

W. B. RICHARDS,

Deputy Governor.

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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 Seventeenth day of July instant, to have been commenced and held, and to every of you—GREETING:

A PROCLAMATION.

WHEREAS, on the SIXTH day of the month of JUNE last past, We thought fit to prorogue Our Parliament of Canada to the SEVENTEENTH day of the month of JULY 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 convoking and by these presents enjoining you, and each of you, that on SATURDAY, the TWENTY-FIFTH day of the month of AUGUST 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**, The Honorable WILLIAM BUELL RICHARDS, Deputy of 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 Ballyleidy 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 THIRTEENTH day of JULY, 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 POPE,

Clerk of the Crown in Chancery,
 Canada.