

THE LOCAL HOUSE.

FIRST SESSION—FOURTH LEGISLATURE.

The Address Debated and Disposed of.

The Honourable the Lieutenant-Governor having been appointed to consider the address of the House on the 14th inst., and calling upon the members in the language of the document, "to be and appear for the despatch of business to be treated and concluded upon those things which in our Legislature of the Province of Ontario by the Commission of the said Province may by the favour of God be ordained."

At precisely three o'clock the Lieutenant-Governor, attended by his A. D. C. and Col. Darré, D.A.G., drove up to the House, and a few moments later he took his seat on the throne, and the address was read.

Mr. Mowat then rose and said: "Mr. Clerk, in accordance with what was said on behalf of his Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, and in accordance with the express requirements of the British North America Act, it is my duty to elect a Speaker. It is my duty to elect a Speaker who will be able to preside over the House with impartiality, and who will be able to preside over the House with impartiality."

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The proposed condition of the agriculturists of Great Britain leads to the expectation that a considerable immigration of farmers and farm labourers to Ontario will be anticipated during the present year. Care will be taken by my Government to place the claims and advantages of the Province before the public in the most prominent manner.

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THE SPEECH FROM THE THRONE.

THE LIEUTENANT-GOVERNOR then addressed the House as follows:

Gentlemen of the Legislature, I have the great pleasure in meeting you on this first occasion of the Legislature. I have the great pleasure in meeting you on this first occasion of the Legislature. I have the great pleasure in meeting you on this first occasion of the Legislature.

Mr. SPEAKER laid on the table of the House reports of the judges who tried the election cases. Different West-Ends, South-Ends, North-Ends, South-Ends, West-Ends and Russell. He also announced that he had procured a copy of his Honour's speech "in order to prevent its being published without his sanction."

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THE INTERVIEWING SYSTEM.

A Letter From Sir Francis Hincks.

The Annotated Question Reviewed. MONTREAL, Jan. 7.—The following letter is published from Sir Francis Hincks to Mr. Donald MacMaster, M.P.P.:

After reading your letter, I am glad to hear that you are so much interested in the interviewing system. I have had some experience in this matter, and I can assure you that it is a very important one.

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BRITISH COLUMBIA'S INDIANS.

The Red Men on the Edge of Law.

OTAWA, Jan. 8.—The Lieutenant-Governor of British Columbia has appointed Mr. Geo. Truitt to be Government agent for the Indians of the Province.

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A FABRICATING YOUNG MILLNER.

She Captivates and Elopes With a Wealthy Farmer.

BELLEVIEW, Jan. 10.—Report has it that a well-known and wealthy farmer of Thurlow, a little east of this city, has been recently captured by a young woman, who was thought to be a woman of good family.

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EDUCATIONAL NOTES.

OUR CABLE LETTER.

The Belleville Mechanic's Institute has now in its library over 1,000 volumes. A writer in the Fredericton (N.B.) Standard has been successful in procuring a school to train poor children in the use of the loom.

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THE NORTH-WEST INDIANS.

General Miles Says They Are Under A Malignant Influence.

WASHINGTON, D.C., Jan. 8.—General Miles arrived this morning. He expects to leave to-night or to-morrow for New York, and there proceed to Fort Keogh. He does not anticipate any trouble with the Indians on the northern frontier.

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A HORRIBLE MURDER.

A Man Chopped to Pieces with an Axe.

OTAWA, Jan. 8.—Horrible murder has just been received of a farmer who was killed at Maniwaki, about one hundred miles north of this city on the Gatineau. Full particulars have not yet been received, but it appears that a man named [Name] was killed by a partner named [Name].

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NOT WHISKEY BUT WATER.

Ten Barrels Shipped from Toronto Found to Have Been Tampered With.

HALIFAX, N.S., Jan. 7.—Last October five barrels of alcohol came from Toronto, consigned to Hargrave & Co., Halifax. In November five more barrels came from the same source, similarly consigned. The barrels were found to contain water instead of alcohol.

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