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Doyle & Squier, BARRISTERS AND ATTORNIES, SOLICITORS in Chancery, &c. Goderich, Ont. B. L. DOYLE. sw3 W. R. SQUIER, B.A.

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L. H. Hamlin, CIVIL ENGINEER AND SURVEYOR, LAND Agent and Conveyancer. Kincardine. 1

SMAILL & CROOK ARCHITECTS. PLANS and specifications of Buildings, &c. got up in a neat and correct style. Office over J. C. Detlor's store, Goderich. May 10, 1869

IMPORTANT NOTICE.

F. R. MANN, House Sign & Carriage Painter. DESIRES TO ACQUAINT THE PUBLIC THAT he has fitted up a shop on North street next to the Wesleyan Methodist Church, with varnish room attached where he is prepared to fill all orders promptly, and at reasonable prices. Thankful for the patronage of the last 7 years solicits a continuance of the same. Now is the time to Paint your Cutters, Sleighs, and Carriages. Orders from country Carriage shops attended to with dispatch. Sign Painting, Gilding, Graining, & Glazing. Paper-hanging, &c., &c. F. R. MANN. Goderich, Nov. 8, 1869. w43

HAZLEHURST & COOKE AUCTIONEERS, COMMISSION AGENTS, &c., &c. Crabb's Block, (VanEvery's old stand) KINGSTON STREET, GODERICH ONTARIO. Sales in town and country punctually attended to. Goderich July 12th, 1869. w24

WASHING MACHINE!

A PERFECT GEM.

Priceonly $2.00 each

THE SUBSCRIBERS OFFER FOR SALE "A little wonder in the Washing Machine line" patented and manufactured by Israel Kinney, of Woodstock. It is the cheapest machine ever invented; can be attached to any ordinary wash-tub; can be adjusted by springs to suit either light or heavy goods; washes as rapidly and efficiently as more cumbersome and costly machines; and does less injury to the clothes; and leaves them nearly as dry, if desired, as a regular Wringer. The low price of $2.00 brings it within the reach of any family. With it any housekeeper can do her ownwashing without either getting sore hands or an aching back. Call and See the Machine AT ROBINSON & YATES' Market Grocery. Goderich, 29th Dec., 1869. w49

CHRISTMAS CHEER!

THE SUBSCRIBER BEGS TO RETURN THANKS to his customers and the citizens of Goderich, for the patronage they have favored him with, and hopes by keeping Meats of the Best Quality in Season, To still receive a share of their custom. N. B.—The subscriber would direct the attention of the public to his stock of Christmas Meat on hand this week. STEPHEN ANDREWS, Market House, Goderich. December 20th, 1869. w48-4f

Land Office, A REGISTER of Improved Farms and Wild Land for Sale, G. M. TRUEMAN, Goderich, March 1, 1867. Market Square

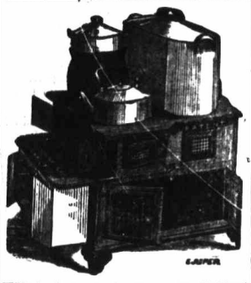
Business Directory.

HURON HOTEL, ZURICH, CO. HURON. JOHN PRANG, - - Proprietor. This house is fitted up with every convenience for the travelling public. Good Stabling and prompt attendance. February 1st, 1870. w2-tf

WESTERN EXCHANGE, LUCKNOW MRS. ANDREW DONOGH, PROPRIETOR. FIRST-CLASS accommodation. The table is supplied with all the delicacies of the season; and the bar with the best brands of liquors and Cigars. w20

MRS. DAYS' HOTEL WROXETER. ON the direct road from Seaforth to Walkerton. Every necessary accommodation for the travelling public. HANNAH DAYS. Wroxeter, Nov. 5, 1867. w4

Commercial Hotel, Mitchell C.W. JOHN HICKS, Proprietor. This is the largestand best Country Hotel in Western Canada, and charges as moderate as any House in Mitchell. Stage Proprietor. Good stabling for 100 Horses Horses and Carriages for Hire, on Shortest Notice. 14v7



THE subscriber in returning thanks for the liberal patronage so long bestowed upon him, begs to inform his numerous customers and the public generally that in consequence of the late fire, he has removed his business to the store formerly occupied by Mr. Booth, West street, next Bank of Montreal, where everything in his line will be found and All Kinds of Job Work will be Done the same as usual. G. N DAVIS. Goderich, 29th March 1

