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ST. JOHN, N. B. SATURDAY, MARCH 25, 1899.

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It Lawson's medicen speech was well

d, before the motion was put he d the opportunity of making a

remarks. He felt that even the in those remarks he might fail

public moment, the house at total agree with him in exten-hearty congratulations to the and seconder of the address

house of assembly, because with his

knowledge of law and of the consti-

tution of the country, he had been

able, with his obliging disposition and

great industry, to render valuable

service to the country. In saying this,

Mr. Hazen said he believed that Dr.

for a short time. He would soon

again be to the front to represent the constituency in which he lived and

which he had so faithfully represent-

ed. He (Hazen) deeply regretted not

service, that he was not now on the

If ever the moss-grown saying that

justified, it was justified in the pre-

ing government had ventured to lay

its hands upon. He agreed also with

the speech as to the importance and

milar display at New York.

During the election campaign the

the leader of the government was go-

believed that there was oil in the pro-

vince and who wanted an opportunity to search for it. Of course it has

been known for many years that oil existed in Albert and Westmorland,

not pay the expenses necessary to de-

Mr. Hazen said he vas surprised to

floor of the house. (Applause.)

Stockton was only out of public life

He felt that even

MR. HAZEN

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## LEGISLATURE OPENED.

Address in Reply to the Speech Moved by Mr. Robertson.

Mr. Hazen Lays Down the Platform of the Opposition, and Criticizes the Government's Programme.

A Description of the Opening Ceremonies—The Speech From the Throne-Hon. George F. Hill of Charlotte Unanimously Elected Speaker.

first session of the minth House of here today. It was in every way a chmatic conditions were fine; in fact, no one could find any fault on the score of weather. The roads were in such a good condition that country people were enabled to pour in as they saw fit, and they came in large numbers. The town was crowded with visitors from an early hour in the morning. Flags were displayed from all public buildings, hotels and many private residences, and the town took on a holiday appearance. The hotels, the Queen and Royal particularly, were crowded with people

in the assembly chamber at 11 o'clock this morning and were sworn in by Chief Justice Tuck. The counties were taken alphabetically, Premier Emmerson and his colleague, Mr. Osam, being sworn in first.

mony, in which the chief justice ras assisted by Clerk Rainsford and his assistant, Geo. Y. Dibblee. All the members were sworn in except. Hen. Wm. Pugsley of Kings, Messis. Leforest and Gagnon of Madawaska,

and Mr. Mott of Restigouche. one o'clock people began to the ceremonies connected with the opening of the legislature. The space immediately in front of the buildings was blocked with people when his honor the lieutenant governor arrived. The guard of honor, comrosed of 80 men from the R. R. C. in charge of Lieuts. Nagle, Winslow and Grant, with the band of the 71st Battalion, were in front of the building when his honor reached the Gov. McClelan was accomied by his A. D. C., Lieut. Kaye, his private secretary, R. S. Barker, and Major Hemming, the present com-mandant of the R. R. C. I. There were also in the party accompanying his honor Sheriff Sterling, Coroner Coulthard, Major Loggie, Capt. Car-

penter, Lt. Col. Surgeon McLearn. The cannon on the bank of the river directly apposite the house, announced his honor's arrival, and the band played appropriate music. The lieut. governor entered the

chamber with his staff, and Clerk Rainsford read the proclamation summoning the legislature. His honor then retired while the house proceeded to the election of a speaker. I amediately upon the retirement of the governor, Mr. Emmerson, the premier, in a happy speech, nominated Hon. Geo. F. Hill of Charlotte for the position of speaker. Mr. Emmerson referred to the services Mr. Hill had rendered the province in the past and said he was eminently fitted for the

position for which he proposed him. Mr. Hazen, in seconding the mothe speakership, said the opposition were pleased to have such a gentleman selected. Mr. Hill, he said, was one of the oldest, most experienced and most respected men in the house. Clerk Rainsford declared Mr. HWI elected speaker, and then the usual formalities were gone through with,

