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THE NEW BRUNSWICK LEGISLATURE.

Formal Opening of the Last Session of the Present House.

SPEECH FROM THRONE PROMISES EXTENSIVE MENU PUMP AND CEREMONY.

In the presence of a large and brilliant gathering of spectators His Honor Lieutenant Governor Snowball formally opened the fifth session of the fourth legislative assembly of New Brunswick at 3.30 o'clock this afternoon.

The weather, which has been very cold here during the past few days, but moderated considerably during the night, and but for a dull leaden sky, the conditions this afternoon were about all that could be desired.

Nearly all the members of the legislature have arrived in the city many of them being accompanied by supporters and friends, and the hotels are well filled.

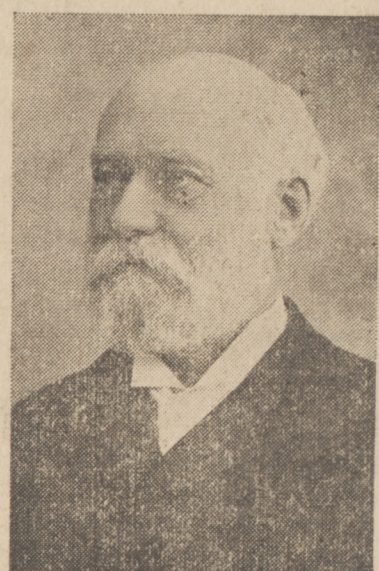
The legislative opening is one of the great events of the year in Fredericton. It means among other things a large influx of visitors, and a few weeks of stirring times. The opening ceremony is always interesting, even to those who have witnessed it over and over again and today it was quite up to the standard.

The esteemed lieutenant governor in his gorgeous Windsor uniform was of course the most conspicuous figure in connection with the opening ceremony. The stalwart figure of Lieut. Col. George R. White, district officer commanding, also loomed up conspicuously. Then there was the guard of honor and the artillery detachment, both of which played an important part in the spectacular side of the proceedings.

Long before two o'clock the space in front of Parliament Square was

witness the opening ceremony. A large number of invitations to seats on the floor of the House had been sent and all the available space was occupied, ladies as usual predominating. Among the number were noticed the following:

Mrs. C. W. Robinson.
Mrs. W. P. Jones.
Mrs. L. J. Tweedie.
Mrs. C. H. LaBilloy.
Mrs. Osmer.
Mrs. Whitehead.
Mrs. G. W. Allen.
Mrs. J. A. Campbell.
Mrs. G. Y. Dibblee.
Mrs. H. C. Rutter.
Mr. J. D. Phinney.
Ald. and Mrs. Colter.
Judge Wilson.
Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Killam.
Miss Florrie Whitehead.
Mayor and Mrs. McNally.
Mr. and Mrs. John Palmer.
Chief Justice Tuck.
Bishop Richardson.
Rev. Father Carney.
Rev. T. W. Street.
Rev. Canon Cowie.
Mr. and Mrs. G. N. Babbitt.
Auditor General and Mrs. Loudon.
Rev. J. H. Macdonald.
Rev. J. W. McConnell.
Rev. A. A. Rident.
Rev. Father Hanigan.
Judge Hanington.
Judge Gregory.
Judge McLeod.
Judge Landry.
Judge Barker.
Mr. and Mrs. R. W. L. Tibbitts.



LIEUT. GOVERNOR SNOWBALL.

SPEECH FROM THE THRONE

Mr. Speaker and Gentlemen of the Legislative Assembly:
It affords me great pleasure to welcome you on again assembling for the performance of your legislative duties, and to congratulate you on the general contentment and the many evidences of progress and prosperity to be seen throughout the province. While the crops have in some sections been below the average, the good prices for farm produce which have prevailed throughout the year have in large measure made up for the deficiency in this respect. The lumber industry is prospering, good prices have been realized, and the outlook for the present year is exceedingly good. Our hardy fishermen have reaped a bountiful harvest from the sea. There is abundance of work at remunerative wages for all who are willing to labor.

