

THE LEGISLATURE.

Reassembled After the Dominion Elections.

DEBATE ON THE ADDRESS.

Moved by Mr. Tait, Seconded by Mr. Garrow.

Speeches by the Opposition Leader and the Premier—The Government Very Lightly Criticised.

TORONTO, March 10.

The Legislature reassembled to-day after the recess made necessary by the Dominion electoral campaign. The day was given up to the debate on the address. The speeches of the mover and seconder were equal in ability to those of any former year. The Opposition leader criticised but briefly and not very severely, so that the debate was brought to an early close.

Petitions.

The following petitions were presented:—

From the Town Council of Alliston, praying that an act may pass to consolidate their debt—Mr. Wylie.

From William B. C. Barclay of Arnprior, praying for an act to change his name to William Barclay Craig—Mr. Awrey.

From the Town Council of Cornwall, praying for an act to consolidate the debt—Mr. Mack.

From the Fort Erie Ferry Railway Company, praying that an act may pass to legalise certain bonds and for power to extend their line—Mr. Baxter.

From the Town Council of Gananoque, praying that an act may pass to authorise the issue of certain debentures—Mr. Preston.

From George Macgregor Gardner of Toronto, praying that an act may pass to authorise the Supreme Court of Judicature for Ontario to admit him to practise therein as a solicitor—Mr. Tait.

From the Grand Legion of Ontario Select Knights of Canada, for an act to enable them to acquire, hold and convey real estate.

From the incorporated synod of the Diocese of Huron, for an act to consolidate the various trust funds under their control—Mr. Meredith.

From Millbrook Town Council, for an act to consolidate the town debt—Mr. Kerns.

From Orillia Town Council, for an act to authorise the purchase of a postoffice site—Mr. Miscampbell.

From Ottawa City Council, for an act to empower the issue of debentures to defray the city's share of sidewalks constructed as local improvements.

From Ottawa St. Andrew's Society, for an act to amend its act of incorporation—Mr. Bronson.

From the Ottawa, Arnprior & Renfrew Railway Company, for an act to amend its charter—Mr. Monck.

From the Town Council of Port Arthur, for an act to consolidate their debt—Mr. Conmee.

From the Port Arthur Town Council, for an act to authorise the construction of an electric street railway—Mr. Conmee.

From the Prescott and Russell Counties Council and others, for an act to confirm a certain by-law relating to the Village of Casselman—Mr. Evanturel.

From the Municipality of Shuniah, for an act to consolidate the law relating to the municipality—Mr. Conmee.