

there any objections made to the granting of such license, and was complaint made to the Government, setting forth that the license was fraudulently granted? If so, did the Government order an investigation into the truth of the complaint by the chief inspector, and has he made a report in the matter?"

Hon. Mr. Harcourt replied that the license had been granted; that objections had been made; that complaints had been laid before the Government; that it had been alleged that the license had been obtained by fraudulent means; that an investigation had been made, and that the inspector's report was in the hands of the Government.

GRANTS TO STOCK ASSOCIATIONS.

Mr. Wood (Brant) asked:—"Government grants being annually made to the Sheep-breeders, Swine-breeders', Poultry, Bee-keepers', Fruit-growers' and Dairy-men's Associations, and many others of a similar character, upon what principle, or for what reason, is a grant refused to the Horse-breeders' Association of Dumfries and Paris?"

Mr. Dryden replied:—

The Government has in the past recognized only stock associations of a Provincial character, the object being to disseminate, through such associations, information that will lead to increased production of stock of a superior quality. The only horse-breeders' association that has made application for Government aid is of a purely local character, and is styled the South Dumfries and Paris District Breeders' Association, the object of which, as stated in their printed constitution, is to select for that purpose three superior breeding stallions, more suitable for the demands of the market.

A DISPUTE WITH MR. WAITE.

Mr. Whitney asked, for Mr. Clancy, whether any claim has been made by Mr. R. A. Waite, the architect of the new Parliament and departmental buildings, for remuneration for his services as such architect in excess of the amount of the commission agreed to be paid to him. If so, what is the amount of the claim, and what disposition has been made of it? What is the amount of the total expenditure for architect remuneration, including amounts, if any, earned by the architect but not yet paid? What amount has been paid to the architect? What amount, if any, is yet due him?

The Attorney-General, replying for the Commissioner, said such a claim had been made by Mr. Waite as that referred to in the question. By an account rendered on the 26th of February he had claimed in this way \$38,039, which amount was subsequently reduced to 32,764. According to the understanding of the Government Mr. Waite was entitled to \$37,500; of this amount \$36,000 had been paid, leaving a balance to be paid of \$1,500. This amount did not include any remuneration that might be due Mr. Waite for special services in connection with the equipment of the buildings, other than the work of construction. The Attorney-General continued as follows:—"I may explain that the difference between Mr. Waite and the Commissioner is, that since the completion of the buildings Mr. Waite has claimed a remuneration of 5 per cent. on the actual cost of construction, while the agreement shows that (as the Commissioner has always publicly stated) the remuneration was to be 5 per cent. on \$750,000 only, and was not to be on any excess over that sum, in case the cost under the contracts for construction should be greater. The architect's work was well done, and the Commissioner, as well as his colleagues, extremely regret the dispute which has unexpectedly arisen."

THE NEW BUILDINGS SITE.

Mr. Hammell asked—Has any order in Council been passed setting apart the site for the new Parliament and departmental buildings? If so, when was it passed?

The Attorney-General replied as follows:—An order in Council has been passed setting apart the site of the new Parliament and departmental buildings. The order in Council was agreed to on March 15 and is dated March 15. The formal report of the Commissioner recommending the metes and bounds of the site was presented to Council on the 14th. The recommendation was made verbally about a fortnight earlier.

HIGH SCHOOL FEES.

Mr. Godwin asked—Was it the intention of the High School act that fees of county pupils attending county High Schools should be deducted from the county grant when such grant does not exceed the Government grant?

Hon. Geo. W. Ross replied that such was the intention of the act. It was intended that the county grant should be in all cases equal to that of the Government.

RETURNS ORDERED.

Mr. Balfour moved for an order of the House for a return giving a detailed statement of the receipts and expenditures of

ARCHITECT WAITE'S CLAIM.

Legislative Chamber, March 16.

To-day was passed very quietly in the Assembly. A number of questions were disposed of, a few bills advanced a stage or withdrawn, and the House adjourned at about 4.30 o'clock; when, however, the members of the Government had their hands full for an hour or two, hearing the representations of a number of deputations.

Only one bill was introduced—to amend the surrogate act—by Mr. Magwood.

Mr. Tait's bill amending the incorporation of the People's Life Insurance Company was read a third time.

SOUTH OXFORD LICENSES.

Mr. McCleary asked:—"Was a shop license granted to one Joseph Aspinwall for the sale of liquor in the Township of Tilsonburg, in the South Riding of Oxford, for the license year of 1893-94? If so, were