

Ross, who will make the only speech for the Opposition. The Premier will conclude the debate.

Following the adjournment a reception was held in the Speaker's chambers, where light refreshments were served and the guests spent a pleasant hour chatting over the events of the day.

The members of the Government attended a State dinner at Government House last night.

Press Gallery Officers.

The members of the Legislative Press Gallery yesterday elected the following officers for the year:—President, R. J. Hartley, *The News*; Vice-President, Wm. Banks, jun., *The Globe*; Secretary-Treasurer, E. A. McGiffin, *The Star*; Executive Committee, J. A. McNeil, *The Mail and Empire*; D. F. Hanna, *The Telegram*, and C. W. Cavers, *The World*.

High School Accommodation.

Hon. Dr. Pyne, in an interview with a number of the members of the Board of Education, expressed the view that high school accommodation should be increased in the northern part of the city, and hoped that the Board of Control would consider the matter. He promised to look into the status of the city model school, and it was hoped that city model schools might be placed on the same basis as the county ones.

Society at the Opening.

The great chamber of the Legislative Assembly of Ontario presented a brilliant spectacle yesterday afternoon when the Legislature was declared open by his Honor the Lieutenant-Governor. Long before 2 o'clock the galleries and "floor of the House" were rapidly filling, the delicate shades of the dresses, with here and there a black gown of soft velvet or glittering sequins bringing out the paler colors to perfection. The Sergeant-at-Arms, with assistance from Mr. Bruce Macdonald, was most kind and attentive in showing the seats, and the Assembly chamber resembled a garden filled with flowers. Just behind the seats of honor on the right and left of the throne towered two big clusters of pink roses, and the softened light fell gently on the blossoms through the heavy curtains.

Every word of the speech from the throne was clearly heard, and at the end with the usual ceremonious bows his Honor departed, followed by his glittering staff, after which prayers were said by the Speaker and the introduction of the new members was gone through.

"The House is adjourned" being pronounced in the stentorian tones of Mr. St. John's splendid voice, several hundred people found their way to the Speaker's rooms, where tea tables, beautifully decorated with red tulips and white narcissi, were arranged with good things galore, the Speaker and Mrs. St. John giving a kindly greeting, a delightful ending to a brilliant and interesting function.

Amongst the many beautiful toilettes were Mrs. Mortimer Clark, pale rose