

An Act respecting the Prohibition of the Importation, Manufacture and Sale of Intoxicating Liquors.

An Act to incorporate the Ottawa Interprovincial Bridge Company.

An Act respecting the Montreal and Southern Counties Railway Company.

An Act respecting the Montreal and Province Line Railway Company.

An Act respecting the Montreal, Ottawa and Georgian Bay Canal Company.

An Act further to amend the Act respecting the Senate and House of Commons.

An Act further to amend the Weights and Measures Act.

An Act to repeal the Electoral Franchise Act, and to further amend the Dominion Elections Act.

An Act to amend and consolidate the North-west Irrigation Acts of 1894 and 1895.

An Act respecting the Great North-west Central Railway Company.

An Act to incorporate the Three Rivers and North Shore Electric Railway Company.

An Act in further amendment of the Fisheries Act.

An Act to amend the Customs Tariff, 1897.

An Act further to amend the Inland Revenue Act.

An Act further to amend the Act respecting the Judges of Provincial Courts.

Then the Honourable the Speaker of the House of Commons addressed His Excellency the Governor General, as followeth :—

“ MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY :

“ The Commons of Canada have voted certain Supplies required to enable the Government to defray the expenses of the Public Service.

“ In the name of the Commons, I present to Your Excellency a Bill, intituled : “ ‘ An Act for granting to Her Majesty certain sums of money, required for defraying certain expenses of the Public Service, for the financial years ending, respectively, the 30th June, 1898, and the 30th June, 1899, and for other purposes relating to the Public Service,’ to which I humbly request Your Excellency’s assent.”

To this Bill the Royal Assent was signified in the following words :—

“ In Her Majesty’s name, His Excellency the Governor General thanks Her Loyal Subjects, accepts their benevolence, and assents to this Bill.”

After which His Excellency was pleased to deliver the following Speech to both Houses :—

*Honourable Gentlemen of the Senate :*

*Gentlemen of the House of Commons :*

I am glad to be able to relieve you from further attendance in Parliament.

Whilst all the measures which public interest seemed to demand and to which I invited your consideration at the opening of this Session, have not received the concurrence of both Houses of Parliament, I congratulate you on the very important legislation which has been the outcome of your deliberations, particularly the Plebiscite Act and the new Franchise Act, which, it is confidently expected, will work satisfactorily in all parts of the Dominion.

I rejoice that during my term of office, it has been my good fortune to witness the improved relations that have grown up between Canada and the neighbouring Republic, and I look forward with much satisfaction to the great benefits that will flow from a settlement of the many questions that have caused irritation in the past.

*Gentlemen of the House of Commons :*

I thank you for the liberal provision which you have made for the Public Service.