

FRIDAY, APRIL 21,

## LOOSE TALKING ABOUT SURPLUS

Two Government members, Warren Stringer, U.F.O. member for Haldimand, and Charles Swayze, Labor member for Niagara Falls, took up the Budget debate in the Legislature yesterday. It was almost 6 o'clock before the House finally reached the orders, and the two speakers occupied the time until 10 at night, when the House went into committee.

Mr. Swayze was inclined to be humorously critical, not only of Opposition members who had delivered criticisms of the Government, but of members generally for absenting themselves upon an occasion when it was known "two back-benchers" would speak on the Budget.

### "Filled One House With Glee."

The Niagara Falls member caused a laugh among the few members present in the evening when he referred to the existing conditions of apparent amiability between H. H. Dewart, K.C., and Hon. G. H. Ferguson, who he had heard, even addressed each other as "Hartley" and "Howard."

Mr. Stringer, who resumed just before adjournment hour in the afternoon, upheld the position of the farmers in Provincial affairs, describing the country's yeoman as the backbone of the nation. From a spirit of suspicion and fear of class legislation, evidenced at the first session of the present Legislature, said Mr. Stringer, Opposition members