

BILLIARD ROOMS**ARE HIT AGAIN?****Provincial Levy May Not be
Only Tax Col-
lectable****OTHER BILLS ADVANCED**

Hon. Peter Smith's bill providing for the taxation of billiard and pool rooms in Ontario, in accordance with his Budget proposals, met with short but sharp criticism yesterday in the Legislature. The Conservative Leader, Hon. Howard Ferguson, said that the measure constituted a "rather serious invasion of municipal rights of taxation," inasmuch as the Provincial exchequer stood to gain at the expense of municipal coffers at present replenished by the taxation of billiard and pool tables.

Bill is Amended.

The Provincial Treasurer, in accordance with his promise on second reading, deleted the clause by which municipalities were debarred from fixing a license fee greater than the fee imposed by Provincial regulations. With this amendment the bill was reported by the House in Committee.

The following bills also were sent forward for third reading:

Respecting Legitimization of Children by subsequent marriage of parents—Hon. Mr. Raney; respecting the construction of works on Lakes and Streams—Hon. Mr. Mills; respecting Adoption of Children—Hon. Mr. Raney; to amend the Police Magistrates Act—Hon. Mr. Raney.

Second Readings.

Government orders as hereunder named received second reading in the House:

Respecting Long Point Park—Hon. Mr. Bowman; the Public Lands Act—Hon. Mr. Bowman; to amend Burlington Beach Act—Hon. Mr. Bowman.

Mr. Gray's private bill respecting the town of Gananoque went through committee without amendment.

Third reading was given to the following bills:

To amend the Trades and Labor Branch Act—Hon. Mr. Rollo; respecting the village of Acton, Mr. Lethbridge; respecting the town of Port Colborne, Mr. Cooper; to amend the Public Health Act, Mr. Tooms.

**NOT AFTER HYDRO JOB,
SAYS PREMIER DRURY****HON. MEMBERS CURIOUS AS TO
APPOINTMENT ON
COMMISSION**

Premier Drury is not looking for a "job" on the Hydro-electric Commission. Indeed, if offered such, he would refuse it, he told H. H. Dewart yesterday in the Legislature, when the Liberal Leader questioned the Prime Minister in the matter.

"If rumor in the street has it that I am to take that position," Hon. Mr. Drury smilingly avowed, "I can only assure my honorable friend that the thing is farthest from my mind. I certainly would refuse the position were it offered to me."

Not content that "rumor" was entirely incorrect, Mr. Dewart, mentioning the possible displacement of Hon. I. B. Lucas, wanted to know whether it was true that the member for Dundas (Mr. Casselman) had been considered for appointment to the commission.

"No appointment has been decided upon," replied the Premier. Pressed further by Mr. Dewart, he said that certain things had been "mooted," but that he had no announcement for the House at present.

Victims of
Ibitionist
of this
of per-
any man
eny pro-
ould be
ist if he
nhappily
are not
and the
so long
ear that

inconsid
London
shareho.
tives wi
must eit
the Gov
under t
or perm
hands o
sult that
inevitabl
ould be
tors of t
position