FREDERICTON, Mach 23. - The Speaker Hill retiring to put on the

the floor of the house were: Mrs. H. Mrs. W. H. Burns, Mrs E. W. Henry Mrs. Dr. Harrison, Mrs. H. M. Lettney, Mrs. C. J. Osman, Mrs. C. H. Labillois, Mrs. F. P. Thompson, the Misees Thompson, Mrs. W. T. White-Misses Thompson, Mrs. W. T. White-head, Mrs. F. B. Edgecombe, Mrs. Alex. Gibson, Mrs. David Hatt, Mrs. James O'Brien, Mrs. J. W. McCready, Mrs. Cooper, Mrs. Jos. Colter, Mrs. J. A. Campbell, Mrs. R. W. L. Tibblitts, Mrs. F. L. Cooper, Mrs. C. H. B. Fish-er, Miss Barns of Batharst, Very Rev. Dean Partridge, Dr. Inch, Auditor General Beek, Rev. Mr. Freeman Chief Justice Tuck, James Hannay, C.

re-entered the chamber, and the usual preliminaries having been gone through, the lieut, governor read the following speech from the throne: Mr. Sjeaker and Gentlemen of the Legisla-

tive Assembly:

It gives me great pleasure to welcome you as the people's representatives returned at the recent general election.

We have great cause for thanksgiving that the many blessings which our people have in the past enjoyed are through the marries of a kind Providence still continued to us.

You are already aware that since the last season of the legislation her majesty has been pleased to appoint the Earl of Minto governor general of Canada. I am sure that you will join with me and the people of

governor general of Canada. I am sure that you will join with me and the people of Canada generally in extending cordial greetings to his excellency, in whom we shall, I feel assured find a constitutional representative of our beloved Queen.

The expression of welcome which we loyally accorded to the new governor will not lessen in any degree the regress which we experienced at the departure of the Earl of Aberdeen, whose untiring zeal and devotion to the general prosperity of the people of Canada signsily characterized his administration and served in a marked degree to compile the bonds which attach our people to the empire.

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The increased prospetity of the dominion during the past year in trade and commerce, and the extent to which the resources of Canada are becoming known throughout the empire and the world, encourage the trust that there will be not only a continuation of such conditions, but greater activity in all industrial effects during the current year over all portions of the dominion, and that the high hopes of the people as to the future of our country will be abundantly realized.

The interesting character of the exhibit made by this province at the Sportsmen's show, held in Boston in March last, did so much to bring to the notice of the people of this continent the unrivalled opportunities which we offer to the snortsman and tourist, and was in all respects so promotive of good results that the expectations of my government in undertaking this display were, I am pleased to say, more than realized.

The actioned interest which I am glad to note is being taken in the mineral resources of our province has encouraged my government to take further steps to secure the prospering and development of the hereofore arrivant wealth of our country's undeveloped resources, and a measure having this object in view will be submitted for your consideration.

The efforts already put forth by my government in the efforts already put forth by my government in the efforts already put forth by my government in the efforts already put forth by my government in the efforts already put forth by my government in the efforts already put forth by my government in the efforts already put forth by my government in the efforts already put forth by my government in the efforts already put forth by my government in the efforts already put forth by my government in the efforts already put forth by my government in the efforts already put forth by my government in the efforts already put forth by my government in the efforts already put forth by my government in the efforts already put forth by m

bonds at per, thus evidencing the fact that the francial credit of the province not only stands very high, but is advancing in a marked degree. A measure will be submitted to you giving authority to redeem, from time to time, as they mature, fonds bearing a rate of interest above three per cent. by other bonds to be issued and to bear interest at a rate not exceeding three per cent.

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 yet.

Estimates of the probable income and expenditure for the current year will be submitted to you, and I trust that you will learn that the estimates of expenditure have been prepared with careful legard to economy and the requirements of the public services.

omy and the requirements of the public services.

