

the highest degree to give such powers as were asked to any religious or voluntary associations in the country.

An HON. MEMBER called the attention of the Speaker to the fact that a quorum was not present.

The House then adjourned at 8 o'clock.

### NOTICES OF MOTION.

Mr. Pardee—On Wednesday next—That this House doth ratify the Order in Council reducing the special rate of dues imposed by Order in Council of 4th October, 1871, on pine timber taken from certain lands in the Muskoka and Parry Sound Districts, which order is to the following effect, viz:—Upon consideration of the report of the Honourable the Commissioner of Crown Lands, dated the 18th October, 1876, the Committee of Council advise that, subject to the ratification of this order by resolution of the Legislative Assembly, in default whereof it shall be inoperative, the rate of dues imposed under the Order in Council of the 4th October, 1871, on pine timber taken from lands sold as timber berths on the 23rd November, 1871, or from lands the localities of purchasers of which were allowed by said Order in Council to sell the pine on the lands sold or located to them, be reduced to the same rate as is charged on pine cut under license in other parts of the Province, such reduction to apply only to pine timber cut on the lands referred to since the 1st May, 1877, and in future till otherwise ordered.

Mr. Cameron—On Wednesday—Whether a coroner's inquest was held on the body of James S. Kyle, or Schuyler, who died in the Central Prison in July, 1875. And if so by and before what coroner was such inquest held.

Attorney-General Mowat—On Wednesday next—Bill respecting the administration of estates of intestates dying without known relatives in Ontario.

The Hon. Mr. Crooks—On Wednesday next—A Committee to consider a certain proposed resolution relative to the School of Practical Science, and for the approval by this House of an Order in Council dated 3rd day of February, 1877, for the sale of the property acquired for the School of Practical Science to the Toronto Mechanics' Institute, and for the application of part of the proceeds for building a Physical Laboratory near the Provincial University, and for other purposes in the said order mentioned.

Mr. Hodgins—Gives notice that he will, in Committee of the Whole on Bill No. 56, respecting the city of Toronto, the Toronto Water-works, and other matters, move that the following clause be inserted:—

9. Section 102 of the said recited Act, as far as the same relates to the election of Mayor for the city of Toronto, is repealed, and the following is enacted in lieu thereof:—

The Mayor of the city of Toronto shall be one of, and shall be elected by, the members of the Council at their first meeting in each year, at which meeting the City Clerk shall preside until a choice has been made.

Mr. Cameron—On Wednesday next—Order of the House for a return of the coroner's inquisition held on the body of John McKilvey, who died in the Central Prison, Toronto, on or about the 14th of May, 1875, together with the evidence given on the said inquest and the finding of the jury thereon; also of the coroner's inquisition, evidence given thereon, and finding of the jury in the case of James Skye or Schuyler, who died in the Central Prison, Toronto, on or about the 26th July, 1875.

Mr. Cameron—On Wednesday next—Whether a coroner's inquest was held on the body of John McKilvey, who died in the Central Prison, Toronto, on or about the 14th May, 1875, and if so, by and before what coroner was such inquest held.