

doubtful if the right stamp of men could always be found to act as Commissioners, and he was of opinion that some compensation should be allowed them.

Mr. GRANGE thought this was a question which should not be regarded as a party one. He feared, however, that the patronage which the Bill would place in the hands of the Government would be used for political purposes. The only law which could bring about what was desired was total prohibition.

Mr. GRAHAM (Lambton) congratulated the Government on their introduction of the present measure, which, although it did not go as far as some of them might wish, was a step in the right direction. He believed the country would sustain the Government in their course in the matter.

Mr. HARKIN said he did not think the issuer of licenses and the inspector should be the same person, and considered the inspector should be appointed by the municipalities. When the granting of licenses was taken out of the hands of the Municipal Councils the influence now exercised by temperance men on the municipal elections would cease, and thus the temperance men themselves would lose.

Mr. O'DONOGHUE pointed out that no particular fault had been found with this Bill, but parties had been beating round the bush. While he did not agree with all the details of the Bill, he supported it as a whole as being a fair compromise between the two opposing parties. He regretted that the Government did not give the whole of the proceeds to the municipalities; but he thoroughly supported the proposal to give the appointment of the Board and the inspector to the Government.

Mr. LYON supported the Bill, especially in regard to the provision taking the enforcement of the law out of the hands of the municipalities. He believed if the law were properly carried out great difference would be found. He believed the present law was a good one.

The Bill was then read the second time.

#### PROVISIONS FOR THE INSANE.

On the motion of Mr. WOOD,

The Bill to make further provision for the insane was read a second time.

#### PAYMENT OF CRIMINAL WITNESSES.

On the motion of Mr. MOWAT, the Bill to provide for the payment of witnesses for the Crown was read the second time.

Mr. MOWAT moved the adjournment of the House.

The House adjourned at 1 o'clock.

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#### NOTICE OF MOTION.

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Mr. Graham (Lambton)—On Wednesday—Address for copies of all correspondence had with the Ontario Government, regarding the setting apart of a sum of money to encourage tile drainage in the rural municipalities.

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