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## ONTARIO PARLIAMENT.

After the new bills have been introduced the members were preparing to leave the chamber, expecting that the House would adjourn, but Mr. Oliver moved rose, however, and in a feeling address, announced the resignation of Mr. Fraser, touching on the great regret he experienced in losing one of his most active and valuable Ministers.

Mr. Oliver expressed the hope that Mr. Fraser would regain his health and probably return to public life. He mentioned that the Commission of Public Works had had differences of opinion at times with his colleagues on matters, but they were buried in the regret at his withdrawal.

Mr. Wood (Hastings) moved for a return of copies of all correspondence in connection with the purchase of a supply of timber for a sawmill in the township of Tyendinaga, in the county of Hastings, by Mr. Fraser, Chairman of the said township.

The motion carried.

These private bills passed the Committee yesterday: Respecting the Railway debt of the township of Florence, respecting the People's Life Insurance Co., and respecting the Berchow Cemetery Co., Ottawa.

Mr. Harcourt laid the estimates for the current year on the table yesterday. They amount to \$481,492 less than last year.

Government Cattle as usual.

Toronto, March 5.—Mr. Fraser's resignation was the sole topic of conversation among the members of both sides of the House yesterday.

Mr. McColl moved for an order of the House for a return showing, (1) the advertisements for the sale of the cattle offered for sale by the Agricultural College and the member last, (2) the conditions of sale, (3) a list of the names of the purchasers and the prices paid for the animals sold, (4) a list of the names of the animals of which the purchasers returned to complete the sale, (5) a statement of the animals sold and afterwards returned, (6) the names of the persons from whom such animals were purchased, (7) a list of the names of the persons to whom the animals were sold, (8) a list of the names of the persons who were the owners of the animals at the time of the sale, (9) a list of the names of the persons who were the owners of the animals at the time of the sale, (10) a list of the names of the persons who were the owners of the animals at the time of the sale.

Mr. Dryden, in reply, said there was no objection to give any of the particulars asked for in the motion. The Government had no wish to keep back information connected with the discovery of this disease in the dairy department at the Agricultural College. The discovery having been made, it was manifestly the Government's duty to pursue the investigation further in order to find all possible information for the benefit of this country. All the noise and difficulty that had taken place occurred simply because instructions were given for the matter to be investigated. The disease having been definitely ascertained to exist, orders were given to make experiments with Koch's lymph. He (Mr. Dryden) did not know whether or not the most expert veterinary surgeon, to whom the matter was referred, was present in these animals, except in the earlier stages and by the use of the fluid he had mentioned. It is wonderful that neither Mr. Reel or any of the persons connected with the College had knowledge of the existence of the disease. The experiments had been going on ever since the disease had been discovered, and there had been considerable progress made, but not sufficient in some cases to be able to arrive at any definite conclusion. He was glad to say, however, that when the results were reached they would be published in a bulletin and distributed throughout the country. The college at Guelph was not the only institution of the kind at which outbreaks of tuberculosis had occurred. In Ohio, Maine, Vermont, Pennsylvania, Massachusetts, where similar institutions existed, there had been outbreaks, and most of the cases the whole of the herds had been slaughtered. There, at the experimental farm at Ottawa, there was last year an outbreak of the same character. It would appear, however, that the outbreak at Ottawa was much more severe than that which had been discovered at