

DEPUTATION OBJECTS TO PUBLIC HEALTH ACT

SAY CLAUSES INFRINGE ON
THE RIGHTS OF INDIVIDUALS.

Claiming that clauses in the new public health act and the new vaccination act infringed on the rights of individuals, a deputation of about thirty members of the Ontario League of Medical Freedom waited on Hon. W. J. Hanna at the Parliament Buildings yesterday. The clause in the health act empowering health officers to enter any house where people were suffering from infectious diseases and remove them was particularly objectionable.

Vaccination, they said, was nothing more or less than communicating a disease to a perfectly healthy child. The deputation also objected to there being a majority of physicians on the Provincial Board of Health.

Mr. Hanna gave the deputation little satisfaction, pointing out that while a few sections might be reconsidered the passing of the bill must not be put off beyond the present session. There were many of the matters in the health act that had been on the statutes for years.

THREE-FIFTHS CLAUSE TO KEEP VILLAGE DRY

FLESHERTON BECOMES INCORPORATED IN SPITE OF
OPPOSITION.

A real use has been found for the notorious three-fifths clause. The township of Artemesia, county of Grey, passed a local option by-law six years ago by a simple majority. A bill came before the Township Private Bills Committee of the Legislature yesterday asking that the village of Flesherton be incorporated. The bill was opposed on the ground that there was danger of the people in the village repealing local option if they were incorporated.

Mr. Jamieson, M.P.P. for South Grey, assured the committee that there was no stronger local option municipality in the Province than the township of Artemesia, and there was no danger of the people of Flesherton repealing the by-law.

In view of this the committee decided in favor of granting incorporation to the village and still allowing it home rule in the matter of local option, but provided that in case the village wanted to repeal it a three-fifths vote would be required.

TAX EXEMPTION ASKED FOR BIBLE SOCIETY

RESULT DEPENDS UPON BILL AFFECTING FORT WILLIAM
Y.M.C.A.

The fate of the application of the Fort William Young Men's Christian Association to be exempted from taxation, except school taxes, will also decide whether or not the Upper Canada Bible Society is to enjoy similar exemption. A bill asking for tax exemption for the Bible Society was before the Private Bills Committee of the Legislature yesterday, and was supported by Dr. N. W. Hoyles, K.C., who pointed out that the society was not a money-making concern; their intention was simply to propagate God's Word. They frequently sold Bibles below cost, and often gave them away.

Mr. T. W. McGarry asked Dr. Hoyles if the society favored the propagation of the Douay Bible.

"We have no objection to it," replied Dr. Hoyles.

The bill was held over until the application of the Fort William Y. M. C. A. for tax exemption has been dealt with.

PETERBORO' HAS FIGHT WITH POWER INTERESTS

COMPANY OBJECTS TO THE CITY
TAKING OVER ITS
PLANT.

A fight is on between the city of Peterboro' and the privately-owned electric power interests in and around that city. The first round was before the Private Bills Committee of the Legislature yesterday morning, when the city of Peterboro' applied for legislation to enable it to expropriate any part of the plant or appliances of the Peterboro' Light, Heat & Power Company situated within the county of Peterboro'.

Mr. S. Johnston, representing the power company, opposed the bill, claiming that the city should have no right to expropriate outside of the city limits. He also objected on the ground that the agreement made with the city only two years ago would be rendered of no effect.

Hon. Adam Beck declared that the power company had a monopoly of power in that vicinity. Within the last two years they had taken over two other operating companies, and the rates were fixed for a period of five years. The people of Peterboro' had voted this year on a Hydro-electric by-law. The bill will be taken up again at the next meeting of the committee.

NEW BILINGUAL CHURCH.

German and English Used by St.
John's Lutherans.

Of special interest to
this city will be the
newly-erected
Lutheran