PRAYERS.

A Message was brought from the House of Commons by their Clerk, with a Bill (39) intituled: "An Act for granting to Her Majesty certain sums of money required for defraying certain expenses of the Public Service for the financial year ending the 30th June, 1897, and for other purposes relating to the Public Service," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read a first time.

On motion of the Honourable Sir Oliver Mowat, seconded by the Honourable Mr. Scott, it was

Ordered, That the said Bill be now read a second time. The said Bill was then read the second time accordingly.

On motion of the Honourable Sir Oliver Mowat, seconded by the Honourable Mr. Scott, it was

Ordered, That the said Bill be now read a third time. The said Bill was then read a third time accordingly. The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk do go down to the House of Commons and acquaint that House that the Senate have passed this Bill, without any amendment.

The Honourable the Speaker informed the House that he had received the following communication:—

GOVERNOR GENERAL'S OFFICE, OTTAWA, 5th October, 1896.

SIR,—I have the honour to inform you that His Excellency the Governor General will proceed to the Senate Chamber on Monday the 5th instant, at three o'clock for the purpose of proroguing Parliament.

I have the honour to be, Sir, Your obedient servant,

> JOHN SINCLAIR, Governor General's Secretary.

The Honourable
The Speaker
The Senate

The House adjourned during pleasure.

After some time the House was resumed.

His Excellency the Right Honourable Sir John Campbell Hamilton-Gordon, Earl of Aberdeen; Viscount Formartine, Baron Haddo, Methlic, Tarves and Kellie, in the Peerage of Scotland; Viscount Gordon of Aberdeen, County of Aberdeen, in the Peerage of the United Kingdom; Baronet of Nova Scotia, Knight Grand Cross of Our Most Distinguished Order of Saint Michael and Saint George, &c., &c., Governor General of Canada, being seated in the Chair on the Throne,

The Honourable the Speaker commanded the Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod to proceed to the House of Commons, and acquaint that House—"It is His Excellency's

pleasure they attend him immediately in this House."

Who, being come with their Speaker,

The Clerk of the Crown in Chancery read the Titles of the Bills to be passed severally, as follow:—

An Act to revive and amend the Acts respecting the St. Clair and Erie Ship Canal Company.

An Act to incorporate the Hudson's Bay and Pacific Railway Company.