FRIDAY MORNING

GOVERNMENT WILL INTRODUCE AN ADVANCED ACT WHICH WILL MAKEIT HARDER TO GET MARRIED

Dr. Forbes Godfrey Made Annual Withdrawal of Bill to Amend Marriage Act on Promise by Hon. Mr. Hanna That Question Would Be Dealt With Later-Many Ohio's Property Destruction Responsibilities Will Be Placed on Ministers.

Dr. Forbes Godfrey's name will not go down in nistory as that of the man who drafted the new marriage act, which will likely be passed before the close of the present session of the Ontarlo Legislature. The chance for the member for West York to become famous provincially evaporated about 6 o'clock last night, when the govern ment asked him to withdraw his bill, assuring him, however, that a govern-ment bill was being drafted and would soon be introduced. Dr. Godfrey and several members in the house had spoken before Hon. W. J. Hanna made the surprising announcement of the government's intention. Mr. Hanna's remarks with regard to the provisions of the new act were indefinite, but the provincial secretary assured the doctor that all the clauses in his act would be covered.

A Radical Bill.

Dr. Godfrey's bill was very advanced in its nature. It first provided that a minister who knowningly married two

persons one or both of whom were idiots or under the influence, should be liable to a fine of \$500 and imprisonment for twelve months. The sec-

ond clause referring to the issuing of questionable cases, a medical certificate showing mental normality should be required. In case this was ne-glected, the issuer of the license was made liable to a fine of \$500. In addition to these two clauses, was an-other declaring that before a license could be issued, notice showing the names of the applicants for the license should be posted up in all public places in the municipality three weeks before the granting of the li-cense. Dr. Godfrey, while speaking in support of his bill, referred to the cense. Dr. Godfrey, while speaking it at the present time a test case was support of his bill, referred to the marriage law of Italy, which requir-ed three wesks' solice. The fact that Italy was almost from fact that of the claus;

The Government Bill.

Mr. Hanna's remarks during the dis cussion give a rough idea of what the sovernment oill will be. The provi-sions as far as can be determined are as follows: (1) The prohibition of the custom at present prevailing in Niagara Falls, Windsor, Detroit and other places on the border whereby eloping couples asd people of unsound mind from the United States become united, thus overcoming the preven-tive legislation in the different states. (2) A clause prohibiting a minister from marrying people who are unde the influence of liquor or who are of insound mind.

(3) A clause making the clerk of municipality the sole issuer of marriage licenses. (4) A clause providing for notice of

a resulting. Stated time. Got Good Support.

Increases Wanted

Painters, paperhangers and decorators will ask for an in-crease to 40 cents per hour. A recommendation to this effect was passed at a large mass meeting of the local union, held in St. George's Hall last night, and the matter will be taken up by the executive. At present the wage received by these workmen is 35 cents.

was personally opposed, and thought that it was one of the bes things the legislature could do. With

to orientals, the premier statregard ed that in his opinion it was next to impossible to pass legislation which would change the laws of human na-

Await Test Case.

Dr. McQueen and Allan Studholm spoke in endorsation of the bill, the member for East Hamilton pointing marriage licenses stipulated that in out that organized labor had always contended that orientals should not have been allowed to come into the country in the first place. C. R. Mc-Keown, Dufferin, thought the bill went too far in that white girls would be prevented from working in factories owned by orientals. If Dr. Godfrey would limit the application of the bill to proprietors of small laundries and restaurants he would support it. Hon. W. J. Hanna pointed out that

Italy was almost free from divorces, anything before this case was settled. he argued was proof of the wisdom For this reason he asked Dr. Godfrey to withdraw his bill and was re-





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Will Be Greater Than San Francisco's Seven Years Ago, Says Governor Cox -Approximate Estimate Today of Lives Lost.

