

taken towards the accomplishment of the great scheme of uniting the whole of *British North America* in a single confederation.

You have sanctioned the arrangements entered into in *London* by the Imperial Government in reference to the North-West Territory—that wide expanse will, I hope, ere long be opened to settlement and become the abode of myriads of thriving and industrious immigrants

The terms to which the Delegates from *Newfoundland* agreed, and which, it may be expected, will prove acceptable to the people of that Island, have met with your concurrence.

The basis has been laid for negotiations with the Government of *Prince Edward Island*.

Moreover, what is not of less importance, seeing that the good-will of the people already within the Dominion is a matter perhaps of greater, at the least of equal concern with the acquisition of new territories, you have adopted the precautions of timely and well considered liberality in order to satisfy reasonable demands and conciliate attachment in *Nova Scotia*.

The Acts rendering the Criminal Laws uniform will ensure an exact and equal procedure, and cannot fail to be conducive in the highest degree to the public advantage.

*Gentlemen of the House of Commons :*

In Her Majesty's Name I thank you for the supplies you have granted for the Public Service. Though the revenue accruing from Import Duties has not reached the expected standard, I rejoice to think that a vigilant supervision of the public expenditure has obviated the necessity of imposing any fresh burdens on the people.

*Honorable Gentlemen and Gentlemen :*

I will not detain you further than to express the hope that in returning to your homes you will find the Country blessed with every prospect of an abundant season, and that you will continue your services to the State by encouraging industrial pursuits, diffusing contentment and upholding the authority of the law in your respective neighbourhoods.

Then the Honorable the Speaker of the Senate said :

*Honorable Gentlemen of the Senate,  
Gentlemen of the House of Commons :*

It is His Excellency the Governor General's will and pleasure that this Parliament be prorogued until Saturday, the thirty-first day of July next, to be here holden, and this Parliament is accordingly prorogued until Saturday, the thirty-first day of July next.