee authorized him to prepare this statement. It was not the intention, on Mr. Clancy's part, to do anything that would not be known to the Minister in charge of that Department. He understood he had been ordered to do so and he conceived it his duty to submit a copy to me before appearing at the Committee. I refused and must refuse again. I cannot allow the leader of the Opposition to dictate to me what shall be produced here. I had no knowledge that this letter was written by my honourable friend. I had no knowledge that he had asked for this information; and, to read the evidence, one would, at once, come to the conclusion that no person who had heard Mr. Clancy make his statement, would ever ask for the statement he asks for in this letter.

MR. ROWELL: My honourable friend stated that Mr. Clancy understood that there was a request by this Committee to prepare the statement. What I say is that it was understood at this meeting that Mr. Clancy would prepare a statement and the members of the Committee here heard me discussing with Mr. Clancy what the statements were that we desired. In order that there might be no misunderstanding I made a request in writing, in order that Mr. Clancy might have the matter before him. There was no objection to my asking Mr. Clancy to have these statements. In the Committee the suggestion was that it would expedite matters, since it would take time to make the calculations, that it would expedite matters if Mr. Clancy made out a statement and came here with it the next day. Everything done was done in accordance with the procedure of the Committee. When my honourable friend says he is not going to have the leader of the Opposition dictate to him—nobody is dictating, I am only asking for information I submit we are entitled to receive. If you are still going to prevent us—

HON. MR. MCGARRY: Now, don't try to make any grand-stand play here. We have all the information here, let my honourable friend get down and get it instead of making grand-stand plays.

MR. ROWELL: My honourable friend had better keep his seat.

HON. MR. MCGARRY: He is not going to keep his seat when my honourable friend is making statements he knows are untrue.

MR. ROWELL: I object to that, Mr. Chairman, and I ask him to withdraw it.

HON. MR. MCGARRY: I will not withdraw it. You know it is untrue that I am blocking this Committee.

MR. ROWELL: You are preventing us——

HON. MR. MCGARRY: I ask the leader of the Opposition how I am preventing him from getting evidence, when I have all the evidence in the books here.

MR. CHAIRMAN: Mr. Rowell, will you explain in what way he is preventing you?

MR. ROWELL: In not giving us those statements.

MR. CHAIRMAN: The Minister says all the evidence, all the books are here—he is not trying to prevent you getting it in any way. The Minister is willing that you should have all the information you require. The difference between you is, that you want a statement for your own purposes.

MR. ROWELL: I want a true statement.

MR. CHAIRMAN: Mr. Clancy has sworn that the books contain the true statement.

MR. ROWELL: Then we will get the books.

MR. FERGUSON: Evidently some confusion and misunderstanding arose at the meeting to which my honourable friend refers. I did not understand, and I have failed to find in the evidence, anything to show that there was any understanding, that my learned friend was to prepare a set of questions, along lines he saw fit, and ask the Auditor to come here with what, he says this morning, is a contradiction of the Public Accounts, submitted and approved by the Auditor. It was not authorized by the Committee. There were a number of questions put and, frequently, discussions took place. There was not any ruling by the Committee with reference to this particular matter. There was some talk about it, in my hearing, but I heard no suggestion that any such procedure should be taken as my honourable friend adopts. One other matter, in reference to Mr. Clancy. I notice the newspapers say I referred to him as

an underling of the Department. I had no intention of doing it. My recollection is that I did not say it. The statement, I intended to make, was that the leader of the Opposition had no right to go behind the back of the Treasurer to get information from anyone under him. I have the highest respect for Mr. Clancy and for everyone in the service whom I know. I merely want to make this statement in fairness to him. Mr. Clancy is not entitled to be reflected upon in any such manner, or in any manner whatever.

HON. MR. FERGUSON: I desire to call Mr. Douglas of the Treasury Department.

MR. ROWELL: I submit that Mr. Clancy is under examination. It is not fair, while he is under examination, for my honourable friend to interrupt. I submit I am entitled to proceed with my examination. The Treasury officials are here with the books and we would like to get into the books and go on with the matter.

MR. FERGUSON: I do not propose to introduce any other matter.

HON. MR. MCGARRY: Go on with your questions. No one is going to interfere with you.

MR. ROWELL: Will you kindly sit down. I have the witness here and am ready to go on.

HON. MR. MCGARRY: Then call Mr. Clancy, and for heaven's sake get on with it. But I want you to understand that you cannot come here and bulldoze this Committee. Call Mr. Clancy and get on with it.

Mr. Clancy, called and examined.

MR. ROWELL: Mr. Clancy, will you kindly turn to the statement of disbursements in your books for the past year.

A.—This is Ledger A of the series that contain that.

Q.—That contains the whole of the expenditure?

A.—Yes.

Q.—Then your books contain the whole of the entries showing the whole of the expenditure of the Province for the last fiscal year.

A.—Yes, that may be found in Statement No. 25. It is all detailed there in Statement No. 25, on page 646 of the Public Accounts. Statement No. 25 is a correct transcription of every expenditure, as they appear in our books.

Q.—Then what is the total expenditure for the year?

MR. ROWELL: Is it \$20,076,461.36?

A.—Yes, \$20,076,461.36.

Q.—In what respect does that differ, if any, from Statement No. 1 in the Public Accounts, prepared by the Treasury Board.

A.—Just to the extent of \$544,491.17.

Q.—The only difference is the \$544,491.17?

A.—Yes.

Q.—There appears an item, in Statement No. 1 of the Treasury Department, which does not appear in your books, your disbursements show that much less?

A.—Our books show our actual disbursements.

Q.—They show that much less?

A.—Yes, that much less.

HON. MR. FERGUSON: Of course they do. Nobody ever made any other contention.

MR. ROWELL: Take the statement of receipts for the year. What are the total receipts for the year as shown in your books?

A.—\$19,271,571.94.

MR. ROWELL: Take the total receipts and disbursements appearing on pages a16 and a17 of the Public Accounts, described as total ordinary receipts and total ordinary expenditures, taking those same items, as they appear in your books, there would be a difference of \$1,243,419.75?

A.—Taking the items as they appear in our books the sums put in here, on both sides, are correct, taking the items as they appear in Statement No. 1—there would be just the difference between \$11,121,382.07 and \$11,819,310.65.

Q.—Less the \$544,000?

A.—Yes, less the \$544,000.

Q.—Without that cumbersome form, that would give the exact result as \$1,234,419.75?

A.—That would be the difference, as appearing on that page.

Q.—In your books?

A.—No.

Q.—Well, take these items.

A.—These items are all correctly stated here in our books. There is no difference in the items on both sides with the exception of that \$544,000.

Q.—And if you take that out the difference between the two sides is \$1,234,419.75?

A.—Yes.

Q.—Then we have cleared up that point. Now, I want to proceed with another point. What do you make the total receipts of the Province for the year, less the amounts borrowed, less moneys which came in to us which we must repay?

A.—That would involve a calculation I have not made. That, of course, would appear in Statement No. 1.

Q.—Then you can make a calculation, will you make one now, giving the total receipts of the Province for the year, less the moneys borrowed by the Province which we will have to repay?

A.—I can make that statement for you.

Q.—Then, can you just make it now?

HON. MR. MCGARRY: Before this goes any further I have a right to clear this up and I am going to do it—now.

MR. ROWELL: Mr. Chairman, I object to my honourable friend interrupting in this way. I ask your ruling whether, if I ask the witness a question and he is prepared to answer it, my honourable friend is entitled to interfere with the answer, and take the witness out of my hands.

MR. CHAIRMAN: I do not understand that that is what he wants to do.

MR. ROWELL: Am I not entitled to have my question answered before there is any interference by a Minister of the Crown?

MR. CHAIRMAN: If the Minister of the Crown will place his question I will rule on it.

HON. MR. MCGARRY: This item of statutory expenditure \$2,233,702.80 includes all the interest paid last year on all loans?

MR. ROWELL: I ask the Chairman's ruling on that.

MR. CHAIRMAN: That question has been answered by Mr. Clancy, so I cannot rule for that.

HON. MR. MCGARRY: I will take it another way. If all the interest paid last year on loans is included in this item of \$2,233,000 odd, is the interest paid on account of the T. and N. O. included in that item?

A.—Yes. The—

Q.—So that the \$544,000 is included in that item, to the amount of the interest charged here?

MR. ROWELL: Let the witness answer.

HON. MR. MCGARRY: Wait until I put the question. You won't let me put the question because your whole case will fall to the ground with this answer, your whole case will go up in smoke.

MR. BOWMAN: Mr. Chairman, I appeal to you for information. What rules govern the procedure of this Committee. Mr. Rowell has a witness in

hand. Has he not a perfect right to proceed with the examination of that witness and complete it? If any member objects to a question being asked he has a right to appeal to the Chair as to whether the question is a proper one or not. The member, having a witness in hand, has a right to proceed with his examination and the only right and privilege of any other member is to object to any question asked and to make his objection to the Chair.

HON. MR. FERGUSON: Our duty is to clear these things up as we go along.

MR. BOWMAN: No. When the examination is completed, then, any member not satisfied with the examination has a right to bring in further evidence, or to proceed with the examination. Surely we have a right to proceed along regular lines. I appeal to you to conduct this Committee upon proper lines and according to the established rules of taking evidence. I protest against any member of this Committee attempting to abuse his privileges here, as a member of this Committee. We are simply here, no matter whether we are Ministers or not, as ordinary members of this Committee. I appeal to you to see that this Committee is properly conducted and that anyone having a witness under examination is not interfered with improperly, as I claim is being done this morning.

HON. MR. MCGARRY: I listened with surprise to my honourable friend remembering, as I do, how they acted in the old days. As a matter of fact we do not have to follow regular court procedure and no one knows that better than he does. If any member has an idea, in the course of an examination, he has the right to put that in the form of a question and ask it. They are grand standing around, constantly talking about us burking investigation, and now comes a question that will explain the whole matter, which will explain all about this item and then my honourable friend says, "No, no, do not allow it. Wait till Mr. Rowell gets all his questions answered!" I put you in the judgment of the people of Ontario—are you willing to allow me to ask a question that will clear up this matter? I am going to ask this question.

MR. BOWMAN: I have no objection to Mr. McGarry asking any question but, I do claim, he has no right to interfere with Mr. Rowell in this way. When Mr. Rowell gets through he is in order to proceed with the examination of Mr. Clancy, but butting in this way is entirely improper and uncalled for.

HON. MR. MCGARRY: I want to say in reference to what Mr. Munro said about Ottawa, that, in the Ottawa Committee, he found every member interrupting with questions whenever he felt like it.

MR. ROWELL: But no Minister of the Crown butts in and tries to run things—

HON. MR. MCGARRY: You keep quiet until I am through. We are continually charged with burking investigation—

MR. ROWELL: That is what you are doing now.

HON. MR. MCGARRY: Will the honourable member keep quiet. We have sat here listening to all this and we find these honourable members do not want to know the truth.

MR. BOWMAN: We want to get the truth and the Provincial Treasurer is trying to prevent us from getting it.

HON. MR. MCGARRY: I am going to give it to you.

MR. ROWELL: Is the Minister entitled to make the statement that we are here trying to conceal the truth. Is he? I want the Chairman's ruling.

HON. MR. MCGARRY: What I said, was, that you do not want to hear the truth and are trying to throw dust in the people's eyes.

MR. ROWELL: I object to a charge of that kind. We are trying to elicit the truth and are being prevented from doing it.

