

PRAYERS.

O **ETERNAL GOD!** Lord of Heaven and Earth, the Great and Mighty Councillor. We, Thy poor Servants assembled before Thee, humbly acknowledge our great and manifold Sins and imperfections, and thereby our unworthiness to receive any Grace and Assistance from Thee ; yet, most merciful Father, since by Thy Providence, We are called to this Special Council, to advise of those things which concern Thy Glory, the Interests of Piety, the Prosperity of Our Queen, and the weal of Her People, We most earnestly beseech Thee, by the brightness of Thy Spirit, to expel darkness and vanity from our minds and partiality from our speeches, and grant unto us, such wisdom and integrity of heart as becometh the servants of Jesus Christ, the subjects of a Gracious Queen and the Members of this Special Council. Let not us, O Lord ! who are met together for the public good of the whole land, be more careless and remiss, than we use to be in our own private matters ; Give Grace we beseech Thee, That every one of us, may labour to shew a good Conscience to Thy Majesty, a good zeal to Thy Word, and a loyal heart to our Queen, and a Christian love to our Country, and the Common Weal of the British Empire. O Lord ! so unite and conjoin the hearts of Her most Excellent Majesty the Queen, and Her Representative here, and both Houses of the British Parliament, and of this Council, as they may be an indissoluble Bond, giving strength to all just and equal laws already enacted, and enacting such as are further requisite for the bridling of the Wicked and the encouragement of all Godly and well affected Subjects ;—That so Thy Great Blessings may be continued to us, and Thy Grievous Judgments turned from us, and this only for Jesus Christ's sake, Our most Glorious Mediator and Advocate ; To whom with Thy Blessed Majesty and the Holy Ghost, be given all Honour and Praise, Power and Dominion, henceforth and for evermore. Amen.

His Excellency laid before the Council the Rules and Orders for Her Majesty's Special Council, constituted under the Statute 1st Victoria, Cap. 9.

His Excellency then proposed to the Council the following Ordinances :

An Ordinance to declare and ascertain the period when the Laws and Ordinances made and passed by the Governor and Special Council of the Province shall take effect.

Which was read for the first time.

An Ordinance to continue two certain Acts therein mentioned, (Registry Offices)

Which was read for the first time.

An Ordinance to authorize the apprehending and detention of certain persons, and to suspend for a limited time as to such persons a certain Ordinance therein mentioned.

Which was read for the first time.