

OPPOSE THE NEW LORD'S DAY ACT

Seventh Day Adventists Object to the Proposed Measure of Lord's Day Alliance.

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Ottawa, Jan. 18.—The Seventh Day Adventists, who observe Saturday as their day of rest, object to the Sabbath Observance law proposed for the Dominion by the Lord's Day Alliance, and have sent representatives to Ottawa to voice their opinions on the subject. The delegates in question are Eugene Leland, of Toronto, Secretary of the Religious Liberty Association of Canada; A. O. Burrill, of Galt, President of the Ontario Adventists; W. H. Thurston, President of the Canadian Adventists' Conference, and H. E. Rickard, of Fitch Bay, President of their Quebec Conference. At their meeting with the Premier and Minister of Justice this afternoon they presented a memorandum representing the views of Adventists in every Province of the Dominion.

"We already observe Saturday as a day of rest," said Mr. Leland, in conversation with your correspondent, "and surely the law ought not to put us in a position where we would have to abstain from work two days in every seven. We do not wish to force the rest of the country into closing up their stores, etc., on Saturday, but surely it is hardly fair that by adhering to our religious belief, which leaves us free to work on the first day of the week, we should be punished, as the draft Act proposes, by fines of \$100 and \$200. As matters now stand, there is nothing in the existing Sunday Observance law that would interfere with farmers and certain other classes carrying on the work they like on the first day of the week."