of civilization in Canada should be marked by the strict enforcement of Law and by the perfect sense of security from outrage:

That His Excellency may confidently rely on their readiness to afford him the

necessary means of ensuring these great objects:

That this House feels satisfied that no mark of our increasing prosperity can be stronger than that afforded by our extended lines of Railway. They rejoice in the fact that this progress is not confined to one Section of the Province, and that the lines eastward to St. Thomas, and westward to Guelph and Hamilton, at once the sign and cause of progress, are already completed, and humbly agree with His Excellency that it is a matter of congratulation that since their last meeting nearly two hundred and fifty miles have been got into working order, whilst it is hoped that no less than two hundred and fifty more will be finished before next year:

That they cordially unite in opinion with His Excellency that legal reforms are needed both in Eastern and Western Canada. They are pleased to learn that one measure at least, having reference to this important subject, will be submitted to them. They also share in the hope expressed by His Excellency that, although it may not be possible in the present Session to effect all that we may desire, some progress will be made in simplifying the procedure, and facilitating

the working of our Courts by the adoption of practical amendments:

That this House will give their best attention to the adoption of any general measure which may tend still more to abridge their Legislative labours in providing for the incorporation, and for laying down the conditions of private institu-

tions of every kind:

That they share in the regret expressed by His Excellency, that the Presentments of numerous Grand Juries throughout the Country, which he has directed to be laid before this House, shew too clearly the want of improvement in the

construction and discipline of our Gaols:

That this House is fully alive to the importance of considering whether we cannot combine the reform of Juvenile offenders with the punishment of their crimes, and concur in opinion with His Excellency, that, at the very least, it is incumbent upon us to take care that such punishment does not in itself afford fresh opportunities for debasing the criminal and instructing him in vice:

That this House is gratified to learn that the Board of Audit, constituted by the Act of last Session, is already at work, and they participate in the hope expressed by His Excellency, that it will contribute to ensure a satisfactory examina-

tion of the Public Accounts:

That this House receives with peculiar gratification the assurance that, with regard to the Militia Act, the ready loyalty of the inhabitants, both in Upper and Lower Canada, has enabled His Excellency to authorize the formation of numerous Troops and Companies of Volunteers, whose conduct and discipline will undoubtedly do credit to the Province, and that His Excellency has, moreover, with the assistance of the Adjutant General, done his best to carry out the wishes of Parliament by organizing a Sedentary Militia:

That this House learns with satisfaction that the Government has, in pursuance of the wishes of the Legislature, concluded a fresh arrangement calculated to secure a line of Ocean Steamers from the St. Lawrence to England during the

approaching season:

That this House share in the deep regret expressed by His Excellency at the depression of the Timber Trade, a feeling that must be participated in by all who have at heart the welfare of the Province. They cordially unite with His Excellency in the hope that we are about to witness its revival, and that the Commerce of *Quebec* and *Montreal* will have suffered but a temporary check:

That this House assures His Excellency that the Accounts of the past year, and