MR. CHAIRMAN: I think we will get along better if you put the question and then I will rule. Mr. Proudfoot asked a question as to the rule that governs this Committee. As far as I am personally concerned every person will have the fullest opportunity to get all the information that he possibly can get. I hope that I shall not be sufficiently partisan to rule out anything that ought to receive publication and, as far as the Committee is concerned, I think they are only too anxious to get all the information they possibly can. Now the Provincial Treasurer has a right to put his question and if I do not think it is right I will rule against it and the Committee can sustain me or not as they think right. The reason I permit the Provincial Treasurer to interfere at this stage, is this: the honourable leader of the Opposition conducted his examination with respect to one particular item. He is now dealing with another matter and the Provincial Treasurer, in my opinion, has a right before the leader of the Opposition goes into another matter, to ask any question he may desire, with reference to the item with which Mr. Rowell has been dealing and with which he apparently is through.

HON. MR. MCGARRY: Mr. Clancy, you say that in the item of \$2,233,702 which appears under statutory expenditure, is included the interest paid by the Government to the end of the fiscal year of 1914. It includes the interest paid on all the loans that are to be found on page 614 of the Public Accounts?

WITNESS: That statement is right. It includes the interest on all loans.

Q.—The interest on all loans is included in the amount of \$2,233,000 odd which appears in Statement No. 1 as part of ordinary expenditure. This is Statement No. 1. All the interest is included in that?

A.—Yes, the interest on all loans.

Q.—The money borrowed for the T. and N. O. would, of course, be included in that?

A.—The advances came out of loans and so, therefore, are included in that.

Q.—So that if the loans for the T. and N. O. are included in that—if it is proper book-keeping to charge that interest to capital expenditure, that \$544,000 instead of to ordinary expenditure, then it should be deducted from this \$2,233,000 and brought down into capital? If you take out the ordinary receipt?

A.—As I have made plain from the first; I have not taken any notice of capital expenditure. We take notice of only the expenditure under the appropriation Bill, with the additions made thereto by way of Treasury minutes, and special warrants, and such as are fixed as charges upon the Consolidated Revenue Fund. In each case we treat that as statutory expenditure, without relation to whether it is capital or otherwise.

Q.—That is, in your books?

A.—Yes.

Q.—Mr. Rowell asked you with respect to ordinary receipts and found in ordinary receipts an item of \$544,491.17 balance of interest on T. and N. O.

A.—Yes.

Q.—If that is interest on the T. and N. O. in the same statement it appears in statutory expenditure on this side?

A.—Yes, lower down.

Q.—What I mean is that it appears in statutory expenditure and is included in that \$2,233,000. All the interest appears in that. All the interest actually paid appears in that? All the interest is added up to make your ordinary expenditure, as shown in this Statement, that \$2,233,000 included in this \$11,819,310?

A.—Yes.

Q.—So that the interest is all included under ordinary expenditure, as shown in this statement?

A.—The interest on the loans is all included there.

Q.—So that, if you deduct from the ordinary expenditure this \$544,000 of interest, which we say is included in that, and you deducted the \$544,000 on the other side, you would still have the same deficit of \$697,000 odd?

A.—The same exactly.

HON. MR. LUCAS: As I was Treasurer when both these items were passed through the books I want to ask two or three questions in reference to it. Mr. Clancy, with the accounts of 1913 before you, can you say as to when we received the T. and N. O. subsidy?

A.—We have our books for 1913, it would appear in them.

Q.—It was in 1913?

A.—Yes, during 1913.

Q.—The amount of the T. and N. O. subsidy was how much?

A.—The amount was \$2,134,080.

Q.—In Statement No. 1 of the 1913 accounts, how much of that subsidy appears in current revenue receipts?

A.—On page *a*, of the Public Accounts, Statement No. 1 of 1913, the sum of \$954,629.05 appears.

Q.—Was that the only portion of the T. and N. O. subsidy that appeared in Statement No. 1, as current revenue?

A.—Up to that point, on that page.

Q.—In what respect does that differ from Statement No. 1, prepared by the Treasury Board?

A.—Just the difference between that and \$544,491.17.

Q.—Which doesn't appear in your books?

A.—No.

HON. MR. FERGUSON: Which doesn't appear on either side in your books?

A.—No.

MR. ROWELL: I see by Statement No. 1, prepared for submission to the House, there is a division in the accounts, making total ordinary receipts and total ordinary expenditure. I would like you, from your books, to tell us, taking the items appearing in your books, that are described in this Statement as total ordinary expenditures, what these items amount to as they appear in your books, as far as you have entries in them.

A.—There is no division in our books with respect to the words you see here, total ordinary receipts and total ordinary expenditure. No distinction is made in our books, in any shape or form, indicating any difference.

HON. MR. FERGUSON: In other words, you are an auditor and not a book-keeper?

A.—Yes.

Q.—I understood you to say that the other day. I ask you now to take all the items that appear in this Statement No. 1, in so far as you have them in your books, and tell us what these amount to—taking them from your books.

A.—That is impossible since there is no distinction made, we haven't any point on which that can be done.

Q.—Then just let us take time to go through it. What is your amount for Civil Government? If they won't let us have the statements we will have to go through the books for it.

HON. MR. FERGUSON: That is what you are entitled to do.

MR. ROWELL: Then going through the Statement, Mr. Clancy, giving us the totals, what have you for Civil Government?

A.—Total Civil Government \$790,998.80.

Q.—Legislation?

A.—Total Legislation \$333,023.07.

Q.—Administration of Justice?

A.—\$714,771.60.

Q.—Education?

A.—Total Education \$2,048,545.84.

Q.—Public Institutions and maintenance—perhaps if you just look at that Statement we can get at it better, the Statement in your books, embracing the items that appear on pages *a16* and *17*, those corresponding with Statement No. 1.

A.—We have no point at which it can be brought in agreement with the arrangement in Statement No. 1 with respect to these items, no point at which we were conscious of such a thing.

Q.—I am not speaking as to the arrangement. I am speaking of the items of expenditure and asking if the items of expenditure in *a16* and *17* correspond with the items in your books?

A.—You mean the amounts?

Q.—Yes.

A.—They correspond absolutely, with the exception of the \$544,491.17. That is not an item of disbursement on that page.

Q.—Your books correspond as far as the amounts are concerned, they correspond with the items of disbursements on *a16* and *17*?

A.—They do.

Q.—And that would make, according to your books, a total ordinary expenditure of \$11,819,310.61?

A.—Our books do not contain that sum.

Q.—You do not doubt the accuracy of the amounts here?

A.—No, I do not.

Q.—And may I take it that it gives the total ordinary expenditure, described in the way it is described in this Statement, \$11,000,000 odd?

A.—I am not saying I agree to that.

Q.—Not that ordinary expenditure expression?

A.—No.

HON. MR. FERGUSON: He says he does not make any distinction in the books between ordinary and capital.

MR. ROWELL: Take the receipts set out in Statement No. 1, *a16* and *17*, and your items. Do the items in your books correspond with the items appearing on the receipt side of this Statement, on pages *a16* and *17*, with the exception of that one item of \$544,000 odd?

A.—Yes.

Q.—Then that gives us as total receipts, covering the items on pages *a16* and *17*, as they appear in your books, \$10,576,890.90?

A.—The items in my books are precisely the same as those shown here, the \$11,121,382.07. Up to that point they are the same in the books of the audit office, as they appear in this Statement No. 1.

Q.—Except?

A.—Except the \$544,491.

Q.—Can you tell me what result that would give you? It would give you receipts of what? What are described as total ordinary receipts would show, according to your books, \$10,576,890.90?

A.—That would be what those items in our books would make up.

Q.—They would make that total?

A.—Yes.

Q.—Assuming that we are striking a balance on these pages. You do not care to strike such a balance in your books, but assume that we strike such a balance, on these pages, in accordance with the items in your books, described here as total ordinary expenditures, what would the difference appear? Would it be \$1,243,419.75?

A.—Our books do not make any such distinction. Speaking entirely from our own books I am unable to say where or how we would draw the line.

Q.—You do not recognize this division. I am asking you to recognize it for the purpose of arriving at a basis from your own books. Take your books and give us the position, assuming that you made the division exactly as it is made in this statement. Would that result in a deficit of \$1,243,419.75?

A.—Well, not using the word deficit—

Q.—I will put it as “difference.”

A.—At that point, there would be that difference at that point.

HON. MR. FERGUSON: In other words, if you took that \$544,000 off the receipt side and did not take it off the expenditure side, it would make a difference of \$544,000?

MR. ROWELL: It doesn't appear on this side.

HON. MR. FERGUSON: It appears in the statutory expenditure. My honourable friend is trifling with words. He is endeavouring to play upon words. He knows perfectly well, and every member of the Opposition knows, if he has looked into the accounts, that this statutory expenditure of \$2,233,000 odd contains that \$544,000. If you take it off one side you must take it off the other.

MR. ROWELL: Mr. Clancy, is this \$544,000 contained in that item of expenditure?

A.—No.

HON. MR. FERGUSON: My honourable friend asks the Auditor, “Does that statement of ordinary receipts appear in your books, does that item of \$544,000 appear in your books, and the Auditor says no, but on the other side he says nothing about the books. The Auditor does not deny that it covers all interest on Government loans, which includes the \$544,000.”

MR. CARTER: As a point of order. A member of this Committee has a right to object to a question and then you can rule the question out or not as you think fair, but has he a right to break right in and head off examination—

MR. CHAIRMAN: I do not think Mr. Ferguson did anything out of the way.

HON. MR. FERGUSON: I am not trying to prevent the Auditor from answering questions but I am endeavouring to correct my honourable friend, who is misleading the witness.

MR. ROWELL: The statement is not correct. I am not endeavouring to mislead the witness.

HON. MR. FERGUSON: You asked on the one side, "Does this correspond with the entries in your books?" Any man who knows anything about administration, knows that the Auditor has his own set of books, in which he does not distinguish between capital and ordinary expenditure, and that, in the Treasury Department, they keep other books, in which they do make a distinction. In other words, the Auditor doesn't keep a journal. My honourable friend starts to discuss ordinary revenues as they appear in the books. The Auditor, as I say, discusses them with him and tells him what the fact is. Then he says, "If you deduct that item you will have a deficit of \$1,200,000 odd." What I say is that it is not fair to him to ask the Auditor, "Does that appear in your books on the expenditure side as it is in this account here."

MR. CARTER: Is it right for the member to head off a question, instead of asking the Chairman whether the question is in order or not? It has been continually done when a fair question, to my mind, is asked.

HON. MR. FERGUSON: I want to keep him straight.

MR. CARTER: I appeal for a ruling. Can this be done. If it can I do not want any more of this Committee. I shall walk out. You have blocked everything with this heading off.

MR. CHAIRMAN: It isn't a case of heading off. Mr. Ferguson takes objection that Mr. Rowell has asked a question with reference to one side of the books, without incorporating any question with respect to the other. Mr. Ferguson may be right and he may be wrong, but there is no objection, and it is only proper that any member of this Committee should take exception to any question he thinks is not right. Mr. Ferguson has only done that and was perfectly right in doing it and in interrupting if he thought the question was misleading.

MR. MUNRO: It is different here to what it is in the Public Accounts Committee in Ottawa. I was there and took the trouble to go in. It was surprising to me, the latitude given them to get to the bottom of things.

MR. CHAIRMAN: What are you objecting to now?

