

were of opinion that more information should be given to the public on this matter.

Mr. SCOTT suggested that the motion be amended by the addition of the words, "also the moneys expended in the municipalities while the Temperance Act of 1864 was in force."

This was agreed to, and the motion so amended was carried.

Mr. MERRICK withdrew a similar motion which he had on the paper.

#### RAILWAY COMMITTEE.

On motion of Mr. CROOKS, the first report of the Railway Committee was referred back to that Committee in order that some formalities might be complied with.

The House adjourned at 3:55.

#### NOTICES OF MOTION.

Mr. McLaws—On Monday next—Order of the House for a return showing the number of Orange Lodges incorporated under the General Act of 1874.

Mr. Creighton—On Monday next—That an order of the House do issue for a return showing the amount earned by the *Ontario Gazette* from Government notices, from other advertisements, and from subscriptions respectively. Also the cost of printing and the balances due to the Government remaining in the printer's hands on the 31st December in the years 1873, 1874, 1875, 1876, 1877, and 1878 respectively.

#### PUBLIC ACCOUNTS COMMITTEE.

TORONTO, Feb. 6.

This Committee met this morning, Mr. Clarke (Wellington) in the chair. There were also present Messrs. Wood, Ross, Ferris, Striker, Gibson, Harcourt, Ballantyne, and Deacon.

The only business done was the selection of a number of items from the accounts of 1877 with regard to which papers or explanations were desired.