

TO INVESTIGATE

House of Commons Passes
Resolution Providing for Ex-
penditure of \$50,000 for

**MANY PRIVATE BILLS
CLEARED FROM PAPER**

Talk of Ending Session by First
of May—Contentious St.
Lawrence Power Trans-

OTTAWA, March 21.—The discussion in the House of Commons today resulted from the general tariff bill, which is now progressing between Messrs. Fielding and Taft, to the appropriation of power powers by railway companies. The Ministry of Finance was non-committal concerning the negotiations with Washington, and hoped soon to be able to take the bill to the House of Commons in confidence. Mr. Fielding was chided for talking of such matters as tariff on the subject of rest, but the speaker thought it was a proper Sunday occupation.

In spite of the fact that nothing very exciting consumed the attention of the House, a good working day was put in, and the order paper was cleared of a number of private bills, while some minor Government bills were introduced.

It is confidently reported tonight that some arrangements have been arranged at whereby publication of the bill may be delayed beyond May 1. Corroboration of this view was given by the withdrawal for the time being of the contentious S. Lawrence Power Transmission Bill. It was the first order on the paper in private bills which had the right of way, but it was not proceeded with and will not be taken up until after the Easter holiday. There are many who earnestly hope that the measure will not be heard of again this session and that it will make another advent next session in a modified form.

Mr. Connee succeeded in getting the House to accept one of his bills, although it was badly shorn in the railway committee. This was the Rainy River Radial Railway bill, and the discussion respecting water powers cropped up once more.

Mr. Graham in the course of this talk expressed the opinion that no railway should be given the right to expropriate water powers. The man

first in the field with the water powers should be permitted to go ahead with his undertaking, and not be compelled to give way to a larger corporation.

Sh Frederick Borden's resolution, on which a bill was introduced and read a first time was adopted. It provides that the salaries, pay and al-

lowances of the commandant and of the superior and subordinate staffs of the commandant and of the superior and subordinate staffs of the Royal Military College shall be as fixed from time to time by the governor in council. The discussion on this drew from Col. Sam Hughes the suggestion that the cadets should be brought to

Mr. Templeman's resolution also passed, providing for the expenditure of \$50,000 for investigating the processes in use in the production of zinc.

with a view to the promotion of the manufacture in Canada of zinc and zinc products from native ores. Some of the processes in use in Europe will be investigated, and experiments will be made at Nelson, British Columbia.

Touht Frank Oliver is pressing forward his bulky immigration bill through committee of

the whole. This is a most voluminous document, and has in past sittings provoked some objections, not confined by any means to the government side of the house. Tonight, however, the most academic and non-contentious clauses are being proceeded with, and good progress is being made.

Mr. Jameson advanced two amendments to the immigration bill, which were defeated on division. The first was to exclude from Canada any person who had suffered from two attacks of insanity, and the other proposed to prevent the entry of anarchists and polygamists. Mr. Oliver's reply in each case was that the proposed amendments were not found in the United States law.

States, would be incapable of enforcement.

The House adjourned at 11 p. m.

HOOKEWORM PLAGUE

Alabama Man Who Removed to New York State Afflicted.—Many

UTICA, N. Y., March 21.—The hookworm has been discovered in Chenango county. The victim is a native of the south, who recently moved to Afton from Alabama. When taken sick he was operated on for appendicitis. His appendix was found to be in good condition, but numerous looking worms

They were sent to Binghamton for examination and promptly pronounced by the bacteriologists as hookworms.

PAGO PAGO, Samoa, Feb. 7.—via San Francisco, Mar. 21.—Fifty-one per cent of the natives of American Samoa are suffering from hook worm, according to a report from the U. S. Navy.

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Roosevelt Family in Egypt

LUXOR, Upper Egypt, March 21.—Col. Roosevelt and his family arrived here today from Assuan. They will reach Cairo on Thursday.

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Wants Toronto Graduates.
TORONTO, March 21.—The Pennsylvania Railway company has applied to Prof. Fernow, dean of forestry in Toronto university, for two graduates and a considerable number of student assistants for its huge forestry branch.