MR. MUNRO: I am objecting to everything. I am objecting to this House preventing investigation of the books here. When they ask questions they ought to have the protection of this House.

MR. CHAIRMAN: What are you objecting to?

MR. MUNRO: I am objecting to Mr. Ferguson's attitude.

MR. CHAIRMAN: What has he done?

MR. MUNRO: He has been heading off investigation.

MR. CHAIRMAN: In what respect?

MR. MUNRO: You know in what respect.

HON. MR. FERGUSON: I deny most emphatically that I am attempting to head off anything. The accounts are all here and my honourable friends can examine them fairly and squarely, but they should not attempt to mislead the witness, as is being done here this morning.

MR. CARTER: Did the question do as Mr. Ferguson has now charged. Did the question put to the Auditor do as Mr. Ferguson has now charged?

MR. CHAIRMAN: I think it did.

MR. ROWELL: Am I correct, Mr. Clancy, in my understanding of your former answer, that this item of statutory expenditure of some \$2,233,000 odd, the items which go to make it up, are all in your books?

A.—Yes, in the books of the audit office. And more than that.

Q.—Quite so, then you have already told us that the \$544,000 is not in your books?

A.—No.

Q.—This item of \$2,233,000 odd is all in your books and the item of \$544,000 is not in your books?

A.—That is correct.

Q.—This \$544,000 forms no part of that item of statutory expenditure of \$2,233,000 odd?

A.—It forms no part of that, or any other.

HON. MR. FERGUSON: As an item?

A.—As an item.

HON. MR. FERGUSON: That is quite true.

MR. ROWELL: It doesn't go to make up that amount, or in any other amount of statutory expenditure appearing in the accounts?

A.—It is not included, up to that point, in Statement No. 1.

Q.—It doesn't appear in statutory expenditure in any other place in your books?

A.—No.

Q.—Then it doesn't appear under any heading in your books?

A.—No.

HON. MR. FERGUSON: As an item.

MR. ROWELL: Now we have cleared that up.

HON. MR. FERGUSON: We will get that misapprehension cleared up. It is all on your part.

Q.—What was done with the balance of the T. and N. O. subsidy?

A.—On the next page, *a18*, the sum of \$1,179,450 appears as part of that subsidy.

Q.—That is with the amount that is known as capital receipts?

A.—We have made no distinction as to what were capital receipts.

Q.—It is along with the class of receipts such as drainage debentures?

A.—The debentures, and all services that are paid out of Consolidated Revenue are termed, by us, statutory, without any relation as to whether they are capital or not. That prevails with respect to all expenditures appearing in our books.

Q.—It is shown as receipts other than total ordinary receipts. It must be so denominated. That is what Statement No. 1 shows?

A.—It shows the receipts and the sources from which they come. That item is distinct by itself.

Q.—Would there have been any objection to having included in Statement No. 1, of 1913, instead of the \$954,620.05, the balance of the T. and N. O. subsidy as well, \$1,179,450.95?

A.—The whole of the sum might have been paid in unbroken.

Q.—It might properly have been paid in?

A.—That was my judgment then and is now.

Q.—Then instead of \$954,629.05, instead of that item, you think we might properly have put in the total amount?

A.—The total amount, in my opinion then, and now, that should have gone in, is \$2,134,080.

Q.—So that instead of that item of \$954,000 odd, it might properly have been the other. In the Statement here, the total receipts, as shown in *a16* would have been how much more?

A.—There would have been an addition of \$1,179,450.95 more.

Q.—Then, following that up, if that had been done in that way, in *a17*, the Statement shown on page *a17* of the Public Accounts of 1913, the total receipts would have been what?

A.—\$12,367,953.04.

Q.—Instead of what?

A.—\$11,188,302.09.

Q.—The total expenditure that year, as shown in the Public Accounts, on page a17, was how much?

A.—The total expenditure was \$10,868,026.28.

Q.—Then, if the entries had been made in that way, and I understood you to say they could have been properly made in that way, you would have shown a surplus of total receipts over total expenditure of how much?

A.—\$1,499,726.76.

Q.—But, as a matter of fact, the total receipts as shown in Statement No. 1 and the total expenditure in 1913, show what?

A.—I don't quite understand.

Q.—I will put the question again. The figures as contained in Statement No. 1 as total receipts, are shown to exceed the total expenditures by how much?

A.—\$320,275.81.

Q.—That is total receipts and total expenditure, which are ordinarily spoken of in the House as total ordinary receipts and total ordinary expenditure?

A.—I cannot undertake to say what view the House takes of them.

Q.—But that is what they appear here?

A.—Yes.

Q.—That would show, on that Statement, a surplus of how much—the Statement as made out at the end of 1913? A surplus of \$320,000?

A.—Yes.

Q.—Whereas, if the entry had been made, as it might properly have been made, the surplus would be \$1,499,726.76. That would have been shown, and properly so, in your judgment?

A.—Yes, in my judgment.

Q.—So that, if these financiers, who say we are padding the accounts, are correct, we made a bad mess of it in only showing a \$320,000 surplus, when it might have been so much more?

A.—I am afraid that would be an opinion.

Q.—But if the whole sum had been included we would have had a surplus for that year of \$1,499,726.76. That is if we included it all. But if we included only a portion of it, as it appears in Statement No. 1, the surplus would only be \$320,275.81?

A.—That was the fact.

Q.—Now, Mr. Clancy, I must apologize to you if I appear to be asking questions you have already answered before. But I comprehend that my honourable friends do not always adequately comprehend these questions. What you say is, that if the entry had been made which in your judgment would have been proper, we would have shown a surplus of \$1,499,726.76, whereas the Statement, as submitted to the House, only shows a surplus of \$320,275.81.

A.—That is so.

Q.—The \$1,179,450.95, that did not appear as current revenue of that year, still remains in Consolidated Revenue Fund, of course?

A.—It all went into Consolidated Revenue Fund.

Q.—Then if the \$544,000 is brought up this year, and placed in current revenue, that leaves a balance of how much?

A.—On that assumption \$634,959.78.

Q.—Then assume this, assume that next year there is a deficit in the T. and N. O. interest of \$634,959.78, and the same class of entry is made as in 1914, and this \$634,959.78 is placed in current revenue with a cross entry, how much of the T. and N. O. subsidy would be left?

A.—There would be nothing left.

Q.—Then, if you take the three years you will have placed to those two entries, and the assumed entry to meet the deficit. If you do this, for the three years, the effect of these entries will have been to place in total ordinary receipts that balance? On that assumption?

A.—If you assume that the difference between total ordinary receipts on page a17 and total ordinary expenditure was the only deficit or surplus the result, when you take the three years, would be exactly the same as if you had entered it the first year.

Q.—That would be, as far as that adjustment was concerned, exactly the same result?

A.—Yes, the same result.

Q.—The same total deficit or surplus during the three years, as if the whole had been paid in, as you say it might properly have been paid in, in 1913.

A.—I understand that question to be a hypothetical one. The actual results, based upon the mode in which they have been made in the past two years, being carried out in the future, would be just what you have said.

Q.—Then let us clear that up. If we find, Mr. Clancy, that the books, as presented, should have this same class of entry next year, as is now under question, the result is, simply, that we have stretched it over the three years, instead of having a large surplus in 1913 and a smaller one in 1914?

A.—I have already stated that I would hesitate to venture an opinion as to what is surplus and what is not.

Q.—The difference between total receipts and total expenditure, as shown on page a17, is what, we say, is deficit or surplus?

A.—Yes.

Q.—And the result would have been just the same as if that item had been paid in in full, the total subsidy in 1913?

A.—The difference, on that method of calculation, would be that. The difference, in fact, would be that we received the subsidy in 1913 as a cash receipt, that took place last year is what is stated to be an adjustment. Dealing with the balance of the subsidy in that way it would be the same, as far as the whole matter is concerned. Applying it the first year as an actual cash receipt and adjusting it, afterwards, in respect to the T. and N. O. you would have the same result as if it had all been paid in at first.

Q.—The same result exactly?

A.—Yes.

Q.—Including the two adjustments, you would have it exactly the same as if you had made it in one entry?

A.—As I would have, if I had put it in the entry as a cash receipt.

Q.—If those two adjusting items were not there in Statement No. 1 the result would be exactly the same?

A.—Exactly the same, on that assumption.

Q.—What assumption?

A.—The assumption that two are adjustments and one is not.

Q.—Take the three entries; assume that we are going to make a similar entry, covering the balance of the T. and N. O. subsidy next year, and place it into total receipts, shown on page a16. The result of these three entries would be to place it all in the receipts in the three years?

A.—Yes.

Q.—And the result would be the same as if the T. and N. O., instead of having it treated in three entries, had placed in 1913 to its credit for interest by adjustment and by actual cash in the first instance this \$2,134,080?

A.—Yes.

Q.—This is for Mr. Carter. Suppose the proper way to treat this subsidy was as a separate trust account and we have deposited it to a special trust account for the T. and N. O. It would not appear in ordinary receipts at all?

A.—I am afraid that would be involving an opinion.

Q.—I will put it another way. If the cheque had been made payable to the T. and N. O. direct, instead of to the Ontario Government—that is my assumption. If they did that—and it had been deposited by the T. and N. O. to a trust account. If that was a subsidy payable to the T. and N. O. and held by the T. and N. O. then we would have a right to ask from them the payment of \$954,629 odd?

A.—If the cheque had been payable to the T. and N. O. Commission, because the T. and N. O. Railway is not a Corporation.

Q.—We would have a right to that interest?

A.—You would have a right to demand, on that hypothesis, the interest.

Q.—The \$954,000 odd in 1913?

A.—Assuming that to be the correct amount.

Q.—Assuming that to be the amount they owed us?

A.—Yes.

Q.—That was the interest they owed us, Mr. Clancy. I want to ask you: If the T. and N. O. had received the cheque we would have received the \$954,000 shown here in 1913?

A.—Yes.

Q.—And this year we would have received in cash from the T. and N. O., how much?

A.—Well, you would have received the \$544,491.17, on the assumption that they held the money and hadn't paid it over earlier.

Q.—And they would have paid out of the balance the balance of the arrears from year to year?

A.—They would have paid as long as it lasted, on that assumption.

Q.—If the two million odd paid by the Dominion Government had been paid to the T. and N. O. Commission these entries would have been exactly correct, without any cross entries at all.

A.—Under that assumption, yes.

Q.—And the assumption is, that the subsidy might be properly treated as a trust fund for the T. and N. O. Railway by the Commission.

A.—That would depend upon the powers of the Commission.

Q.—The result of it all is that, payable as it was in three years, in the Statements shown on page a17 of 1913, 1914 and 1915, if it exceeds the balance, it would have accomplished exactly the same result as these cross entries do?

A.—On the assumption as stated, the T. and N. O. would have paid \$954,629.05 as shown in the first instance, and in the next year \$544,491.17, leaving the balance still in their hands, assuming that they received the money, \$634,959.78.

Q.—In 1909, I understood you to say, your view would have been to have included the whole subsidy, with the result that you would show a total of receipts on page a17, of what?

A.—\$12,367,753.04.

Q.—The total receipts of the year would consequently have been——?

A.—That would be the difference.

Q.—That would be the difference between total receipts and total expenditures as shown on page a17?

A.—The \$1,499,000 odd.

Q.—Instead of what?

A.—Instead of \$320,000.

Q.—Which I claimed was our surplus that year. I was still acting as Treasurer when the statement of 1914 was prepared?

