

April 6

Legislature Speeds Business With Eye on Prorogation.

At 2 o'clock this morning the 21st Ontario Legislature had decided to adjourn to 2 o'clock this afternoon to put through unfinished estimates. Further adjournment will be made to Wednesday, when prorogation is expected.

Starting two hours earlier than usual in the afternoon, the House made good progress in the five-hour day session, and resumed at 8 p.m. Twenty-eight bills received third reading.

Lieutenant-Governor Albert Matthews was on hand to prorogue the Legislature. This procedure is unusual, though not unprecedented. In most years the business of the House is finished at a night session and prorogation takes place the following day. An out-of-town engagement this afternoon, made some time ago by the Lieutenant-Governor, compelled a change in plan.

There were 102 bills introduced in the session. Nine were withdrawn, five were defeated, and one was partly added to another bill. Eighty-seven bills passed through all stages, not a record, although the largest legislative program in some years.