EXCLEDS

COLUMBUS, O., March 27.--(Can. Press.)-Gov. James M. Cox tonight issued the following statement, sum-marizing flood conditions in Ohio thru the Associated Description the Associated Press:

"It is the consensus of opinion that the property loss in Ohio will exceed that sustained by San Francisco. This apparently incredible statement is easily understood when the widespread destruction to railwood property is cal-

easily understood when the widespread destruction to railroad property is cal-culated. It is safe to assume that more than half the large railroad bridges in Ohio are down. The waters are receding at Dayton, Figua, Zanes-vilke, Freemont, Tiffin, Chillicothe, Hamilton, Middletown and Columbus, and while the cold weather which came late last night was welcome, be-cause of the certain deterrent effect it would have on the rising tide, still the pinch of the cold adds to our difficul-ties, because untold thousands of peo-

ties, because untold thousands of peo-pie are homeless. Besides, the fall of the water will bring the real tragedy

of the whole situation. "We ought to know tomorrow approximately what the loss of life has been. The indications tonight are that the list may not run as heavy as forecast at Dayton, but there are grave fears that a tremendous tragedy will be revealed beyond the Scioto River, where the western part of Co-

River, where the western part of Co-lumbus is completely devastated." "Dayton is relieved in one respect. The ten or twelve thousand people pen-ned up in the business buildings were freed by the middle of the afternoon. In the main business section the water receded to about twelve inches and with some difficulty foot traffic was resumed. resum "On the west side one hundred bod-

ies were found together on Williams street. The recession of the waters re-vealed only two bodies in the business



Cable Over by Means of Twine and, Hand Over Hand, Refugees in Burn. ing Bank Building Made Way to Safety. RIVERDALE, DAYTON, O., March

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Boatman Stretched Elevator

27.--(Can. Press)-Relief stations in Dayton View, the Longfellow School, and in Riverdale, the Van Cleave School, tonight were crowded with

refugees, At both of these stations ford and cussed Until Sir James dry clothing were plentiful, but pneudry clothing were plentiful, but pneuand children at the Van Cleave School. The third floor was turned into a his pitcl, and all available doctors were sent to the schoolhouses. The water is receding rapidly in the

northern section of the city, showing, to some extent, thé great property loss, but it was said few bodies had been found in the debris. Wrecked houses blocked many of the streets.

Most of these wrecked homes had traveled down the current from North Dayton, which is inhabited principally by foreigners. Financial committees of the several

districts report liberal responses to their appeals. At the Dayton View station \$4000 had been raised this afternoon, and other stations reported like amounts. Thrilling Narratives.

Many thrilling stories were told by the refugees who had been trapped in their attics and on their roofs in the very heart of the flood. A. J. Bard of Belmont avenue, who

tests against the direction of the Hor-orable the Speaker that bill No. 172 should be removed from the order on Tuesday, was rescued today. "One hundred and fifty of us were

sught in the building," said Mr. Bard, We remained there until the fire started; then we began to plan an escape.

Over Cable to Safety. "We cut the elevator cables; optained"

a ball of twine and some small wire's from one of the offices. We at 'racted as

whom spoke in appreciation of the ball. Mr. Hanna took particular obbut Mr. Hanna took particular out jection up the clause requiring notice of three weeks to be given before the issuance of the license and declared that the only particular out further the only particular out COLUMBUS. March 27.—(Canadian Press.)—After two nights of horror, during which hundreds clung to housethat the only persons competent to grant licenses were the clerks of the municipalities. He looked forward to perched on the branched of the proceed on the proceed of the proceed on the proceed of the proceed of the proceed of the proceed on the proceed of the proced the time when the samples of licenses perched on the branches of trees, many appearing in the front windows along are still beyond the reach of the res-Yonge street would be conspicuous cuers.

by their absence. "Personally I can't see why this

Mr. Hanna. "I'm quite satisfied for the govern-

a living wage and drifted into a life of shame. He would like to see legislation providing for a minimum wage, but until this was a certainty, he thought the white girls should be protected from orientals, whose standard of morality was much lower than that of Canadians. British Columbia,

Alberta and Saskatchewan had already passed legislation similar to his bill, and Manitoba was now considering it. He hoped that Ontario would be the next to advance.

Against Human Nature. Sir James Whitney said that he was glad to see the bill make its en-

province. He had often encouraged tinuously with ro-gubboats for forty-