

An Act to prevent disorderly Riding or Driving on Public Bridges :

An Act further to alter and amend an Act, intituled "An Act to authorize the widening and enlarging of certain Streets in the City of Saint John, and of laying out other Streets therein" :

An Act to establish a Provincial House of Correction :

And as regards the following Bills, His Excellency was pleased to reserve the same for the consideration of Her Majesty :—

An Act relating to the Mines and Minerals in the County of Gloucester : and

An Act to incorporate the Grand Falls Company.

His Excellency was pleased to deliver the following Speech :—

*" Mr. President and Honorable Gentlemen of the Legislative Council,*

*" Mr. Speaker and Gentlemen of the House of Assembly,*

" In releasing you from further attendance upon your Legislative labours, it is again my pleasing duty to renew to you, for myself and for my Royal Mistress, my acknowledgements of the assiduous and satisfactory discharge of your Legislative duties, and, in Her Majesty's name, to thank you for the liberality of the Supplies which you have granted in aid of the Public Service, and more especially for the noble provision which you have made for the improvement of the Great Lines of Communication between Halifax and Quebec, passing through this Province ; thereby unequivocally manifesting your readiness to meet the wishes and suggestions of the Imperial Government in all that tends to bind and consolidate the connexion of New Brunswick with Great Britain. By these proceedings you have, I am well convinced, faithfully fulfilled the wishes of your Constituents, whose gratitude you have thereby merited, while you have at the same time nobly sustained the lofty position which New Brunswick has taken among the Colonies of the British Empire for unshaken loyalty to the Sovereign and affectionate attachment to the Mother Country. And here I ought not to refrain from observing, that anxiously desirous as I have ever been to conduct my administration in accordance with the "best interests" of the community over which I was appointed to preside, it has been with no ordinary degree of satisfaction that I have found that principle of Government to be identical with the "wishes" of a rational—a sound judging—and a loyal People.

" The Queen having been pleased to terminate my official connexion with New Brunswick, the painful necessity is imposed upon me of bidding you adieu, which I know you will believe that I do with feelings of deep emotion, arising as well from gratitude for the confidence which you so frankly reposed in me, from the first hour of our intercourse—a confidence which has alleviated and facilitated the anxious duties attaching to my station, and rendered their performance satisfactory and delightful, and, as I will hope, and as you have been pleased to assure me, beneficial to the Province,—from regret at my disseverance from a People among whom several of the happiest years of my life have been passed, and to whom I shall ever feel myself linked in sentiments of unceasing regard and affection,—and lastly, from pride and satisfaction at the prosperous and happy state in which I leave you.

" In imploring for the People of this noble Province the continuance of those blessings to which their many high minded qualities so justly entitle them, I will add, that for myself it will constitute one of the chief consolations of my remaining days, to witness, though at a distance, the rapid progress which New Brunswick is destined to make in all that relates to her prosperity and improvement.

" England already looks with great interest to the People of New Brunswick, as to an impregnable barrier against the spread of unsound and unconstitutional opinions on this Continent; and I foresee, that, in the course of events, that feeling will be elevated into one of just pride in the possession of so noble a Bulwark of her glorious Institutions.

" I have yet one more observation to make, and if that observation should be deemed superfluous, I trust to your candour to impute it to its true motive—an anxious desire to perpetuate to you, as far as my advice or influence may be permitted to extend, the blessings which must ever attend the harmonious working of the machinery of which Legislation and Government are composed.—Permit me then to impress upon you the advantage to the Public Interests, which must result from according to the distinguished Individual, who may be selected by the Sovereign to represent Her Majesty in this Province, the same degree of confidence which you were pleased to repose in me, and to which, I repeat, I mainly impute, under the blessing of Divine Providence, whatever of success may have attended my efforts to be useful."

After which the President of the Council, the Honorable Mr. Chief Justice Chipman, by His Excellency's command, declared the Assembly prorogued until the third Tuesday in June next.

WM. TYNG PETERS, Clerk.