
The readjustment of the Tariff and the reduction of duties on the raw materials used in our manufactures, together with the bounty granted on the production of pig iron, must aid in the further development of Canadian industries.

It is gratifying also to know that the financial position of the Public Treasury has enabled you to lower the pressure of taxation by more than a million of dollars.

The Bill for the regulation of shop, saloon, and tavern licenses must have the effect of preventing the unrestrained sale of Intoxicating Liquors in every Province of the Dominion, and affords an efficient system for its successful operation freed from the suspicion of political bias or control; while at the same time it will not unduly interfere with the rights of those who had engaged in the trade under the authority of Legislative enactments.

Gentlemen of the House of Commons :

I return you my thanks for the supplies you have granted for the various public services.

Honourable Gentlemen of the Senate :

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I desire to thank you for the great honour conferred on me by the presentation of a Joint Address. The Princess and I have both been profoundly touched by your words; and the Message of which you make us the bearers comes, as we personally know, from a people determined to maintain the Empire.

The severance of my official connection with Canada does not loosen the tie of affection which will ever make me desire to serve this country.

I pray that the prosperity I have seen you enjoy may continue, and that the blessing of God may at all times be yours to strengthen you in Unity and Peace.

The *Parliament* of the *Dominion of Canada* was then prorogued to *Wednesday, the 4th of July, next.*

GEORGE A. KIRKPATRICK,
Speaker.