G. BARRY & BRO., CABINET MAKERS, WOOD-TURNERS! AND UNDERTAKERS, Hamilton St., Goderich, KEEP constantly on hand for sale all articles in their line, such as Bedsteads, Chairs, Tables, Sofas, &c., All kinds of wood-turning done, such as Newel posts, stair bannisters, neckyokes, &c Always on hand, a complete ASSORTMENT OF COFFINS and a HEARSE to hire on reasonable term Goderich, May 3rd, 1866 15w6m

GODERICH WAGON & CARRIAGE

Manufactory

THE Subscriber would announce to the public of Huron and Bruce, that he is now manufacturing first-class Carriages, Waggons, Sleighs, Cutters, &c., which will be sold CHEAP FOR CASH. Wanted a wood-worker, and two apprentices—one to learn wood-work and the other blacksmithing. JOHN PASMORE, Victoria Street, Goderich Goderich, May 6th, 1868. w49

Auction & Commission. GODERICH & CLINTON Established 1852. SALES of Miscellaneous Property in Goderich every Saturday, and in Clinton every Wednesday. Money advanced on Property for immediate sale and prompt returns made. Farm Stock and other Sales punctually attended to throughout the County, G. M. TRUEMAN'S Auction Mart, Market Square, Goderich

Middlesex Seminary. THE design of this Institution is to prepare students in a short time and at a light expense for entering Universities and Colleges, and as Teachers, Accountants, &c. Special attention paid to the Fine Arts. The Winter Term will commence Tuesday, January 4th, 1870. For Board and Tuition in English and Classics per 11 weeks' term $20. Scholarship in Commercial Department (unlimited) $15 and $20. Students are charged from date of entering. For names of Professors, Teachers and terms for Music, Oil Painting, Drawing, French and German, see circular. For further particulars apply to or address CROSS & CURRY, Komoka, Ont. TESTIMONIALS:—"The Seminary is in a highly prosperous state. Eight pupils got first class certificates to teach from the Board of Education in January, 1869.—Three were first, third and fourth on a list of thirty-six licensed to teach in August, 1869."—Advertiser, Komoka, Ont., Nov. 23rd, 1869. w45 3m9d

MONEY TO LEND. EASY TERMS. J. B. GORDON. Goderich, Jan. 14th, 1868. w51

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Stoves! Stoves!

CRABB'S BLOCK, KINGSTON STREET, GODERICH. DISTERN PATTERNS, EVE TROUGHS & CONDUCTING PIPES. PLAIN AND FANCY TINWARE, COAL OIL, WHOLESALE AND RETAIL. Coal Oil Lamps, &c. &c. Old Iron, Copper, Brass, Wool Pickings, and Sheep Skins taken in exchange. J. & J. STORY, Sign of the Large Coal Oil Barrel, Goderich, March 1st, 1867 6-1

NOW IS YOUR CHANCE

Prices to Suit the Times! Photographs reduced to $1.00 per Doz., OR 75cts. PER HALF DOZEN. Large Photograph Reduced in Proportion. Also will make the largest Photographs made in Goderich, very cheap. Porcelain pictures from one dollar upwards at D. CAMPBELL'S Photograph Gallery. Goderich, Oct. 19th, 1869. w27

THE Oldest Establishment in Town.

MARTIN AMANN BEGS TO INFORM HIS OLD CUSTOMERS that he is still able to sell for cash, at the old rates, ALL KINDS OF FURNITURE. At his shop on Kingston Street, opposite the Huron Hotel, Goderich. Give him a call. Goderich, Oct. 3, 1868. sw11w37.

ROOM PAPERS ROOM PAPERS. A VERY LARGE VARIETY OF Three Different Kinds of Papers REQUIRED For Halls, Parlors, Dining Rooms and Drawing Rooms, ALL NEW PATTERNS, Good Stock and declared by Painters and Paper Hangers to be the most beautiful designs, The Best and Cheapest PAPERS EVER INTRODUCED IN GODERICH. FOR SALE AT BUTLER'S. Goderich, April 18th, 1869. w11.

