

THURSDAY, MARCH 1,

STILL TALKING.

Debate on the Address is Not
Yet Finished.

WEST ELGIN COMMISSION.

**Opposition Members Complain That
the Investigation Ordered by the
Government is Not Sufficient.**

The debate on the address dragged its weary course along in the Legislature yesterday afternoon, and very little interest was shown in it. There were many members' seats vacant, and the public galleries were almost empty. Mr. Lucas concluded the speech which he had begun on the previous night, and was succeeded by Mr. Pardee, the brilliant young member for West Lambton. Dr. Barr (Dufferin) and Mr. Malcolm (Centre Bruce) also spoke.

Mr. Burt introduced a bill to amend the municipal act.

A committee consisting of Messrs Ross, Davis, Matheson, Stratton, Whitney, Foy, Gibson and Harcourt was appointed to assist Mr. Speaker in the management of the library.

Debate on the Address.

Mr. Lucas, in resuming the debate on the address, argued that it was the duty of the Attorney-General's Department to initiate prosecutions for all crimes of a public character. The Attorney-General had stated that the duty did not devolve upon the department to institute prosecutions for bribery, yet in the very same speech he admitted that it had done so in the case of the South Ontario election. The amendment of the Attorney-General stated that the Judges had reported irregularities in West Elgin, and what was wanted now was a prosecution, and not a jug-handled, one-sided inquiry. If the Liberal organizer went into West Elgin and took charge of the proceedings, which resulted in a carnival of crime, ought the Government not to hang their heads in shame and retire from public life?

Mr. Gibson asked why a further investigation was not insisted upon on June 26th, when the two Judges were