

The Honorable Mr. Smith, a member of the Privy Council for Canada, presented to the House,—The Report of the Minister of Justice as to Penitentiaries in Canada, for the year ended 30th June, 1886.

Ordered, That the same do lie on the Table, and it is as follows :—

(*Vide Sessional Papers, No. 4.*)

The Honorable Mr. Smith, a member of the Privy Council for Canada, presented to the House,—The Annual Report of the Department of Indian Affairs, for the year ended 31st December, 1886.

Ordered, That the same do lie on the Table, and it is as follows :—

(*Vide Sessional Papers, No. 6.*)

The Honorable Mr. Smith, a member of the Privy Council for Canada, presented to the House,—A return to an Address of the Senate dated 28th May, 1886, for a copy of the Minute of the Treasury Board and Orders in Council appointing the late John Gray, Deputy Collector of Inland Revenue at Prescott, and also a copy of the Order in Council or other Order cancelling said appointment, with their respective dates.

Ordered, That the same do lie on the Table, and it is as follows :—

(*Vide Sessional Papers, No. 23.*)

The Order of the Day being read for the consideration of His Excellency's Speech from the Throne at the opening of Parliament,

The Honorable Mr. McCallum moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Casgrain,

That the following Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General to offer the respectful thanks of this House to His Excellency for the gracious Speech he has been pleased to make to both Houses of Parliament: namely:—

TO HIS EXCELLENCY the Most Honorable Sir HENRY CHARLES KEITH PETTY-FITZMAURICE, Marquess of Lansdowne, in the County of Somerset, Earl of Wycombe, of Chipping-Wycombe, in the County of Bucks, Viscount Caln and Calnstone in the County of Wilts, and Lord Wycombe, Baron of Chipping-Wycombe, in the County of Bucks, in the Peerage of Great Britain; Earl of Kerry and Earl of Shelburne, Viscount Clanmaurice and Fitzmaurice, Baron of Kerry, Lixnaw and Dunkerron, in the Peerage of Ireland; Knight Grand Cross of the Most Distinguished Order of Saint Michael and Saint George; Governor General of Canada.

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY :—

We, Her Majesty's dutiful and loyal subjects, the Senate of Canada in Parliament assembled, humbly thank Your Excellency for your gracious Speech at the opening of this Session.

We rejoice that it is Your Excellency's pleasing duty on the opening of a new Parliament to congratulate us on the general prosperity of the country and on the prospect of a coming season of peace and progress.

We respectfully beg leave to assure Your Excellency that we gladly join with the rest of the loyal subjects of the Queen in offering Her Majesty our sincere congratulations on Her having reached the fiftieth anniversary of Her accession to the Throne, and in giving expression to an earnest hope that she may be long spared to reign over Her vast Dominions.

It affords us great pleasure to learn that the prominent position taken by Canada at the Colonial and Indian Exhibition recently held in London has made the Dominion more widely and favorably known than before, and we concur in Your