A.—You were.

Q.—I made a statement in the House and some honourable gentlemen appeared to doubt what I was stating. Do you recall any conference you and I had at all?

A.—There was one in my office.

Q.—About the 1914 accounts?

A.—No, about the accounts of 1913.

Q.—You do not recall any conference about the 1914 accounts?

A.—No.

Q.—That certainly was my recollection, too.

A.—I did not. I have not spoken about it to you since 1913.

Q.—That was my recollection, and I so stated in the House at the time, that there was no conference and that there were no instructions one way or the other about that.

A.—The only instruction I had was the Order in Council directing how the statement should be made up.

Q.—We did have a conference in 1913?

A.—Quite true.

Q.—When I was more modest and did not want to have too big a surplus, and your method to have the entire amount shown.

A.—More modest, but not quite so correct.

Q.—Mr. Clancy, I suppose the question can be raised as to whether this two millions should properly be applied in the reduction of the capital charges, under a proper system of railway accounting, or was fairly treated by the railway in paying current expenditures?

A.—On that presumption it would be.

Q.—I do not know whether you would care to express any opinion on that or not?

A.—I would not care to express an opinion. It would only be an opinion.

Q.—Because you haven't a detailed knowledge of railways?

A.—The real ground is that I think I should confine myself to the facts.

HON. MR. LUCAS: I think that will do. I think it will now be clear even to Mr. Carter.

MR. ROWELL: I will resume: Now, Mr. Clancy, if I understand my learned friend's questions and your answers aright, in giving the possible surplus for 1913, you gave it on the basis that only the sum of \$900,000 odd of the receipts of the T. and N. O. had been brought in the year?

A.—It is based on that, yes.

Q.—Is that the only \$900,000 brought into the accounts?

A.—Yes.

Q.—As a matter of fact is it brought into the account?

A.—The balance is brought into the account, the difference between the \$2,134,080 and the \$954,689.05, that is \$1,179,454.95.

Q.—So that the whole of the amount is brought into the account in the year 1913, only it is divided into two items instead of a lump sum. It is brought into Statement No. 1?

A.—Yes.

Q.—So that the whole amount is brought in under Statement No. 1 and appears in Statement No. 1, the only thing is, it is divided.

A.—Yes.

Q.—So that while it is an assumption on which your answers were given, when you take the fact that it is brought in, it would not apply to that.

HON. MR. LUCAS: That is not a correct assumption at all. That is not my assumption.

MR. ROWELL: Let me take the figures. Look at that account and tell me what was the total expenditure for the year 1913. What do you say the expenditure was? Take your own books as a basis, the total expenditure of the year 1913. I understand you to give my learned friend a certain surplus for 1913—

A.—Pardon me, I said difference.

Q.—If you were doing it what would you say was the total expenditure for the year?

A.—That would be another opinion. That would be the arrangement of the Statement. That would be assuming I arranged something I did not arrange.

Q.—My honourable friend asked you what you would have done——

A.—And I said I would have put the whole sum, the total subsidy in.

Q.—If you, on the receipt side, put the whole subsidy in what would you have put on the other side?

A.—That whole subsidy would form part of the Consolidated Revenue Fund.

Q.—What would these totals show?

A.—The total expenditure for 1913-14 would show \$16,091,942.90.

Q.—Then what amount would you put on the expenditure side?

A.—That is what actually happened.

Q.—And what would you put on the receipt side?

A.—I would have put in the receipts side, as other receipts are when they are paid in, the total receipts from the T. and N. O. subsidy.

Q.—What would that show—from your books?

A.—Well, now, that will involve another calculation

Q.—I want a statement of the total expenditure of the Province on the Hydro and the T. and N. O. for that year. I ask the Auditor to give me a statement of receipts, which excludes from the receipts borrowings to meet these capital expenditures, so that we can get the deficit.

A.—I want to say in giving my answer, when I was referring to what I would do, that was confined absolutely to the question of the T. and N. O., how I would put that in. Anything else would be a matter of opinion. . . . The total receipts as appearing in Statement No. 1 of 1913, would be \$17,033,566.33. There was received from loans, \$4,569,014.92. If you take that from the whole sum that would leave that sum, irrespective of loans, \$12,464,551.41.

Q.—In taking the total disbursements you include the amounts advanced to the Hydro \$1,361,407?

A.—Yes, everything advanced to them.

Q.—Just take out of the total disbursements the amount advanced to the Hydro Electric and the amount advanced to the T. and N. O.—what is the amount of disbursements, less the expenditure on T. and N. O. and Hydro account in 1913?

HON. MR. MCGARRY: Now we are getting too far astray. When Mr. Bowman saw me I agreed to let him go into the accounts of 1913 to trace these two items, the item of \$1,100,000 odd and the \$954,000. I understood Mr. Lucas was dealing with those two items, in 1913. I feel sure the understanding was that they should only refer to those two items, to enable us to go on with the expenditure in the 1914 accounts.

MR. ROWELL: The Attorney-General was striking a balance and I want to test the accuracy of that balance.

MR. CHAIRMAN: Mr. Lucas referred to that particular item in endeavoring to show from the witness, what the surplus would have been, if all that was credited in a certain year. If you confine yourself to that, there is no objection. But you cannot go into the general accounts of 1913.

MR. ROWELL: I want to show that if it had been credited in a different way the surplus would not have been as much as he stated it.

HON. MR. MCGARRY: I appeal to Mr. Bowman as to what the understanding was. If you think you are not violating that, I will let you go on.

MR. CHAIRMAN: Under the rules of the House there is no power vested in this Committee to deal with the accounts of 1913. There was, however, an arrangement made between the Provincial Treasurer and Mr. Bowman, by which a certain two items were to be gone into. Mr. Lucas, the Attorney-General, referred to those particular items and dealt only with them to show that the surplus would have been larger if it had all been credited in 1913. Now there is no objection to the Leader of the Opposition going as far as Mr. Lucas, but it is not fair to insinuate that we are endeavouring to burk the inquiry because we do not permit Mr. Rowell to go further than the arrangement entered into between Mr. Bowman and the Provincial Treasurer, and further than Mr. Lucas himself went.

MR. CARTER: Mr. Lucas had the fullest liberty.

MR. ROWELL (to witness): What did you say were the disbursements for the year 1913?

A.—The total disbursements for 1913 were \$16,091,942.90.

Q.—What did you say were the total receipts for 1913?

A.—The total receipts for 1913 were as shown here on this, \$17,033,566.33.

Q.—And the total receipts, without loans?

A.—The receipts, without loans, were \$12,464,551.41.

Q.—Then what is the difference between the total expenditure and the total receipts, without loans?

HON. MR. MCGARRY: The Public Accounts show all the information.

MR. ROWELL: What would be the difference—how much less were the receipts, without loans, than the total expenditure?

A.—The difference between the receipts, excluding the loans, and the total expenditure was \$3,627,391.49.

Q.—The receipts were that much less than the expenditure?

A.—Yes, excluding the loans.

Q.—That includes the T. and N. O. and Hydro expenditure?

A.—Yes.

Q.—Suppose you take out those two items, Mr. Clancy, how much would that show?

HON. MR. MCGARRY: Now you are going back into the accounts.

MR. ROWELL: I merely want to deduct from the total expenditure the T. and N. O. expenditure, and that of the Hydro.

MR. LUCAS: Then I would have to go on and suggest a number of other things that should be deducted, as well.

MR. ROWELL: Then I won't go into the accounts. (to witness): If you had been preparing the statement, your statement would have shown the difference between receipts and expenditures as \$3,627,391?

A.—I am afraid that again involves an opinion.

MR. ROWELL: My honourable friend asked you with reference to the treatment, as to how this account should be treated; all the money as I understand it, went into Consolidated Revenue Fund?

A.—Yes. It all went into Consolidated Revenue Fund.

Q.—Then during the year 1913—he said, supposing the money had been received by the T. and N. O. Commission—In 1913, how much did the Province advance to the T. and N. O. Commission?

A.—In 1913?

HON. MR. MCGARRY: That is another question of the accounts of 1913. This is the last time I am ever going to allow anyone to go back to another year's accounts, when the privilege is abused in that way. If my honourable friend thinks it is honourable, all right.

MR. CHAIRMAN: Do you think that is right, Mr. Rowell?

MR. ROWELL: My honourable friend the Attorney-General, went into the question of the surplus for 1913—

MR. CHAIRMAN: Didn't he go into the question just to this extent: That if there had been other bookkeeping respecting this one item, the surplus would have been larger. Is that statement, I make, correct or not?

MR. ROWELL: Mr. Clancy—

MR. CHAIRMAN: Do you agree with me when I say that his reference to the surplus had respect only to the effect upon it of these two particular items?

MR. ROWELL: Yes.

MR. CHAIRMAN: If that is the case do you think it is fair to ask the Committee to permit you to go into the general matter with respect to the surplus, in view of the arrangement between the Provincial Treasurer and Mr. Bowman?

MR. ROWELL: What I say is this. The questions asked by the Attorney-General called for an expression of opinion from the Auditor, as to what the surplus would have been upon certain suppositions. I am entitled to cross-examine, to elicit from Mr. Clancy the facts, to show that the answers to Mr. Lucas are not borne out by the whole accounts. In other words, Mr. Clancy gave him a partial statement of facts. I want to get all the facts.

MR. CHAIRMAN: Do I understand that you do not agree with Mr. Clancy's answer as to what the surplus would be, confining yourself to those two items?

MR. ROWELL: I do not agree with his answer in the way it came out, because Mr. Clancy was asked on a supposition which is not in accordance with the accounts.

MR. CHAIRMAN: You may do this; you may cross-examine Mr. Clancy with respect to the surplus as long as you confine yourself to these two items.

MR. BOWMAN: I just want to refer to the arrangement I made with the Provincial Treasurer. The question, as I understand it, was directly in connection with the items in connection with which the arrangement was made, dealing with the matter of the T. and N. O. subsidy.

HON. MR. FERGUSON: Did the question of loans come into it?

HON. MR. MCGARRY: You said you did not wish to ask for an order of the House, to go back in order to connect up the items of this year, and that you wished to refer to these items and these only.

MR. BOWMAN: Those are the items Mr. Rowell is referring to at the present time.

HON. MR. MCGARRY: Those were the two items, and it was only those two you wished to refer to, in the accounts of 1913. Isn't that right?

MR. BOWMAN: That is pretty near to it.

HON. MR. MCGARRY: Is that what actually took place?

MR. BOWMAN: I have no distinct recollection of the words used. It was as to the accounts of 1913 as far as they related to the T. and N. O. subsidy.

HON. MR. MCGARRY: I will give you my statement from the evidence. (Read from preface to evidence at second meeting of Committee.)

HON. MR. MCGARRY: The evidence gives Mr. Bowman's statement first; I will read it:

"MR. BOWMAN: I spoke to the Provincial Treasurer yesterday about making some reference to the Public Accounts of 1913 and he very kindly consented that I should have the privilege of doing so and dealing with the receipt of two million odd dollars from the Dominion Government in connection with the T. and N. O. subsidy."

MR. ROWELL: That is exactly the thing I am dealing with.

