ONTARIO LEGISLATURE.

THIRD PARLIAMENT-FOURTH SESSION.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY,

Tuesday, March 11.

The Speaker took the chair at two O'clock.

RETURNS.

Mr. HARDY laid on the table the follow-Ing documents :- Return to an order of the House for all correspondence between the Provincial Secretary and the Ottawa Gov. ernment respecting legislation in confirmation of the award of the arbitrators respecting the northerly and westerly boundaries; return to an order of the House for all correspondence between the Government and James Grace, formerly a license inspector in the South Riding of Brant, relating to the working of the Temperance Act of 1864 in that riding, or his position as a license commissioner or his resignation thereof; and the Public Accounts for 1878. (Cheers.)

There being no other business before the House the Speaker left the chair.

PROROGATION.

At three o'clock His Honour the Lieu: tenant-Governor, accompanied by Capt. H. Forsyth Grant, Aide-de-camp, Col. Algar, Col. Durie, and Col. Denison, left Government House and proceeded to the Parliament buildings, where a guard of honor of the 10th Royals, under command of Capt. Thomson and Lieuts. Furnival and Smith, was drawn up. A salute of thirteen guns was fired by the Toronto Field Battery, who were commanded by Lieut. Mead and Surgeon Diamond. The galleries of the chamber were filled to overflowing, and the members' seats were largely occupied by spectators. Upon the floor of the House were Archbishop Lynch, Bishop Jamot of Algoma, V. G. Rooney, Rev. Father Conway, Rev. Father McCann, Rev. Father Bergin, Rev. Dr. Topp, V. C. Proudfoot, Mr. Justice Cameron, Mr. Justice Osler, Mayor Beaty, B. Homer Dixon, F. C. Capreol, Dr. Kelly, H. H. Cook, ex. M.P., etc. His Honour being seated on the Throne, the Clerk-Assistant of the House read over the titles of the following Bills:-

An Act respecting Billings' Bridge, and to legalize the conveyance thereof to the Ottawa and Gloucester Road Company.

An Act to consolidate the debt of the county of

Middlesex.

An Act respecting an agreement entered into between the City of Brantford and the Grand Trunk Railway Company.

An Act relating to the Toronto General Hospital. An Act to legalize certain by-laws of the city of St. Datharines, and to amend the several Acts relating to the Water-Works of said city. An Act to incorporate the Brantford Street Rail-

way Company. An Act respecting the Grand Junction Railway

Company. An Act respecting the Water-Works of the city of

Ottawa. An Act respecting the Yorkville Loop Line Rail-

way Company.

An Act respecting the Brockville Mutual Building Society.

An Act respecting certain dams on Beaver Creek and other streams in the counties of Hastings and

Addington. An Act to incorporate the Lake Scugog Marsh

Lands Drainage Company.

An Act respecting the public burying ground in the Town of Guelph.

An Act to incorporate the City of Guelph.

An Act respecting the property of the Congregation of St. Mary's Roman Catholic Church, Almonte.

An Act to incorporate the Town of Mount Forest. An Act to amend the Act incorporating the Hamfilton and Dundas Street Railway Company. An Act respecting the Leamington, Comber, and

Lake St. Clair Railway Company. An Act respecting the Stratford and Huron Railway Company.

An Act to amend the boundary lines of the Town

erton.

of Ingersoll. An Act relating to the Hamilton and North West-

ern Railway Company.

An Act to incorporate the Windsor and Essex

Centre Railway Company.

An Act respecting certain property in the Town of Peterborough, and to amend an Act respecting the Toronto and Ottawa Railway Company.

An Act respecting the Victoria College at Cobourg.

An Act to give further powers to the Petrolia

Crude Oil and Tanking Company. An Act to empower the trustees under a deed by

Thomas Keenan to sell certain lands. An Act respecting the Lake Simcoe Junction Railway Company.

An Act to extend the limits of the town of Walk-

An Act to provide for the division of the township of Colchester. An Act respecting Water-Works for the town of

Guelph. An Act to amend the Act incorporating the St. Joseph Union Society of the city of Ottawa.

An Act respecting the Belleville and North Hastings Railway Company.