ALLAN P. MACLEAN, TAILOR & CLOTHIER,

HAS JUST RECEIVED A LARGE ASSORTMENT OF CLOTHS Consisting in part of West of England Broadcloths, Beavers, Whitneys, Bearskins, Fancy English, Scotch, and French Tweeds, Cashmeres, Doeskins, and a variety of Canadian Cloths; Plain, Satin, and Flowered Vestings, Shirts, Gloves, Caps, &c., &c. He feels confident of giving satisfaction to all who may favor him with their orders. TWEED SUITS (all wool) $12 and upwards. N. B.—Cutting done to Order. Goderich, Sept 25th, 1866 sw6

NOTICE. All parties indebted to R. Runciman & Co EITHER BY NOTE OR BOOK ACCOUNT are hereby notified, that unless they CALL AND PAY UP AT ONCE they will be sued, without further notice. R. RUNCIMAN, Huron Foundary, Goderich, Ont. Goderich, 29th Dec., 1868. w49.

PHOTOGRAPHS $1.00 Per Dozen.

HALF DOZEN FROM BACK NEGATIVE 51 cents, postage free. One dozen from back negative 87 cents, postage free, to any address. Particular Attention paid to Copying old Ambrotypes. For either large or small photographs. The subscriber in returning thanks for the liberal patronage heretofore extended to him, would just say that he has made such improvements in his gallery as will merit a continuance of the same. A Great Reduction on Large Photographs. E. L. JOHNSON. Goderich, Oct. 26, 1869. w44tf.

SAW-LOGS & STAVE-BOLTS WANTED. THE SUBSCRIBERS ARE PREPARED TO MAKE contracts for the delivery of a quantity of Elm, Ash, Beech, Pine, and Hemlock, Sawlogs, also, Stave Bolts Delivered on their premises opposite the railway station. Also to undertake the sawing of custom Logs For particulars apply to Mr Gunn on the premises or at the residence of Mr James Tomlinson STANDLY & Co. Goderich, 23rd December, 1869 w40-tf

REMOVAL.

ALEX. WALLACE, WATCHMAKER AND JEWELER, WEST STREET, GODERICH. THE Subscriber having removed to the Store lately occupied by A. Naysmith, West Street, opposite the Post Office, wishes to thank his friends and the public, for the liberal support with which they have favored him for the last 18 years, and begs to assure them that no effort will be spared to merit a continuance of their patronage, his anxious study will be to supply Watches Clocks and Jewelery which will give satisfaction to the purchaser, and as all work has been done by myself, customers may depend on having it well executed. A good assortment of Gold and Plated Jewelry Watches, Clocks &c., always on hand. ALEX WALLACE. Goderich Oct. 26th 1868. w40

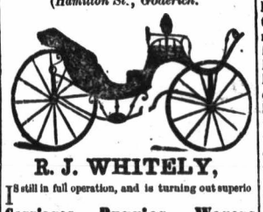
I. FREDERICK,

WATCHMAER, JEWELER, &c., WEST ST., GODERICH, Near the Post Office. BEGS MOST RESPECTFULLY TO RETURN HIS sincere thanks to the people of Goderich and vicinity for their liberal patronage during the past 8 years, and now that the holiday season has arrived with all its social enjoyments and amenities, he would state that all who wish to purchase jewelry for presents or otherwise of warranted material and workmanship would do well to buy from him at rates comparatively cheaper than that asked for worthless trash. All Jewelry Sold for Gold Warranted. Repairing done in the best style of workmanship. ISAAC FREDERICK. Goderich, Dec. 20th, 1869. w39-tf

TO LET.

TO let in the Town of Goderich, for a term of years a Brick Cottage with a large orchard and six acres of good land. For particulars apply to W. D. ALLEN. Goderich Sept. 27th 1869 w36t

Ontario Carriage Shop, (Hamilton St., Goderich.



R. J. WHITELY, IS still in full operation, and is turning out superior Carriages, Buggies, Wagons of all kinds, SLEIGHS, CUTTERS, &c. A number of first class Buggies on hand, and for sale cheap for cash Prices of all articles in the line that will compare favorably with any in the County All work warranted Particular attention paid to Wagon and Carriage Repairing R. J WHITELY. Goderich, Nov 9th, 1869 w42

NEW PATENT HAY FORK. STRACHAN & McKINNON, BLACKSMITHS, Nelson street, Goderich, would intimate to farmers and others that, having purchased the right for Carter's Hay Lifter, they are now prepared to furnish them at $5.00 each. The are made in a neat and substantial manner, and have given great satisfaction to those who have used them. An agent will be out for the sale of the lifter in a days. Goderich, Jan. 25th, 1869.

