

York County Loan.

In reply to Mr. McCoig, Hon. J. J. Foy stated that the York County Loan had 114,000 creditors, and that 30,000 books had not been sent in. The work of winding up was proceeding, but a dividend could not be expected for some time.

Mr. Smith secured an order of the House for a return showing the various kinds of patents issued to locatees on St. Joseph's Island.

In reply to a question by Mr. McMillan whether the Government had guaranteed the title of Cobalt Lake, Hon. Mr. Foy replied that the Government granted the letters patent in the usual form, which could be seen and examined in the Department of Mines.

Replying to Mr. Smyth, the Minister of Mines said that Mr. Aubrey White, in the employ of the Government, did not take any part in the recent political meeting at King City, York county.

Bills Introduced.

Mr. Ferguson introduced a bill to amend the land titles act, and Mr. Carnegie a bill to amend the municipal act.

Mr. Ferguson's bill is to enable the Lieutenant-Governor to apply the act on the petition of ten freeholders, owning \$100,000 worth of property. At present to introduce the Torrens system of registration a County Council by-law is required.

Mr. Carnegie's bill is to constitute the County Judge a Court of Appeal in case of dispute between trustees of police villages and township Councils.

Notices of Motion.

The following notices of motion were given:—

Mr. Graham—Bill to amend the liquor license act.

Mr. Carnegie—Bills to amend the act respecting the provisional county of

Haliburton; to amend the municipal act, and to amend the assessment act.

Mr. Currie asks for a return of copies of all correspondence between the Government or any member or official thereof and any other person or persons in reference to the dismissal of James Gillespie of Picton from the office of Sheriff of the county of Prince Edward.

An Opportunity to Visit Toronto

MEN FROM ALGOMA SAY DISTRICT IS NEGLECTED.

Try to Impress Government With Demands For Reforms.

WANT BIG GRANT FOR TRUNK ROAD.

Urge Also Aid For Building of More Railways North and South.

Premier Whitney's Reply Indicates That the Government is Impressed With the Requests From the District, and Will Bring in Legislation Inaugurating at Least Some of the Reforms Which Were Asked for—Forestry, Railway Settlement and Other Policies Discussed.

Over two hundred stalwart, well-dressed men, most of them in the prime of life, representing the Advisory Union of Algoma Municipalities, waited upon Premier Whitney and other members of the Government yesterday morning, and presented a number of suggestions looking to the development of the district named, and the settlement of a number of problems now retarding that development. They filled the reception room of the Parliament buildings to overflowing, many of them standing in the corridor beyond during the two hours which the conference lasted. Messrs. Smyth, Gamey and C. N. Smith, the members, respectively, for Algoma, Manitoulin and Sault Ste. Marie, chaperoned the deputation, Mr. Smyth introducing them to the Government. Mr. Gamey introduced each of the spokesmen to the Cabinet Ministers. The proceedings throughout were most enthusiastic. Those who spoke for the deputation did so with clearness and snap. In addition to the verbal requests several prepared speeches were taken as read, being handed in in typewritten form. The answers of the Premier and other members of the Government indicated that at least a number of the requests would be granted, some important questions of Government policy being involved in the statements contained in the replies.

Emphasis was laid by the spokesmen of the deputation on the contention that the settlers in Algoma were entitled to more consideration from the Government, and the lumbermen less than was the case to-day, and that a greater share of the revenue from New Ontario should go back there. The first speaker, Dr. Gimby, Mayor of Sault Ste. Marie, illustrated the earnest spirit animating the deputation by the remark that on the basis of the time allotted the deputation by the Government, and the money paid by the deputation for tickets alone, that time represented an actual cash basis of \$60 a minute.

What Was Asked.

The deputation asked in effect that the Mississauga forest of over 2,000,000 acres should be gradually opened to settlement; a special grant of \$300,000

We trust that the fulfillment of your promise to develop New Ontario will no longer be delayed.—John T. Mackay, Sault Ste. Marie.

We suggest that 50 per cent. of the revenue from Northern Ontario be spent in special grants to develop Northern Ontario districts.—J. H. McNally, Reeve of Johnston, Tarbutt.

We protest against the policy which practically regards us as a dependency with the lumberman as our overlord.—Mayor Gimby, Sault Ste. Marie.

Orders-in-Council affecting mining lands are in the highest degree harmful to the development of Ontario's mineral resources.—John A. Montague, Sault Ste. Marie.

Cobalt may make a few millionaires; we believe the great bodies of low grade ores in the part of the country we are particularly interested in will make wealth for the many.—W. H. Hearst, Sault Ste. Marie.

for the building of a safe waggon road from Sault Ste. Marie to Sudbury; the building of a railway, or Government aid to one, from the Soo northerly to the main line of the C. P. R. and the transcontinental railway, a distance of 200 miles; enactments making it impossible for speculators to tie up large areas of land without paying their fair share of municipal taxes; larger grants to schools in agricultural sections; the withdrawal from licensees of land on which the pine timber has been cut and on which people are settling; the establishment of a time limit within which lumbermen must take off the timber; permission for farmers to cut all timber other than pine; the calling of tenders for the construction of colonization roads; suitable methods of taxing mineral lands where such are lying unworked; the sale in small lots of timber lands unfit for cultivation and the right to hold tax sales every year; all possible aid to the development of the mining resources of Algoma and encouragement to the smelter and refining of the ores in this Province; 50 per cent. of the revenue derived from Algoma to go back to that part of the country in the shape of necessary public works. This they would apply to the whole of north Ontario; the Government to use its good offices with the Dominion Government in securing the removal of the Indians from the reserves along the north shore, which chiefly consist of good agricultural land, which is of no use for that purpose under the present circumstances.

In addition to Dr. Gimby other speakers, in the order named, were: Reeve J. H. McNally of Johnston and Tarbutt, Mayor McMillan of Webbwood, James Bassingthwaite, W. H. Hearst, John A. Montague, and John T. MacKay of Sault Ste. Marie.

The Premier's Reply.

Premier Whitney, who was accorded an ovation, said that for years past, almost a generation, Governments had promised deputations that the matters brought before them would be taken into "serious consideration." In many instances the consideration had been so serious that the deputations' requests had never been heard of again. That was not the policy of the present Government, which was always in a receptive mood, and always ready to welcome suggestions which would be of benefit to the people of Ontario. Within a reasonable time of the reception of such ideas

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