

KILLS ANTI-PETTING BILL.

**Assembly Recommits It by Vote of
58 to 34.**

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ALBANY, N. Y., Feb. 22.—After a brief debate, the Assembly tonight killed a bill sponsored by Assemblyman Esmond, Republican, of Saratoga, which would have prevented "petting parties" in automobiles parked on highways. The bill was recommitted by a vote of 58 to 34.

Assemblyman Hutchinson, Republican, spoke for the bill. He said he believed the "petters" should seek more privacy.

"It seems to me," interrupted Assemblyman Stone, Republican, of Syracuse, "that the only objection to this measure comes from men in this body who have passed the age when they would enjoy petting parties."

"I hardly know how to answer you," said Assemblyman Hutchison. "As for myself, I can say that I have not passed the age when I am averse to such devotion."

GETS FORTY RECRUITS.

**Salvation Army Gains Enlistments
at Metropolitan Conference.**

Forty young men and women attending the Metropolitan Provincial Young People's Congress, under the auspices of the Salvation Army, yesterday at the Brick Presbyterian Church, enlisted to work for officerships in the army. One thousand persons were present.

Commander Evangeline C. Booth was scheduled to speak, but is ill and sent a letter of regret. It was voted to communicate to Miss Booth the regrets of the congress. Colonel Walter Jenkins, National Secretary, spoke in the afternoon and in the evening, urging a greater sense of religious feeling among the young people of the country.

The territorial staff band furnished music and Colonel Stephen Marshall, officer for the metropolitan province, presided. Sixty-two corps from forty towns were represented.