

ited, which stated that the Provincial Government had guaranteed the interest on the company's first mortgage debenture bonds to the amount of \$200,000. He asked the Premier if there was any truth in the statement.

The Premier—It is quite incorrect.  
The House rose at 6.15.

#### Notices of Motion.

The following notices of motion were given:—

The Premier—Bill respecting public highways.

Mr. Ellber will inquire for details as to what, if any, townships in the Parry Sound District have been closed against settlers; will ask if the Government is aware that a quantity of hemlock timber in the Parry Sound, Nipissing and Muskoka Districts is being destroyed for the sake of the bark only, and will also request information as to the dues received by the Government for the cutting of such timber.

Mr. Fox will ask for correspondence relating to timber cut and duties paid thereon by the McNeil Lumbering Company.

Mr. Wardell will ask for copies of correspondence regarding fines imposed and collection of same, in relation to persons found guilty of bribery in the last election in Halton.

#### Colonel Leys' Denial.

Col. Leys, the member for London, in conversation with a Globe reporter yesterday, denied emphatically the statement made in a local evening paper, to the effect that he had threatened to resign unless the Government agreed to adopt his recommendations regarding seine fishing in the Thames. There had been no dispute between himself and the Government, he said, nor the slightest intention on his part of resigning. He had simply urged upon the Government the necessity of taking some steps to prevent the depletion of the fish. As a result of his representations, he said, the Government had issued very few licenses this year, and would take steps to right the grievances complained of by citizens along the river. The Colonel pointed out that many years ago the then Upper Canada Government gave a license to parties running a gristing mill at a point some three miles below Bothwell. No gristing has been done at the mill for years, but the dam, known as Cashmere dam, is still in existence, preventing fish from going up or down the river. Last year no less than 200 tons of fish were taken at the dam and shipped over the border by the Buffalo Fish Company, who owned the tackle and everything used in the industry. The Colonel added that the Government had stated their intention to compel the alteration of the dam so as to let fish go through, or do away with it altogether, in addition to reducing the number of licenses.

#### Want Cheese Examined.

A deputation representing the Western Dairymen's Association, which in-

cluded Mr. A. F. MacLaren, M.P., and Professor Dean, waited upon Hon. Mr. Dryden yesterday and asked that a cheese chemist or analyst be appointed to examine Canadian cheese when so requested by manufacturers. They stated that of late some cheese sent to England were characterized by strange flavors, and the trade had suffered thereby. If an analyst or chemist was appointed, manufacturers who desired to put on the market only the best quality would be able to advertise their cheese as having been analyzed and found to be of good quality.

#### Broke Quarantine, Were Fined.

Dr. Bryce has received word that thirty men who broke quarantine in one of the new Ontario lumber camps were arrested, arraigned and fined \$10 each. No new cases of smallpox outside of the lumber districts have been reported for three days.

#### No Woman Suffragists.

The realization of woman's suffrage in Ontario is in the misty future. The story is told by one of the members who was approached that a number of enthusiastic advocates of the cause recently interviewed several members of the House and asked them to father a bill to extend the suffrage to women. In each case the legislator respectfully declined.

#### A New Jailer.

Mr. Alex. McKellar, late storekeeper at the Penetanguishene Reformatory, has been appointed Jailer at Sault Ste. Marie, Ont., to succeed Mr. Dawson, who has resigned.

The Committee on Agriculture, recently appointed, will hold its first meeting at noon to-day.

J. A. Frazer has been appointed Bailiff of the 5th Division Court of the County of Halton, vice S. Jackson, resigned.

Mr. Speaker Evanturel will give his "at home" on Wednesday evening.