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## LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL CHAMBER,

FREDERICTON, THURSDAY, 13th April, 1876.

At half-past 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

### S P E E C H :

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

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

" THE state of the Public business enables me to relieve you, for the present, from further attendance to your Legislative duties.

" In giving my assent to the Act for the Consolidation of the Public Statutes, I take the opportunity of congratulating you upon the completion of a work which has made such large demands upon your time and attention.

" The Act for the establishment of Parish Courts will meet a want long felt in the country, for a more summary and inexpensive mode of collecting small debts.

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

" I thank you for the Supplies which you have voted for the Public Service, including the provision you have made for the erection of a Provincial Normal School, and I trust that it may be found possible to proceed with this important public work during the recess.

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

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

" In releasing you from your public labours, you have my hearty good wishes for the success of your own pursuits; and I earnestly pray that Providence may continue to vouchsafe to us His guidance and protection."