were held and constrained to appear: Now Know Ye, that for divers causes and considerations, and taking into consideration the ease and convenience of Our Loving Subjects, We have thought fit, by and with the advice of Our Executive Council, to relieve you, and each of you, of your attendance at the time aforesaid, hereby convoking and by these presents enjoining you and each of you that on THURSDAY, the SIXTEENTH day of the month of AUGUST next, you meet Us, in Our Provincial Parliament, at Our City of Quebec, there to take into consideration the state and welfare of Our said Province of Canada, and therein to do as may seem necessary. Herein Fail Not.

In Testimony Whereof, We have caused these Our Letters to be made Patent, and the great seal of Our said Province of Canada to be hereunto affixed: Witness, Our Trusty and Well-Beloved Sir Edmund Walker Head, Baronet, Governor General of British North America, and Captain General and Governor in Chief in and over Our Provinces of Canada, Nova Scotia, New Brunswick, and the Island of Prince Edward, and Vice Admiral of the same, &c., &c., &c. At QUEBEC, in our said Province, this SIXTH day of JULY, in the year of our Lord, one thousand eight hundred and fifty-five, and in the Nineteenth year of Our Reign.

By Command,

Felix Fortier, C. C. Chy.

PROVINCE OF CANADA.



Province of Canada.

EDMUND HEAD.

(L.S.)

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

To Our Beloved and Faithful the Legislative Councillors of the Province of Canada, and the Knights, Citizens and Burgesses elected to serve in the Legislative