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THE ASSEMBLY.

A Thin House and Short Session—First, Second and Third Readings.

March 3rd, 1890.

The House rattled through the order paper in good style to-day, disposing of everything inside an hour. Most of the items were allowed to stand, however, and the actual amount of work done was very small. It is generally so on Monday afternoons, when not many more than half the members are back from their homes in the country.

CHEAP MONEY.

Mr. Graham presented to the House the petition of John Galletley, James McLean and 77 others of No. 4 Farmers' Club, Plympton, praying that legislation may pass enabling the Government to lend money to farmers at a cheap rate of interest to release mortgages now held by loan societies and others.

FIRST READINGS.

The following bills were introduced and read a first time:—

To amend the Assessment Act—Mr. Phelps.

To amend the Ditches and Watercourses Act—Mr. Dack.

Respecting the property of religious institutions—Mr. Leys (Toronto).

THIRD READINGS.

The following bills were read a third time:—

To consolidate the debt of the Town of Orillia—Hon. Mr. Drury.

Respecting the Hamilton Gas Light Company—Mr. Awrey.

Respecting certain lands vested in the rector of Christ Church, Hamilton—Hon. Mr. Gibson.

A number of private bills were sent through the Committee stage without any discussion.

KILLARNEY RETURNS.

Mr. Monk moved for returns showing the amount expended in the year 1883 in Killarney on colonisation roads. The information asked for appears in the public accounts, but not in the order in which Mr. Monk wished it. The order was passed.

TOLL ROADS BILL.

Mr. Wood, of Brant, moved the second reading of his bill to amend the General Road Companies Act, the features of which have been already announced. He did not discuss the bill at any length, in view of the discussion that took place on Friday on Mr. Lee's bill of the same nature. He thought, however, that his bill being a better one than that of Mr. Lee's, it should be better treated and not sent to the Municipal Committee under protest.

The bill was read a second time and referred to the Municipal Committee, upon the same conditions, however, as Mr. Lee's bill.

THE MUNICIPAL ACT.

Mr. Wood, of Brant, again moved the second reading of his bill to amend the Municipal Act. The bill, which has been already explained, proposes to change the date of County Council meetings as to allow of the accounts for the year being audited before submitted; and the appointment of auditors.

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