

### Tubercular Cows.

A sidelight on affairs at Toronto Hospital for the Insane was provided by Mr. William Robinson, who was formerly in charge of the cow stables at the Queen street institution. He told of an examination by Dr. Hurd, a veterinary, whose evidence was given last week, which resulted in several cows being condemned as being tubercular. No change was made

in the herd of animals, none were destroyed, said Robinson. On July 3 last year they were taken to Whitby along with a shipment of eighteen or twenty from the Guelph farm. He was instructed by the Farm Director, Mr. Todd, to dry them up as quickly as possible, as some were condemned.

"What was done with the cows at Whitby?" asked Mr. C. M. Bowman (North Bruce.)

"They were all milked together, and the milk was sent up to Queen street asylum except what was used down there."

"Then as a result of Dr. Hurd's investigation the cows that you had at Queen street asylum, before you left there, were affected with tuberculosis. They were removed from that place and sent to Whitby?"

"All shipped to Whitby."

"I understand that you were to use the milk from the cows not affected?" asked Mr. McKeown, who took the cross-examination for the Government.

"No, sir, there were no such instructions," replied the witness.

"At any rate you separated the milk and sent some to Toronto and some to Whitby?"

"Yes."

"Do you know if the milk sent to Toronto was pasteurized before being used?"

"I know it was."

"So that the milk used in Toronto would be perfectly safe and free from any taint?"

"As far as I know."

### Jackson Syndicate Townships.

Before the committee adjourned Mr. N. W. Rowell ascertained from Mr. Aubrey White, Deputy Minister of Lands, Forests and Mines, that no official of the department had any knowledge of the negotiations with the Jackson syndicate for the purchase of two townships in the north until the agreement was ready to be drawn up.

Mr. White explained that the only reports on file respecting the townships of Haggart and Kendry were those of surveyors, and would be two, three or four years old. They had no reports in the department at the time regarding the quantity of timber, nor did they have any information whereby the value of the timber could be computed.

"Have you any reports in the department to-day as to the quantity of timber in these townships?"

"Not as to quantity," replied Mr. White.

"Nor as to value?" continued Mr. Rowell.

"No."

Mr. White said these townships were by no means the best in the clay belt from an agricultural point of view. There was no pine worth speaking of. He did not make any special report of the Jackson transaction, and thought the only other person in the department who knew of it was the Minister himself.

## THREE CONSERVATIVES VOTE WITH LIBERALS

### Effort to Prohibit Sale of Liquor on Good Friday

#### 4 CONSERVATIVES SILENT

Government Declines to Approve the  
Amendment to Liquor License Act  
—Mr. Proudfoot Seeks in Vain to  
Eliminate Three-fifths Clause.

Three Conservatives and the Labor member voted with the Liberals for Mr. William McDonald's (Centre Bruce) motion to prohibit the sale of intoxicating liquors on Good Friday. Also four other Conservatives did not vote at all. The motion was an amendment to the liquor license act, which was given further consideration in the Legislature yesterday. Mr. McDonald made an earnest appeal to the Government to make the concession, but it was in vain. The Conservatives who voted for the motion were Messrs. Sam Charters, Peel; J. H. Devitt, Durham West; A. B. Thompson, Centre Simcoe, and the Labor member, Allan Studholme, East Hamilton. Messrs. Thomas Crawford, West Toronto; W. D. McPherson, West Toronto; A. E. Vrooman, Victoria West, and E. A. Peck, Peterborough, did not vote. The Liberals were solid for the change.

Mr. William Proudfoot's motion to change the words "three-fifths" to "majority" in regard to local option, and Mr. Rowell's amendment to cease issuing tavern and club licenses after April 30, 1914, were rejected.

The Toronto & York Radial Railway (Metropolitan) will be prevented from operating freight cars except for milk on Sunday. Provision was made in the act for this after Mr. J. C. Elliott (West Middlesex) had introduced an amendment to provide that Sunday cars should not be permitted to operate in any municipality outside Toronto on Sunday without obtaining the consent of the electors. The amendment was rejected.

### The Railway Grant.

The Opposition made another determined attempt to prevent the Government from giving away over a million acres of land in New Ontario to a speculative railway company. Several amendments to the bill introduced into the House by Hon. Mr. Hearst were submitted, but they met the usual fate.

"Nobody wants to wait fifteen or twenty years for that country to open up," said Mr. R. R. Gamey (Manitoulin), who heartily endorsed the bargain with the railway promoters. The Opposition had expressed fear that the timber would be burned. "The construction of the T. & N. O. did not destroy the timber along that railway," he continued. "If you leave the timber in the Mississauga reserve standing till doomsday it will be burned up in any event." He thought the Province had gone far enough in establishing forest reserves. The pine on the Mississauga reserve was deteriorating every year, and it might better be cut while it was valuable.

Lieut.-Col. T. R. Atkinson (North Norfolk) wanted to know that the company could not select the land just where it pleased. He thought it was to make its choice under the direction of the Government.

### Timber Worth \$21,000,000.

Mr. Z. Mageau (Sturgeon Falls) secured an admission from Mr. Hearst that settlers going on to