TO Farmers, Livery Stable KEEPERS AND OTHERS. Bring on all Your Lame Horses. J. TAYLOR at COLBORNE HOTEL, Goderich, after twenty-one year experience is prepared to Doctor Horses for all diseases N B.—Horses examined as to Soundness Goderich, 10th Aug 1869. Money to Loan on Real Estate, APPRAISE to the Trust and Loan Company of Upper Canada. G. M. TRUEMAN, Market Square, Goderich

History of Huron.

MR. EDITOR.—It is not in my power to furnish you with the first chapter of my narrative, this week, in time for publication, as it must be necessarily be lengthy; comprising, as it will, my first trip to Goderich, what I saw by the way, how I fared, and my first sight (or rather sights) when I arrived in this then embryo town, in the latter part of October, 1854. Several of my old friends are very auxious to see the coming stranger, they must just *bide awee*. "Mickey Trus'" apology must be mine for this time, viz., that I am composing it, and, as a first attempt, I'm bound to put the right foot foremost, as early impressions are lasting 'Tis said that a thing well begun is half ended; how far that may apply in the present case remains to be seen

For, how the subject theme may gang,
Let time and chance determine:
Perhaps it may turn out a sang—
Perhaps 'twill be a sermon.—*Burns.*

PROGRAMME

Chapter 1st,—Our first trip to Goderich.

Chap. 2nd,—The natural beauties of its scenery.

Chap. 3rd,—Goderich society at that time; its Bank; its merchants and mechanics; its festivities and their leaders; its political leaders and their doings.

Chap. 4th,—The Canada Company; their Commissioners and Agents: their treatment of the first settlers; the Company's Charter and how they carried it out; a few words about their *tools or satellites*.

Chap. 5th,—Our first acquaintances, who they were, and how many remain in the land of the living; our first opinions verified after the lapse of more than a generation; our first employers and their treatment of as during a sojourn of three weeks.

Chap. 6th,—Our purchase of lands in South Easthope; who and what our neighbors were; their religions, politics, and nationalities; their industry, and *vice versa*.

Chap. 7th, -Our markets; our internal improvements; society and amusements among the Germans and Scotch of North and South Easthope Townships; a "Dennybrook Fair" in Stratford; its principal leaders, and peace-makers.

Chap. 8th,—Our return to Goderich in '35; the steamboat laid up; Sunday all the week. Taylor's Bank still good, despite its foes—these were merchants.

Chap. 9th,—The Rebellion; its effects on the progress of country adjacent; the foul and false means practised by the commanders to get themselves in a commission at the sacrifice of the country and the lives of a few; the winter: the "Home Guards;" the watermen's barracks and guard-room; how they were paid, and what for.

Chap 10th,—Volunteer Contingent Company in '38; some of their doings and sayings; punishment by Capt. Stuart, (*absolute*); his robbing the men of their pay; how they sought redress, and why they, got none; "The evil men do lives them after

J. WILLIAMSON.

Hay, Feb. 14, 1870.

Dear Signal,—Mr. Love in his "defence," of the 4th inst., complains of "Voter's effusions 'being too "personal," though, perhaps the difficulty lies in him not being able to make *his* personal enough. Mr. L. would like to know who "Voter" is; well, I must tell him that "Voter" is I, and I am "Voter." He talks of being "stabbed in the dark." It seems he is only sorry to be obliged to do the "stabbing in the dark." As for being a counterpart of Balaam's ass, "Voter" will leave the public to judge which is the greater *ass* of the two, *Mr. Love* or "Voter."

He strongly rates you, Mr. *Signal*, for printing "personal and uninteresting matter;" certainly Mr. L's *interesting remarks* do seem like *clash*, and make him better "keuned" than even he himself would care to be. But not wishing to waste your time, nor put Mr. L's courage too much to the test, I will close my attack, hoping Mr. L. well keep "calm."

I remain,
Yours, &c.,
"VOTER."

EAST WAWANOSH.

