

An Act to consolidate and amend several Acts therein mentioned, relating to the Savings Bank.

An Act in further addition to and amendment of the Act to Incorporate the Town of Charlottetown.

An Act in further amendment of the Laws regulating the Sale by License of Spirituous Liquors.

An Act to consolidate and amend the several Laws relating to Education.

An Act for raising a Revenue.

An Act for appropriating certain Moneys, therein mentioned, for the service of the year of Our Lord One thousand Eight hundred and Sixty-eight.

An Act to empower the Government of Prince Edward Island to expend Ten thousand pounds in the purchase of Lands in the said Island.

To each of which His Excellency was pleased to give his assent.

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

*Mr. President and Honorable Gentlemen of the Legislative Council:*

*Mr. Speaker and Gentlemen of the House of Assembly:*

In relieving you from further attendance here, I am glad to express to you my thanks for your assistance and advice.

By the Act which you have passed "to amend and explain the Land Purchase Bill," you have empowered me—so soon as the purchase of any Public Estate shall have proved to be self-sustaining—to relieve, from further payment, tenants on that estate who have paid their full proportion of the purchase money of their farms.

Under this Act, I shall be enabled to comply with the prayer of the petition, which, at the commencement of the Session, I informed you that I had received from certain persons who had purchased their holdings on the Selkirk Estate.

The settlement and cultivation of Wilderness Lands cannot fail to be encouraged by the liberal measure in which you have authorized me to relax, on such parts of the Public Estates as may be deemed expedient, the provisions of the law which regulates their sale.

I have given my assent, with much satisfaction, to the Bill, by which you have placed in the hands of the Government a discretionary power to expend a limited amount of public money in the purchase of Lands whose value may exceed the limits of the Land Purchase Act.

*Mr. Speaker and Gentlemen of the House of Assembly:*

I thank you for the Supplies which you have granted for the Public Service.

I earnestly hope, that the timely aid which you have offered to farmers who are unable to procure grain for seed, may avert the suffering to themselves, and the loss to the Colony, which their inability to procure such seed, must inevitably produce.

*Mr. President and Honorable Gentlemen of the Legislative Council:*

*Mr. Speaker and Gentlemen of the House of Assembly:*

The important subject of Education has received your anxious consideration, and I trust that the measure, which you have matured for consolidating and amending the Laws thereupon, may be of benefit to the community.

The able Report of the Committee on Highways, has been laid before you: Although you have not seen fit to take any Legislative action upon it, during the present Session, the whole subject will be carefully considered during the recess, with the view to the adoption, at your next meeting, of a system of management which will afford a better security for the judicious expenditure of the money appropriated for this service.

I now release you from further attendance here by proroguing this Session of the Legislature.

After which the Honorable the President of the Legislative Council said:—

GENTLEMEN;

It is the will and pleasure of His Excellency the Lieut. Governor, that this General Assembly be prorogued until Thursday the Twenty-eighth day of May next; and this General Assembly is accordingly prorogued until Thursday the Twenty-eighth day of May next, to be here then holden.

END OF THE SECOND SESSION OF THE TWENTY-THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY.

B. BALDERSTON, }  
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R. GORDON, }