PROROGATION OF THE LEGISLATURE.

Little Interest Taken in Final Ceremony.

THIRTEEN M. P. P'S PRESENT.

A Number of Ladies Grace the Occasion.

Speech From Throne Touches Upon the More Important Matters of Business Disposed of During the Session-Hon. Dr. Pyne Pronounces His Honor's Pleasure.

Only the presence of the brilliantly uniformed soldiers and of the Lieut .-Governor in the full regalia of his office gave interest to the formal prorogation of the Legislature on Saturday afternoon. Less than one hundred people were inside the Legislative chamber, and there was an entire absence of the beautiful gowns and gaiety that marked the opening ceremony a few months ago. Only thirteen members and a small group of ladies were present to rise when his Honor W. Mortimer Clark, accompanied by his aides, Major Macdonald and Lieut. Young, General Otter, Col. Pellatt and Lieut.-Col. Hall entered the chamber. Among the ladies present were Mrs. Mortimer Clark, Mrs. Whitney and daughter, Mrs. Thompson, Mrs. Pyne, Miss Park (Cornwall), Mrs. W. F. Maclean, Mrs. and Miss Crawford. Miss Ryan and Miss Lawrence.

His Honor arrived at 3 o'clock, surrounded by a squad of brilliantly uniformed outpost riders from the Royal Canadian Dragoons. His approach was signalized by the firing of fifteen guns in charge of "B" Battery of the Royal Canadian Horse Artillery. Mr. Sydere, Clerk of the Legislature,

and his assistant, Lieut.-Col. Delamere, occupied their accustomed places, and the latter read the list of bills passed during the session. His Honor then read the address from the throne, after which Hon. Dr. Pyne

rese and said:-"It is his Honor's will and pleasure that this Legislative Assembly be prorogued, and this Legislative Assembly is

The members who were present to the end were Premier Whitney, Hon. Dr. Pyne, Hon. Thomas Crawford, Hon. G. P. Graham, Messrs. A. G. MacKay, Hugh Clark, McNaught, McCowan, Gamey and Craig, and Dr. Smellie and Dr. Preston (Lanark).

Speech From the Throne.

now prorogued."

The Lieut.-Governor's address was as follows:-Mr. Speaker, and Gentlemen of the Leg-

islative Assembly: In relieving you from the arduous labors of the session I desire to convey

to you my congratulations upon the careful attention you have given to the exercise of your public duties, and for the many measures of public importance which have been enacted by you. It is satisfactory to know that in a session in which so much work has been undertaken you have been able to deal carefully and wisely with the several important questions which have come be-

fore you, the result of which has been the numerous acts passed.

Among these measures are: The act