

of the Department to notify the limit-holder of applications for patents of settlers within their holding, and then the issuance of the patents had been delayed in order to enable limit-holders to take off all the timber. He concluded by remarking that he should move an amendment placing on record the emphatic protest against the Government usurping the prerogative of the House in respect to the expenditure of public money. He moved an amendment, that while the House agreed on the vote and was disposed to deal liberally with the settlers, it disapproves of the practice of expending large sums of money on colonization roads, without any appropriation, in constituencies during an election, as not only an infringement of the prerogatives of the House, but calculated to endanger the purity of elections and otherwise objectionable.

Hon. T. B. PARDEE said the House had a right to ask the Opposition to agree as to what should be attacked in the policy of the Government. They first of all said the roads should be constructed by contract; they abandoned that. Then they said that the municipalities should spend the money; they abandoned that, for they found that the municipalities did not agree with them. Then they say that the overseers have expended the money corruptly and extravagantly and they have abandoned that because they cannot give any proof of the truthfulness of their statements. Now they say that the Commissioner orders colonization roads improperly for the purpose of securing votes, and he challenged them to find the least tittle of proof. The Opposition had investigated the expenditure on colonization roads for several years in the Public Accounts Committee, and had never been able to find the least proof of their charges. This year they had not investigated the subject at all, but had declared that they could not find anything out by their searches, and he could tell them that the reason was there nothing wrong to find out. He concluded by stating that he should be happy to meet them any time when the policy of the Government with respect to the policy of the Crown Lands Department was challenged.

Hon. C. F. FRASER moved in amendment to the amendment that all after the first word "that" in the amendment be omitted, and instead thereof there be inserted the following:—"And this House, while concurring in the resolution, recognizes that a wise and judicious expenditure upon colonization roads is productive of most beneficial results in the settlement of the outlying portions of the Province, and approves of the policy of expending in the future such sums as, consistent with the revenues of the Province, are necessary for the purpose of aiding and advancing the settlement and prosperity of our new districts."

The amendment to the amendment was carried by 42 to 26. Following is the division:—

YEAS—Messrs. Awrey, Badgerow, Balfour, Ballantyne, Baxter, Caldwell, Chisholm, Cook, Dill-Drury, Dryden, Ferguson, Ferris, Fraser, Freeman, Gibson (Huron), Gould, Hagar, Harcourt, Hardy, Hart, Hawley, Lyon, McIntyre, MacKenzie, McKim, McMahon, Master, Morin, Mowat, Murray, O'Connor, Pardee, Rayside, Ross (Huron), Ross (Middlesex), Sills, Snider, Waters, Widdifield, Young—42.

NAYS—Messrs. Blythe, Brereton, Broder, Carnegie, Clancy, Creighton, Ermatinger, Fell, French, Gray, Hammell, Hess, Hudson, Kerns, Kerr, McKay, Meredith, Metcalfe, Monk, Morgan, Mulholland, Neelon, Preston, Ross (Cornwall), White, Wilmot—26.

The remainder of the items were concurred in.

The House in Committee of Ways and Means agreed that the sum of \$2,136,631 90 be granted for the purpose of Civil Government.

THE SUPPLY BILL.

Hon. A. M. ROSS, by consent of the House, moved the first reading of a Bill entitled an Act to Grant to Her Majesty certain sums of money to defray the expenses of Civil Government and for other purposes.

The Bill was read first, second, and third times.

MARKING MONUMENTS.

Mr. MEREDITH asked in the absence of Mr. Morris, whether any representations have been made to the Government respecting the desirability of marking, by monuments, certain historical spots within this Province; and whether, if these representations have been made in writing, they will be laid before the House.

Hon. O. MOWAT said representations had been made to the Government but he did not think they were in writing.

VARIOUS BILLS.

The following Bills were considered in Committee of the Whole, reported, and read the third time:—

Mr. French—To further amend the Ditches and Watercourses Act, 1883.

Mr. Lees—To amend the General Road Companies Act.

Mr. Harcourt—Respecting Covenants con-

tained in Short Forms of Leases.

Mr. Caldwell—To amend the Act respecting Cemetery Companies.

Mr. Gibson (Hamilton)—To amend the Act respecting Dentistry.

Mr. French—Respecting Landlords and Tenants and Distress.

Mr. Ferris—To amend the Division Courts Act.

On the third reading of the latter Bill Mr. Meredith moved an amendment vesting the authority to alter of form divisions in County Councils instead of the Board as constituted by the Bill.

The amendment was lost by 41 nays to 25 yeas.

Following is the division:—

YEAS—Blythe, Brereton, Carnegie, Clancy, Creighton, Denison, Ermatinger, Fell, French, Hammell, Hess, Hudson, Kerns, Kerr, Lees, McGhee, McKay, Metcalfe, Monk, Morgan, Mulholland, Preston, Ross (Cornwall), White, Wilmot—25.

NAYS—Awrey, Badgerow, Balfour, Ballantyne, Baxter, Blezard, Caldwell, Chisholm, Dill, Dryden, Ferguson, Ferris, Fraser, Freeman, Gibson (Huron), Gillies, Gould, Graham, Hagar, Hardy, Hart, Hawley, Lyon, McIntyre, MacKenzie, McKim, McMahon, Master, Morin, Mowat, Neelon, O'Connor, Phelps, Rayside, Ross (Huron), Ross (Middlesex), Sills, Snider, Waters, Widdifield, Young—41.

Mr. GIBSON (Huron) then led the House in singing the National Anthem.

The House adjourned at 12:10.

THIRD READINGS.

The following Bills were read the third time on Tuesday:—

Hon. O. Mowat—For further improving the law.

Hon. A. M. Ross—To amend the Act respecting vaccination.

Mr. Conmee—Relating to the Municipality of Neebing.

Hon. O. Mowat—Respecting criminal justice accounts payable by the Province.

Hon. O. Mowat—Respecting returns of convictions by stipendiary and police magistrates.

Mr. Gibson (Hamilton)—Respecting Building Societies.