In addition to the legislation already meationed as being in contemplation, bills meating to the settlement of crown landagito amend the law relating to the protection of rame, and various other measures of importance will be submitted for your confideration, and I confidently trust that your deliberations, under divine guidance, will intere to the general welfare and presperity of the people.

having retired and Mr. Speaker having resumed the chair, Hon, Mr. Dunn introduced a bill amending the game law, which bill on the the ground of urgency, was read a first and second

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The efforts already put forth by my government in the past to stimulate and advance the agricultural interests of New Brusswick have been fraught with such favorable results that further advances in this same direction are doemed destrable, and there will be promoted to you prepositions to develop and promote that branch of animal husbandry known as pork raising, with a view to the promotion of pork packing establishments it our midst, thus enabling us as a province to more successfully compete with other provinces and states in the markets of Great Britain and other countries.

The promeunced success which has attended the efforts of my government to advance the cheese industry has encouraged them to take additional stremuous efforts to induce the manufacture of creamery butter throughout the province during the whole

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ing, which was the policy of the op- The present system would eventually position leader (Dr. Stockton?) He (Hazen) believed that if the packing (Hazen) believed that if the packing dishonor. If the people are debarred industry would be so established that from honestly exercising their opinion the farmers would have a certain market at fair prices at all seasons of the year, such a bolley would prove to be much more popular in the counspeech that contained no word of respect at the departure of Lady Aberdeen. He felt that New Brunswick was taking a prominent part in the new era of prosperity that Mad dawned upon Canada and while not a believer in paternalism, he hoped the legislature would do all in its power to again to the development of the results than could possibly be attained by the government's wheat policy. proposed doing something for immi that our population should be inpeople should be kept at home, we could not shut our eyes to the conditions of the world it was doubtful whether in these eastern provinces and states it was possible to attract of immigration now flowing from the old world. The tendency seemed to be westward, to the land where farms toil, and where greater opportunities for wealth seemed to exist. While he (Fiazen) wished the administration

the admirable manner in which n) had referred to this addearest market and buy in the cheap-

est. Perhaps, however, this was a Messrs. Foster and Hazen were afraid that by its being paid to a government bonuses amounted to the same thing as protection and the paying of two vantage would be gained by that govprices in order to maintain local inornment. He (Hazen) desired to say dustries was a very high type of pathat while a representative at Ottawa he had never opposed the Eastern Ex-He could not pay a better tribute to tension claim; on the contrary, when the late leader of the opposition (Dr. the late Mr. Mitchell came there he Stockton) than to quote the estimate had given his best efforts to secure expressed by his (Hazen's) opponent. its payment, for he believed the Mr. Morrow, on declaration day, claim was just. If it was right that the dominion government should pay when he said that he felt that the dethe principal money of this claim, it feat of Mr. Stockton was a loss to the

was certainly right that they should pay the interest. If the jus-tice of the claim of the claim was undoubted, why refer it to arbitra-tion? Mr. Blair was a strong perschality, yet i though nearly three years had elapsed since he went to Citawa, he had not succeeded in having this claim paid. What assurance was there if the matter was referred to arbitration that the amount would be paid to the province? There had certainly been a long delay which had

only from the opposition standpoint. but also for the sake of the public On the question of the inland fisheries, Mr. Hazen said while the question remained in doubt as to the right of the province to control those fish-"the speech was more remarkable for its omissions than its contents" was eries, without the three mile limit, it was undesirable that the province should take a course which might ent case. It simply bristled with omlead to future contention and conissions. This poverty on the part of flicts.

not been properly, nor fairly account-

the speech had not been made good Referring to the financial question. Mr. Hazen said there was nothing in by any information as to inended legislation supplied by the mover and the statement that the excellent finanseconder. The speech was chiefly recial position of the province, as shown by the sale of bonds, was due to the superior management of the government. The bonds of the province He agreed with the speech as to the prosperity Canada was now enjoying, which he believed was due in the most direct possible way to the wisdom of the fiscal and tariff policy addeservedly command a high figure, but this was largely due to the fact that there was in the money centres. opted by the conservative govern-ment in 1878, and which no succeedof the world today an enormous am-ount of money seeking investment, for which no investment could be found. He could not help thinking that the hon, gentleman had been decoyed into moving this address under false pre-tences. One would have also thought value of the exhibition made by the government at the Sportsmen's show that there would have been some references in the speech to that delega-

