

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

UPPER CANADA.

Tuesday, 19th November, 1833.

THIS being the day appointed for the meeting of the Provincial Legislature,—
At Two of the clock, P. M., the House met.

House meets.

PRESENT,

<i>The Honorable</i> JOHN B. ROBINSON, SPEAKER,	<i>The Honorable Messrs.</i> ROBINSON,
<i>The Honorable</i> Mr. CROOKSHANK,	“ “ McDONELL,
<i>The Hon. & Ven. The</i> ARCHDEACON OF YORK,	“ “ ELMSLEY,
<i>The Honorable Messrs.</i> WELLS,	“ “ BALDWIN,
“ “ CAMERON,	“ “ ADAMSON.
“ “ MARKLAND,	<i>The Hon. & Rt. Rev.</i> BISHOP MACDONELL.
“ “ ALLAN,	

Members present.

Prayers were read.

His Honor the Speaker informed the House that Stephen Jarvis, Esq. had been appointed by His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod attending this House, in the room of William Lee, Esquire, now deceased.

Speaker reports the appointment of Stephen Jarvis, Esq. as Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod.

At Three of the clock, P. M., His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor being seated on the Throne, His Honor the Speaker of the Legislative Council commanded the Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod to inform the Members of the Assembly, that it was His Excellency's pleasure that they do forthwith attend at the Bar of this House; who being come thereto, His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor was pleased to open the Session by a gracious Speech to both Houses.

His Excellency comes to the House and commands the attendance of the Assembly.

Parliament convened.

The House of Assembly having withdrawn, His Excellency was pleased to retire.

His Excellency retires.

His Honor the Speaker informed the House that he was in possession of a copy of His Excellency's Speech; which he read, and it was again read by the Clerk; and is as follows:

Speaker reports a copy of His Excellency's Speech. Same read.

*Honorable Gentlemen of the Legislative Council, and
Gentlemen of the House of Assembly:*

I feel assured that I have every reason to congratulate you on the favorable prospects of the several Districts, with whose interests you are particularly connected, and on the progressive advances which the Province is making in all that constitutes a flourishing community.

The Speech.

Although the recent Emigration has not proved so extensive as you were led to anticipate from the number of settlers located last year, yet the country cannot but derive essential benefit from the property invested by the Emigrants of this season, which far exceeds the capital transferred to the Province during any corresponding period.

The information you have acquired of the statistical changes rapidly taking place, and of the energy displayed by the inhabitants of several Districts, in profiting by Lakes and Rivers to improve their communications, enables you to judge correctly of the capacity and actual resources of the Colony; and I am persuaded that you will concur with me in the opinion, that were they sufficiently known and appreciated, the Parent State would be encouraged to regard this fertile country as an asylum for a large portion of her present redundant population, and to adopt an extensive system of emigration, which, with prudent regulations, could not fail to ameliorate the condition of the laboring classes, promote the welfare of the Province, and increase her own commercial prosperity.

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