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LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL CHAMBER,

FREDERICTON, WEDNESDAY, 8th April, 1874.

At twelve o'clock this day, His Honor The Honorable SAMUEL LEONARD TILLEY, C. B., Lieutenant Governor of the Province of New Brunswick, came to the Council Chamber, and being seated on the Throne, commanded the attendance of the House of Assembly; who being come, His Honor was pleased to close the Session with the following

SPEECH:

" Mr. President, and Honorable Gentlemen of the Legislative Council,

" Mr. Speaker, and Gentlemen of the House of Assembly,

" THE unremitting attention which you have given to your Legislative duties commands my hearty acknowledgment.

" The Act which you have passed in aid of the construction of Railways in the Province, is one, under the operation of which I have every reason to hope that the Railway system of the Province may be greatly extended and consolidated, without unduly pressing upon our resources.

" The abolishment of Imprisonment in Civil Suits, and the enactment of an Attachment Law, will, I trust, while securing to the Debtor freedom from arrest, at the same time afford a more speedy and efficacious remedy to the Creditor for obtaining payment of his debt, than has in the past been within his reach.

" Mr. Speaker, and Gentlemen of the House of Assembly,

" I thank you for the Supplies which you have granted for the Public Service. It will be my duty, aided by my Council, to apply with economy the funds thus placed at my disposal.

" Mr. President, and Honorable Gentlemen of the Legislative Council,

" Mr. Speaker, and Gentlemen of the House of Assembly,

" I congratulate you on the termination of your labours. You will, I am sure, on your return to your respective localities, use your influence to promote mutual goodwill among all classes; and I earnestly hope that it will please Providence to continue to us the many blessings we now enjoy."