

ONTARIO LEGISLATURE.

The Speech from the Throne.

The opening of the third session of the fourth legislature of Ontario drew a large and brilliant gathering to the parliament buildings yesterday afternoon.

SPEECH FROM THE THRONE.

Mr. Speaker and Gentlemen of the Legislative Assembly: It is with much pleasure that I once more bid you welcome to the metropolis of the Province, and that I congratulate you upon the encouraging circumstances under which you assemble for the performance of the responsible duties which, as the representatives of the people, you have been put in charge.

THE POPULATION OF THE PROVINCE has in the last decade increased by nearly 300,000, and amounts now to nearly two millions, notwithstanding the number of our people who, from various causes have during several years past left the province.

THE BOUNDARY QUESTION.

I regret that since your last session no progress has been made towards a recognition of the right of the province to that extensive portion of its territory our title to which, notwithstanding the award of the distinguished arbitrators appointed by the two governments, the federal authorities have continued to dispute.

DISALLOWED MEASURES.

I regret that I have to refer also to the disallowance of the act of last session for protecting the public interest in rivers, streams and creeks. The competency of the legislature to pass the act was not questioned, and the act was disallowed mainly upon the ground that the minister of justice did not approve of the mode or extent of the compensation which the act gave to owners of property affected by the act.

INSURANCE.

I congratulate you that recent decisions of the judicial committee of the privy council have set at rest all questions as to the right of the provincial legislature to legislate as our interests may from time to time require, on matters of internal trade, and in particular on the law of insurance.

ESCHEATS.

I regret that the right of the provinces to property escheated for want of heirs unanimously maintained by the highest courts in Ontario and Quebec, and acquiesced in by the federal government for several years—has, on a recent appeal to the supreme court of Canada by that Government in the name of the defendants in a well-known case, been negatively by a majority of the judges of the court.

AGRICULTURAL STATISTICS.

I congratulate you on the general favor with which the report of the commissioners appointed to inquire into the agricultural resources and requirements of the province had been received by all classes interested in agriculture. I have anxiously considered what further means may be employed to aid this great industry, and to promote the well-

fare of the population engaged in it. During recent years in Great Britain and other European countries, and also in the United States of America, and in the Australian colonies of Great Britain, great advantage has been found to result from the collection of reliable crop reports and other agricultural statistics.

OTHER SUBJECTS.

I have also to recommend to your consideration such changes in the law respecting the Agricultural and Arts Association as may increase the usefulness of that organization, and bring its operations into harmony with the present needs and circumstances of the country.

A bill respecting market fees will again be submitted for your consideration. Other measures which will probably be laid before you, and to which I invite your attention are, a bill for amending and consolidating the laws respecting line fences, ditches, and water courses; a bill to provide by a general law for the construction of water-works by cities, towns and villages; a bill providing for the crossing of railway tracks by streets and roads; a bill for the inspection of boilers, with a view to affording some additional security against explosions; a bill to make provision for maintaining and promoting the public health; a bill for further simplifying the laws concerning real property and conveyancing; a bill to remove some defects in the law of evidence; a bill to place on a more satisfactory footing the law of libel in certain cases; and a bill to facilitate the establishment of free libraries.

TIMBER SALES.

It having become necessary in the interests of settlement and revenue to place under timber license a few townships lying to the south of French River and Lake Nipissing, in the Parry Sound and Nipissing districts, the activity of the timber trade last year afforded a favorable opportunity of selling at public auction the right to cut the pine timber in these townships, covering the limited area of 1321 square miles; and it is gratifying to know that the result was most satisfactory, the sale having (among other advantages) increased the available means of the province by nearly three quarters of a million dollars, besides adding to the revenue the annual rent to which the purchasers are liable, and the duties on the timber which they may cut.

PROVINCE AND DOMINION.

In consequence of circumstances not within the control of either government the accounts between the Province and the Dominion are still unsettled; and the money coming from the Common School fund for local improvements in the counties in which the lands that produced the fund are situated, has not yet been received by the provinces. In view of the prolonged delay, I recommend the payment of the principal (about \$125,000) to the counties interested, out of the Consolidated Revenue of the Province, in anticipation of the receipt of the money from the Dominion.

NEW PROVINCIAL BUILDINGS.

adequate to the growing requirements of the province and the necessities of the public service, has continued to receive my attention during the past year. Much more time than had been expected was consumed in procuring necessary modifications to be made in the plans received previously to your last session and in the preparation of the specifications. This preliminary work has now been completed; tenders have been called for; and the result will be communicated to you.

