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Hospital Grants Too Small.

That patients in the public hospitals of Ontario are suffering because there is a lack of sufficient funds for the proper maintenance of these important institutions, was the statement made to the Hon. W. J. Hanna by a deputation representing the Ontario Hospital Association. The deputation asked that legislation should be passed compelling municipalities to contribute to the cost of the maintenance of patients sent by them to hospitals, and also raising the general grant from twenty cents a day to fifty cents.

The deputation included W. E. Rundle, President; J. W. Flavelle, J. E. Atkinson; J. A. Hutcheson, Brockville; Dr. Robertson, Ottawa; Dr. Smith and Dr. Brandon, North Bay; Rev. Father Labell, S. Fournier, Sudbury; G. J. Chown, Kingston; J. Billings and D. Langrill, Hamilton, and W. Guest, St. Thomas. The Provincial Secretary promised that the matter should receive consideration.

SUNDAY STREET CARS.

Deputations for and Against Wait on the Premier.

A deputation representing the Southwestern Traction Company of the city of St. Thomas and a number of the citizens of London waited on Premier Whitney yesterday, asking that legislation should be passed enabling street cars to run on Sunday from London to Port Stanley, via St. Thomas. The Premier, in the course of his reply, said that the people of Ontario desired that Sunday should be kept free, some on account of religious reasons and others because they considered that there should be one day of rest during the week. They wanted as little labor on Sunday as possible. The entire question, however, was the number of people who would be inconvenienced and who wanted to get out for fresh air and recreation. There did not seem to be a very strong desire for Sunday cars in that district. While he had a strong individual sympathy with their request, the Government would have to be guided entirely by the considerations of whether the proposition was justified by the demand of a sufficient proportion of the people.

Shortly after a deputation from the Lord's Day Alliance, consisting of the Rev. T. A. Moore, Mr. J. K. Macdonald and Mr. J. A. Paterson, K.C., waited on the Premier. They asked that legislation should be enacted making it necessary that by-laws for Sunday cars should be carried by a three-fifths vote. The Premier, however, made no promise.
