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Are the Oaths Invalid ?

During the consideration of the bill to provide for a revision of the statute law, the Attorney-General called attention to the fact that a practice had grown up by which bailiffs administered the oaths to the sworn appraisers required to make an appraisement in respect to distress for rent. He would not assume to alter the law as it stood until Justices of the Peace and other persons entitled to administer the oath were empowered to administer this oath. That practice was erroneous, and all the proceedings under it might be void and might lead to endless actions for damages.

Hon. Mr. Garrow thought the oath was not necessary at all.

Hon. Mr. Dryden's bill to amend the agriculture and arts act was advanced a stage. The measure, as previously explained, provides for some technical changes in regard to various Poultry Associations, and for the organization of women's institutes for the improving of rural home life and of imparting information in regard to women's work upon the farm.

Hon. Mr. Harcourt's bill making a slight technical change in the public schools act, was also advanced.

The House then went into committee of supply, and passed the following estimates:—Provincial Secretary's Department, \$20,200; inspection public institutions, \$17,950; audit of license and justice accounts, \$9,900; Registrar-General's branch, \$12,550; Provincial Board of Health, \$8,050. Most of these items show slight increases over the expenditures of last year, due chiefly to slight advances in salaries; administration of justice, \$448,581; education, \$785,699.

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