

PROVINCIAL PARLIAMENTS

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.
Quebec, Feb. 29.
The Speaker took the Chair at three o'clock.
After routine business, the Hon. Sir. E. Tache resumed the debate on the address and was followed by the Hon. Mr. Ollivier and the Hon. Mr. Letellier, the latter of whom was speaking when our reporter left.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY. Quebec, Feb. 29.

The Speaker took the chair at 3 o'clock.

James Cockburn, Esq., appeared in court and was put in custody of the Sergeant-at-Arms, and put in an affidavit that his absence from the Montreal East Election committee, had been caused by serious illness in his family.

The Hon. Francis Evansdale also appeared at the bar and put in affidavit that he had been prevented by illness from attending the Joliette election Committee.

Both gentlemen were accepted as sufficient that they were discharged from custody.

Messrs. McKellar, Chapais, Alex. Daoust, Carling, Bell—Laurak—and Daoust were sworn at the Clerks Table as the general Committee of Elections for the present session.

The House adjourned to meet on Monday morning to-morrow forenoon at eleven o'clock.

Hon. Mr. Cartier.

Quebec, March 1.

Mon. Mr. Cartier has occupied the whole of the sitting, discussing the various items of the address, reviewing at great length the policy of the late Cartier-Macdonald Government as compared with the present one in all the points mentioned in the address as well as some points omitted. He has also discussed at considerable length the conduct of the various Canadian institutions ruled by Government, more especially that respecting the Clerk of the Peace of Montreal. He began speaking at half-past three and continued speaking till half past one this morning. The usual adjournment at six o'clock being prolonged to a quarter to eight.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.
Quebec, March 1.

The Speaker took the chair at three o'clock.

After routine business the debate on the address was continued by Hon. Mr. Dickenson, Hon. Mr. McCrea, and Sir N. Belleau who was speaking when our despatch left.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Quebec, March 1.

Last night, after our report left after further debate, the second paragraph of the address was adopted. On the third paragraph being put the debate was adjourned.

The general Committee on elections reported that they had unanimously decided in pursuance of their interpretation of the controverted elections Act, to proceed to choose new committees to try the controverted elections of Hoohebag and Bellebaase.

The Committee also reported that they had selected the names of the following gentlemen to form the Chairman's panel for the present session :—Messrs. Macfarlane, Ab-

The house then resumed the consideration of the address in reply to His Excellency's speech.

The third paragraph relating to the Reciprocity Treaty was adopted without debate.

The 4th paragraph having reference to the improvement of our existing system of inland water communication, being then put Hon Mr Rose addressed the House.

After further debate, the fourth and 5th paragraphs were adopted.

On the 6th paragraph referring to the

Quebec, March 2.

In the course of the debate on the address, Hon. Mr. Rose expressed regret that the government made no allusion to any amendment to Militia Bills. The force would fall to the ground if it did not receive more encouragement.

Hon. Mr. Sanfield McDonald in reply, said the government would be prepared to

In reply to enquiries as to the position of the Intercolonial Railway negotiations, the Premier stated that the conduct of the Premier of New Brunswick had been such that communications with the Province had ceased. The delegates, however, had been distinctly told that the convention of 1862 was at an end. Notifications had been given to the Lower Provinces that the expedition survey would be proceeded with, and that they were invited to take part in it. Mr.

Hon. Mr. Dorion said he occupied the same position in this matter as he always did. He retired from the cabinet as on a former occasion because the undertaking was too great to go into at that time and under conditions proposed. He was not opposed to a railway if it could be obtained on terms within means of the revenue. A railway was

Hon. Mr. Foley spoke after recess, saying he would not vote for the appropriation for the exploration survey. He attacked the Government on various grounds. Among other things Hon. Mr. Foley urged that on the retrograde question, this ministry had retrograded from the position of the Donald Scott Government, refusing to

not even in adjournment, that on the Scotto question, the Postmaster General and other members and supporters of the Government, denounced Scotto's bill before their Western constituents; but sat silently acquiescent when the Premier claimed at the Quebec banquet the honor and popularity for Ministers for passing it. He gave notice before he went to the Mount Forest dinner that he could not drink the health of the Ministers and was given to understand that it would not be proposed. He

He quickly received a number of groans of sympathy in speaking, as he did when that toast was in spite of previous assurances he proposed. He said he had it from good authority that the demonstration attempted yesterday still in the own riding had been instigated by the Provincial Secretary on behalf of the Government. And concluded by saying that if the Government were to attempt to take a position towards the Government which he formerly held, and will not

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