

# JOURNAL

OF THE

## PROCEEDINGS OF THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

OF THE

### PROVINCE OF NOVA SCOTIA.

SECOND SESSION OF THE TWENTY-THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY.

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ANNO VICESIMO OCTAVO VICTORIÆ REGINÆ.

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AT HALIFAX, IN THE PROVINCE OF NOVA SCOTIA.

Legislative Council Chamber,

Thursday, 9th February, 1865.

THE General Assembly having been by Proclamation prorogued to this day, the Council met.

#### PRESENT:

The Honorable EDWARD KENNY, President.

The Honorable

The Honorable

" ROBERT M. CUTLER,

" ROBERT B. DICKEY,

" STAYLEY BROWN,

" JOHN HOLMES,

" MATHER B. ALMON,

" JOHN CREIGHTON,

" ALEXANDER KEITH,

" JOHN H. ANDERSON,

" JAMES McNAB,

" WILLIAM C. WHITMAN,

" JONATHAN McCULLY,

" FREEMAN TUPPER,

" WILLIAM McKEEN,

" ARCHIBALD PATTERSON,

" RICHARD A. McHEFFY,

" SAMUEL CHIPMAN,

" THOMAS D. ARCHIBALD,

" JOHN W. RITCHIE.

John W. Ritchie, Esquire, was introduced and presented a Mandamus appointing him a Member of the Legislative Council. The same was read by the Clerk, whereupon the Oath of Allegiance was administered to him by the Honorable Charles Tupper, Provincial Secretary, (as Commissioner,) and after giving and receiving salutations to and from the Members present, his seat was assigned him next to Mr. Chipman.

Mr. Ritchie takes  
oath.

At Two of the clock, P. M., His Excellency Sir RICHARD GRAVES MAC-DONNELL, Knight, Companion of the Most Honorable Order of the Bath, Lieutenant Governor and Commander-in-Chief in and over Her Majesty's Province of Nova Scotia and its Dependencies, &c., came to the Council Chamber attended as usual, and, being seated, the Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod received His Excellency's command to let the House of Assembly know "It is His Excellency's will and pleasure they attend him immediately in this House," who, being come with their Speaker, His Excellency was pleased to open the Session with the following

H. E. comes to Coun-  
cil Chamber.

H. A. attend.

#### SPEECH:

*Mr. President, and Honorable Gentlemen of the Legislative Council:*

*Mr. Speaker, and Gentlemen of the House of Assembly:*

Speech.

1. It has been my good fortune, in other portions of the British Empire, to have been brought into frequent contact, and to have enjoyed much intercourse, with Members of their Legislatures. The recollections connected therewith, and