To His Excellency the Right Honourable Sir John Douglas Sutherland Campbell (commonly called the Marquis of Lorne), one of Her Majesty's Most Honourable Privy Council, Knight of the Most Ancient and Most Noble Order of the Thistle, Knight Grand Cross of the Most Distinguished Order of St. Michael and St. George, etc., etc., etc., Governor General of Canada, and Vice Admiral of the same.

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY, -

I have the honour to submit herewith, for the information of Your Excellency and the Legislature of Canada, the Twelfth Annual Report of the Department of Marine and Fisheries, and the financial statements connected therewith, being for the fiscal year ended 30th June, 1879.

I have the honour to be,

Your Excellency's most obedient servant,

JAMES C. POPE,

Minister of Marine and Fisheries.

DEPARTMENT OF MARINE AND FISHERIES, OTTAWA, 1st January, 1880.