The great development which is taking place in the Canadian West is having a most beneficial effect upon many sections of the Province, not only by reason of the increased business which it brings in the winter season to the chief commercial city of New Brunswick, but also by reason of the remunerative markets which it gives for farm products. It is hoped that the increase which has taken place in the export and import business through the port of Saint John during the past few years will be maintained, if not exceeded, in the present and future years.

As a result of the just and reasonable demands of the governments of the various provinces in which my government earnestly and persistently took part, the prime minister of Canada summoned a conference of representatives of all the provinces to meet the federal government at Ottawa in October last, to discuss the important subject of a re-adjustment of the provincial subsidies. The conference was attended by the premier and attorney general. The deliberations of the conference will, I have reason to believe, result in an amendment of the British North America Act, by which the amounts of the subsidies will be fixed on the basis of population, while at the same time, increased allowances will be made to meet the cost of civil government and legislation. Upon such amendment being made, the annual subsidy to this province will be increased by the sum of \$130,000. A report of the proceedings of the



HON. L. J. TWEEDIE,
Premier of N. B.

thronged with people, many students of the Normal School, who had been given a half holiday for the occasion, being noticed in the gathering. Every point of vantage was occupied, and the crowd was a most good natured and orderly one.

The guard of honor from the 1st regiment one hundred strong paraded at the drill hall at 2 o'clock and after inspection marched to Parliament Square with the regimental band in the lead and formed up in two ranks facing the main entrance. The guard was in command of Capt. W. H. Grey of Marysville, with Lieut. McPeake as acting adjutant and Lieut. Fowler and Guthrie as subalterns. The men wore their winter uniforms, and not only made a fine appearance but marched exceedingly well.

The Lieut. Governor drove from the Queen hotel to the parliament buildings at 2.30 o'clock, being accompanied by Mayor Bridges, A. D. C. Private Secretary, Barker and Lieut. Col. George Rolt White D. O. C. A coach containing Sheriff Sterling and Coroner Weaver proceeded the gubernatorial party.

As His Honor alighted from the coach he was received by a royal salute from the guard, the band playing a few bars of the National Anthem. As the party ascended the building the Newcastle artillery detachment, from a position on the river bank began a salute of fifteen guns at half minute intervals. The shots were fired from two twelve pound breech loading field guns, and the job was well done.

His Honor was accompanied into the Chamber by Private Secretary Barker, Major Bridges, A. D. C., Col. White, Major Fiset, Capt. Dudomaine, the Sheriff and Coroner. Inside the assembly a large crowd of people had gathered to

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Spurden.
Hon. G. W. White.
Col. Marsh.
Mr. and Mrs. Theodore Roberts.
Mrs. James Hannay.
Dr. and Mrs. Irvine.
Mrs. C. M. Manning.
Chancellor and Mrs. Jones.
Mr. J. W. McCready.
Miss Eliza Campbell.
Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Kitchen.
Mrs. R. B. Hanson.
Mrs. J. E. Colter.
Mrs. A. F. Randolph.
Mrs. W. T. H. Fenety.
Mrs. Daniel Richards.
Prof. Perrott.
Mrs. J. W. Bridges.
Miss Hazen Allen.
Hon. C. N. Skinner.
Hon. H. A. McKeown.

The three galleries were all crowded to their utmost capacity.

The speaker took the chair shortly before three o'clock, and the chaplain, Rev. T. W. Street led in prayer.

Mr. William Currie the new member for Restigouche who had previously been sworn in by Judge Gregory was introduced by Premier Tweedie and Hon. C. H. LaBilloy and took his seat amidst applause.

Sergeant-at-Arms Rutter after absenting himself from the chamber returned and announced the arrival of the Lieutenant Governor. At this announcement the speaker vacated the throne, and the lieutenant governor and party entered the chamber preceded by Sergeant at Arms and many hearers. The members greeted the gubernatorial party by rising in a body to their feet.

His Honor having taken his seat upon the throne was pleased to open the session with the following:

conference will be laid before you. There are still the fishery question and the claim to a portion of the twain the province and the Dominion. Halifax fishery is an outstanding item. My government has for several years been steadily urging an adjustment of these important matters, and will continue to do so, until a satisfactory settlement is effected.

