Legislative News,

By Telegraph to the Chatham Reading Room.

THE SPEECH.

Mr President and Gentlemen of the Legislative Council.

Mr Speaker and Gentlemen of the House of Assembly.

I am sure that the people of this Province have heard with feelings of sympathy, and horror undiminished by their remoteness from the scene of action, of the tortures inflicted without regard of sex or age, on our fellow subjects in the East, and the fortitude, gallantry, and skill which have enabled a handfull of loyal men to resist, and to attack with equal success, hosts of rebels, have, I know, commanded their warmest admiration. A confident hope must now be entertained that the mutiny, which at its outbreak appeared to threaten the very existance of British authority in India, may, by the blessing of God, be the means of strengthening that authority, and of rendering it more widely beneficial than before, and you will readily unite with me in expressing deep thankfulness to Providence for the success which has attended the British arms.

In the course of last autumn, a monetary crisis occurred, which for a season paralyzed trade and commerce throughout the world; our mercantile interests suffered severely from the unparallelled pressure to which they were subjected, but I trust that the depression will be but temporary, and I am confident that the attitude which we maintained during the crisis, has raised the commercial character, and still more firmly established the credit of the Province. It is a subject of sincere gratitude, that although our commerce languished during the past year, it pleased Divine Providence to bless the labours of the husbandman with an abundant harvest. I feel satisfaction in the belief, that there is a growing appreciation of the Fisheries as a source of public wealth. Information having been conveyed to me that the act for their protection was violated in the Bay of Fundy, I immediately adopted the necessary measures to secure the enforcement of the law. The act which regulates the Parish Schools will shortly expire; the subject of Education will necessarily occupy your attention, and it will, I doubt not, receive from you that calm and careful consideration which its importance demands.

Mr Speaker, and Gentlemen of the House of Assembly,

The estimates both of the Revenue and Expenditure for the current fiscal year, will be submitted to you, and accounts of the Revenue and Expenditure for the past year, will be laid before you, with a statement explanatory of the financial condition of the Province at the end of that year. The arrangement with regard to the Surplus Civil List contemplated in the despatches of the Secretary of State, which were laid before the Assembly on the 29th February, 1857, have been carried into effect, and the Surplus Civil List Fund, as well as the accruing surplus of future years, have been placed at the disposal of the Assembly.

Mr President, and Hon. Gentlemen of the Legislative Council,

Mr Speaker, and Gentlemen of the House of Assembly,

I readily gave effect to the wish expressed in the Address presented to me by the House of Assembly during the last Session, that I would communicate with Her Majesty's Government and with the Governor-General of Canada, on the subject of construction of an inter-Colonial line of Railway; copies of the correspondence will be laid before you. The successful cultivation of the soil is an object of manifest importance to all. The Commissioners appointed to report as to any improvements which might be deemed advisable in the application of the present Grants to Agricultural Societies, have concluded their labours, and their Report will be laid before you. I have recently received a Report from the Emigration Agent, which will be laid before you. The subject to which it relates is worthy of your consideration. I have appointed Commissioners to inquire into the management of certain Provincial Institutions which receive public aid; the result of their inquiries, when terminated, will be communicated to you.

Since I last met you, considerable progress has been made in the construction of Railways. Accounts of the Provincial expenditure incurred in these operations will be laid before you. It affords me sincere satisfaction to be able to inform you, that although the state of the money market during the recent crisis impeded for a time the sale of Provincial debentures, the character of these debentures remained throughout unimpaired, and the attention which they now command from British Capitalists, as a desirable and safe investment, is a gratifying proof of the confidence which is reposed in the good faith and financial integrity of New Brunswick.—In full reliance on your zeal for the welfare of the Province, I leave you to your deliberation, and I trust that Providence will bless your endeavours to promote the public interests.

Fredericton, 10th February, 1858.

Mr Allan moved resolution that appointment of Mr Coburn by Government as Sergeant at Arms was an interference with privileges of the House, and declaring that Mr Coburn should not be recognized. Mr Allan supported in a lengthy speech, followed by the Attorney General, who warmly defended the act, and justified policy of the Government. Gray came next in support of the resolution, and declaring that there was no case on imperial records where Government had dismissed Sergeant at Arms without application from the House. Post Master General followed, maintaining that the body that had power to appoint, had power to remove. Resolution is treated by Members of Government as expressing want of confidence. Debate will be resumed to-morrow. House adjourned at 5 P.M.

February 11.

House met at 10 o'clock. Shortly after Debate was resumed on Sergeant at Arms question. Mr End moved amendment slightly differing from Mr Allan's resolution, and expressing satisfaction at Mr Gardner's official care. Amendment lost by a large majority.—Mr Allan's resolution also lost 14 to 21. House then proceeded to appointment of Committees and routine business. Mr Cudlip laid on the table a resolution that a committee of both Houses be appointed to investigate the affairs of the Central Bank. End introduced a resolution to change manner of appointing officers of the House, and follow the practice of neighbouring colonies, laid on table. Mr Mitchell introduced a bill to facilitate the obtaining of licences for carrying away lumber cut on Crown lands. Chandler introduced bill to abolish imprisonment for debt. Gilmour introduced a bill to alter time of holding Circuit Court for Charlotte. No other business done. Nearly all the members are here. House adjourned at half past 3.

February 12.

House opened pro forma, at 10 o'clock. Mr W. E. Perley brought in a bill to encourage the destruction of wolves, read a second time. Mr Chandler presented a petition of Mr Sutton against the return of Mr Williston, on the grounds of bribery and corruption, petition received, and Monday next set apart to go into consideration of the same. Mr Williston introduced a bill to disqualify certain office holders from holding a seat in the Assembly. The Address in reply to speech taken up at 3 o'clock. McIntosh moved amendment to 9th paragraph, was lost, only 6 Members voting for it, viz., McPhelim, Botsford, Gilbert, Allan, McPherson, and McIntosh. Address finally passed.—There was another long discussion about publishing debates in the French language, resolution finally carried, to appropriate £200 for that object. House adjourned at 5 o'clock.

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Chatham, February 6, 1858

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ROBERT JOHNSTON, JR. Secretary.

Chatham, February 5, 1858

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EDWARD WILLISTON.

Newcastle, February 5.

NOTICE.

All Persons having any claims against the Estate of the late JOHN SIRONACH, late of the Parish of Newcastle, in the County of Northumberland, Farmer, deceased, are requested to render the same within three months to the Subscribers, to whom all Persons indebted to the said Estate are requested to make immediate payment.

RICHARD HUTCHISON, } Administrators.
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Newcastle, November 7, 1857.

Crown Land Notice.

CROWN LAND OFFICE, Jan. 28, 1858.

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(Late of Edinburgh) intends being in Chatham at BOWER'S HOTEL, on TUESDAY, the 12th inst., where he will remain a week or two, when he may be consulted in all the branches of his Profession. As Mr A's stay will be short, he solicits an early call from those more especially who may require his services in the Mechanical Department.

Mr A will be in Newcastle, at Mr Fish's, on SATURDAYS the 6th and 13th.

Miramichi, January 9, 1858.

FREDERICTON MAIL.

FALL AND *WINTER*

ARRANGEMENT.

The Subscribers STAGE will leave Chatham on the Mornings of

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ORR & CARVELL.

Chatham, January 5 1858.

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