

The proceedings before the Public Accounts Committee, he said, the limits had been advertised in ninety newspapers. To date, 1,687 acres had been sold, for an average of \$312 per acre. Besides, ten per cent. of the royalty was to come back yearly in perpetuity.

The Administration of the north country by the present Government, he said, had greatly pleased the people of those northern districts. He spoke with appreciation of the educational assistance given in New Ontario. Mr. McEwing's speech, he said, had dealt largely with reciprocity—a recognition, he argued, that his efforts were much more needed in broader Dominion affairs than in criticism of the Ontario Administration.

Some Lively Criticism.

Mr. Grigg dealt out sundry breezy criticisms of the various points in the speeches, especially of Messrs. Sam Clarke and McEwing, with reference to the Temiskaming & Northern Ontario Railway, reciprocity, the "square deal" of one man, one vote, "blue ruin," and expenditure of money. In conclusion, he asked the Provincial Treasurer to "loosen up a little more," especially in the north country.

No Extension to C. N. O.

In reply to questions by Hon. Mr. MacKay, Sir James Whitney stated that no application had been made by or in behalf of the Canadian Northern Ontario Railway Company for an extension of time under the provisions of the act 8, Edward VII., c. 47, s. 7. No extension had been granted. The Government had information showing that there had been completed and opened to traffic by the C. N. O. Railway, 38.65 miles of railway between Selwood Junction and Port Arthur, 15 miles had been graded, and 300 miles of location had been completed and approved by the Board of Railway Commissioners. Sir James further stated in reply to Mr. MacKay, that no lands within the Districts of Algoma and Thunder Bay had been set aside and appropriated

to the Canadian Northern Ontario Railway Company under the provisions of the act 9, Edward VII., c. 7.

Englehart Hospital Accepted.

Among the bills given first reading was one introduced by Mr. G. W. Neely (East Middlesex) confirming acceptance by the town of Petrolea of the residence and property donated by Mr. J. L. Englehart for the purposes of a hospital.

Hon. Mr. Cochrane, Minister of Lands, Forests and Mines, introduced a bill respecting aid to drainage, which is a revision of the old statute.

To Aid Drydock Company.

Hon. Mr. MacKay introduced a bill to ratify a by-law of the town of Owen Sound, authorizing the town to take stock to the extent of \$50,000 in a drydock company, and bonusing it to the extent of \$50,000.

No Fines for Constables.

Mr. R. H. McElroy (Carleton) has given notice of a bill to amend the motor vehicles act, providing that when a constable or other officer of a municipality is the prosecutor any penalty or money imposed under the act shall be paid over by the Police Magistrate or Justice of the Peace imposing the penalty to the Treasurer of the municipality for its use.

Toronto and the Hydro-electric.

Mr. Proudfoot will on Friday ask for a return showing:—

(1) From what date is the Hydro-electric Commission entitled to payment by the city of Toronto for electrical power contracted for by the city from the said Commission, and if the Commission has been paid

(2) The amount owing by the city from said date?

(3) What amount per month has the city of Toronto become liable to pay to the Hydro-electric Commission for such power, and from what date? If not paid, what is the reason therefor? Is the city liable to pay interest on such arrears?

He will also ask for a return showing:—(1) The amount expended on the revision of the statutes from the 14th day of February, 1910. (2) To whom, and on what account were the payments made? (3) The total cost of revision to date, and showing (4) when the revision will be completed.

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