The Council met this day, (Feb. 8th, 1870) pursuant to adjournment. Present, Messrs. Helps, James, McKay and Graham. The minutes of last meeting were read and approved. Jas. Garrick, who was nominated as Auditor last meeting declined to act. The Reeve thereupon nominated Jas. Edward as Auditor, which was approved by the Council. Moved by Mr. James, seconded by Mr. McKay, That $10 87 be refunded to Richard James, for three days statute labor, for the performance of which the pathmaster's certificate was shown, and for arrears of taxes for 1862, which were unjustly charged to him—Carried. Thos. Anderson made application to the Council for permission to perform his statute labor on his road across lot No. 31, con. 2, when it was resolved that such could not be allowed until the road was conveyed to the corporation. By-Law No. 29 was read and passed. Moved by Mr. James, seconded by Mr. McKay, That there be 20 scrapers provided in time for the performance of statute labor, and that the members of Council, who shall have the opportunity, inquire where they can be procured, best and cheapest, and report at next meeting—Carried. Moved by Mr. Graham, seconded by Mr. McKay, That Duncan McKellar be allowed until the first of April next, (or until the job which he has on hand is passed by the Road Commissioner) to pay his taxes, ($6 92) upon giving an approved joint note; and that Thos. and Jas Fowlep be allowed the same time on the same terms—Carried. Moved by Mr. James, seconded by Mr. McKay, That Thomas Finlas be allowed five months to pay his taxes ($9 32) upon giving an approved joint note to bear interest at 10 per cent.—Carried. Auditors Report was read and adopted. Moved by Mr. James, seconded by Mr. McKay, That the Auditors each receive $7 00—Carried. Moved by Mr. McKay, seconded by Mr. Graham, That the Clerk get 250 pamphlets printed, containing the minutes of last year, Treasurer's Abstract, &c., a few By-Laws, and a short abstract of Registration Act—Carried. The Council then adjourned, to meet on the second Tuesday (8th) of March next.

JAS. TISDALE, CLERK, Fordyce P. O.

Obituary. The Bothwell *Review* mentions the death of the Rev. Walter Scott, of Florence, which happened on Saturday last, after only a few days illness of inflammation of the lungs.—Mr. Scott was a minister of the Canada Presbyterian Church.

Stabbing. A ball was wound up in Owen Sound lately by a general walk around and fight, in the course of which Schuyler Kirwan and John Govill were dangerously stabbed by John Beaker, who has been committed for trial.

CANADA.

Venus is now visible at mid-day.

A woman named Elizabeth Sharp, living in Sidney, eight miles from Belleville, in a fit of insanity, hung herself on Thursday night last. She leaves a family.

The statement is made that during one of Prince Arthur's receptions in Washington, a well-known matron went about among the girls exclaiming, 'Blush a little! blush a little! I will look more English!'

The latest fashion we hear of is a fancy of young ladies for selecting suits to match the color of their eyes.

A letter from a prominent citizen of Winnipeg, dated January 24th, says:—"Everything now looks fair to ran early settlement of difficulties, either by delegates to Canada or a return to the Hudson Bay Company's government.

It is reported in Ottawa that the Government have decided to build the emigrant sheds at Toronto on the Garrison reserve, immediately west of the old fort, and north of the Great Western and Grand Trunk Railway tracks.

We understand that Lieutenant-General Sir Charles Hastings Doyle, Lieutenant-Governor of Nova Scotia has formally assumed command of the forces in British North America, in succession to the late Lieut.-General Sir Charles Ashe Wyndham, and that Col. Hamilton, of the Royal Engineers has taken over the command in the Provinces of Quebec and Ontario.

London, Feb. 15.—The *Times*, in a review of last evening's debates in Parliament, rejoices that the Government has adopted the idea so long advocated in its columns, viz: the withdrawal of the troops from Canada. The *Times* admits that Canada is the only English colony liable to be invaded in case of war; yet peace is so assured that it is foolish to provide now for its rupture.

'Trust him not.' The St. Kitt's *Journal* warns the public against a certain 'Prof.' M. D. Thompson, writing master, who, everywhere he goes, swindles his pupils and landlady.

The coal trade of Nova Scotia for 1869 was considerably in excess of that of 1868; and if the Dominion Government will give us the right kind of legislation for 1870, we shall be able to show for this year astill further increase of 200,000 chaldrons. —*Halifax Citizen.*

Mayor Workman and Ald. Redden and David left for Ottawa this morning, to represent Montreal at a meeting there tomorrow respecting the proposed Canada Central Railway.

It is reported that Mr. Tupper is to be appointed Lieut-Governor of Nova Scotia, to replace Gen. Doyle, who assumes chief military Command of the Dominion.

An important legal decision. The Superior Court has just rendered an important judgment to tenants in the case of the Quebec Seminary *vs.* Poitras, holding that in the event of property being destroyed by fire during occupation, the tenant is liable to the landlord for the loss, unless he can show not only that every precaution had been taken, but also how the fire occurred, which in nine cases out of ten it is almost impossible for them to do; but such is the law.