In Boston. He could only express his deep regret that the government had not felt warranted the present year tion that came from St. John last night to interview the government on the in following up the step they had taken by utiling the tourist associasubject of a grant for a provincial exhibition. There was no reference to tions of the province in making a the exhibition of last fall, though that had been a decided success, and not one word about any agricultural excountry had been led to expect that hibitions in the future. He would have thought that the ing to wave a magic wand which would cause oil to spout from the ground in all directions. It now appeared that there were capitalists who

government might have had some legislation to propose to prevent the re-occurrence of practices that had pre-vailed in the recent election; legisla-tion that would have given the people a secret ballot and that would have enabled employes, especially govern-ment employes, to vote without such shameless intimidation and coercion as had prevailed in St. John, Moncton but the impression was that it would and other places.

velop it. He would, however, favor any well considered legislation that of bribery and corruption could fairly would aid in this exploring movewhile perple were willi money, it was natural that it should observe no reference in the address to be offered; at the same time there

bring the country into disrepute and at the polls, they cannot depend upon legislation being passed that will be

in the public interest.

He had stated that the speech bristled with omissions. He had almost lost his breath on beholding his hon. friend from St. John (Robertson) ing to move an address in reply to speech that did not contain a single nember's candidature in St. John based entirely on the immense bene-fits that would flow to St. John by together that were to make St. John the Livergool of Canada. When was

being let without contract and double the price paid in Nova Sec and by the Intercolonial railway, met. He had hoped that the go ment would have promised the be appointed to investigate

Referring to the recent election, Mr. Hazen contended that while the goverument won a sweeping victory, the number of seats carried by the opposition did not adequately represent the proportion of votes polled by their candidates. The effect of the Moncton convention was good, if for no other reason than that it aroused an interest in provincial affairs that had not been taken for years. Though the leader of the government loudly declaimed against the introduction of dominion issues, at that very mo-ment Mr. Blair, in his private car, was hastening from Ottawa to meet the hon, member in order to perfect arrangements for using all the patronage and power of the dominion gov-

etument in the contest. Mr. Hazen here gave figures showing that 56,457 votes had oeen polled in the recent election, of which 25,766 had been cast for the opposition candidates, or 46 per cent. The government only had a popular majority of 4,925, more than half of which was oltained in Kent and York. In many couties the government's majority had been greatly cut down as compared with previous elections. According to the Parliamentary Comremion Mr. Osman had beaten Mr. Peck in 1896 by 600 votes.

Hon. Mr. Emmerson-That is wrong Mr. Hazen-I nave taken it from a source that the hon, member will not cispute.

Hon. Mr. Tweedle-I dispute it, as that same authority says I am a Methodist, and I never was flaugh-

Mr. Shaw Nobedy will believe that (Renewed laughter.)
Passing on, Mr. Hazen said that in pertain constituencies, which he named, 24 members had been returned supporting the government by in aggregate majority of only 1,210 votes. A change of a little over 600 votes would have put the government out of of-

is that the opposition is elected?

Mr. Hazen—My conclusion is that the hon gentleman should conclude with the Greelan general, Pyrrhus when he defeated the Romans, "another such victory and I am done." Mr. Emmerson-We can stand sev-

ere! of them. (Laughter.) Mr. Hazen said he had fully exected that there would be some change in the oe scanel of the govinment. He had thought to see his hon, friend from St. John (McKeown) coming here as solicitor general.
Were the government afraid to risk s fight in St. John, owing to complica-tions there? Or had they decided in accordance with what everybody knew, that no necessity really existed for the office of solicitor general?

OPPOSITION PLATFORM. In conclusion, Mr. Hazen said the optisition in this house did not intend to give the government a facti-cus orposition. They had been elect-ed to do their duty and would supfort any measures emenating from the government that were for the well-being of the people. The opposi-

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