HON. MR. MCGARRY: Wait a moment; then I said this: "I wish to make a statement in that regard. As every honourable member knows this Committee is charged by the House with the investigation of the Public Accounts for the last year only 1913-14. Mr. Bowman, in order to call up this particular item, desires to refer to the Public Accounts of 1912-13. In Statement No. 1 of that year there are two items, one \$900,000 odd, credited as revenue for interest due from the T. and N. O. Railway to the Government, another is an item of \$1,100,000 odd, received as subsidy from the Dominion. I have consented to him going into these two particular items, but it must be understood that it is a license we are allowing the Committee and doesn't create a precedent for other items to be gone into."

MR. ROWELL: Those two items have respect to——

HON. MR. MCGARRY: If a person wants to stretch the meaning of words he can say those two items have respect to everything in connection with that year.

MR. BOWMAN: I want to add this: The understanding expressed in the statements made by the Provincial Treasurer and myself, taken in conjunction with the questions asked by Mr. Lucas, the Attorney-General, and the way he dealt with these two items, entitles Mr. Rowell to get an answer to his question and to proceed in the way in which he has.

MR. ROWELL: Just let me explain. My honourable friend, the Attorney-General, asked the witness what the position would be on the assumption that the T. and N. O. subsidy had been paid direct to the T. and N. O. Commission and had remained there as a trust fund and paid out certain amounts year by year as interest. I want to ask now as to what would be the situation on

the exact facts, not on an assumption. My question is, the year the T. and N. O. would have received that sum of \$2,100,000, assuming it was paid over to them, did they not borrow from the Government the sum of \$950,000.

WITNESS: That is of course, on the assumption—

MR. ROWELL: Didn't they receive from the Government that amount?

A.—The Province received actually the whole sum stated there, \$2,100,000 odd, as subsidy. I think you mentioned something about the Commission receiving it rather than the Province, Mr. Lucas; assuming that they did receive the whole subsidy, on that assumption they would have paid out of that subsidy the \$950,000 odd, of what was said to be interest due.

MR. ROWELL: But how about the \$950,000 charged in the Public Accounts as advanced to them?

A.—That is a separate thing, they should not be put together. I am speaking subject to correction, but I think that was advanced for construction.

MR. ROWELL: Then it is a debt from the Railway Commission to the Province.

A.—No, the Commission owes no debt, it is simply employed to conduct the work.

Q.—Then the Commission does not deal, either in receipt or disbursement, with any moneys on account of construction?

A.—The construction as well as operation is carried on under the Commission. The sums advanced are for purposes of construction and for doing such work as is recognized as coming within the category of construction.

Q.—In the last year, 1913, the Government advanced \$950,000 for that?

A.—For those purposes which had no relation to interest.

Q.—Or to the subsidy either?

A.—No, nothing.

Q.—Then, if the Commission was repaying the advance it had received during the year, as well as the interest, it would have paid over the \$950,000 as well as the \$954,000 as interest?

MR. CHAIRMAN: That is where you are going wrong.

MR. ROWELL: It got the subsidy in that year. If they had provided, out of the subsidy, for the actual advance they got from the Government, it would have involved the depletion of the subsidy that year, to the extent of \$950,000 in addition to the interest?

A.—The Attorney-General dealt with what is termed the interest question.

Q.—I want to deal with the advances to the T. and N. O. We cannot separate the interest from the other advances if dealing with them handling the money.

HON. MR. LUCAS: Oh, yes. That is where my honorable friend is all wrong. You can distinguish them and you must put the questions separately to the Auditor. One is an advance for capital expenditure, authorized under the statute. He has nothing to do with the statute.

MR. ROWELL: The Attorney-General was dealing with assumptions—the situation is that the whole amount of the subsidy was received in 1913?

A.—The whole amount of the Dominion subsidy termed T. and N. O. Railway subsidy, was received in 1913.

Q.—And the whole amount was credited in the Public Accounts of 1913?

A.—The whole amount appears in the Public Accounts of 1913.

Q.—No money was received respecting the T. and N. O. subsidy in 1914?

A.—No money in 1914.

Q.—Nothing in the books in reference to such a receipt in 1914?

A.—No.

Q.—If we were to get at the difference between receipts—the real difference between receipts and expenditures in 1914, we must leave that item out of account?

A.—Which item?

Q.—The \$544,000.

A.—Yes.

Q.—It did not form a receipt, an actual receipt?

HON. MR. LUCAS: No one ever pretended that it did.

MR. ROWELL: So to get at the real difference between the receipts and disbursements it would have to be ruled out?

A.—That would have to be excluded, yes.

Q.—I want to go back again to statutory expenditure for 1914—take the accounts and tell me this: if that item of \$544,000, appearing in Statement No. 1, appears anywhere in your books, or forms part of the statutory expenditure appearing in the Public Accounts?

A.—It does not.

Q.—The particulars of every item in that statutory expenditure appear in the Public Accounts here?

A.—They appear in the Public Accounts, in statement No. 24 on page 684, it commences at page 682; and concludes on page 684, the whole of the items appear there. The total statutory expenditure for the year was \$4,698,370.11. That also appears in the Statement we rendered, aside from this.

Q.—And you say that \$544,000 forms no part of that?

A.—It does not.

Q.—The \$544,000 appears, not as part of statutory expenditure, on page a16, but as a special item on page a18?

A.—On page 18, and forms no part of the expenditure.

Q.—Am I not correct in this, take the assumption of the Attorney-General—if you strike a balance to find the total ordinary receipts and the total ordinary expenditure, as here described for the year 1914, as shown on pages a16 and a17, the difference is \$1,243,419.75.

A.—The difference between the total receipts and the total expenditure is the sum you have stated.

HON. MR. FERGUSON: We might as well clear this up, you said to my honourable friend that the statutory expenditure of \$2,000,000 odd there doesn't include the \$544,000?

A.—Yes.

Q.—It includes all interest, including the interest on the T. and N. O.?

A.—It includes the interest on all moneys, because they are made a charge on the consolidated revenue. It covers the T. and N. O. as well as every other interest.

Q.—And when you take the \$544,000 away from current receipts on the other side and deduct it from the amount of interest on the expenditure side the cross entry goes, because the \$544,000 is the exact amount of interest paid on account of the T. and N. O. and is included in that two million odd?

A.—It does not form a receipt or an expenditure and should be excluded on both sides.

Q.—And if statutory expenditure includes all interest it includes the interest on the T. and N. O.?

A.—Yes.

MR. ROWELL: Mr. Chairman, I ask your ruling, I can conduct this examination without any assistance.

HON. MR. FERGUSON: The statutory expenditure is stated here as \$2,300,000 odd, that includes all the interest paid by the Province, on loans?

A.—Yes.

Q.—And the interest paid on the T. and N. O., on account of the advances made to the T. and N. O.?

A.—Yes, it would include T. and N. O. interest, the interest paid on the money advanced to the T. and N. O.

Q.—Now if we take credit for interest on the other side of the account, as having been received out of that amount, we must deduct it from the \$2,330,000 of statutory expenditure?

A.—My answer is that it should be excluded on both sides.

Q.—Quite so, that is the point. If you put it on one side it must appear on the other?

A.—Yes.

MR. ROWELL: He says the other isn't shown as an item. He has stated already that it doesn't form any part of that statutory expenditure That closes the matter as far as I can go upon the present basis. We are not

closing it as far as the production of those statements is concerned, that matter we intend bringing up in the House Continuing with Statement No. 1, Mr. Clancy, I notice in connection with this Statement, your letter transmitting these Public Accounts to the Treasurer, dated January 8, 1915.

A.—Yes.

Q.—I notice an order of the Treasury which advised how the statement should be prepared is dated the 13th of February, 1915?

A.—Yes.

Q.—Had you prepared the statement covering items in Statement No. 1 when you presented your report of the 18th of January.

A.—I didn't prepare any statement. That was a mere formal thing. Perhaps I might state what the facts were: the Public Accounts were ready as far as we were concerned, and, in conformity with the practice of past years, this letter was prepared a considerable time before Statement No. 1 had been even seen by the audit office, therefore the dispute between the two dates is of no importance whatever.

Q.—The letter did not indicate that the accounts were ready, at that date, for presentation?

A.—As far as we were concerned. In a general way they were ready, there was a little printing to do.

Q.—If you were preparing them why didn't you prepare Statement No. 1?

A.—That was prepared by Order-in-Council.

Q.—At that time, however, you did not have the Order-in-Council . . . you knew it was coming?

A.—I knew they had authority to pass such an Order, and I had to wait, in patience, until that power was exercised.

Q.—You anticipated it and therefore did not prepare the statement?

HON. MR. FERGUSON: It was prepared the same as the year before. It was prepared, in both cases, under the order of the Treasury Board.

MR. ROWELL: I understood you to say you did not prepare it, that it was prepared in the Treasury Department?

A.—It was prepared in the Treasury Department.

Q.—There is another statement, of money received on account of licenses, you say "No audit by the audit office."

A.—Yes.

Q.—I want to ask you as to that. I understand the Chief Clerk of the License Branch says it is not the custom to audit the accounts in the License Branch.

A.—All I can say with respect to that—confining myself to that particular year. We do not audit them and I think I pointed out the section here that precluded the audit.

Q.—What do you mean by "precluding the audit."

A.—It appears in section 122 of the Audit Act and the Liquor License Act itself, that explains the reasons.

HON. MR. FERGUSON: Is that what is supposed to cover secret service accounts?

MR. ROWELL: What is included in that, that is not dealt with by you? Does it cover all receipts?

A.—All receipts for licenses, the whole sum is put in there.

Q.—You do not handle anything at all in connection with the license fund?

A.—Nothing in respect to the license fund.

Q.—That is entirely done in the license branch itself?

A.—I cannot say what was done there. We do not know.

Q.—Then, as far as the Provincial Auditor is concerned, you do not audit or exercise any supervision at all in connection with the license fund?

A.—None.

Q.—Do you remember whether that is a recent statute or not?

A.—I am unable to recall how recent that is.

Q.—Was it after you became Auditor, or before?

A.—I cannot recall that.

Q.—Did you ever do any auditing in the license branch?

A.—I do not recall.

Q.—Give us your best recollection. Can you recall whether it was before or after you became Auditor?

A.—I would have to look up the Act. I would not undertake to fix it, to say whether it was or was not. The matter can be determined by looking up the statute.

Q.—Then I understood you to say the Hydro-Electric account had also been prepared under the Treasury Board?

A.—Yes, that statement.

Q.—Do you keep in your books a record of the receipts and expenditure of the Hydro-Electric, the same as you do in the Treasury Department?

A.—We do, but they are not published.

Q.—You have them in your books, but they are not published in the Public Accounts.

A.—Yes.

Q.—Your books show all the receipts and expenditure of the Hydro-Electric from year to year?

A.—As far as we have been put in possession of them.

Q.—What does that mean?

A.—I mean by that, that I would not undertake to say whether we have all the receipts and expenditures dealing with the past year. I would not undertake to say we have everything. There may be adjustments and so on, that have not been included. As far as we have been able to record, in respect to them, our books show it.

Q.—You can turn up and show the Hydro-Electric Accounts in your books?

A.—Yes.

Q.—You state “as far as you have been put in possession of them.” What do you mean by that?

A.—What I mean is this: Since they were not printed, they were not closed on the 31st of October with the same promptitude, either with receipts or expenditures, as they would have if they were to be printed.

Q.—Have you, since that date, been put in possession of them so that you can tell whether or not you have a complete record?

A.—I would not be able to say without inquiry.

Q.—Would the same apply to the T. and N. O. accounts?

A.—The same.

Q.—You have a set of all those accounts in your office?

