

Royal Assent
to Bills.

An Act to authorize the Commercial Bank of the *Midland* District, and the Bank of the *Niagara* District, to open Books for the transfer of their Stock in the City of *London*, and to set aside certain portions of their Stock for that purpose.

An Act for Incorporating and granting certain powers to the *Upper Canada* Trust and Loan Company.

An Act to Incorporate the *Kingston* Mineral Wells Company.

The Titles of the following Bills were then read :

Bills reserved
for the Signifi-
cation of Her
Majesty's plea-
sure thereon.

An Act for the better securing the Independence of the Legislative Council of this Province.

An Act for better securing the Independence of the Legislative Assembly of this Province.

An Act for the discouragement of Secret Societies.

An Act to Incorporate the Church Societies of the United Church of *England* and *Ireland*, in the Dioceses of *Quebec* and *Toronto*.

An Act to Incorporate certain persons carrying on the business of Banking in the City of *Montreal*, under the name of "*La Banque du Peuple*."

An Act to amend the Act Incorporating the Bank of the *Niagara* District by providing for the extension of the time limited for the paying up of the Stock of the said Bank.

An Act to repeal certain Acts therein mentioned and to make better provision respecting the admission of Land Surveyors, and the Survey of Lands in *Upper Canada*.

An Act for vesting the Market Block in the Town of *Niagara*, in the Council of the said Town, and for other purposes.

An Act to alter and amend certain parts of an Act therein mentioned, relating to the Navigation of the River *St. Lawrence*, in so far as the same relates to the Port of *Quebec*.

To each of which it was His Excellency, the Governor General's pleasure to say, that He reserved the Bill for the signification of Her Majesty's pleasure thereon.

And then His Excellency was pleased to make the following Speech to both Houses :

Honourable Gentlemen of the Legislative Council ;
and Gentlemen of the House of Assembly :

Speech of His
Excellency, the
Gov. General,
at Prorogation.

In consequence of the interruption which our joint labours have undergone, entirely against my inclination, and from causes over which I have had no control, I now meet you for the purpose of relieving you from further attendance in Parliament. I am sensible of your unremitting application to your arduous duties during the Session which has been so unexpectedly shortened, and I trust that the Measures which you have passed, and to which I have given the Royal Assent in Her Majesty's Name, will prove beneficial to the Country. Some Bills I have been under the necessity of reserving for the consideration of Her Majesty's Government, either from the impracticability of their being carried into execution, owing to their depending on other measures which have not passed into Laws, or from their affecting the Prerogative of the Crown, or being of a character that, under the Royal Instructions, render that proceeding imperative.

Gentlemen of the House of Assembly :

I thank you for the readiness with which you have voted the necessary Supplies. It will be my Duty to take care that they be disbursed with the utmost economy consistent with the efficiency of the Public Service.

Honourable Gentlemen and Gentlemen :

I trust that on your return to your Homes you will, by precept and example, endeavor to secure the blessings of harmony and brotherly love among all classes of the community. Peace and happiness will render our country a desirable place of refuge for the superfluous population of the Parent State, whose settling here is fraught with benefit to the selves and the Colony ; while discord and strife must have the opposite effect of deterring them from connecting their destinies with those of a country unceasingly troubled ; I humbly hope that the Blessing of the Almighty will render this a prosperous and happy Land, reaping the fruits of its own Industry, and enjoying the powerful protection of our Gracious Sovereign as an integral portion of the British Empire. I will now, Gentlemen, say Farewell ; and I trust that we shall meet again to renew our efforts for the public good with greater success.

After which, the Honourable Speaker of the Legislative Council said :

Honourable Gentlemen of the Legislative Council ;
and Gentlemen of the Legislative Assembly :

Speech of His
Excellency the
Gov. General,
at Prorogation.

House Proro-
gued 'till 15th
Jan'y, 1844.

It is the will and pleasure of His Excellency, the Governor General, that this Provincial Parliament be prorogued until Monday, the fifteenth day of January next, and this Provincial Parliament is accordingly prorogued until Monday, the fifteenth day of January next, to be then holden.

(Omitted in page 188—2nd December.)

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency, the Governor General, under the Provisions of the forty-second Section of the Imperial Act to re-unite the Provinces of *Upper* and *Lower Canada*, specifying that a certain Bill passed by this House during the present Session, intituled, "An Act to Incorporate the Church Societies of the United Church of *England* and *Ireland*, in the Dioceses of *Quebec* and *Toronto*, contains provisions respecting some of the purposes in the said Section specially described, and respectfully desiring that in order to give effect to the said Bill, such Bill may be transmitted to *England* without delay, for the purpose of being laid before Parliament previously to the signification of Her Majesty's Assent thereto.

Ordered, That Mr. *Hale*, Mr. *Williams*, Mr. *Boswell*, and Mr. *J. S. Macdonald*, do present the said Address to His Excellency, the Governor General.