The Minister, therefore, recommends that the Order in Council of the 19th October be amended in that respect, and that the annexed draft (including the special clause relating to the determination of the contract in case the same be disapproved of by resolution of Parliament at its next session) be approved of and authority given for the execution of a contract containing similar terms.

The Committee submit the above recommendation for Your Excellency's

approval.

J. O. COTÉ, Clerk, Privy Council. Certified,

OTTAWA, 8th November, 1881.

SIR,-I have the honor, by direction of the Minister, to transmit you, herewith. Articles of Agreement entered into between H. J. Beemer and Her Majesty Queen Victoria, represented by the Minister of Railways and Canals, duly signed by the parties thereto, said agreement being for the completion of section No. 27 of the Welland Canal.

I am, Sir, your obedient servant. F. BRAUN, Secretary.

H. J. BEEMER, Esq., Contractor.

MONTREAL, 11th November, 1881.

SIR,—Enclosed you will please find drafts of agreements, in duplicate, respecting the 5 per cent. security on contract for remaining portion of section No. 27 Welland Canal enlargement, signed, as requested by your letter of the 10th inst.

Your obedient servant, H. J. BEEMER.

F. Braun, Secretary Railways and Canals.

OTTAWA, 13th November, 1881.

Sir,—I am directed to transmit you, herewith, security agreement, No. 6,568. for \$38,000, for the work remaining to be done on section No. 27 of the Welland Canal enlargement, duly signed.

I am, Sir, your obedient servant, F. BRAUN, Secretary.

H. J. BEEMER, Esq., Contractor, Welland Canal.