A.—Yes, of the T. and N. O. Commission. I may say that there was no audit of the T. and N. O. Railway Commission accounts for some considerable time. We commenced with a number of years ahead of us to audit the accounts of the T. and N. O. It involves a large and complicated expenditure, such as took a good deal of time. We have not been able, up to the present moment, to conclude the audit. In respect to the Hydro, we have kept abreast of them and have kept the audit up to the 31st of October, 1914.

Q.—How far are you behind?

A.—I would not be able to say without inquiry. We are in arrears and considerably in arrears. However, the audit is going on.

W. M. Douglas, Chief Clerk of the Treasury Department, called and examined.

HON. MR. FERGUSON: Turning to Statement No. 1 of 1914, where is the statutory expenditure shown?

A.—It is shown in this item of \$2,233,702.80.

Q.—And that is all ordinary statutory expenditure?

A.—Yes, ordinary statutory expenditure.

Q.—Ordinary statutory expenditure includes what?

A.—That includes interest on loans; they are all itemized in the books.

Q.—Tell us, shortly.

A.—Interest on sinking fund, on various loans, bank charges, etc.

Q.—Does it cover interest paid on T. and N. O. loans?

A.—It covers that interest in this way. These loans were made for the T. and N. O. Railway, and of course it covers in that way.

Q.—It covers all interest?

A.—Yes.

Q.—And in that is interest payable on account of the T. and N. O.?

A.—Yes, that is incurred on account of the T. and N. O.

Q.—Now, Mr. Douglas, if you excluded this \$544,000 from the receipt side of the accounts, will you be giving a fair statement of the financial position of the Province, without touching this side at all?

A.—If you exclude it from the revenue side it would have to be taken from the expenditure side, from ordinary expenditure.

Q.—It must be taken from that side as well?

A.—From the two.

Q.—Because it is included in that?

A.—Because it is included in that \$2,233,702.

Q.—There cannot be any possible doubt about that?

A.—No, because that includes all interest.

Q.—If you take it out, as Mr. Bowman and Mr. Rowell suggest, take it away from ordinary receipts, you have to take it away from ordinary expenditure as well?

A.—From ordinary statutory expenditure.

Q.—And that would leave the deficit, what?

A.—It would leave it exactly as it appears in the Public Accounts, \$697,928.

Q.—You heard them figure it up to \$1,200,000 odd; that would be by taking it away from ordinary receipts alone?

A.—Yes.

Q.—So that no matter what you do with it, your deficit on the ordinary year's business is \$697,000 odd? In either case?

A.—In both cases. It doesn't affect the bank balance in either case.

Q.—You have been in the Department twenty years?

A.—Yes.

Q.—You say, as an appointee of the former Government, that that is the deficit, \$697,000?

A.—\$697,000, yes.

MR. CARTER: I object to that. He is just here as an official, an official we all respect.

HON. MR. MCGARRY: I was just trying to show his experience. We may have some experience in bookkeeping, ourselves, but here is a man who has been doing this work for twenty years. We are entitled to respect his opinion. I did when we were preparing that statement.

MR. CARTER: But as far as saying he is an appointee of the other Government, I object to that. (to witness): The money, this \$544,000 was taken out of the subsidy from the Dominion Government?

A.—Yes, it was the subsidy from the Dominion Government.

Q.—It was given to the Provincial Government for the building of the road?

HON. MR. FERGUSON: He doesn't know anything about that.

HON. MR. MCGARRY: That is a matter that was referred to in the House as a subject for debate. I do not suppose he knows, anyway.

MR. CHAIRMAN: There is no objection to it, the only thing is this: I do not suppose the witness knows any more or less on that than we do.

A.—He does if he is a bookkeeper.

HON. MR. FERGUSON: You are asking an official in the Treasury Department to tell why the Dominion Government paid over two millions to this Government.

MR. MUNRO: He should know, if he is in charge of the books.

MR. CHAIRMAN: Why should he? What difference does it make to him?

HON. MR. FERGUSON: I have no objection to his answering it, if he can.

MR. CARTER: I won't go any further.

MR. BOWMAN: Mr. Douglas, you say you have been connected with the Department for twenty years?

A.—Yes.

Q.—How many years of that period have you had charge of the Treasury Department in that capacity? In the same capacity you are to-day?

A.—About ten or twelve years, I have been at work on them, in balancing the accounts, for a greater number of years than that.

Q.—Have you full charge of the books of the Department?

A.—Some of the books, the Loan Ledgers, the General Ledger and the Journal.

Q.—Is it part of your duty in the Treasurer's Department to prepare Statement No. 1 as it appears in the Public Accounts?

A.—Yes, sir, this Statement, of course, is prepared between the Treasury Department and the audit office. We arrive at this balance mutually, between the two offices. Our books have the same balances as theirs.

Q.—Then you have charge of the Loan Ledgers, the General Ledger, and the Journal, have had during the past ten or twelve years?

A.—Yes.

Q.—Was there any time, prior to the fiscal year of 1913-14, when you made any adjusting entries of the character of that appearing in Statement No. 1, the item of \$544,000?

A.—We made an adjusting entry in 1909, as far as the T. and N. O. was concerned. That was charged against T. and N. O. Capital Account. There is a copy of that in the Public Accounts of 1909. There were no moneys coming in at that time.

Q.—What was the character of that entry?

A.—That was past due interest for a number of years. That explains itself. It is in the 1909 Public Accounts.

Q.—The adjusting entry was charged to the capital account of the T. and N. O.?

A.—It was charged directly to the capital account of the T. and N. O.

Q.—So that the capital was increased in 1909 by the amount of the adjusting entry?

A.—Yes.

Q.—The adjusting entry made in 1909 was charged to capital account and is part and parcel of this amount of \$19,696,451.99, being the total amount charged to capital account to the 31st of October, 1914?

A.—Yes, that is part of that amount.

Q.—And it appears as such in your books, as an entry made in the Ledger?

A.—Yes, our Ledger shows that account.

Q.—Do I understand you to say that that was the only adjusting entry made, previous to this one of \$544,000?

A.—As far as the T. and N. O. was concerned?

Q.—In any way?

HON. MR. MCGARRY: Do you mean about anything else? Whether there was an adjusting entry made about anything else?

MR. BOWMAN: Yes.

HON. MR. MCGARRY: You are covering a wide area.

WITNESS: Never, as far as I know.

Q.—The only one, other than the \$544,000, is the one you have just told us of?

A.—Yes, this one of \$544,000 and the adjusting entry in 1909.

Q.—The adjusting entry of 1909, which is the only adjusting entry exclusive of the one in 1914, was made so that the amount which was involved in that entry appears in your Ledger account of the T. and N. O., and capital account is charged with that amount?

A.—It was charged to the capital expenditure on that road.

Q.—Coming to the item of \$544,000, appearing in capital account as a payment, "adjustment of interest *re* the T. and N. O. Railway for 1913-14 from Dominion T. and N. O. subsidy," why does that appear as a payment under the heading of capital account, in Statement No. 1?

A.—The interest on these loans as statutory expenditure is always put as ordinary expenditure each year. All the railway were advancing of their interest, which amounted to some \$7,800,000—their payment was only \$250,000 this year; to counterbalance the interest due by the T. and N. O., \$544,000 odd was needed. Their money had gone into consolidated revenue fund, so we debited consolidated revenue fund with the \$544,000.

Q.—You treated it as a capital expenditure in connection with the T. and N. O.

A.—No.

Q.—You told us that, when you made the interest adjustment in 1909, you made a Ledger entry charging it to capital account, and increased the capital account by that much? Did you do the same last year, in connection with the item of \$544,000?

A.—No, that was charged against consolidated revenue.

Q.—If the adjusting entry of interest in 1909 was a proper entry, in the way of a direct charge to capital account, which increased the capital account, why did you make this difference between this interest adjustment in the last fiscal year?

A.—Because these moneys here, in this Dominion subsidy, had gone into Consolidated Revenue Fund. That is why they were charged against consolidated revenue rather than capital. We have credited the railway with interest, on account of the T. and N. O.

Q.—Going back to 1909, did you have any moneys that you applied to payment of interest, other than what went into Consolidated Revenue Fund?

A.—There have been no payments except this subsidy.

Q.—The adjusting entry in 1909 was with moneys that could only come from Consolidated Revenue Fund?

A.—That was just charged against capital account. There was no payment made.

Q.—In one case you added it to capital account in the Ledger, and in this case you didn't.

A.—In this case we did not.

HON. MR. FERGUSON: They were entirely distinct.

Q.—In the preparation of this Statement No. 1, did you assume the full responsibility of making this adjusting entry, without consultation with any other officer of the Department—before it was made?

A.—I think that was answered in the House yesterday afternoon.

Q.—I do not know what the answer was in the House.

HON. MR. MCGARRY: Mr. Lucas gave the answer. He said he accepted full responsibility for this item of \$544,000. He took full responsibility for this item in the House.

MR. BOWMAN: I understand the Attorney-General has assumed the full responsibility. Am I correct in interpreting from that, that you made this Journal entry of \$544,000 under the direction or the order of the Attorney-General?

A.—I would not say that altogether. He has to be referred to in many cases, as to the treatment of certain items here.

HON. MR. FERGUSON: There is no doubt many items would be discussed with the Treasurer.

HON. MR. MCGARRY: It was prepared under Order-in-Council.

MR. BOWMAN: May I call your attention to the Minute of the Treasury Board, which directs the manner in which the Public Accounts shall be prepared? Am I safe in assuming that, when Statement No. 1 in the Public Accounts of 1914 and this journal entry of \$544,000 was made in your books, that you had received instructions from the Treasury Board or from the Attorney-General, as a member of the Treasury Board, to make that entry?

A.—We send a copy of that statement down and it comes back with the Order-in-Council. A copy of the printed statement goes down and this comes back after.

Q.—Did you make that entry of \$544,000 prior to receiving instructions or orders from the Attorney-General to make these entries in the books?

HON. MR. FERGUSON: He says it was done just as in 1913.

MR. BOWMAN: We have had the books here with the Journal entry, but it did not appear what the exact date was that it was made in the books. Was the entry made before the Order-in-Council? This is dated the 17th of February; was the entry made before that?

A.—Yes.

Q.—I am trying to find out whether you made that entry in the Journal prior to getting instructions or orders from the Attorney-General to make it.

HON. MR. MCGARRY: He did not say he got instructions from the Attorney-General to make it.

MR. BOWMAN: I understood that the Attorney-General stated that.

HON. MR. FERGUSON: He did not suggest that. He told of a discussion with Mr. Clancy in 1913, in regard to the policy and the form in which these charges should be made. Mr. Douglas says: "We followed precedent decided upon in 1913." That is the only discussion there was, the only instructions there were.

MR. BOWMAN: I want to repeat my question. I want to know whether Mr. Douglas made the entry of \$544,000 without getting instructions from the Attorney-General to make that specific entry.

WITNESS: During the formation, the balancing of No. 1 Statement, the Treasurer was consulted in regard to a great many questions. I suppose that came up, as Mr. McGarry says, in following the procedure set in 1913.

Q.—Then you are not prepared to give an answer, yes or no, as to the conditions under which that entry was made?

HON. MR. MCGARRY: He has told you.

WITNESS: I do not exactly understand your last question.

HON. MR. FERGUSON: He is suggesting that you got specific instructions from the Treasurer to make this cross entry. He is suggesting that, and he is suggesting that, if this is the case, did you make that entry before or after.

