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AUTOMOBILE TALK.

Mr. Sutherland's Bill Discussed in the Legislature—Americans Chief Opponents, Says Premier Whitney.

Toronto, April 3.—But six Oppositionists and 26 Government members were in their seats in the Legislature yesterday. It was an extremely dull session, enlivened only by some talk on the auto, arising out of Mr. Sutherland's bill.

Mr. Ross was informed by Hon. Dr. Reame that 85 fishery overseers had been dismissed since Feb. 7, 1904, and that 139 new appointments had been made, 15 of these without salary. Two game wardens had been dismissed, and there had been four new appointments, two to replace the men dismissed and one each for Nipissing and Algoma.

Five private bills were advanced through the committee stage.

When Mr. Pratt's bill to regulate proprietary and patent medicines came up for its second reading the Premier said it was out of order for a private member to introduce a bill of that character.

Natural Gas Wells.
Mr. Kohler asked for a second reading for his bill respecting natural gas wells, the object being to prevent damage to property by the boring of wells.

The Premier thought the bill was a decided encouragement to litigation. He did not wish the mover to withdraw his bill, but wanted some change. He could not see the merits of the bill.

Mr. Kohler observed that the sinking of wells very often drains a natural well, and in such a case the farmer should be reimbursed.

Then Hon. Mr. Hanna offered the experience of the Petrolia oil field. It was very often the case that a man sinking an oil well drew the oil from his neighbor.

The bill stands over.

Again the Auto.
Motor legislation was again discussed on Mr. Sutherland's bill coming up for its second reading. Mr. Sutherland admitted that the auto had come to stay, and it would not be wise to forbid its use; but the laws of Ontario in this respect were altogether too lax.

Mr. Hoyle voiced the feeling in the country districts against the auto. It would be impossible to stop the automobile, said Mr. Whitney. But they might improve the law; there were defects, no doubt, to be removed. He opposed the clause which provides that certain roads for the use of autos be to the informer. The effect of that would be strictly immoral. It was also, he thought, be useless to demand the name of the driver of a vehicle. A majority of those breaking the law and causing accidents were Americans, and even if they gave their names they would be out of the country before anything could be done. The Premier also pointed out that it would be wrong to allow municipalities to designate certain roads for the use of autos. He showed how a driver of a motor vehicle who wished to pass into another municipality would be submitted to endless vexation if the law passed.

Hon. Dr. Willoughby said the motorists were driving the horsemen off the good roads to the by-roads. Usually a man who owned an automobile had more money than brains, and would have to be taught a lesson.

Rights of Municipalities.
Mr. Little complained that the Legislature had taken the right to control the highways from the municipalities. He would have automobilists restrained from using the roads after sundown, because of the fright caused to horses by the blinding flashlights. Those who were using autos at the present time were sports, and they were "rushing pell-mell all over the country."

Mr. McNaught upheld the right of the auto, but of any other British subject to use the highways. Because of a few cranks hit up a speed of 30 or 40 miles an hour was no reason why the others should be restricted.

Mr. Preston (Brant) feared that if the present restriction were of no use, it would be futile to make any more. He agreed with the Premier that the giving of municipal councils power to prescribe the roads to be used was one of the most objectionable features.

He believed that making it compulsory for automobilists to give their names after an accident, and the licensing of chauffeurs, were steps in the right direction.

Mr. Reed was against any drastic changes. He thought the present laws might be more thoroughly enforced.

Withdraws One Clause.
Mr. Sutherland consented to withdraw the clause of his bill fixing the amount of fine, and what portion thereof should go to the municipality. He expressed a hope that whatever changes might be made that the municipalities would be given power to regulate the speed and determine what roads should be used.

The bill was sent on to the municipal committee.

INSURANCE BILL PASSED.

Governor Higgins of the State of New York on Signing Made Some Eminent Sensible Remarks.

Albany, April 3.—The first of the ten bills proposed by the special investigating committee, as the result of its long and sensational investigation of life insurance methods and conditions, is now a law. Governor Higgins yesterday afternoon affixed his signature to the bill, which postpones until Nov. 15, the annual elections of the New York Life, Mutual of New York, Mutual Reserve of New York and Security Mutual of Binghamton—the four purely mutual life insurance companies incorporated under the laws of this state. It does not affect the Equitable Life Assurance Society, which is a stock company.

In approving the bill, Governor Higgins filed a memorandum in which, after summarizing the provisions of the bill, he says:

Few Have Been Loyal.
"The bill is a useful one. It takes the control of certain companies from the present boards of directors, members of which have been discredited by the poor accounts given in their statements to the investigating committee. Some were careless, some selfish, and few proved so loyal to the interests of policyholders as to justify their being continued in office, except by the exercise of the enlightened franchise of such policyholders."

"On the other hand, the policyholders must now act with calmness and intelligence, lest their last condition be worse than their first; lest under the new regime an anxious and hungry horde of adventurers, of self-guaranteed integrity, obtain, by loud assurances of good will, the misplaced confidence of those who blindly seek refuge from existing evils."

Beware of Proxies.
"The bill provides that no proxy executed prior to Sept. 15, 1906, shall be valid. Each policyholder affected by this act should think carefully and enquire cautiously into the motives of those who solicit his vote, before giving his proxy. Organization is inevitable, but the control of the companies should pass to wise and conservative financiers, and not to energetic and plausible promoters."

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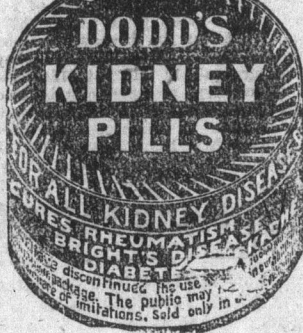
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