

CANADA.



DUFFERIN.

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VICTORIA, by the Grace of God, of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland,
 QUEEN, Defender of the Faith, &c., &c., &c.

To Our Beloved and Faithful the Senators of the Dominion of Canada, and the
 Members elected to serve in the House of Commons of Our said Dominion,
 summoned and called to a Meeting of the Parliament of Canada, at Our City
 of Ottawa, on the Twenty-fourth day of December instant, to have been com-
 menced and held, and to every of you—GREETING:

A PROCLAMATION.

WHEREAS, on the NINTH day of the month of NOVEMBER last past, We thought
 fit to prorogue Our Parliament of Canada to the TWENTY-FOURTH day of the
 month of DECEMBER instant, at which time; at Our City of Ottawa, you were held
 and constrained to appear; Now KNOW YE, that for divers causes and considerations,
 and taking into consideration the ease and convenience of Our Loving Subjects, We
 have thought fit, by and with the advice of Our Privy Council for Canada, to relieve
 you, and each of you, of your attendance at the time aforesaid, hereby conyoking
 and by these presents enjoining you, and each of you, that on TUESDAY, the FIFTEENTH
 day of the month of JANUARY next, you meet Us, in Our Parliament of Canada, at
 Our City of OTTAWA, there to take into consideration the state and welfare of Our
 said Dominion of Canada, and therein to do as may seem necessary. **HEREIN**
FAIL NOT.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, We have caused these Our Letters to be made Patent,
 and the Great Seal of Canada to be hereunto affixed. **WITNESS**, Our
 Right Trusty and Well-Beloved Cousin and Councillor the Right
 Honorable Sir FREDERIC TEMPLE, Earl of DUFFERIN, Viscount and
 Baron Clandeboye of Clandeboye, in the County Down, in the
 Peerage of the United Kingdom, Baron Dufferin and Clandeboye of
 Ballyleidey and Killeleagh, in the County Down, in the Peerage of
 Ireland, and a Baronet, Knight of Our Most Illustrious Order of
 Saint Patrick, Knight Grand Cross of Our Most Distinguished Order
 of Saint Michael and Saint George, and Knight Commander of Our
 Most Honorable Order of the Bath, Governor General of Canada,
 and Vice-Admiral of the same.

At Our Government House, in Our CITY of OTTAWA, this
 TWENTY-FIRST day of December, in the year of Our Lord,
 One thousand eight hundred and seventy-seven, and in the
 Forty-first year of Our Reign.

By Command.

RICHARD FOPE,
 Clerk of the Crown in Chancery,
 Canada.