

## CANADA.

*DRAFT OF A COMMISSION passed under the Great Seal of the United Kingdom, appointing the Right Honorable the Earl of Dufferin, K. P., K. C. B., to be Governor-General of Canada.*

Letters Patent,  
Dated 22nd May, 1872. }

VICTORIA, by the Grace of God, of the United Kingdom of *Great Britain and Ireland*, Queen, Defender of the Faith, To Our Right Trusty and Right Well-beloved Cousin and Councillor *Frederick Temple*, Earl of *Dufferin*, Knight of Our Most Illustrious Order of *Saint Patrick*, Knight Commander of Our Most Honourable Order of the Bath.—GREETING :

1. WHEREAS We did by certain Letters-Patent under the Great Seal of Our United Kingdom of *Great Britain and Ireland*, bearing date at *Westminster*, the twenty-ninth day of December, 1868, in the thirty-second year of Our reign, Governor Sir John Young's Commission, 29th December, 1868, cited. constitute and appoint Our Right Trusty and Well-beloved Councillor Sir *John Young*, Baronet (now our Right Trusty and Well-beloved Councillor *John, Baron Lisgar*), Knight Grand Cross of Our Most Honorable Order of the Bath, Knight Grand Cross of Our most distinguished Order of *Saint Michael and Saint George*, to be Governor-General of Canada, for and during Our will and pleasure, as upon relation being had to the said recited Letters Patent will more fully and at large appear.

Now know you that We have revoked and determined, and by these presents do revoke and determine the said recited Letters Patent, and every clause, John Young's Commission article, and thing therein contained. And further know you that 29th December, 1868.

We, reposing especial trust and confidence in the prudence, courage, and loyalty of you the said *Frederick Temple*, Earl of *Dufferin*, of Our special grace, certain knowledge, and mere motion, have thought fit to constitute and appoint and by these Presents do constitute and Appoint you to be Our Governor-General in and over Our Dominion of *Canada*, for and during Our will and pleasure. And We do hereby authorize and command you in due manner to do and execute all things that shall belong to your said Governor's Powers and Authorities.

Our present Commission, and of the Act of Parliament granted or appointed you by this several Powers and Directions granted or appointed you by this Our Reign, intituled "The *British North America Act, 1867*," and according to such Instructions as are herewith given to you, or as may hereafter be given to you under Our Sign Manual and Signet, or by Our Order in Our Privy Council, or by Us through One of Our Principal Secretaries of State, and according to such laws as are now or shall hereafter be in force in Our said Dominion.

II. And We do hereby authorize and empower you to keep and use the Great Seal of Great Seal. Our said Dominion for sealing all things whatsoever that shall pass the said Great Seal.

III. And We do further authorize and empower you to constitute and appoint in Our Appointment of Judges Name and on Our behalf all such Judges, Commissioners, Justices and Justices, &c. of the Peace, and other necessary Officers and Ministers of Our said Dominion as may be lawfully constituted or appointed by Us.

IV. And We do further authorize and empower you, as you shall see occasion, in Grant of pardons and remission of fines. Our name and on Our behalf, when any crime has been committed within our said Dominion, to grant a Pardon to any accomplice, not being the actual perpetrator of such crime, who shall give such information and evidence as shall lead to the apprehension and conviction of the principal offender; and further to