

laid over until after it had been considered by the High Court in August.

Mr. Heyd said there was no doubt it was not intended to interfere with subordinate court funds, but if that was not clear, it could be amended to make it clear.

Mr. Robert Glockling and Mr. A. W. Miles argued that the bill should be laid over.

The committee, however, reported the bill, with the following amending clauses added:—

“Nothing in this act contained shall be deemed to affect or interfere with funds or assets of the subordinate courts.

“Nothing in this act contained shall prejudice the right of any plaintiff in any action now pending to make any claim now open to him, but shall have the same right thereto as if this act had not been passed.”

Several other bills were reported.

The Factories Act.

A number of furniture manufacturers waited upon Hon. Mr. Dryden yesterday in regard to his proposed amendments to the factory act. Among those who interviewed the Minister were Messrs. W. B. Rogers and J. R. Shaw, Toronto; S. Snyder, Waterloo; J. S. Anthes, Berlin; Thos. Bell, Wingham; G. Ellis, Ingersoll; J. Mandell, Elora; A. Malcolm, M.P.P., Kincardine; G. McLagan, Stratford; L. Hahn, New Hamburg; J. Pennington, Dundas; J. Grover, Preston, and J. Hoodless, Hamilton. They asked that the Government should define the meaning of the amendments relating to a competent inspector of boilers. In their opinion a man who had served as a stationary engineer for five years should be considered as a competent inspector. They also thought that the proposed stringent regulations in regard to fire escapes were proper so far as concerned high buildings, but that in buildings of three stories and under the provisions should not apply, and suggested that the factory inspectors be vested with the power to decide as to whether the precautions for safe exit were proper and sufficient.

A case of smallpox is reported from Eldon Township, Victoria County.

Good Roads Committee.

The Good Roads Committee held another session yesterday and heard several witnesses, the majority favoring, as yesterday, the county road idea. The following gave evidence:— J. H. Smith, Port Hope; J. F. Beam, Black Creek; W. R. Aylsworth, Clerk Hastings County; R. J. Raybourne, Warden Dufferin County; D. A. Moyer, Warden Lincoln County; W. H. Pugsley, Richmond Hill; James Ross, County Councillor Kent County; Dr. Sharp, Reeve of Tilbury. Mr. Taylor, member for North Middlesex, announced that he would heard on Wednesday next.

The Public Accounts Committee today decided to bring down the accounts and particulars respecting the coal purchased for the London and Hamilton asylums and the Blind Institute at Brantford.