promise to offer. He desired no public hearings by the commission during the campaign, but the engineers and staff could go on with their work. Such public hearings became nothing more or less than

political propaganda.

Liberal Leader Hay agreed with Mr. Ferguson's contention. Liberals are not concerned about the future of Hydro, because we have absolute faith in Hydro," he claimed, and added his plea for an

absence of public hearings.

After all this the Premier reiterated his previous promise, and added that he would consult with the Inquiry Commission Chairman and see if hearings could be suspended, or, at least, have no more hearings than were absolutely necessary.

Mr. Drury refused to be pinned down further. If the House lasted a week or ten days more it would be impossible to have a June election, and the election would have to go over till fall. He could not undertake to stop commission hear-

ings till fall.

Later Mr. Dewart said his purpose would be served if the House prorogued this week and the Premier carried out his promise. Mr. Drury gave the assurance that if the House prorogued this week or the middle of next week the election would still be in June. The motion was withdrawn.

## Sixteen Liberal Candidates.

So far in this campaign sixteen Liberal candidates have been nominated. They are:

Windsor-Major J. C. Tolmie, Presbyterian minister, Windsor.

Kent West-R. L. Brackin, bar-

rister. Chatham. Welland-R. Cooper, miller, Wel-

land. Lincoln-Thomas Marshall, hardware merchant, Dunnville.

Halton-Leroy Dale, barrister, Georgetown.

York North-J. M. Walton, real state and insurance agent, Aurora.

Durham West-W. J. Bragg, farmer and apple exporter, Bowmanville. Hastings West - Col. E. D.

O'Flynn, barrister, Belleville. Lennox-Doctor J. P. Vrooman,

medical doctor, Napanee.

Stormont-J. W. McLeod, County Clerk, Mille Roches. Grenville-Arthur Conn, farmer,

Oxford Station. Parry Sound-R. Reece Hall,

farmer, Parry Sound.

Muskoka-H. E. Rice, publisher, Huntsville.

Sault Ste. Marie-J. A. McPhail, barrister, Sault Ste. Marie.

Niagara Falls-Doctor Snider, Niagara Falls.

Russell-A. Goulet, general merchant, Bourget. The Conservative nominations number fifteen, and the Govern-

ment nominations total nine.