

to appear. NOW KNOW YE, that for divers causes and considerations, and taking into consideration the ease and convenience of Our Loving Subjects, We have thought fit, by and with the advice of Our Executive Council, to relieve you and each of you, of your attendance at the time aforesaid, hereby convoking and by these presents enjoining you and each of you, that on WEDNESDAY, the SEVENTH day of the month of DECEMBER next, you meet Us, in Our Provincial Parliament, at Our City of *Quebec*, there to take into consideration the state and welfare of Our said Province of *Canada*, and therein to do as may seem necessary. HEREIN FAIL NOT.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, We have caused these Our Letters to be made Patent, and the Great Seal of Our said Province of *Canada* to be hereunto affixed: WITNESS, Our Right Trusty and Well-Beloved Cousin the Right Honorable CHARLES STANLEY, Viscount MONCK, Baron MONCK of *Ballytrammon*, in the County of *Wexford*, Governor General of *British North America*, and Captain General and Governor in Chief in and over Our Provinces of *Canada*, *Nova Scotia*, *New Brunswick*, and the Island of *Prince Edward*, and Vice-Admiral of the same, &c., &c., &c. At Our Government House, in Our City of *Quebec*, in Our said Province, this TWENTY-SECOND day of OCTOBER, in the year of Our Lord, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-four, and in the Twenty-eighth of Our Reign.

By Command,
L. R. FORTIER,
Clerk of the Crown in Chancery.

Province of }
Canada. } MONCK.

VICTORIA, by the Grace of GOD, of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland,
QUEEN, Defender of the Faith, &c., &c., &c.

To all whom these presents shall come—GREETING :

JOHN A. MACDONALD, } WHEREAS at a Session of the Parliament of Our Province
Atty. Genl. } of *Canada*, begun and holden at Our City of *Quebec*, in Our said Province, on the NINETEENTH day of FEBRUARY, in the Twenty-seventh year of Our Reign, and prorogued on the THIRTIETH day of JUNE, in the Twenty-eighth year of Our Reign, a certain Bill, intituled : "An Act for the Relief of *James Benning*," was passed in the Legislative Council and Assembly, and was, at the prorogation of the said Session, on the said THIRTIETH day of JUNE, presented to the Right Honorable CHARLES STANLEY, Viscount MONCK, Our Governor General of Our said Province, for our assent thereto, who in pursuance of the authority vested in him by a certain Act of the Parliament of the *United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland*, passed in the Session thereof, held in the third and fourth years of Our Reign, intituled : "An Act to re-unite the Provinces of *Upper and Lower Canada*, and for the government of *Canada*," and according to his discretion then and there declared that he reserved the aforesaid Bill for the signification of Our Pleasure thereon ; NOW KNOW YE, that the aforesaid Bill, intituled : "An Act for the Relief of *James Benning*," having been laid before Us in Council, on the FIRST day of NOVEMBER last past, We have been pleased to declare Our special confirmation of the said Act ; And We do by these presents and according to the provisions of the said Act of Parliament of *Great Britain and Ireland*, specially confirm, ratify, finally enact, and assent to the said Bill ; Of all which Our Loving Subjects are hereby required to take notice and to govern themselves accordingly.