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The Debate on the Address.

Without any delay, the Legislature proceeded to discuss the Ministerial programme contained in the Speech the day following the commencement of the session. The different speakers confined themselves pretty closely to the subjects referred to in that Speech, although two or three members of the Opposition betrayed their old propensity by repeating the stereotyped charges against the members of the Government. It was not, of course, to be expected that they would allow the opportunity to pass without having a fling at the Premier, or without once more airing the well-worn sophistries about his desecration of the sanctity of the Bench in leaving it for the more stirring and active arena of politics. Mr. M. C. Cameron, while taking this ground, did not go so far as some of the high-toned Tories and Tory papers, in charging Mr. Mowat with acting unconstitutionally in accepting office. Mr. Cameron well knew that that ground was untenable, and Mr. Mowat in the course of his speech, in reply to Mr. Cameron's, showed in the most clear and conclusive manner that there was no desecration of the sanctity of the Bench in leaving it, and in again entering political life. Nay more, he took even higher ground, and maintained that there was as much sanctity in his position as leader of the Reform party and of the Government as in any other in the land. He argued that if it was a degradation and a descent for a man to engage in the work of perfecting the government of a country, then some of the noblest and best men this or the mother country had produced, were altogether wrong in the work they had accomplished, and the life they had chosen to lead. He capped the climax of his argument by the noble sentiment that as Premier of the Government and member of the Legislative Assembly of Ontario, he was as much discharging his duty now, and acting upon as high moral principles, as he possibly could on the Bench. And we are satisfied that such sentiments will be echoed by a very large majority of the people of this Province. The only other charge worth mentioning made by Mr. Cameron, was that the members of the Government who remained in office after Messrs Blake and Mackenzie had resigned, had violated the constitution in not going back to their constituents for re-election. This charge Mr. Mowat squarely met and effectually answered. He pointed out that the reason their seats were not vacated by any act of theirs. The statute declared that whenever any member holding a certain office resigned that office, and afterwards accepted another office within one month, he did not thereby vacate his seat in the Assembly, unless the Administration, of which he was a member, resigned, and he accepted office in a new Ministry. A new Ministry had not been formed; the resignations of the old members had not been received, but they were asked to hold their offices until the new members were appointed. The effective manner in which the Premier replied to the attacks of the leader of the Opposition made most favourable impression on the supporters of the Government. They felt that, though lacking the commanding power and extraordinary ability of Mr. Blake, though not possessing the great experience and lengthened parliamentary practice of Mr. Mackenzie, he yet displayed a readiness in debate, and an intimate acquaintance with parliamentary usage, as made him more than a match for the ablest man on the Opposition benches. And as the session progresses, we feel satisfied that he will more and more command the respect of the House, and give ample evidence that he is in every respect well qualified to lead the Government, and to retain the support of his followers. There are scarcely any other features of the debate which demand special notice. Mr. Fauder was, as usual, conspicuous in the blistering, biting, and tone of his speech. Mr. Prince said enough to satisfy both parties that he had made up his mind to continue to support the Government. Mr. McKellar replied in plain and earnest words the foul charges made against him with respect to the Elgin Association affair, and promised to bring such evidence before the House as would thoroughly satisfy the members that they were utterly groundless. Mr. Wood expressed his confidence in the Government, and in their ability to deal with the Municipal Loan Fund indebtedness, and took the Dominion Government severely to task for their unwarranted tampering with the constitution in granting subsidies to the Lower Provinces, which were alike an injustice and an injury to Ontario.

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DIED Taylor—At Elmhurst, on the 5th inst., James Taylor, son, aged about 43 years. Deceased was highly respected. Brown—At Lunenburg, on the 27th ult., Margaret Bell, wife of the Rev. John Brown, late pastor of the Congregational Church, Sideside, Eramosa.

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