whereof the seat of the said *Ebenezer V. Bodwell*, as the representative of the said Electoral District, hath become vacant; *James A. Skinner*, Esquire, has been duly returned accordingly, as appears by the Return to the said Writ, dated the 23rd day of May instant, deposited of Record in my Office.

R. POPE, Clerk of the Crown in Chancery, Canada.

To the Clerk of the

House of Commons of Canada.

James A. Skinner, Esquire, Member for the Electoral District of the South Riding of the County of Oxford, having previously taken the Oath, according to Law, and subscribed before the Commissioners the Roll containing the same, took his seat in the House.

A Message from His Excellency the Governor General, by *René Kimber*, Esquire Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod :---

Mr. SPEAKER,

I am commanded by His Excellency the Governor General to acquaint this Honorable House, That it is the pleasure of His Excellency that the Members thereof do forthwith attend him in the Senate Chamber.

Accordingly Mr. Speaker, with the House, went up to attend His Excellency, where His Excellency was pleased to give, in Her Majesty's name, the Royal Assent to the following Public and Private Bills :---

An Act to amend the Act respecting the construction of the Intercolonial Railway. An Act to amend the Act respecting the prompt and summary administration of Criminal Justice in certain cases as respects the Provinces of Nova Scotia and New Brunswick.

An Act to amend the Act to incorporate the Canadian and Great Northern Telegraph Company.

An Act to amend the Act to incorporate the Caughnawaga Ship Canal Company.

An Act to consolidate the Mortgages and other Preferential Charges of the Grand Trunk Railway Company of *Canada* and for raising further capital, and for establishing a Superannuation and Provident Fund Association, and for other purposes.

An Act to incorporate the Niagara Grand Island Bridge Company.

An Act to amend the Act to incorporate La Banque d'Hochelaga.

An Act to continue for a limited time certain temporary provisions in the Act respecting the admission of *Prince Edward Island* into the Dominion.

An Act to amend the Pilotage Act, 1873.

An Act to exempt Transports from Port and Harbor Dues.

An Act to incorporate the Lochiel, Hawkesbury and L'Orignal Junction Railway Company.

An Act to incorporate Lumb's Waterproof Gum Manufacturing Company.

An Act to amend an Act to incorporate the Maritime Warehousing and Dock Compiny.

An Act to incorporate the Bank of Ottawa.

An Act to amend an Act for the organization of the Department of Marine and Fisheries of Canada.

An Act respecting the extension and application of the Fisheries Act to and in the Provinces of British Co'umbia, Prince Edward Island and Manitoba.

An Act further to amend the Act to provide for the appointment of a Port Warden for the Harbour of *Montreal*.

An Act to authorize the raising of a loan for the construction of certain public works, with the benefit of the Imperial Guarantee for a portion thereof.

An Act to amend the Act incorporating the Confederation Life Association.