An Act to incorporate the Grey and Walkerton Railway Company.

rance Company of Ontario. An Act respecting the Walkerton School Lands. An Act respecting the Georgian Bay and Wel-

An Act to incorporate the Prudential Life Assu-

lington Railway Company. An Act respecting the Whitby, Port Perry, and

Lindsay Railway Company. An Act respecting the Whitby and Bobcay geon

Railway Extension Company. An Act respecting the township of Harvey, in the

county of Peterborough. An Act to amend the Acts respecting the Con-

sumers' Gas Company of Toronto. An Act to incorporate the Ontario Central Rail-

way Company. An Act to authorize the sale of certain lands in the village of London East, heretofore known as the

Methodist Cemetery. An Act to incorporate the Ontario Veterinary As-

sociation. An Act to incorporate the Waterloo, Wellington,

and Georgian Bay Railway Company. An Act to extend the powers of the Hand-in-

Hand Mutual Fire Insurance Company. An Act to legalize a certain by-law of the Town

of Strathroy. An Act to incorporate the Industrial Exhibition

Association of Toronto. An Act to incorporate the Snowdon Branch Rail-

way. An Act to legalize certain by-laws and debentures of the county of Kent in aid of the Huron and Erie

Railway Company. An Act for the relief of the Barton and Glanford Road Company.

An Act respecting the Municipality of Shuniah. An Act to amend an Act to authorize the Churchwardens of St. James' Church, Toronto, to issue debentures. An Act to further amend the Acts incorporating

the Hamilton Gas Light Company. An Act to amend the Acts relating to the Brantford, Norfolk, and Port Burwell Railway Company.

An Act relating to the incorporation of the village of Tiverton. An Act respecting the debenture debt and other property of the city of Toronto.

An Act to incorporate the Poultry Association of Ontario. An Act respecting the Andrew Mercer Reforma-

tory for Females. An Act to extend the powers of Gas Companies. An Act to amend the Building Societies' Act. An Act to amend the Act respecting the fees of counsel and other officers in the administration of

justice. An Act respecting Public, Separate, and High Schools.

An Act to extend the right of taking the security of Guarantee Companies. An Act to authorize the issuing of scrip for rail-

way grants in certain cases. An Act respecting the Northerly and Westerly

Boundaries of Ontario. An Act to amend the Jurors' Act.

An Act to amend the Act respecting the income and property of the University of Toronto, University College, and Upper Canada College. An Act respecting investments in trust funds.

An Act to authorize certain variations in deeds to Trustees of Religious Societies. An Act respecting the power of Mechanics' Insti-

to s and Library Associations to deal with their real estate. An Act to amend the Act relating to Coroners. An Act to make further provisions respecting

Election to the Legislative Assembly. An Act to give to Mortgagees certain powers now commonly inserted in mortgages. An Act for the protection of Plum and Cherry

An Act to amend the law as to the Limitation of Actions.

An Act respecting the Registration of Deaths. An Act respecting payments under the Municipal Loan Fund system, where Indians are interested. An Act to authorize investments in Municipal De-

bentures issued in aid of Stone or Timber Drainage. An Act to amend the Railway Act of Ontario. An Act to amend the Agriculture and Arts Act. An Act to amend the Municipal Law.

An Act for the administration of justice in the northerly and westerly parts of Ontario. An Act to make certain provisions respecting the

practice of the Courts. An Act for the further investment of public money in Municipal drainage debentures.

An Act to establish an Industrial Refuge for Girls.

An Act to amend the Assessment Act. An Act to make further provisions respecting Voters' Lists.

An Act respecting S eam and Heating Companies. An Act to provide for the inspection of Insurance Companies.

An Act respecting the application of the Religious Institutions Act to the Church of England. An Act respecting the office of Sheriff. An Act to amend the Law of Dower.

An Act to extend the Act respecting the Heir, Devises, and Assignee Commission. An Act respecting Grand Juries.

To these Bills the Royal Assent was announced by the Clerk of the Legislative Assembly as tollows:-

In Hr Majesty's name the Lieutenant-Governor doth assent to these Bills.

Mr. SPEAKER then said :-

May it please Your Excellency:

We, Her Majesty's most dutiful and faithful subjects, the Legislative Assembly of the Province of Ontario, in session assembled, approach Your Honour at the close of our labours with sentiments of unfeigned devotion and loyalty to Her Majesty's p'rson and Government, and humbly beg to present for Your Honour's acceptance a Bill intituled " An Act for Granting to Her Majesty certain sums of money to defray the expenses of Civil Government for the year 1879, and for other purposes therein mentioned," thus placing at the disposal of the Crown the means by which the Government can be made efficient for the service and welfare of the Province.

To this Bill the Clerk of the Legislative Assembly, by command of the Lieutenant. Governor, did say :-

The Lieutenant-Governor doth thank Her Majesty's dutiful and loyal subjects, accept their benevolence, and assent to this Bill in Her Majesty's name."