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SKETCHES FROM THE PROVINCIAL PARLIAMENT.

OUR sketches this week represent the Provincial Secretary, Mr. Fielding, making one of his characteristic speeches in the House of Assembly. Mr. Fielding, who speaks in a quick but very decisive manner, is at times, especially when there is any opposition, an exceedingly eloquent speaker. He brings out his arguments and facts in a clear, straight-from-the-shoulder manner that is very convincing to his audience, and he never says anything unthought of and that he would wish to recall in a more calm moment.



HON. W. S. FIELDING.

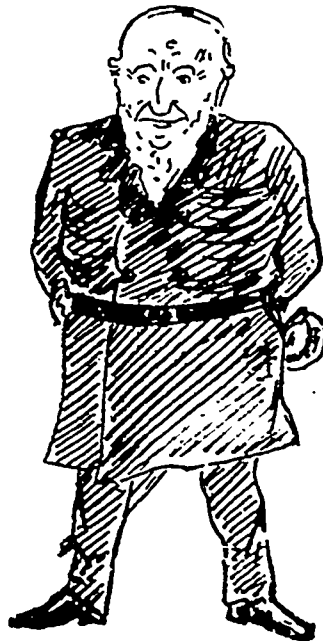
Our next one is the Hon. Mr. Longley replying in his usual caustic manner to some question addressed from the other side of the House. Mr. Longley is an excellent debater and exceedingly happy and witty in his replies to peppering questions, and



HON. J. W. LONGLEY.

will turn a point so that it reflects on his adversary in a most remarkable manner. Mr. Longley seems to us to resemble Mr. Balfour in the British House, both in manner and in style.

Our third sketch represents Mr. Haliburton, the sergeant-at-arms, who is eying the House with paternal eye. He is a well-known figure, and when begirt by his sword looks formidable and well able to keep any turbulent member in order. But as a rule his duties seem light, and only consist in entering into polite and affable conversation with the Hon. members and keeping a steely eye fixed on the galleries.



THE SERGEANT-AT-ARMS.

WE have already presented our readers with photographs of the Provincial Secretary and the Attorney-General, and trust we will be forgiven for offering their portraits a second time, in a new style. We have endeavored, in the present sketches, to reproduce not only the well-known faces, but also some of the equally well-known attitudes of these gentlemen. We trust the sketches will be adjudged of sufficient merit to justify their reproduction.

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