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THE LEGISLATURE

The work of the Legislature yesterday was not of a very important character. The address was passed in both houses, not even provoking a debate in the Legislative Council, and but a slight one in the House of Assembly.

The little bill between Attorney General Blair and Mr. Hamilton was interesting but not important. The only portion of the address to which the latter expressed any serious objection was that which referred to the fact that a larger grant was to be given to the St. John public hospital.

The programme which the British government has adopted in the strengthening of the navy, is a very extensive one and will cost a large sum of money, in round numbers, \$100,000,000 or about half the amount of the net debt of Canada, in regard to which there is no much grumbling.

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This letter was characterized by some of the members of the Assembly as a masterpiece of ungentlemanly, but we fail to find any evidence of those qualities in it. The Attorney General simply pointed out that ezequians, like other people, were bound to obey the law, and this, we believe, is no unseemable proposition.

A certain portion of the Grit press is never weary of imitating anything British, even our good Queen does not escape their attacks. Editor Hawke of the Transcript, says with characteristic irony: "The Queen has consented to let her name be obtained at the Lord Chamberlain's office. As no lady will admit the impeachment of 'advancing in age,' the applications are few. A contemporary naïvely remarks that the Queen might have asked 'sufficiency' to the list of the qualifications for exemption from wearing long dresses."

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The regular life companies to be ample to meet all losses arising from death and all payments to members who complete the expectancy of life, and to leave a balance for the income of each year to be added to the reserve fund. If they can establish these claims before the committee, the bill will have a few important amendments, should become law.

When Charles Dudley Warner was the editor of the Hartford (Conn.) Press, back in the 'sixties, arousing the patriotism of the State with his vigorous speeches, with mingled emotions of pride and responsibility, Mr. Warner replied courageously that he was glad to see the man felt the call of duty. "Oh, it isn't that," said the truthful comrade, "but I'd rather be shot than try to set any more of your kindled copy."

Our Postmaster, Col. Haslemann, having to employ a charwoman about the new United States Post Office, singled out one of the typewriters came in from the composing room, and planting himself before the editor, said: "Well, Mr. Warner, I've decided to enlist in the army." With mingled emotions of pride and responsibility, Mr. Warner replied courageously that he was glad to see the man felt the call of duty.

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