

The Speech from the Throne.

It was scarcely expected by the general public that any business except that relating to the Pacific Scandal would be brought before Parliament at its present session. The session is a special one, owing its existence entirely to the promise of the Governor-General that the people's representatives should have an opportunity of pronouncing upon the Scandal as soon as the Royal Commission had concluded its proceedings.

We find, however, that Parliament is also invited to consider a Representation Bill, an additional Assistance (Administration) Bill, a Court of Appeals Bill, an Insolvency Bill, a Board of Trade Bill, and other measures.

In thus deciding to make the session one for general business, we wonder how much the Government were influenced by the necessity of making the Speech of a decent and presentable length. The Pacific Scandal is an exceedingly awkward subject to handle in a Speech from the Throne. Half a dozen lines comprises all that is said about it, but there is great significance in these few words, arising from what is left unsaid as well as what is actually spoken. There is no attempt whatever, either directly or by implication, to express an opinion of the innocence of the Ministry—and we may be sure that Sir John A. would have been only too glad to have the benefit of so powerful a point in his favour as would have been some exonerating observations in the Speech. But Lord Dufferin has evidently vetoed anything of the kind. Notice, too, the mild and humble way in which the possibility is expressed that the Commissioners' report may be of some use to the House. Could anything show more clearly the utter superfluity of the Commission? What a lame and impotent conclusion! After forcibly proroguing Parliament in order to appoint this Commission, its report is now laid before the same Parliamentary representatives with the timid remark that it will be for them to determine whether it can be of any assistance to them! There is something exceeding ludicrous in the idea.

The Speech announces also the surrender of the Pacific Railway Charter by Sir Hugh Allan's Company, and the consequent ignominious failure of the Government in an important feature of their policy. Try, try again, is however the motto, and we are kindly promised another scheme for constructing the railway. The details of this new attempt will be awaited with considerable interest. After the John A. Government has tried and failed in this great undertaking a few more times, there may be some chance of the construction of the railway being undertaken in a practical and sensible manner. But it is to be hoped that Parliament or the country will cut short the new John A. Pacific scheme and the life of the Administration together.

Our Public Schools.

We lately had one of the High School Inspectors, J. McLellan, Esq., LL.D., in our town on a tour of inspection of High and Public Schools.

He visited our High School and spent a whole day in examining into the mode of instruction pursued in that institution and the scholarship of the pupils. He also visited the public schools and noted the way in which instruction is imparted therein. The Doctor was much pleased with the proficiency and attainments of the pupils of the High School, and in a few remarks which he made at the close of his examination, took occasion to vindicate the character of the school against some injurious reports that were put into circulation a year ago concerning it. He said that his remarks at that time had reference to the poor qualifications of some pupils who had then lately entered the institution from other schools, and for whose efficiency the High School was in no way responsible. He did not know that his remarks would be published, or he would have given the whole of the report as he made it to the Education Officer Toronto, as it showed the High School to be on a par with others in the Province for efficiency of instruction.

The Inspector was not all pleased with the smallness of the number of students he found in the High School, and stated that there must be some mismanagement in the Public Schools in this direction.

It certainly does appear a little strange that out of some 1,300 pupils attending our Public Schools, only about 25 should be found in the High School, and that this school, the highest seat of learning our town possesses, has not to-day, nor has it had for some time, one solitary school sending up pupils to it. We believe the proper authorities are fully equal to the duty of remedying any evils that may exist, and we have no doubt but that whatever is necessary will be done to place all our schools upon the right basis. Messrs. Murton and Bell, members of our High School Board, were present at the examination at the High School. We wish more of the Board could have been there, to learn the true state of our educational affairs.

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The correspondence with the Imperial Government, referred to yesterday, as confirming the action of the governor-general, was laid before the House of Commons yesterday, and a portion of it is printed in the morning papers; but its great length precludes our commenting on it today. It must be borne in mind, however, that it may clear Lord Dufferin on the technical correctness of his action, without in the least justifying the course pursued by the Dominion Government.

Riel was in the background on Thursday. No mention is made of him in the daily papers of this morning, and it would seem that he has not yet dared to take his seat. Where is he hiding?

James Taylor's COMIQUE Opera Company TO-NIGHT, Town Hall.

BIRTHS.

ARMSTRONG—In Fergus, on the 22nd inst, the wife of Mr. Geo. S. Armstrong, nurseryman, of a daughter.

SINGH—In Guelph, on the 16th inst, the wife of Mr. Wm. Singer, of a daughter.

DUFFY—In Peel, on the 3rd inst., the wife of Mr. W. Duff, of a daughter.

MARRIED

GOW—COLE—In Fergus, on the 22nd inst, by the Rev. E. Barker, Mr. John Gow to Miss Ann Jane Cole, both of Fergus.

DIED

RAMP—In Puslinch, on the 23rd inst., Claude Rame, aged 76 years.

The funeral will leave the residence of the deceased for the Catholic Cemetery, Guelph, at 12 o'clock noon, on Saturday next. Friends and acquaintances are requested to attend without further notice.

DRYSDALE—On the 1st inst., at 54, at Castellan House, Dunbar, Scotland, Janet, wife of Alexander Drysdale, Esq., of that place, formerly of Guelph. Out, and second daughter of the late Alexander Dingwall Fordyce, Esq., of Fergus.

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On the 1st of November, 1873. No more Shoeing will be done after that date.

Having disposed of his stock and tools in that Branch.

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Guelph, Oct. 21st, 1873-d3w3

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