The resolution was then withdrawn.

Bread Bill Withdrawn.

Mr. C. R. McKeown (Dufferin) had a bill to amend the Bread Sales Act, changing the weight of the standard loaves from 12 and 24 ounces to 12, 16 and 24 ounces. After a short discussion, in which it was pointed out it was too late in the session to dispose properly of such an important measure. Hon. Mr. Lucas suggested that it be withdrawn. Had it been introduced earlier it could have gone to a committee. At this suggestion Mr. McKeown withdrew the bill, intimating that he introduced it just as soon as it had been Lsent on to him,

## SUPT. EDUCATION OFFICE IS GOING

### Dr. Cody Promises That New Bill Abolishes Position

On the second reading of Mr. William McDonald's bills to amend the Public School Act and the Department of Education Act in the Legislature last night, the member for North Bruce withdrew both measures, accepting the word of the Minister of Education, with whom he had had a prior conference, to the effect that his objective of abolishing the office of Superintendent of Education would be found to be reached in the Ministerial bill, which also stands for second reading. He paid high compliment to Dr. Cody and the pleasant relationship be-tween the inspectorate and the communities, but the stumbling-block in the way of reciprocal amicable relations had been an official now passed away, and of whom, in consequence, he would say nothing. "This irresponsible man" had stood between the department and the Inspectors, and as it was understood that this official "was now to go," he would merely refer the matter to the Minister of Education.

"The point the member for North Bruce has brought up has already been anticipated in the Education Act, upon which the House will, I expect, have opportunity of voting to-morrow," said Dr. Cody.

### Change in Loan Bill.

The bill to amend the Loan and Trust Corporation Act was referred back to committee, Hon. Mr. Lucas asking reconsideration of that section limiting to 15 per cent. the investment of loan and mortgage companies in the securities of any other single corporation. The conclusion had been reached after numerous conferences with interested parties that this should not apply to investments in certain trust companies having their head offices within the Province. Investigation had shown that as at present the section might operate disadvantageously to small investors, and it had therefore been thought best to amend the clause so as to permit of investments in such trust companies' stocks upon the approval of the Registrar.

It was questionable, in Mr. Proudfoot's opinion, if it would be wise to vest such power in the official named.

"Well, then," suggested Mr. Lucas, "we might say that the Lieutenant-Governor in Council might waive this prohibition upon recommendation of the Registrar."

The clause was altered to permit waiving of the maximum in case of investment in the capital stocks of Provincial trust companies authorized by the Lieutenant-Governor in Council upon the advice and recommendation of the Registrar, and the bill with this change was again reported.

# LIQUOR ADS. AREBARRED

One of the Proposed Amendments to the Ontario Temperance Act

## BLOW AT PRESCRIPTIONS

### Vendor to be Empowered to Satisfy Himself About Doctor's Order

Amendments to the Ontario Temperance Act, chief of which is one to permit the Government to take over the control of the sale of liquor in the Province, were introduced in the Legislature last night by the Provincial Secretary, Hon. W. D. McPherson. There are twenty-three clauses in the bill, and while most of them relate to the change in the sale of liquor, there are a number of other amendments of lesser im-

portance.

There is one section which will prevent the solicition of orders for liquor by any form of advertising. It declares that no person within Ontario shall "print, publish or distribute either publicly or privately any circular or newspaper containing a price list of intoxicating liquor used for beverage purposes, however described, or any announcement, however expressed, having for its object the solicitation within Ontario of orders for such liquor, and no person within Ontario shall by any other means whatever solicit such orders."

#### Correct Prescription Abuse.

The wholesale manner in which prescriptions were issued in recent months by doctors has resulted in an amendment to correct this abuse. One section gives a vendor of liquor authority to retain a medical prescription before filling it in order to satisfy himself that the order was actually signed by the doctor whose name appears upon it. The act further states that if it appears that the prescription was not signed by the practitioner, but was obtained irregularly or was being used for a person for whom it was not intended, the person presenting it may be arrested without a warrant by any officer of the law, and may be prosecuted for attempting to obtain liquor illegally. The section also makes it an offence to give or sell a prescription, no matter for who it was obtained.

Another amendment is put in for the purpose of restricting somewhat the sale of liquor by doctors. Heretofore it has been permissible for a doctor to have ten gallons of liquor in his possession. Now the section is changed to prevent a practising physician from having more than ten gallons in his possession, and if the board sees fit to forbid him having such a large amount, they may do so by having the Government pass an order in Council accordingly. The effect of this amendment is to limit the use of liquor to "purely medicinal purposes," and if doctors live in districts near a vendor they will probably not be allowed to have the entire ten gallons on hand. On the other hand, a doctor living in a remote district would be allowed to have on hand the full ten gallons.

The clauses relating to the transfer to Government control of the liquor business, provide for the stocks to be purchased by the board from the vendors, who shall, upon request, furnish an inventory of all stocks, the exact prices paid for the liquors, plus cost of freight and transportation, and less discounts or