

Mr. SPEAKER further reported that he had received from the Hon. Mr. Justice WILSON, a certificate and report in reference to the election for the South Riding of the County of Renfrew declaring the same void ; and that he had issued his warrant to the Clerk of the Crown in Chancery to make out a new writ of Election for the said Electoral District.

NOTIFICATIONS OF VACANCIES.

Mr. SPEAKER informed the House that he had received the following notifications of vacancies, which had occurred in the representation, viz : of the Hon. A. A. DORION, member for Napierville, by acceptance of the office of Chief Justice for the Province of Quebec ; of the Hon. F. GEOFFRION, member for Vercheres, by acceptance of the office of Minister of Inland Revenue ; of WILLIAM HARVEY, Esq., member for Elgin East, by decease ; of E. R. OAKES, Esq., member for Digby, by resignation ; and of the Hon. WILLIAM ROSS, member for Victoria, N. S., by acceptance of Collector of Customs at the Port of Halifax. Warrants for new elections in these respective Districts had accordingly been ordered to be issued.

NEW MEMBERS.

Mr. SPEAKER further informed the House that the Clerk of the House had received from the Clerk of the Crown in Chancery certificates of the election and return of the following members, viz : Hon. F. GEOFFRION, for Vercheres ; SIXTE COUPAL *dit* LA REINE, Esq., for Napierville ; COLIN MACDOUGALL, Esq., for Elgin East ; LOUIS RIEL, Esq., for Provencher ; JOHN L. MACDOUGALL, Esq., for Renfrew South ; A. F. MACDONALD, Esq., for Cornwall ; Hon. W. B. VAIL, for Digby ; WILLIAM MURRAY, Esq., for Renfrew North ; SCHUYLER SHIBLEY, Esq., for Addington ; WILLIAM MCGREGOR, Esq., for Essex ; LEMUEL CUSHING, Jr., Esq., for Argenteuil ; JAMES NORRIS, Esq., for Lincoln ; WILLIAM KERR, Esq., for Northumberland West ; L. F. G. BABY, Esq., for Joliette ; Hon. HENRY AYLMER, Jr., for Richmond and Wolfe ; F. MACKENZIE, Esq., for Montreal West ; J. B. PLUMB, Esq., for Niagara ; C. F. FERGUSON, Esq., for Leeds and Grenville North ; THOMAS MCKAY, Esq., for Colchester ; JAMES MACLENNAN, Esq., for Victoria North ; WILLIAM WALLACE, Esq., for Norfolk South ; Right

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Hon. SIR JOHN A. MACDONALD, K.C.B., for Kingston ; C. J. CAMPBELL, Esq., for Victoria, N.S. ; AMABLE JODOIN, Jr., Esq., for Chambly ; G. T. ORTON, Esq., for Wellington Centre ; H. H. COOK, Esq., for Simcoe North ; BERNARD DEVLIN, Esq., for Montreal Centre ; H. HURTEAU, Esq., for L'Assomption ; SAMUEL PLATT, Esq., for Toronto East, and WILLIAM MCCRANEY, Esq., for Halton.

THE SPEECH FROM THE THRONE.

Mr. SPEAKER reported the House had this day attended His Excellency the GOVERNOR-GENERAL in the Chamber of the Senate, when His Excellency was pleased to make a most gracious speech from the Throne, of which he had, for greater accuracy, obtained a copy, as follows :—

Honorable Gentlemen of the Senate :

Gentlemen of the House of Commons :

I have much satisfaction in meeting you at this early and convenient season.

I have to congratulate you upon the organization of the North West Police Force, and the success of its operations. It has materially aided in the creation of confidence and good will among the Indian tribes ; in the suppression of the liquor traffic ; the establishment of legitimate trade ; the collection of Customs duties ; and, above all, in maintaining security for life and property within the Territory. Another effect of the presence of the Police in the North West has been to enable the Government to largely reduce the strength of the Military establishment in that country.

The negotiation of a friendly Treaty with the Crees and Sauteux of the North West for the cession of territory may be regarded as a further guarantee for the continuation of amicable relations with the Indian tribes of that vast region.

During the past summer I had the pleasure and advantage of visiting a very large portion of the Province of Ontario, including the whole coast of Georgian Bay and Lake Superior. This official tour enabled me to form a better idea of the great extent of the comparatively well-settled country and of that which is still almost wholly undeveloped. I was everywhere received with the kindest welcome, and was much gratified in witnessing the enterprise, contentment, and loyalty manifested in every quarter.