

saying that he still stood on the Liberal side of the house.

"I have no objection to telling the House what kind of a Grit he is," interrupted Mr. Pinard.

"There are men less entitled to stand in this end of the House than I," said Mr. Curry, and the House sat in amazement at revelations of a party row which seldom get beyond caucus. Mr. Pinard challenged Mr. Curry to name them, but the Toronto man refused, adding to his argument for the bill: "So far as I am concerned, I am enumerating Liberal principles."

Mr. Pinard made a short speech after the dinner recess, but he seemed more anxious to say things to Mr. Raney than about the bill. There were too many bills restricting liberties, he claimed, and this measure he thought an "outrage" toward Sir Lomer Gouin and the Federal legislation.

Then the Premier took a hand, claiming that the same opposition to the bill was manifesting itself as against all measures for decency. He, too, got into hot water with Mr. Pinard, but he promised to let the country know from whence came the opposition to advancement.

Leader Hay's Support.

Wellington Hay, Liberal Leader, frankly stated that the bill ought to receive second reading. If any such interests as Abe Orpen were protected the bill could be amended in committee.

It looked as though all opposition had spent itself, and the Farmer members were present in goodly numbers to vote if necessary. However, Mr. Raney thought a final appeal was required, particularly in view of Mr. Ferguson's allegation that he had been hiding behind a matter of courtesy toward the Federal Government. He stated emphatically that if Ottawa put it up to the Provinces to do away entirely with race-track gambling this Government would not hesitate to act. Next he turned to the Conservative Leader, claiming the latter had never done a thing to combat the handbook evil.

As was stated at the outset, not a cry of "lost" was heard when the Speaker asked for the House decision. The bill will doubtless pass all stages, unless the Gouin legislation at Ottawa renders further action here unnecessary. If the Senate passes Sir Lomer's bill nothing more will be heard in the Legislature.

Ignoring Private Members.

Aside from this bit of law-making, the House heard a bitter complaint yesterday from Hon. Mr. Ferguson, to the effect that the Government was ignoring the private members. At present there were 20 motions and 42 questions on the order paper, and he protested that private members had some rights.

Premier Drury said that in satisfying the "insatiable curiosity" of the members the Government had already answered 160 questions. It was the intention of the Government not to call the motions until the real business of the session was concluded. Much more argument passed between the two Leaders, but the Premier refused to waste time listening to the oratorical ability of private members airing their views on "shoes and ships and sealing wax and cabbages and kings."

Then, for the third time within a week, Mr. Raney tried to get second reading for his blue sky legislation, but again the Conservatives persuaded him to hold it over until Charles McCrea (Sudbury) returned to the House.

Mr. Lang's Long Wait.

Meanwhile, Malcolm Lang (Ind. Liberal, Cochrane) sat uncomfort-

ably in his seat or had the odd smoke in a nearby lobby, patiently waiting his turn to speak on the Budget. He had his speech in his mind and the necessary pile of documents on his desk at 3 o'clock, and it was about 9.15 at night before he could get going. It was an afternoon of tribulation for Mr. Lang.

The Liberal caucus in the forenoon resulted in hardly anything beyond the bad feeling shown in the House during the afternoon. Mr. Hay facetiously remarked that he had taken the advice of a U.F.O. man, referred to in this column the other day, and "introduced the boys to one another." An official spokesman said any threatened breach in the party had not been widened, but neither would he admit that the healing process was quite as successful as had been hoped. The only conclusion seems to be that matters are pretty much as they stood before.