MR. BOWMAN: My question is whether he is prepared to give an answer, yes or no.

WITNESS: I cannot say as to that, he is consulted all during the course of the preparation of the Public Accounts. I cannot say as to this particular item. I suppose he was consulted about that.

Q.—One more question: If the Treasury Department had dealt with this item of \$544,000 in the same manner as it did with the entry for interest in 1909, by charging it directly to capital account of the T. and N. O., would the manner in which you have injected this item of \$544,000 into Statement No. 1—would it appear in the same form as you have it here?

A.—It would reduce the ordinary expenditure.

Q.—It would reduce the statutory expenditure by that amount?

A.—Mr. Bowman asked, if we charged it against capital expenditure—in this case it was charged against Consolidated Revenue Fund. In the way suggested by Mr. Bowman the interest would be charged against the capital account of the T. and N. O.

HON. MR. MCGARRY: And would leave the deficit the same?

A.—Exactly, \$697,000 odd.

The Committee then adjourned to meet again on Thursday, April 1, at 10 a.m.

PUBLIC ACCOUNTS COMMITTEE.

April 1, 1915.

The Committee met at 10 a.m.

Emil Laverdure, member of License Commission for County of Russell, called and sworn:

MR. PROUDFOOT: Where do you live, Mr. Laverdure?

A.—Ottawa.

Q.—What is your occupation?

A.—Lumber merchant.

Q.—Any other occupation beside that of Lumber merchant?

A.—No, that is the only one.

Q.—Were you License Commissioner for the County of Russell last year, and do you still occupy that position?

A.—Yes, I am License Commissioner.

Q.—When were you appointed?

A.—In 1912, the 1st of January, 1912.

Q.—You say you live in Ottawa?

A.—Yes.

Q.—Do you come from the County of Russell?

A.—My business is in the County of Russell.

Q.—That is where you have your place of business?

A.—Yes.

Q.—Your brother, I believe, was Conservative Candidate in Russell in the last election?

A.—The last local election, yes.

Q.—Were you in that county during the election?

A.—Yes.

Q.—When did you first go there during the election, during the time the election was on?

A.—I can't tell you because I was there all along. My business is there ten hours a day.

Q.—Was that in the central part of Russell?

A.—That was in the west part of the county.

Q.—Were you there for the two weeks prior to the election?

A.—I am there right along, every day.

Q.—At your place of business?

A.—Yes.

Q.—Were you through the county during the week before the election?

A.—Oh, yes, I was in the county.

Q.—What were you doing in the last week before the election?

A.—I was attending to my business.

Q.—Any other business?

A.—No; that is the only business.

Q.—Were you out on the road with anyone during that time?

A.—Yes.

Q.—Who with?

A.—My brother. I drove him around the county in my car.

Q.—That was the week before the election?

A.—Yes, right after the nominations.

Q.—When were the nominations?

A.—Some time in June.

Q.—The elections were on the 29th, so that the nominations would be on the 22nd?

A.—Yes.

Q.—After that you drove around the county with him?

A.—Yes, sir.

Q.—I suppose you knew the county pretty well?

A.—Oh, yes, pretty well.

Q.—Anyone else go around with you beside your brother?

A.—Yes, we had different persons with us.

Q.—Do you know a man engaged in the liquor business named Barnaby?

A.—Yes.

Q.—Was Barnaby with you?

A.—No.

Q.—Was he never out with you at all?

A.—No.

Q.—Did you see Mr. Gormely, one of the hotelkeepers there?

A.—When?

Q.—Shortly before the election?

A.—He was at the nomination at Russell.

Q.—Did you see him again after that, before the election?

A.—No.

Q.—Do you know Henry Duford?

A.—No.

Q.—Is he a county man?

A.—I do not know him.

Q.—He is a hotelkeeper.

A.—Oh, you mean Duford (confusion due to pronunciation).

Q.—When did you see that man?

A.—He must have been at the nomination, I must have seen him nomination day.

Q.—Did anything take place between you and this man in reference to the election?

A.—No.

Q.—Nothing at all?

A.—No. In fact I do not think I spoke to him on nomination day, he was so busy at the bar. I didn't speak to him at all.

Q.—Do you know Robillard.

A.—I know him because he is a hotel-keeper. I know where it is he keeps hotel.

Q.—When did you see him?

A.—I saw him on nomination day. He was at Russell, I was there.

Q.—Were you at his place with your brother?

A.—No.

Q.—Do you know Treffe Emar?

A.—Yes. he was at the nomination.

Q.—Did you see him after that?

A.—Yes, the night of the nomination, we had a meeting at Embrun, we stopped there.

Q.—Did you talk the elections over with him?

A.—Yes. He is a conservative, I had a talk with him. He is one of my best friends.

Q.—Were you trying to influence him to take a part in the election?

A.—I didn't have to because he was an active worker for the Conservative party. He was a sure man.

Q.—And that was on nomination day?

A.—Nomination night.

Q.—How far is that from where the nomination was held?

A.—It is about four miles from Embrun to Russell, it is the next village.

Q.—And the next day where did you go to?

A.—I went home.

Q.—Were you in the riding the next day?

A.—No. My brother stayed in Embro, I think I went home.

Q.—Did you see Lachapelle?

A.—Yes, the same night.

Q.—Were you talking elections with him?

A.—Yes.

Q.—What are his politics?

A.—I think he is a Grit.

Q.—Were you trying to induce him to vote for your brother?

A.—No. It was no use.

Q.—You did not say anything to him about it?

MR. IRISH: What has this to do with expenditure. Is this an election trial? What are we getting at? It seems to me we are far away from the expenditure.

MR. CHAIRMAN: I do not think myself, Mr. Proudfoot, that it comes within your motion.

MR. PROUDFOOT: There is expenditure in there. We have the right to go into the whole question. It gives us the right to inquire into his conduct.

MR. THOMPSON: He doesn't get any money. He is a Commissioner.

MR. PROUDFOOT: He gets his expenses.

HON. MR. FERGUSON: Surely you do not think you can examine a License Commissioner here?

MR. PROUDFOOT: He gets his expenses. We can examine into them.

MR. CHAIRMAN: I do not want to burk anything but, it seems to me, Mr. Irish's point is well taken. I think myself, I am almost forced to rule, that you cannot proceed any further on that line.

MR. PROUDFOOT: I would find myself very much surprised to find you ruling that way.

MR. CHAIRMAN: Your resolution merely asked with respect to certain items of expenditure.

MR. PROUDFOOT: That is the way these inquiries are always brought about. He should be required to appear as an official of the Government, who is interested in carrying out the license system.

MR. CHAIRMAN: There is nothing improper in that.

MR. PROUDFOOT: That gives us the right to go into his whole conduct. That has always been the practice as I understand it.

HON. MR. FERGUSON: Oh, no, no.

MR. PROUDFOOT (to witness): When you were at Embrun did you see Menard?

A.—Which Menard? There are about twenty Menards in the county.

Q.—Mois Menard?

A.—I don't know him.

Q.—Do you know Thomas Lachapelle?

A.—I cannot tell you about that name; Lachapelle has two or three sons. I do not know the first name.

Q.—They take after their father's politics?

A.—I don't know about that.

Q.—The father is a hotel-keeper, is he not?

A.—Yes.

Q.—What did you say to these hotel-keepers, about what majority your brother should have in Embrun?

HON. MR. FERGUSON: Oh, no. That is not fair. Ask him what he said to them. You have no right to suggest what he said about anything or to assume that he said anything. Ask him what conference he had with them.

MR. PROUDFOOT: Did you have any conferences with these men about the elections?

A.—We must have talked about the elections. It was nomination day.

HON. MR. FERGUSON: Quite natural, too, every one would be in Russell.

A.—I cannot tell you what I have told them, it was just part of regular conversations.

Q.—Did you tell them that, unless they gave your brother a majority of so much, you would remember them on the License Board?

A.—Is that question in order?

HON. MR. FERGUSON: What has that to do with expenditure?

A.—I don't remember that.

MR. PROUDFOOT: Will you swear you didn't make that statement?

A.—Yes, I will swear that. I do not remember having told them those things.

Q.—That is as far as you go, that you do not remember? that is as far as you will go?

A.—I do not remember.

Q.—You do remember having conversations about election matters.

A.—I had conversations in every hotel I went to.

HON. MR. FERGUSON: What night was that?

A.—Nomination night.

HON. MR. FERGUSON: Everyone would be talking about politics that night. There wasn't a Frenchman there would talk about anything else. I know the place.

MR. PROUDFOOT: And of course the License Commissioner was taking a particular interest in this—(to witness): Now, were you in Casselman?

HON. MR. FERGUSON: When.

MR. PROUDFOOT: During the week before the election?

WITNESS: No.

Q.—You were not there?

A.—No.

Q.—Do you know Honore Bertrand?

A.—Yes.

Q.—He is a hotel-keeper there?

A.—Yes.

Q.—Did you see him?

A.—When?

Q.—During the time the election was on?

A.—I did not see him, no.

Q.—Were you at his place?

A.—No. I was not in Casselman during election time.

Q.—And you didn't see this man during that time?

A.—No.

Q.—Do you know Joseph Hunecault, a hotelkeeper in Casselman?

A.—Yes.

Q.—Did you see him during the time the election was on?

A.—I saw him on nomination day; he was at the nominations.

Q.—Were you talking politics with him?—What are his politics?

A.—Conservative.

HON. MR. FERGUSON: Were you making arrangements with him about looking after votes for your brother?

A.—Oh, no. He was looking after the organization himself.

MR. PROUDFOOT: Were you talking about organization?

A.—I must have.

Q.—Did you talk about organization?

A.—Yes.

Q.—Did you give him any money, organization money?

A.—No, sir.

Q.—Then, did you know the hotel-keeper at Navan?

A.—If you will give me his name—I do not know the hotel-keeper there.

I am not sure there is a hotel-keeper there.

Q.—Were you there during the election?

A.—No. Perhaps Mr. Racine would know his name.

MR. RACINE: Paquette.

A.—No, I do not know him.

MR. PROUDFOOT: Do you know a hotel-keeper named D. Raymond?

A.—Yes.

Q.—Were you at his place during the election?

A.—No, I did not go there at all. I did not see him at the nomination or the convention.

HON. MR. FERGUSON: You didn't do much.

WITNESS: I was just driving my brother around.

Q.—Were you at Rockland?

A.—I passed Rockland, yes.

Q.—What size of a place is Rockland?

A.—It is about two thousand.

Q.—How many hotel-keepers there?

A.—There are three.

Q.—What are their names?

A.—John Tague is one.

Q.—Did you see him?

A.—Yes.

Q.—Were you there with your brother?

A.—Yes, the first Sunday after the nomination.

Q.—That was the day after the nomination?

A.—The next Sunday.

Q.—Who else was with you and your brother?

A.—There were two cars. My brother was driving in one car and I was in my own car with my nephew, the missus and my nephew's wife.

Q.—And in the other car. Who was with your brother?

A.—I do not remember just now.

Q.—Was it Campbell, the Inspector?

A.—No.

Q.—Did he drive around with you the week before the election?

A.—No.

Q.—You didn't drive with him?

A.—No, I saw him at the meeting at Metcalfe, the Friday before the election.

Q.—That is the only time you saw him?

A.—Yes.

Q.—You didn't drive with him?

A.—No.

Q.—Did you see him driving with your brother?

A.—I did not see him.

Q.—And the only time was at Metcalfe?

