

this reason he would support the amendment.

Mr. ANDERSON said that the amendment interfered as much with the will as did the Bill, therefore, if the House admitted, as it had done, the right to deal with wills, then there was good ground for accepting the amendment. It would also be more to the advantage of the district to have the land under cultivation, than have it under litigation.

Mr. LOUNT replied, and after a few words from Hon. Mr. WOOD, in support of the Bill, a division was taken on the amendment, with the following result:—

YEAS—Messrs. Blake, Boyd, Christie, Clemens, Cook, Ferrier, Finlayson, Fitzsimmons, Fraser, Gow, Lyon, McKellar, McKim, McLeod, Paxton, Williams (Hamilton)—16.

NAYS—Messrs. Anderson, Barber, Baxter, Beatty, Boulter, Cameron, Carling (Huron), Cockburn, Corby, Coyne, Craig (Glenora), Crosby, Eyre, Ferguson, Galbraith, Grahame (York), Hooper, Lauder, Lount, Luton, Macdonald, McDougall, McGill, Monteith, Pardee, Perry, Rykert, Secord, Sinclair, Smith (Kent), Smith (Middlesex), Strange, Springer, Swinarton, Tett, Trow, Wallis, Wigle, Wilson, Wood—41.

Mr. LYON (amid cries of "Order") moved the three months' hoist.

Lost. Yeas, 17; nays, 40.

The Bill was then read a third time and passed.

#### REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON RAILWAYS.

Hon. J. S. MACDONALD moved the consideration of concurrence in the eleventh report of the Committee on Railways.

Mr. BLAKE said he had an amendment to propose, and it was to the effect that the report be not now received, and that the preamble of the Bill concerning the Toronto, Grey and Bruce Railway should be referred back to the committee with instructions to further consider the preamble. He said that as he was interested in this Bill, he would take occasion to test again the question of sectional bonuses. The other evening, the question had been brought up on the Bill concerning the Peterboro' and Haliburton Railway, and a vote had been taken in favour of the grouping of townships. He submitted that there should be no grouping of townships, and that a majority should not coerce a minority. He would therefore propose his amendment, which was seconded by Mr. McKellar.

Attorney-General MACDONALD said the principle of grouping townships had been affirmed by the Legislature this session; and gentlemen voting on that occasion would of course repeat their votes at the present time.

Mr. WILLIAMS (Hamilton) said that he had opposed the grouping clauses when they were before the Railway Committee, but after the Committee and the House had adopted the principle, he had incorporated it, in justice to the Wellington, Grey and Bruce Railway Company, in their Bill. He should now oppose the amendment proposed by the hon. member for South Bruce, which would have the effect of striking out the grouping clause.

Hon. Mr. CAMERON said if the report was sent back to the Committee it would have the effect of declaring that the legislation of last session should be interfered with, and that a company which had acquired certain rights should not have those rights on this ground—and without considering at all the further ground that the House had reaffirmed the principle this session, the House should reject the amendment.

After some further discussion, the House divided, with the following result:—

YEAS—Messrs. Baxter, Beatty, Blake, Boyd, Christie, Clemens, Code, Colquhoun, Cook, Coyne, Craig (Russell), Crosby, Currie, Eyre, Ferrier, Finlayson, Fitzsimmons, Fraser, Galbraith, Gow, Grahame (York), Lyon, McDougall, McKellar, McKim, McLeod, Oliver, Pardee, Perry, Rykert, Sinclair, Smith (Middlesex), Springer, Trow, Wilson.—35.

NAYS—Messrs. Boulter, Cameron, Carling (Huron), Carnegie, Cockburn, Corby, Ferguson, Graham (Hastings), Hooper, Lount, Luton, Macdonald, McGill, McMurrich, Matchett, Monteith, Murray, Paxton, Read, Richards, Secord, Strange, Swinarton, Tett, Wallis, Williams (Durham), Williams (Hamilton), Wood.—28.

