

Allanburg and Port Dalhousie was opened for traffic.

You will be pleased to know that a monthly line of steamers which has been subsidized under the authority of Parliament, is now plying between the Dominion and Brazil with good hopes of a mutually profitable trade.

The Report of a Royal Commission issued to inquire into the question of factory labour, and into the best means of promoting the comfort and well-being of the workingman and his family, without undue interference with the development of our manufacturing industries, will be laid before you, and I invite your earnest consideration of this report.

Gentlemen of the House of Commons :

The Accounts of the last year will be laid before you. It will be satisfactory to you to find that the expenditure has been less and the revenue considerably more than the Estimates of last year, leaving a surplus of over four millions of dollars. A portion of this sum has been used in the reduction of the public debt by the redemption of matured debentures bearing six per cent. interest, and the remainder applied to the payment for public works, chargeable to capital account. The necessity of issuing the Debenture Loan authorized by Parliament for those purposes has therefore been obviated.

The Estimates of the ensuing year will also be submitted, and will, I trust, be found to have been framed with due regard to economy and the efficiency of the public service.

Honorable Gentlemen of the Senate :

Gentlemen of the House of Commons :

I now invite your attention to the several subjects mentioned and to the general business which will come before you, with full confidence in your ability and patriotic desire to forward the best interests of the country.

BILL INTRODUCED.

HON. SIR ALEX. CAMPBELL introduced a Bill intituled "An Act relating to Railways."

The Bill was read a first time.

THE ADDRESS.

MOTION.

HON. SIR ALEX. CAMPBELL moved that the House do take into consideration the speech of His Excellency the Governor-General to-morrow.

The motion was agreed to.

COMMITTEE ON PRIVILEGES.

MOTION.

HON. SIR ALEX. CAMPBELL moved, and it was ordered,

That all the members present during this Session be appointed a Committee to consider the orders and customs of this House and Privileges of Parliament, and that the said Committee have leave to meet in this House, when and as often as they please.

The Senate adjourned at
Thirty minutes after
Four p.m.

THE SENATE.

Ottawa, Friday, Feb. 10th, 1882.

THE SPEAKER took the Chair at 3 o'clock.

Prayers and Routine Proceedings.

THE ADDRESS.

MOTION.

The Order of the Day having been called for the consideration of His Excellency's Speech on the opening of the session,

HON. MR. MCINNES (Hamilton), said:

The duty has been assigned to me as a new member of this Honorable House, in accordance with long parliamentary usage to move the Address in response to the Speech from the Throne.

The unexampled prosperity of the country makes it a pleasant and an easy duty.

While prosperity, peace and contentment reign within our borders, the great nation to the south of us, which is also prosperous beyond precedent, has been afflicted with a great loss in the assassination of its Chief Magistrate. Probably there is no crime recorded in history which has called forth more universally the execration as well as sympathies of the whole civilized world. Our Queen, holding her sceptre with a wider sway than any monarch ever had or possessed, laid, as it were with her own hands, a touching tribute on the coffin of the murdered President, as a sister in bereavement with his mourning widow. Such an expression of sympathy embodies