You will, I am satisfied agree with me that there is no subject of more vital importance than the education of the youth of our country. The province is fortunate in having a large number of well qualified and zealous teachers, whose abilities and faithful labors call for greater recognition by the state than the revenues of the province have hitherto warranted. In the opinion of my government, however, the time has arrived when an increase may properly be made in Teachers' salaries, and you will be asked to consider a measure having this object in view.

Great progress has been made in recent years along the line of agricultural development, particularly in the manufacture of cheese and butter. Recognizing the importance of maintaining a high standard of excellence for dairy products, my government will ask you to consider a measure to provide for the inspection and stamping of creamery butter.

Your attention will be called to the advisability of adopting measures to encourage the raising of sheep, for which the province seems well adapted, and the importance of which, if it were extensively and successfully carried on, could not be over-estimated.

My government, being impressed with the necessity which exists for horses of heavy draught, the department of agriculture will, with your approval, take steps in the near future to import a large number of brood mares of this class for distribution and sale in the various counties of the province.

I can rely with confidence upon your giving most careful consideration to these matters, recognizing as you do that agriculture is one of the greatest and most important of all our industries.

During the past year, substantial

the undertaking for the development of the water power and establishment of large industries at the Grand Falls is making satisfactory progress, and I have reason to believe that the work of development will be commenced within a few months.

My Government, having ground for thinking that valuable deposits of iron exist in the Counties of Gloucester and Charlotte, has, by providing drilling machines owned by the Province, encouraged prospecting to a considerable extent in those Counties. The results will be laid before you.

The development of the coal areas of the Province is proceeding satisfactorily, and the results will, I have reason to believe, soon amply justify your action in taking the steps necessary to ensure such development.

During the past year successful agricultural exhibitions have been held in St. John, Sussex, Chatham, Woodstock and Centerville, and the deep interest taken by all classes in these exhibitions amply justifies the Provincial assistance given them.

You will be invited to consider bills to amend the Workmen's Compensation for Injuries Act, the Judicature Act, the Liquor License Act, to provide for the Incorporation of Fishermen's Unions, and to amend the Highway Act so as to make better provisions for the keeping open of the highways in winter, and in other respects. Other measures will also be submitted to you.

I have directed the accounts of the income and expenditure for the past year, as well as a statement of the receipts and payments of the current year up to the opening of the present session, to be laid before you.

Estimates of the probable income and expenditure for the current year will also be submitted to you, and I think you will find that the estimates of expenditure have been prepared with a due regard to economy and the requirements of the public service.

Before leaving you to the discharge of your legislative duties, I wish to join in an expression of the feelings of profound sorrow which I am sure you entertain for the great and sud-



MR. J. D. HAZEN, M. P. P.
Leader of the Opposition.

den bereavement which Their Excellencies, the Governor-General and the Countess Grey recently suffered by the death of their daughter, Lady Victoria Grenfell. The hearts of the Canadian people were deeply touched by the sad event.

In conclusion, I desire to assure you of my full confidence in your patriotism and zeal for the public welfare.

When His Honor and party had left the chamber the speaker resumed the chair, and immediately after the formality of introducing a bill to amend the right of parliament to legislate on matters not laid down in the speech from the throne was gone through with.

The speaker announced that for the sake of greater accuracy he had procured a copy of His Honor's speech, which he read to the house.

The address in reply was moved by Mr. Currie of Restigouche and seconded by Mr. John B. Goggin of Kent both of whom were given an attentive hearing.

Mr. Hazen followed with a general criticism of the government's policy, and was speaking when our report closed.

NOTES.

The C. P. R. and Western Union Telegraph companies have filled up offices in the parliament building for the session. Mr. Patrick O'Rourke of St. John has charge of the Western Union and Mr. George Fulton the C. P. R.

Master Fred Quartermain has been added to the list of pages.

Mr. Robert Maxwell, M. P. P., for St. John is detained at home by illness and will not be here for a week. Mr. Purdy M. P. P., of St. John is also absent on account of illness.



HON. F. J. SWEENEY,
Surveyor General.