PUBLIC ACCOUNTS.

The public accounts allowing the receipts and expenditure of this past year, and the estimates of monies required for the services of the current year, will be laid before you. The estimates have been prepared with every regard for economy consistent with the public interest.

GARFIELD'S DEATH.

I cannot allow the present opportunity to pass without expressing in my name, and in that of the people of this Province, the grief and indignation which, in common with the whole civilized world, we felt at the shocking and unprovoked murder of the late honored and lamented President of the United States. By no community was President Garfield's death more sincerely mourned than by the people of Ontario.

ANNOUNCEMENT.

The lieutenant-governor then took his departure and the gathering soon followed, leaving the chamber alone to the legislature which transacted a little formal business and then rose.

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Single Women.

A clever old maid once said that it was far better to be laughed at because you were not married than not to be able to laugh because you were. There is some logic in that. It is well for a woman to marry if she meets a good, true man who loves her and whom she loves; but if she be not suited, better, far better, that she remain single. The majority of old maids are helpful, lovable and sweet-tempered, and fill their allotted niche as acceptably as do their married sisters. Are they not more to be honored than they would have been had they married merely for a home or position? Our young ladies have erroneous ideas upon this subject. They feel almost disgraced if they have arrived at a mature age and are not able to write Mrs. before their names. Their whole ambition is to get a husband, by hook or by crook, but get him somehow they must. Consequently they take the first man who offers himself, whether he really suits them or not. Now, girls, do not marry in haste. Get the best education possible, help about domestic affairs, and enter upon some trade or profession for which you have a taste, and master it. Skilled labor is always well paid. Do not spend your time repining because you cannot see the coming man. If you never see him, you can live useful, happy lives. You think if you had a husband you would have a strong arm on which to lean, a sharer of sorrow and trouble. Alas! many a slender woman has had not only to stand alone, but also to serve as a prop for her children and husband, and very few wives find in their husbands all the sympathy and companionship they desire. If you are good for anything you will not be hurt by remaining single, neither will you be elevated by becoming "John's wife." Do your duty in life and you will count for one in the world whether married or single.

A Pen Picture of Florence Nightingale.

On the occasion of the recent opening for the season of the Washington Training School for Nurses, Dr. J. M. Toner gave an interesting account of an interview which he enjoyed during past summer, with Miss Florence Nightingale. He said: "Upon my care being sent to Miss Nightingale I was immediately conducted to her room on the second floor. Here I found Miss Nightingale reclining upon a lounge, by the side of which stood a small table with writing materials upon it; also the photographs of the nurses and the pamphlets and china I had sent her. She held my card in her hand, and addressing me by name as I approached, and without rising, extended her hand and bade me welcome. Florence Nightingale, though of English parentage, was born in Florence, Italy, in 1820, and is therefore sixty-one years of age, but she looked not a day older than forty-six. Miss Nightingale's features are regular, her face is smooth and unlined, her eyes are blue and clear, and she has an English complexion, large brown eyes and a well-nourished body, which would weigh 162 pounds, so that she is now the slight, fragile person which the engraved portraits taken just after the Crimean war, represented her to be. Though she sat upright on the lounge when I entered the room, and again several times during my stay, yet she did not at any time move her lower limbs, which were covered with a shawl. I do not know the character of her invalidism, but whatever it is, it in no way affects her mental energy or the sympathy with the work of educating nurses. She has enlarged, clear and distinct views on the subject of nursing and training of nurses, and expresses them forcibly and fluently.

The Gaze-at-the-Girls Young Man.

Among the curiosities of every large city, and especially about the holiday season, is the gaze-at-the-girls young man. That he finds his pursuit agreeable is evident from the way in which he sticks to his business and the rapidity with which he multiplies. There is no trouble in identifying him. He is his own identification. From shortly before noon until dusk the gaze-at-the-girls young man may be seen on the leading thoroughfares. Every pretty face that comes along claims his attention and he at once proceeds to investigate its charms. He does not do this quietly and unobtrusively, not he. The gaze-at-the-girls young man's chief stock in trade is power of gazing long and intently. Then the gaze does not go alone. With every gaze goes a smile, a peculiar smile, a sort of a cross between the lip-sidled smirk of a Gaiety and the aesthetic simper of a Bunthorne. This combination is bestowed lavishly. He brushes against the girls and fairly forces his gaze into their faces. The gaze-at-the-girls young man will stoop and look under a Gainsborough hat in order to discover what kind of a face is hidden beneath it. The gaze-at-the-girls young man is in his glory at the rink.

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