

beer force lined the road to the main entrance as follows: Ottawa Garrison Battery, No. 2, Capt. Ross, Bunkingham Infantry, Capt. McNaughton; Hawkesbury Infantry, Lieut. Ogden; Civil Service Rifles, Capt. Anderson. The two Companies of Cadets were posted inside the Buildings.

The members being assembled, His Excellency was pleased to command the attendance of the Legislative Assembly, who were present as follows:—

Archambault, Bell, Bellerose, Biggar, Bourassa, Bowman, Boonsseau, Brown, Burwell, J H Cameron, Carling, Cauchon, Chambers, Chapais, Cornellier, Cowan, Currier, D E Bonchesville, J B Dorion, Duckett, Dufresne, Dunkin, Dunsford, Fergusson, Fortier, Gagnon, Gaucher, Gaudet, Holton, Houde, D F Jones, Knight, LaBreche, Viger, Lajoie, LeBoutillier, D A Macdonald, C. McGee, Hon. T. D. McGee, McIntyre, Morris, Angus Morrison, Munro, McMonies, Pouliot, Poupore, Powell, Rankin, Raymond, Rose, Rebiteille, Soss, (Dundas), Rymal, Scoble, Shanly, Smith, J. S. Sturton, Street, Sylvain, Temblay, Walbridge, Wells, White, Willson, Wright, Alonzo, Wright Amos.

His Excellency was then pleased to open the Fifth Session of the Eighth Parliament of the Province of Canada with the following

SPEECH FROM THE THRONE: ¶

Honorable Gentle of the Legislative Council; Gentlemen of the Legislative Assembly:

I am happy again to avail myself of your advice in carrying on the Government, and I trust that you will find in the magnificent buildings erected in the city chosen by Her Majesty as the Seat of Government, increased facilities for the despatch of public business, while they will prove aequitate to the great of this country.

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jects of Foreign Countries at peace with Her Majesty. It has also been necessary for the preservation of law and order, to adopt a course similar to that taken at the present session of the Imperial Parliament, for the temporary suspension of the writ of Habeas Corpus. I invite your immediate consideration of these necessary measures.

I have fixed, by Proclamation, the first day of August next as the time which the Civil Code of Lower Canada, passed in the last Session of Parliament, shall come into operation.

The Code of Civil procedure of Lower Canada, as reported by the Commissioners, shall be submitted for your adoption during the Session.

Gentlemen of the Legislative Assembly:

I have desired the financial accounts for the present year and the estimates of expenditure for the next year shall be laid before you.

I congratulate you upon the very satisfactory results of the commerce of the country during the past year; the revenue has been so largely in excess with the estimates as to enable me, without inconvonience, to provide for the heavy and unexpected charges entailed upon the country:

Honorable Gentlemen and Gentlemen:

The position which the great question of the Union of the Provinces of British North America has assumed is now such as to induce the expectation that the measure will shortly be carried into effect. I therefore hope and believe that it will be found practicable during the present session to adopt such proceedings as may be necessary for completing the details of the scheme as regards this Province, and I venture to express the confident expectation that the next Parliament which will be held within these walls will not be confined to an assembly of the Representatives of Canada, but will embrace those of all the colonies of British North America.

I am happy to be able to congratulate you on the general prosperity which pervades all classes of the community in the Province, and I pray that your Councils may be guided by Divine Providence to secure that which is the true end of all Government, the moral and material advancement of the great body of the people.