#### SALE OF POISONS.

Mr. MCGILL moved the House into committee—Mr. Rykert in the chair—on the Bill to regulate the sale of poisons, and respecting chemists, druggists and apothecaries.

Mr. BLAKE took exception to the clause which allowed druggists to sell wine. If this clause were permitted it would be competent for druggists to sell wine on Sundays.

The clause was defended by Mr. Ferrier and Mr. Lount, and opposed by Mr. Ferguson.

Hon. Mr. McMURRICH was opposed to this Bill *in toto*. If druggists were allowed to sell liquors, they should be compelled to take out licenses like other liquor dealers.

Hon. Mr. WOOD objected to the clause, for it would allow druggists to sell spirits, and might therefore interfere with the revenue.

Mr. GALBRAITH said he was opposed to the principle of the clause, and hoped it would not be passed.

Mr. MATCHETT said he never heard of a druggist selling liquor.

Hon. Mr. WOOD said that every druggist in the city of Toronto sold it.

The clause was expunged.

The 27th clause was expunged in committee.

The other clauses of the Bill were carried with verbal amendments.

The committee then rose and reported the Bill, the reception of the report being fixed for to-morrow.

#### GRAND JUNCTION RAILWAY.

Mr. GRAHAM (Hastings) moved that the Bill to enable the municipalities along the line of the Grand Junction Railway Company to grant aid thereto, and to legalize certain by-laws granting aid to the said company, be referred back to the Standing Committee on Railways. Carried.

#### SISTERS OF ST. JOSEPH, LONDON.

Hon. Mr. CARLING moved the third reading of the Bill to incorporate the Sisters of St. Joseph, London. Carried.

#### FENELON FALLS RAILWAY COMPANY.

Hon. Mr. CAMERON moved the third reading of the Bill incorporating the Fenelon Falls Railway Company. Carried.

#### FRIENDS' SEMINARY.

Mr. FRASER moved the second reading of the Bill to incorporate the trustees of the Friends' Seminary, of the province of Ontario. Carried.

#### SECOND READINGS.

The following Bills were read a second time:—

To incorporate the Sisters of Our Lady of Charity and Refuge of Ottawa. Mr. Scott (Ottawa).

To incorporate the Church of England Ladies' School at Ottawa. Mr. Scott (Ottawa).

To authorize the Corporation of the City of Ottawa to acquire certain lands for the enlargement of the By-Ward Market, and to enable the said Corporation to sell certain lands granted by the Crown for the purpose of a market. Mr. Scott (Ottawa).

Bill to vest the property belonging to the Methodist Episcopal Church in Canada, at Ottawa, in the present trustees and their successors, to be appointed according to the discipline of the said Church.—Mr. Scott (Ottawa)

Bill to incorporate the Georgian Bay Lumber Association.—Mr. Lauder.

Bill to revive the Act incorporating "The Hamilton Masonic Hall Association."—Mr. Williams (Hamilton)

Bill to enlarge the powers of the town of Brantford respecting the Grand River Navigation Company.—Hon. Mr. Wood.

Bill to incorporate the Queen City Fire Insurance Company.—Hon. Mr. Cameron.

Bill to incorporate the Brockville and Westport Railway Company.—Hon. Mr. Richards.

Bill to incorporate the Credit Valley Railway Company.—Hon. Mr. Cameron.

Bill to amend the Act passed in the thirty-first year of the reign of Her Majesty, and chaptered forty-one, intituled "An Act to incorporate the Toronto and Nipissing Railway Company."—Hon. Mr. Cameron.

Bill respecting the Norfolk Railway Company.—Mr. Wilson.

Bill to enable Charles C. Grove and Nicholas Nebelhoer to construct a Railway in the township of Bertie, county of Welland.—Mr. Beatty.

#### MUNICIPAL INSTITUTIONS.

Mr. GRAHAME (York) moved the second reading of the Bill to amend the Act respecting municipal institutions.

Carried, and referred to Municipal Institutions Committee.

The House then adjourned at 10:50 p. m.