

THE SENATE.

Ottawa, Friday, 16th May, 1890.

This day at, Four o'clock p.m., His Excellency the Governor General proceeded in state to the Senate Chamber in the Parliament Buildings, and took his seat upon the Throne. The members of the Senate being assembled, His Excellency was pleased to command the attendance of the House of Commons, and that House being present, the following Bills were assented to, in Her Majesty's name, by His Excellency the Governor General, viz. :—

An Act respecting the Pontiac Pacific Junction Railway Company.

An Act respecting the Grand Trunk Railway Company of Canada.

An Act to amend "The Exchequer Court Act."

An Act to incorporate the Dominion Safe Deposit Warehousing and Loan Company (Limited.)

An Act to incorporate the Home Life Association of Canada.

An Act further to amend the "Canada Temperance Act."

An Act respecting Fishing Vessels of the United States of America.

An Act respecting Grants of Public Lands.

An Act for the relief of Hugh Forbes Keefer.

An Act for the relief of Christina Filman Glover.

An Act to amend an Act concerning Marriage with a deceased Wife's Sister.

An Act respecting H. H. Vivian and Company, (Limited).

An Act further to amend the Act respecting the Inland Revenue, chapter thirty-four of the Revised Statutes.

An Act to amend "The Interpretation Act."

An Act respecting the Department of the Geological Survey.

An Act to facilitate the purchase by the Pontiac Pacific Junction Railway Company from the Canadian Pacific Railway Company of the Branch Line of Railway between Hull and Aylmer.

An Act respecting the Ontario Pacific Railway Company.

An Act to confer on the Commissioner of Patents certain powers for the relief of George T. Smith.

An Act respecting the Hereford Railway Company and the Maine Central Railway Company.

An Act relating to Bills of Exchange, Cheques and Promissory Notes.

An Act further to amend the Criminal Law.

An Act to amend "The Indian Advancement Act," chapter forty-four of the Revised Statutes.

An Act to amend "The Gas Inspection Act," chapter one hundred and one of the Revised Statutes.

An Act respecting Railways.

An Act to amend "The Seamen's Act," chapter seventy-four of the Revised Statutes.

An Act to amend "The Steamboat Inspection Act," chapter seventy-eight of the Revised Statutes.

An Act further to amend the Revised Statutes, chapter five, respecting the Electoral Franchise.

An Act respecting certain Savings Banks in the Province of Quebec.

An Act respecting a certain agreement therein mentioned with the Calgary and Edmonton Railway Company.

An Act to amend the Acts respecting the Harbor of Pictou.

An Act to amend the Acts respecting the Duties of Customs.

An Act respecting the Wood Mountain and Qu'Appelle Railway Company.

An Act to amend the Act of the present Session, intituled: "An Act to amend the Acts respecting the Duties on Customs."

An Act further to amend "The Indian Act, chapter forty-three of the Revised Statutes.

An Act to incorporate the York County Bank.

An Act to provide for the, collection and publishing of Labor Statistics.

An Act to make further provisions respecting the Bounty on Pig Iron manufactured in Canada from Canadian ore.

An Act to amend chapter 127 of the Revised Statutes of Canada, intituled: "An Act respecting Interest."

An Act to authorize the granting of subsidies in aid of the construction of the lines of Railway therein mentioned.

An Act to authorize the granting of Subsidies in Land to certain Railway Companies.

An Act respecting Banks and Banking.

An Act respecting the Winnipeg and Hudson Bay Railway Company.

Then the Honorable the Speaker of the House of Commons addressed His Excellency the Governor General as follows:—

"MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY :

"The Commons of Canada have voted the supplies required to enable the Government to defray the expenses of the public services.

"In the name of the Commons, I present to Your Excellency the following Bill :—

"An Act for granting to Her Majesty certain sums of money required for defraying certain expenses of the Public Service, for the financial years ending respectively the 30th June, 1890, and the 30th June, 1891, and for other purposes relating to the Public Service."

"to which Bill I humbly request Your Excellency's assent."

To this Bill the Royal Assent was signified in the following words:—

"In Her Majesty's name, His Excellency the Governor General thanks Her Loyal Subjects accepts their benevolence, and assents to this Bill."

After which His Excellency the Governor General was pleased to close the Fourth Session of the Sixth Parliament of the Dominion with the following

SPEECH :

Honorable Gentlemen of the Senate :

Gentlemen of the House of Commons :

In bringing to a close this somewhat protracted Session of Parliament I desire to convey to you my best thanks for the diligence with which you have applied yourselves to your important duties.

The negotiations respecting the Behring Sea Question are still in progress at Washington with good prospects of an equitable settlement. Meanwhile, the continuance for another year of what is known as the *Modus Vivendi* will serve to show our earnest desire to cultivate the most friendly relations with the United States Government and the people.

The re-adjustment of the Customs Tariff, intended to promote the development of our agricultural, man-