A.—Yes.

Q.—Did you talk about the political situation, with him.

A.—Oh, yes, everyone was there attending, Mr. Rolston and others.

Q.—Who is Mr. Rolston?

A.—Postmaster and an ex-candidate.

Q.—Did this hotel-keeper Tague go with you at all?

A.—No.

Q.—And you only saw him on the one occasion?

A.—Yes.

Q.—And had a very short conversation?

A.—Yes, we did not stop there more than five minutes.

Q.—What are his politics?

A.—I do not know.

Q.—Did you get any money from him?

A.—No.

Q.—Was any money spoken of between you?

A.—I got some money from Tague two years ago when he paid up some bills.

Q.—I am speaking about the elections.

A.—I did not see any.

Q.—Well now, do you know any hotel-keeper named Bourgon?

A.—Yes.

Q.—Where is his place?

A.—In Rockland.

Q.—Did you talk with him about election matters?

A.—Yes, I saw him on nomination day.

Q.—Not after that?

A.—No.

Q.—Did you talk to him about putting up money?

A.—I never did.

Q.—Did he put up any as far as you know?

A.—No. What kind of question is it you are asking me, I want to know. You must think I was making votes with money.

Q.—Of course.

A.—I have had nothing to do with money with the hotel-keepers. That is a queer question you are putting up to me.

Q.—I will put up some more queer ones.

HON. MR. FERGUSON: It was on that system they had to contribute in the old days, when my honourable friend's friends had control.

MR. PROUDFOOT: I do not know whether they contributed before or not, but we know they do now.

HON. MR. FERGUSON: It doesn't look like it this morning.

MR. PROUDFOOT: Wait until we see (to witness): Do you know a hotel-keeper named Deshaitres, who is at Rockland?

A.—Yes.

Q.—Did you have any talk with him about election matters?

A.—Not a word. I didn't see him during election time until the last meeting.

Q.—You didn't see him during the election. He is one of the hotel-keepers there?

A.—Yes.

Q.—Were you at a place called Clarence Creek?

A.—Yes.

Q.—Who keeps the hotel there?

A.—There are two.

Q.—Did you see Paul Brunet?

A.—Yes.

Q.—Did you have any talk with him about election matters?

A.—Yes, I saw him the night before we went to the meeting.

Q.—What are his politics?

A.—I do not know.

Q.—Did you get any money from him?

A.—No.

Q.—Did you speak to him about putting up any money?

A.—No.

Q.—Not a word?

A.—No.

Q.—Did you have any talk with him about money?

A.—Not a word.

Q.—Or as to what he was to do for your brother during the election campaign?

A.—Not a word.

Q.—Did you get money from any hotel-keeper?

A.—Not a one. Not one of them. I never asked for any money and I never got any money either.

Q.—How many days did you spend going around with your brother?

A.—Between nomination and election, eight days.

Q.—You were around all the time?

A.—Around the country, around my place.

HON. MR. FERGUSON: Around the locality where you were well known.

A.—We drove around during the campaign. I drove to Metcalfe and to Clarence Creek, that is the only places I drove.

MR. PROUDFOOT: I thought you stated you were around for some days?

A.—I was working around the Village of Viger.

Q.—You took charge there?

A.—Oh, no, but I was canvassing around my place. We have good men in the county to do canvassing. I expect to do it again, too.

Q.—Were you at a place called Bourget?

A.—I wasn't there.

Q.—Do you know a hotel-keeper there named Rouleau?

A.—Yes.

Q.—The other one is Mr. Benson?

A.—Yes, I know Benson.

Q.—Were you talking politics to them?

A.—I did not see them during the campaign.

Q.—You hadn't a word to say to them?

A.—No.

Q.—Did you see Mr. Pilon, hotel-keeper at St. Pascal?

A.—I didn't see him.

Q.—And, of course, if you didn't see him you didn't get any money from him?

A.—I guess not.

Q.—And he wasn't likely to send it. You told us you took an active part in your brother's election?

A.—Yes.

Q.—He is not in business with you?

A.—No.

Q.—What business is he in?

A.—Hardware.

Q.—And he lives in the City?

A.—No, he lives in the County of Russell. His business is in the city.

HON. MR. FERGUSON: Where do you live?

A.—In Ottawa, on Rideau street.

Q.—He asks you if you took an active part in the last campaign for your brother. You did in your own locality, amongst people whom you knew; you made no attempt to coerce any hotel-keeper or anybody interested in the liquor business?

A.—I never did.

Q.—Simply as a citizen you asked people to vote for your brother?

A.—Yes, as I did when I was in the city canvassing for Champagne.

Q.—You have been a worker, politically, practically all your life?

A.—Yes.

Q.—And you never attempted to make use of your position as Commissioner?

A.—I never did.

MR. PROUDFOOT: Except by seeing the hotel-keepers?

A.—I saw them at the nominations.

Q.—There were some at the nominations?

A.—Those I saw always took an active part in politics, six or seven of them, those are the only ones I saw.

Q.—They were at the nomination?

A.—Yes.

HON. MR. FERGUSON: Outside of these six or seven, all the rest, I suppose, are Liberals?

A.—I do not know, but they are not active workers.

Q.—You do not know them all?

A.—No.

Q.—Just six or seven of the best of them you know.

Witness was then excused.

W. J. Campbell, License Inspector for Russell, called and sworn.

MR. PROUDFOOT: You are License Inspector for Russell?

A.—Yes.

Q.—For how long?

A.—Ten years, since 1905.

Q.—What part did you take in the last election on the 29th of June?

HON. MR. FERGUSON: My learned friend knows that is not the proper way to ask him.

MR. CHAIRMAN: You are presupposing that he did take a part in the election.

MR. PROUDFOOT: Did you take any part in the election on the 29th of June?

A.—I do not think, other than voting, that I did.

Q.—During the time the campaign was on did you take any part in the election?

A.—No.

Q.—Were you around the County?

A.—Yes, on my routine business.

Q.—You saw the hotel-keepers—did you get any money?

A.—No.

Q.—Did you ask for any money?

A.—No.

Q.—You say you didn't receive any?

A.—No.

Q.—Did you go around with the Conservative candidate?

A.—No.

Q.—Were you with him during the campaign?

A.—I went from Metcalfe to Bourget with Mr. Laverdure in the car one night and back to Metcalfe again, about six miles. That is all I was with him during the campaign.

Q.—What night was that?

A.—About a week before the election.

Q.—Was it after the nomination?

A.—No. I think it was a day or two before.

Q.—Who was with you?

A.—Emil Laverdure was there.

Q.—That is the man here—how many hotel-keepers did you call upon?

A.—I didn't see any.

Q.—How many keepers of public houses did you see?

A.—I didn't see any.

Q.—Mr. Laverdure was speaking at the meeting, when you went there did you take any part in the meeting?

A.—Not other than sitting in the hall.

Q.—How came you to go?

A.—I was in Metcalfe and they asked me to go up with them and they would take me back.

Q.—So that the Inspector and one of the Commissioners of the County went up to Metcalfe?

HON. MR. FERGUSON: It is local option in Metcalfe and local option in Vernon.

MR. PROUDFOOT: Was that the only time you were with the candidate during the election?

A.—The only time.

Q.—Did you canvass any voters?

A.—No, I do not think I did. I do not remember seeing anybody about the elections. I made no business of it.

Q.—But you made it your business to go around and see the hotel-keepers during that week?

A.—No, not other than my usual business.

Q.—How many places were you in during that week?

A.—Which week?

Q.—The week before the voting?

A.—I think I was in Russell and Embrun that week. I had been around the county earlier in June and did not have occasion to go again.

Q.—When did the Conservative candidate receive the party nomination?

A.—I do not remember. It was at the convention, some time earlier in June.

Q.—Were you at the convention?

A.—No.

Q.—Take any part?

A.—No, I was not a delegate there.

Q.—And after he received the party nomination didn't you see the most of the hotel-keepers?

HON. MR. FERGUSON: He just said no.

WITNESS: I saw some of them.

MR. PROUDFOOT: Did you make it your business to go around to see them?

A.—Not unless I had to go on other work.

Q.—How many did you see after Mr. Laverdure got the nomination?

A.—Possibly one-half of them.

Q.—Did you say anything about the election to them?

A.—It was pretty hard to be in Russell and not say something about the election.

Q.—Did you during that time canvass in the interest of the Conservative candidate?

A.—No.

Q.—Did you speak in favor of the Conservative candidate?

HON. MR. FERGUSON: That isn't fair. You asked him did he canvass, now you ask, did he speak about the Conservative candidate, that is going too far.

MR. PROUDFOOT: I asked did he speak favourably to them about the Conservative candidate.

HON. MR. FERGUSON: Why wouldn't he. Mr. Laverdure is a prominent business man in Ottawa.

MR. PROUDFOOT: Outside of being an Inspector I grant you he would have the right. (to witness): Did you, in going around, talk to these hotel-keepers and speak favourably or in the interest of the Conservative candidate?

A.—I imagine likely I did, if I said anything at all.

Q.—You think you said something?

A.—I think likely I did.

Q.—You say you saw more than half of them?

A.—I think I did.

MR. IRISH: That would be in the course of your duty.

HON. MR. FERGUSON: The party convention was early in June?

A.—Yes.

Q.—Did you ask any of these hotel-keepers to contribute to the party fund or to contribute money to assist the election of the Conservative candidate?

A.—Not a single one.

Q.—Did any of them give you money for election purposes?

A.—No.

Q.—You told us you were around, on one occasion, with the candidate and his brother?

A.—Yes. I just went from Metcalfe to Vernon.

Q.—Metcalfe is a little village of two or three hundred, and Vernon is about six miles away, a village of about one hundred people, with nothing but churches in either place. Going from Ottawa to Vernon or further you go through Metcalfe and he would pick these men up I guess and they asked him to go with them.

MR. PROUDFOOT: Were you around with the Commissioner who gave evidence, on any other occasion?

A.—Not at all.

Q.—Never out with him, except that occasion after the brother got the party nomination, until the election was over?

A.—That is the only time.

Q.—That is the only time you met him?

A.—Until I met him in Ottawa on Saturday at his home.

Q.—Will you say you didn't see more than one-half of the hotel-keepers during the time the Conservative candidate was in the field?

A.—I wouldn't say more than a half. That is the best I can say. The books would show it.

Q.—Have you them here?

A.—No.

MR. JOHNSON: You were constantly visiting the hotelmen?

A.—Yes.

MR. JOHNSON: That was your business. That is what you were appointed for.

Q.—Do you know Emil Laverdure?

A.—Yes.

Q.—Did he give you any money?

A.—Not a cent.

HON. MR. FERGUSON: That is the man you were talking to.

MR. PROUDFOOT: Yes, I know. (to witness): Do you know Bertrant, a bartender for Payette?

A.—There is no bartender there of that name. He is the hotel-keeper in Casselman.

Q.—Do you know his bartender there?

A.—I would likely see him. I don't remember him.

Q.—Did Bertrant pay you any money?

A.—No.

Q.—Sure about that?

A.—Sure.

Q.—In connection with election matters?

A.—Or any other purposes, I didn't get money on any account from them.

Q.—What you say is you didn't get money from a single man interested in the liquor business during that time, during the time the Conservative candidate was in the field during the election?

A.—I didn't get money from any hotel-keeper and didn't ask for it.

Q.—You didn't say a word about money?

A.—I didn't.

The Committee then adjourned.