EXECUTION OF CRIMINALS.—The Minister of Justice has recommended the Government to pass an order in Council, adopting the rules followed in England with respect to the execution of criminals in private. He reports that the same, so far as suited to Canada, should be adopted by the Dominion, and recommends that the following rules be made by the Governor in Council pursuant to the provisions of 32nd and 33rd Victoria, chapter 29, for regulating the execution of capital sentences, that is to say:—1 For the sake of uniformity, the execution should take place at the hour of 8 a. m. 2. The mode of execution and the ceremonial attending it, to be the same as heretofore in use. 3. A black flag to be hoisted at the moment of execution, up on a staff placed on an elevated part of the prison, and to remain displaced for an hour. 4. The bell of the prison or, if arrangements can be made for that purpose, the bell of the parish or any other neighboring church to be tolled for fifteen minutes before and fifteen minutes after the execution.

UNITED STATES.

A "Red-Headed Man's Ball" is to shortly come off at Bridgeport, Conn.

The U. S. government is experimenting on a shot that can be thrown eight miles.

Carlotta Patti was hissed in St. Louis for refusing to sing in response to an *encore*.

The best timbered lands in Maine are offered to actual settlers at fifty cents per acre.

Tempted by the love of a bonnet, the price of which was above her limited means, a Louisville young lady last week sacrificed her "beautiful golden hair."

Passengers arriving at San Francisco by the Pacific Railroad report that the route is clear of snow and the trip is pleasant for this season of the year.

The British iron-clad Monarch is pronounced by a Yankee commander to be "the most formidable and efficient iron-clad vessel of war for ocean service in the world."

Extraordinary preparations are making in San Francisco for the celebration of St. Patrick's day, the interest in the occasion being enhanced by the presence of the 15 Fenian prisoners who recently escaped from Australia. A pontifical High Mass will be celebrated in the Mechanics' Pavilion. On Tuesday next the Fenian refugees will be entertained at a ball, in which all the Irish organizations of California will participate.

The *Agriculturist* says one of the American seedsmen has sold all his stock of old seed peas to a dealer in "Pure Java Coffee." Drinkers of coffee may draw their own conclusions.

Poisoned. The wife of Mr. B. Hotchkiss, of Port Burwell, was fatally poisoned on Saturday night last by taking strychnine, given by her husband, as is at present supposed, by mistake. An inquest was held.

It was evidently believed, in Washington that Gen Butler and Mr Samuel Cox had the advantage in the contest in blackguardism on the floor of the House. Perhaps they had; but any of the noisy urchins about our City-Hall Park could have beaten them. If these things are to "carry the House," we should send our bootblacks to Congress instead of our prize-fighters, faro dealers and carpet baggers. —*Tribune.*

Opening of the Dominion Parliament.

THE GOVERNOR GENERAL'S SPEECH.

Ottawa, February 15th.

CHAMBER OF THE SENATE.—TUESDAY.

This day, at 3 o'clock, p. m., his Excellency the Governor General proceeded in State to the Chamber of the Senate, in the Parliament Buildings, and took his seat upon the Throne. The members of the Senate being assembled, his Excellency was pleased to command the attendance of the House of Commons, and that House being present, his Excellency was pleased to open the Third Session of the First Parliament of the Dominion of Canada with the following

SPEECH FROM THE THRONE!

Honorable Gentlemen of the Senate, Gentlemen of the House of Commons,—

I recur with confidence to your advice, and have much satisfaction in being enabled, on the present occasion, to summon you to the discharge of your public duties at the period of the year most convenient to yourselves. The circumstances under which we meet are in many respects auspicious The bounty of Providence crowned the harvest with abundance and made the fisheries unusually productive. In many districts existing industries have been enlarged and new enterprises have started into activity, furnishing fresh avenues for commerce and additional employment for our people, whilst every day new sections of the country are being opened to the labors of the husbandman. The trade and wealth of the Dominion are on the increase, and the equal administration of the laws maintains, as heretofore, the enjoyment of the general sense of security. I have watched with much anxiety the course of events in the North West Territory. Unfortunate misapprehension of the intentions with which the country was thought to be acquired by Canada have led to complications of a grave character. With a view to their removal I have thought it desirable to exhaust every means of conciliation before adopting other measures, and the latest advices lead me to expect that the groundless alarms entertained by a portion of the inhabitants have given place to a desire to listen to the explanations which I have caused to be made to them. Efforts made in the spirit which has animated my Government throughout can scarcely fail to accomplish an equitable and peaceful solution of the existing difficulties, and thereby secure the speedy incorporation of the North-West Territories with Canada, an object so earnestly desired by the Empire and the Dominion. As the Act for the temporary government of the Territories when united with Canada will expire at the close of the present session, a measure providing for their government will be submitted for your consideration.

