by the United States and Canada for the prevention of destructive methods of fishing and the pollution of streams, and for establishing uniformity of close seasons, and other means for the preservation and increase of fish; and we rejoice to hear that a valuable and friendly interchange of views respecting other important matters also

took place.

We receive with gratification the announcement that in accordance with the promise given at the close of the last Session, a Commission has been issued to investigate the working of the Civil Service Act, and other matters connected with the Civil Service generally, and that the report of this Commission will be laid before us during the present Session. We beg leave to assure Your Excellency that the report shall receive our best consideration.

We thank Your Excellency for informing us that the conclusion of the Commission on the manufacture of beet-root sugar will also be laid before us. We are also pleased to learn that, inasmuch as it is desirable that the fishery regulations in British Columbia should be examined and revised so as to adapt them better to the requirements of the fisheries in that Province, a Commission has been issued with

that object.

We are glad to learn that the important measure respecting the Criminal Law, which was laid before us last Session, has been revised and improved, as a result of the expression of views elicited by its presentation to Parliament, and will be submitted to us. We hear with interest that our attention will also be directed to measures for the redistribution of seats consequent upon the Census returns; the establishment of the boundaries of the Territories; and the amalgamation of the Departments of Marine and Fisheries; and that Bills will also be presented to us for the amendment of the Civil Service Act, of the Acts relating to real property in the Territories, and of those respecting the fisheries.

Your Excellency, having been graciously pleased to commend these important subjects, and all matters affecting the public interest which may be brought before us, to our best consideration, may feel assured that we will address ourselves to them

with earnestness and assiduity.

After Debate.

On motion of the Honourable Mr. Scott, seconded by the Honourable Mr. Power, it was

Ordered, That further Debate on the said motion be postponed until to-morrow.

Then, on motion of the Honourable Mr. Abbott, seconded by the Honourable Mr. Montgomery,

The House adjourned.