

He thought the Commissioner of Public Works should insist upon having a full enquiry into the affairs of the Association, and the blame of mismanagement thrown upon the right shoulders.

Attorney-General MOWAT said that after the hon. Commissioner's explanation the discussion should cease. The hon. gentleman was perfectly willing that his defection should go to the country, and the matter should be allowed to rest there.

#### MUNICIPAL LOAN FUND.

On motion of Attorney-General MOWAT the report of the Committee on the Municipal Loan Fund resolutions was received.

Attorney-General MOWAT then introduced a Bill founded on the resolutions, which was read a first time.

On the motion that it be read a second time,

Mr. CAMERON objected, as he thought there should be no haste in the matter.

Attorney-General MOWAT said that if there was any objection to the motion he would withdraw it, which was done.

#### THUNDER BAY.

Attorney-General MOWAT moved the second reading of the Bill to establish the municipality of the united townships of Thunder Bay. He explained that the Bill merely provided for giving the municipality township powers, and also for the first election to be held.

The motion was carried.

#### MUSKOKA.

Attorney-General MOWAT moved the second reading of the Bill to organize the municipality of Muskoka for certain purposes. Among other provisions of the measure, it contained a clause giving the municipality county powers to aid a railway by bonus, a road being of great importance to the district.

The motion was carried.

#### MASTER AND SERVANT.

Attorney-General MOWAT moved the second reading of the Bill to amend the Act respecting Master and Servant. He explained that by this Bill it was merely intended to remove any doubt as to the validity in Ontario of contracts entered into out of Ontario between master and servant.

On motion, the Bill was referred to Committee of the House and reported, and it was subsequently read a third time.

#### LAW STAMPS.

The Bill to amend the law respecting stamps on law proceedings and registrations was read a second time, referred to Committee, and reported, and subsequently read a third time.

#### CONCURRENCE IN SUPPLY.

The House then took up the question of Concurrence in Supply.

On the item of \$135,824 for immigration services,

Mr. McCALL moved that the sum to be paid for rents of lecture-halls, printing, and advertising, be reduced from \$11,000 to \$5,000.

Mr. LAUDER moved an amendment that \$2,000 be allowed Rev. Horrocks Cocks, instead of \$4,000, for rents of lecture halls, printing, and advertising, and that the \$4 a day allowed for travelling expenses be reduced by the \$4 allowed for such on Sundays.

Mr. CAMERON supported the amendment.

Hon. Mr. McKELLAR said it had not been proved that Mr. Cocks was allowed \$4 travelling expenses on Sundays. The sum of \$4,000 was an approximate estimate for rents of lecture halls, printing and advertising, and whatever could be saved out of it would be.

Mr. FAIRBAIRN thought that the Commissioner of Agriculture was justified in using Mr. Cocks to obtain any information he could concerning the Etgin Association. It was a very trifling matter for hon. gentlemen to bring up. He had no doubt that the Commissioner would use the money honourably and usefully.

Mr. RYKERT thought that Government immigration agents should be compelled to confine themselves to the duties for which the Province paid them. It was a fact that the Commissioner had no vouchers for the moneys paid Mr. Cocks.

Mr. FRASER said that hon. gentlemen opposite professed a great horror of Sunday travelling, though he ventured to say there was not one of them who had not travelled on Sundays. (Hear, hear.) Charges had been made against Mr. Cocks that could

not be sustained, and he thought it was cowardly to attack a man who was absent from the country and could not defend himself.

A division was then taken on Mr. Lauder's amendment, which was lost on a division. Yeas 23, nays 41.

YEAS—Messrs. Macdonald, Cameron, Ferguson, Lauder, Rykert, Deacon, Williams (Durham), Grange, McManus, Hamilton, Corby, Fitzsimmons, Boulter, Code, Merrick, Meredith, Read, Scott (Grey), Cooley, Craig (Russell), Monteith, Boulton, McCall—23

NAYS—Messrs. Mowat, Crooks, Scott (Ottawa), McKellar, Pardee, Farewell, Williams (Hamilton), McKim, Oliver, Wilson, Derche, Clarke (Norfolk), Fairbairn, Macleod, Monk, Sexton, Christie, Paxton, Wood (Victoria), Striker, Crosby, Wood (Brant), Gibson, Gibbons, Finlayson, Baxter, Cook, Webb, Springer, Clarke (Wellington), Barber, Fraser, Sinclair, Graham, Waterworth, Smith, Harrington, Clemens, Caldwell, Snettinger, Prince—41.

Mr. McCALL'S resolution was declared lost on division, and the item concurred in.

Owing to pressure on our columns the remaining portion of our report is crowded out.