

Mr. CALVIN said the former policy had been to sell not more than 200 acres to each person; now it appeared that whole blocks were sold to one party. He was obliged to go to Michigan to buy timber limits; he had often told this House that we were not getting half for our timber lands of what they were worth. Within the last fifteen years timber had risen in value from 5 cents to 30 cents; and he had sold some this last season for 33 cents. They had been told that the Government had doubled the dues on square timber, but they ought to have three-doubled them. (Laughter.) What business had the Government to sell the public domain for one-third of what it was worth? What would farmers say if a person were to offer for sale the right to buy butter and cheese in certain counties, and at the same time compel the farmers to sell their cheese and butter for one-third their value? He could think of no better analogy of what the Government did than that. (Laughter.) The limits, before 1867, were not offered for sale; they were given away, and he knew one man who told him he had limits worth \$250,000 for which he had not paid a red cent. He did not stand here to defend any Government; he stood here to defend the rights of the people. (Laughter.) It was the duty of the late Government to have cancelled these limits, because the holders only held them from year to year.

It being six o'clock the debate was adjourned.

The report of the Committee appointed to strike the standing committees was adopted, and the House adjourned till Friday.

#### NOTICES OF MOTION.

Mr. Clark (Wellington)—On Friday next—Enquiry of Ministers, whether it is the intention of the Government to recommend that aid shall be extended to properly organized Horticultural Societies in incorporated villages, similar to that now afforded to such societies in towns and cities.

Mr. Rykert—On Tuesday next—That the House will on \_\_\_\_\_ resolve itself into Committee to consider the following resolution:—

"That the continuance in office as a member of the Executive Council, and as an adviser of His Excellency, of a person who has voluntarily resigned his seat in the Legislative Assembly of Ontario, is subversive of the first principles of responsible government, and a most dangerous violation of the spirit of the Constitution."

Mr. Grange—On Friday next—Address to His Excellency, for return giving number of taverns and shop licenses issued during 1872 together; name of township, town, and city wherein such licenses were issued, with the number of licenses issued in each township, town, or city respectively within this Province, and the amount actually received by the Government in respect thereof.

Mr. Tooley—On Thursday next—Bill to amend the Municipal Law.

Also—On Tuesday next—Enquiry of Ministers if it is the intention of the Ministry to introduce a Bill during the present session to pay Clerks of the Peace by salary instead of by fee.

Also—On Tuesday next—Enquiry of Ministers if it is their intention to bring in a Bill to amend the Jury Law, so far as to abolish the second selection thereof, and also with regard to reducing the number of Grand Jurors.

Mr. Meredith—On Monday next—Bill entitled "An Act to amend the Act respecting the conveyance of real estate by married women, and to facilitate the conveyance of real estate by married women."

Mr. Rykert—On Friday next—Bill entitled "An Act to secure the Independence of the Legislative Assembly."

Hon. Mr. Pardee—On Friday next—Bill entitled "An Act respecting institutions for the education and instruction of the Deaf and Dumb and Blind."

Mr. McManus—On Friday next—For a return for the year 1871, showing:

1st. The whole amount expended in each county for the administration of criminal justice, distinguishing the amount paid in connection with common gaol from the rest of such expenses.

2nd. The whole amount received from Government in each county, distinguishing the amount paid for the support of the gaol from the amount paid for other purposes.

3rd. The amounts paid to Sheriffs, Clerks of the Peace, and Constables, respectively, by Government; also the amount paid by the county.

4th. The number of lock-up houses in each county, and the amount paid for erection thereof.

5th. The amount paid for the maintenance of the several lock-up houses in the respective counties, including the salaries of the several keepers thereof.

Mr. Hodgins—On Friday next—Address for a return from the Clerk of each County Court, showing—

1st. The number of petitions filed in each Court for the partition and sale of real estate under the Consolidated Act of Upper Canada, chapter 86, and the Statute of Ontario, 32nd Victoria, chapter 33, and the number of cases in which sales have been made.

2nd. The number of suits in which the interests of unknown infants, absent and lunatic parties, in such real estate were sold.

3rd. The securities taken and paid into Court or invested, and in what securities, under each of the said Acts, or any statements or explanations regarding the non-payment into Court or non-investment of such securities.

4th. Statements of moneys, bonds, mortgages, or investments published pursuant to the 39th section of the said Consolidated Statute, and 42nd section of the said Ontario Statute.

Mr. Rykert—On Friday next—An Act respecting the management of the wild lands of the Province.

Mr. McLeod—On Friday next—Address for copies of all reports from the Inspectors of Division Courts touching the working and general condition of the offices of said courts, with a return for the year 1872 of the numbers of suits entered, the aggregate amount of such suits and costs incurred on same, in each office of said court in the Province of Ontario.

Hon. Mr. Pardee—On Friday next—Bill intitled, "An Act to provide for the establishment of a hospital for the reclamation and cure of habitual drunkards."

Also, On Friday next—Bill intitled "An Act to provide for the establishment of a training school for idiot and imbecile children."

Mr. McManus—On Friday next—Address for a return in tabular form of the fees received by all Sheriffs, Clerks of the Peace, and County Crown Attorneys, in this Province, for the year 1871.

1st. Showing and specifying the nature of each class of services performed.

2nd. The number of each particular class performed during the year.

3rd. The rate charged for each description of service performed.

4th. The authority under which the charge is made for each service.

5th. The whole amount of fees received or receivable by each or in respect of his official services; and

6th. How much thereof received by the Government, how much from the country, and how much from parties respectively?

Mr. Wood (Victoria)—On Friday next—Address—

1st. For a copy of the Regulations of the Council of Public Instruction and other instructions relating to the admission of pupils to the High Schools or Collegiate Institute.

2nd. A copy of the Order in Council suspending or disallowing these Regulations, and a copy of any instructions issued by the Government to Boards of Trustees on this subject.

3rd. The number of pupils admitted to each High School and Collegiate Institute since the suspension of these Regulations, the names of the schools and institutions, and of the examinations, and the subjects in which the candidates were examined, the extent of the examination on these subjects, and the number of marks obtained by these pupils.

4th. Copies of any reports to the Education Department or to the Government in regard to examinations and admission, from Inspectors, Trustees, or other parties, and copies of any correspondence or reports throwing light upon the operation of the law since the date of the suspension of the Regulations on these subjects.