

provide for the exigencies of the Public Service, and, as far as that object can be promoted by practicable and judicious economy, you may rely on my co-operation.

Honorable Gentlemen of the Legislative Council, and Gentlemen of the House of Assembly.

I will not detain you longer from the commencement of your arduous duties. The welfare of *Canada* depends on the result of your deliberations on the numerous and important questions which will come before you, and that great end will, I trust, be the sole object of your labours. It is the anxious desire of Her Majesty's Government, and will be the constant aim of my endeavours. I humbly hope that the Blessing of Almighty God will crown our united efforts with success.

The Assembly withdraw and His Excellency retires. The Legislative Assembly having withdrawn, His Excellency was pleased to retire.

PRAYERS.

A Bill read *pro forma*. An Act for the improvement of the navigation of the River *St. Lawrence* was read a first time, *pro forma*.

Commission appointing certain persons Commissioners to administer the oath to the Members. The Honorable the Speaker informed the House, that a Commission had been issued under the Great Seal to *George Barthelemi Faribault*, *John Fennings Taylor*, the elder, *Gustavus William Wicksteed*, and *William Poyntz Patrick*, Esquires, empowering them to administer the oath to the Members of the Legislature.

Ordered, that the same be entered on the Journals, and the same is in the following words:

PROVINCE OF } C. T. METCALFE.
Canada. }

VICTORIA, by the Grace of GOD, of the United Kingdom of Great Britain, and Ireland, QUEEN, Defender of the Faith, &c. &c. &c.

L. S. To all to whom these Presents shall come, or whom the same may concern—

GREETING :

WHEREAS, in and by a certain Act of the Parliament of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, passed in the Session held in the third and fourth years of Our Reign, and intituled, "An Act to Re-unite the Provinces of Upper and Lower Canada, and for the Government of Canada," it is among other things in effect enacted, that no Member, either of the Legislative Council or of the Legislative Assembly of our said Province, shall be permitted to sit or vote therein until he shall have taken and subscribed the oath in the said Act

mentioned and set forth, and therein and thereby prescribed to be taken by such Members, respectively, before the Governor of our said Province, or before some person or persons authorized by such Governor to administer such oath : And whereas, on the tenth day of June, in the fourth year of Our Reign, We were pleased to issue Our Royal Letters Patent, bearing date the same day and year, at our Town of *Kingston*, in our said Province of *Canada*, and We did thereby assign, constitute and appoint the Honorable *Levi P. Sherwood*, *William Hepburn*, *James Sampson*, and *Thomas Kirkpatrick*, Esquires, and each of them jointly and severally to be our Commissioners and Commissioner to administer the said oath, in the said Act mentioned, and therein and thereby prescribed and required, to have, hold and exercise the said office of Commissioners and Commissioner, to them, the said *Levi P. Sherwood*, *William Hepburn*, *James Sampson*, and *Thomas Kirkpatrick*, for and during our Royal pleasure : And whereas We have thought fit to determine our will and pleasure in the premises, and for divers good causes and considerations, us thereunto moving, We have thought fit to revoke and repeal, and by these presents We do revoke and repeal our said Letters Patent : Now Know Ye, that confiding in the integrity, fidelity and circumspection of *George Barthelemi Faribault*, *John Fennings Taylor*, the elder, *Gustavus William Wicksteed*, and *William Poyntz Patrick*, Esquires, of our especial grace, certain knowledge and mere motion, We have assigned, constituted and appointed, and by these presents do assign, constitute and appoint them, and each of them, the said *George Barthelemi Faribault*, *John Fennings Taylor*, the elder, *Gustavus William Wicksteed* and *William Poyntz Patrick*, jointly and severally to be our Commissioners and Commissioner, to administer the said oath, in the said Act mentioned, and therein and thereby prescribed and required, and which in pursuance of the Act ought to be taken and subscribed by the Members of the said Legislative Council and of the said Legislative Assembly as aforesaid, to every Member of the said Legislative Council, and to every Member of the said Legislative Assembly, desiring to be admitted to take the same, and to receive their subscriptions to the same, to have, hold and exercise the said office of Commissioners and Commissioner as aforesaid, and the power and authority hereinbefore granted unto them the said *George Barthelemi Faribault*, *John Fennings*