The charters of most of the banks of the Dominion were last session extended for a limited period, with the view that during the interval the questions of banking and currency should receive the consideration which their importance demands. A measure intended to ensure safety to the community without interfering with the legitimate operations of the Banks will be submitted for your consideration, and will, I trust, be found calculated to place those important interests upon a sound and stable basis. The laws in force on the subject of the elective franchise, and the regulation of Parliamentary elections in the several Provinces of the Dominion vary much in their operations, and it is important that uniform provision should be made settling the franchise and regulating elections to the House of Commons. A measure upon this subject will be submitted for your consideration. Under the operation of the Act of the Imperial Parliament, passed in the year 1869, to amend the shipping laws in the British possessions, a period of two years was given to the several Provinces of the Empire to make provision for the regulation of their coasting trade. In the absence of legislation on the subject within the period named, the provisions of the imperial law will be in force. The extent and value of our internal commerce render legislation on this subject desirable, and a measure with regard to it will be submitted for your consideration. The creation of a Court of Appeal, under the powers conferred upon you by the Union Act, is deserving your attention. A measure will be submitted to you for the establishment of such a court, and for conferring upon it certain jurisdiction. The year 1871 is the one which the next decennial census is fixed by law to take place. As there are different laws on the subject in the several Provinces, it will therefore be necessary to pass a general act to establish a uniform and accurate system throughout the Dominion. Steps have already been taken to secure the co-operation of Newfoundland and Prince Edward Island, and I trust acquiescence, when one system will be made simultaneous in all Her Majesty's B.N. American possessions. I need not expatiate on the importance of the information which the tables of the census are calculated to afford, as in addition to their interest and also on general grounds, it must be recollected that upon them depends the re-adjustment of the Parliamentary representation.

Gentlemen of the House of Commons:—

I have directed that the accounts of the last year shall be laid before you. The estimates for the present financial year will also be submitted to you. They have been framed with every regard to economy and compatible with the efficiency of the public service, and you will, I trust, be of opinion that the finances are in a satisfactory state, and that the people can, without inconvenience, afford for the service of her Majesty the supplies which it will be the duty of the Government to ask you to vote.

Honorable Gentlemen of the Senate and Gentlemen of the House of Commons:—

The Act respecting the militia and defence of the Dominion has not failed to engage my attention. The high spirit and loyalty of the people are placed in a clear light by the fact that the active militia have voluntarily come forward largely in excess of the quota required, as well as by the zeal and attendance of the various corps at the annual training in the camps, and by the promptness with which they assembled in force at the call of duty, on more than one occasion, when Fenian marauders threatened the peace of the country.

I have observed with great satisfaction the efforts which have been made in several of the Provinces of the Dominion to foster and encourage emigration to our shores. The continued progress of great public works in many portions of the country will afford the opportunity of early work to intending emigrants, and I look forward with confidence to the addition of a large and valuable class of settlers to our population during the coming season. —During the summer and autumn I had the opportunity of visiting different parts of the Dominion. I proceeded first to Quebec, thence to the Maritime Provinces, and at Halifax I had the honor of receiving his Royal Highness Prince Arthur. Subsequently I accompanied his Royal Highness on a tour through the Province of Ontario Everywhere the great capabilities of the country, and the proofs of vigorous industry made the fact apparent, and it became my pleasing duty to report to her Majesty's Government as the result of my observations that the inhabitants of the Dominion are well contented with their position, and that the wish nearest their hearts is to avail themselves of the franchises and full powers of legislation which they possess, in order to build up, as a portion of the British Empire, institutions of their own choice by laws of their own making. I now leave you to the labors of the session, with earnest aspirations for your complete success.

OTTAWA, FEB. 15.

