

has brought these institutions more immediately under the direction and control of the Government; and the system of administration and inspection has been simplified and cheapened.

Gentlemen of the House of Commons :

I thank you for the supplies you have granted. They will enable my Government to prosecute the great public works to which the country has been committed, and will, I doubt not, contribute largely to the development of our resources, the growth of our commerce, and the extension into the interior of settlements of hardy and industrious pioneers.

Honorable Gentlemen and Gentlemen :

I congratulate you on the adoption of many measures, in addition to those enumerated, calculated to add to the public comfort and prosperity, to increase the stability of our institutions, add to promote confidence and good will among the different classes of our people. They, I doubt not, will be found to appreciate your labors to these ends; and I trust that on their part, they will above all things cultivate an unselfish love of country and devotion to the general good.

His Excellency then having announced Parliament to be prorogued until the 28th day of May, left the Chamber and returned to Rideau Hall, escorted by the cavalry. As he left the square, the artillery again fired a salute of 21 guns.

BILLS ASSENTED TO.

The following bills received the Royal assent:—

An Act to amend an Act to incorporate the Board of Trade of the town of Lewis.

An Act to amend the Act incorporating the Canadian Navigation Company.

An Act to amend the several Acts incorporating or relating to the Richelieu Company, and to change its corporate name.

An Act respecting the Intercolonial Railway.

An Act further to amend the Civil Service Superannuation Act.

An Act to consolidate and amend the Acts relating to the Provincial Insurance Company of Canada.

An Act respecting the lien of the Dominion on the Northern Railway of Canada.

An Act respecting the Canada Central Railway Company.

An Act to incorporate the "Metropolitan Insurance Company of Canada."

An Act to amend the Acts of Incorporation of the Great Western Railway Company.

An Act to change the name of the "Montreal, Chambly and Sorel Railway Company" to the "Montreal, Portland and Boston Railway Company."

An Act to amend the Act 37th Vict., chap. 115, incorporating "The International Express Company."

An Act to incorporate the Anglo-French Steamship Company."

An Act to incorporate the European and American Express and Agency Company.

An Act to incorporate the National Insurance Company.

An Act to amend "An Act respecting the appropriation of certain Lands in Manitoba."

An Act to extend to the Province of Manitoba an Act for the more speedy trial, in certain cases, of persons charged with felonies and misdemeanours in the Provinces of Ontario and Quebec.

An Act to amend the Acts respecting Controverted Elections.

An Act for suppressing Gaming Houses, and to punish the keepers thereof.

An Act to amend the Act for the more speedy trial, in certain cases, of persons charged with felonies and misdemeanours in the Provinces of Ontario and Quebec.

An Act to further amend the Act respecting the treatment and relief of Sick and Distressed Mariners.

An Act to rearrange the capital of the Northern Railway Company of Canada, to consolidate enactments relating to the said Company, to enable the said Company to change the gauge of its Railway, and to amalgamate with the Northern Extension Railway Company, and for other purposes.

An Act to incorporate the "Industrial Life Insurance Company."

An Act to amend "The Interpretation Act," as respects the printing and