After the delivery of the Speech from the Throne, the Commons assembled in their Chamber. All the Ministers were present, and the Opposition was also well represented. Hon. Mr. McDougall, on entering the Chamber, took his seat on the front Opposition bench. The members elected since last session were introduced, and took their seats. The Premier moved to take the Speech into consideration next day; whereupon Mr. Mackenzie, as leader of the Opposition, asked that the papers showing what had been the course of the Government on the Red River question, referred to in the Governor General's Speech, should first be presented to the House for its guidance and instruction. Sir. John A Macdonald promised to give all the information 'that would not prejudice the public service.' Mr. Mackenzie urged that the extraordinary circumstances of the case justified him in demanding all possible particulars. Hon. Mr. Holton joined in the demand, and, admitting that the production of papers at such a point might be contrary to usual practice, contended that the nature of the case required a departure from the ordinary rule. Sir, John A. Macdonald alleged that English precedents did not sanction the course advised by the hon. gentlemen opposite, but promised that everything should be done to put this House in a position to judge of the matter fairly. Sir John A Macdonald moved the usual Routine motion for protection of those engaged in printing the Parliamentary papers, and also for the appointment of the Standing Committees, after which he moved the adjournment of the House. The House rose at 4:20.

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The House met at 3 o'clock. Mr. Mackenzie submitted a petition from the Lake of Two Mountain Indians for restoration of lands and removal of Priests of Seminary. Mr. Holton drew the attention of the House to the question of Mr McDougall's seat. If he was legally appointed to and accepted the office of Governor of the North West, the position was a very peculiar one, and, as soon as committees were struck he would move that the papers connected with the appointment be referred to the Committee on privileges and elections. Mr. Mackenzie asked when the departmental reports would be published. Sir. F Hincks could not say. Sir Alexander Galt suggested that the House should adjourn till tomorrow for the discussion of the address. Mr Mackenzie said the opposition was always prepared to proceed with business, but if the Government specially wished an adjournment, he would not object. On the motion of Sir John Macdonald, the consideration of the speech was deferred till tomorrow and the House rose at 10 minutes to 5.

NOTICES OF MOTION.

The following notices of motions have been given:—

Mr. Mackenzie—For an address to the Governor-General for a copy of the commission issued to Mr. Macdougall, and copies of all correspondence connected with the establishment of a Canadian government in the North-West territory.

Mr. Mackenzie—For an address for copies of correspondence on the new financial arrangements with Nova Scotia.

Mr Mackenzie—For an address respecting the construction of a road to the North-West.

Mr Mackenzie—For an address for copies of the correspondence, &c., placed before the Dominion arbitrators, with the evidence taken by them and their award.

Mr Mackenzie—For copies of the correspondence between the Dominion government and the Indians of the mountains respecting the surrender or sale of their lands.

Mr Mackenzie—For copies of instructions to surveyors sent to the North-West, with the reports of said surveyors, &c.

Mr Blake—For copies of the correspondence between the Imperial and the Canadian governments respecting the intercolonial railway; also, concerning the application of the proceeds thereof.

Mr Blake—For an address for copies of all Orders in Council and of all correspondence between the Imperial and Canadian governments and between the Canadian and Prince Edward Island governments and between the governments of Canada and British Columbia, touching the admission of Prince Edward Island, or of British Columbia, into the Union, and terms of such admission.

Mr. Blake—An address for copies of all Orders in Council and of all correspondence between the Imperial and Canadian governments and between the government of Canada and any of the provinces, touching any legislation of any of the provinces—including any instructions to his Excellency on the subject of provincial legislation.

Mr. Blake—An address for copies of all correspondence between the governments of Canada and Nova Scotia, touching the provisions of the act respecting Nova Scotia—and for a statement of all moneys paid thereunder, with the dates of such payments.

The Government gave notice of a bill intituled 'an Act to limit the rate on interests.'

Sir John A Macdonald—A bill respecting representation of people in the House of Commons, and the law of election.

Sir John A Macdonald—A bill for the establishment of a Supreme Court for the Dominion.

Mr. Rymal—For a select committee to enquire into the circumstances connected with the authorized payment of the sum of $20,000 to the late Sir Allan McNab, ostensibly for the purchase of certain lands in or near Hamilton, with power to send for persons and papers; the committee to consist of Messrs. Blake, McGill, Scatcherd, Bown, Merrison, (Niagara) Merritt and the mover.

Mr. Lawson—An address for copies of all treaties, surrenders of lands or agreements between the Crown and any of the tribes of Indians located within the provices or territories comprised within the Dominion.

Mr. Magill—For the re-appointment of the select committee of last session of Parliament in reference to the hop growing and salt interest in Canada.