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- (97) An Act to amend the Jurors' Act.
- (98) An Act to aid in the reconstruction of the University building.
- (99) An Act to amend the Public Health Act in respect of the sale of meat or milk from animals affected with tuberculosis.
- (100) An Act to amend the General Mining Act.
- (101) An Act to provide for security for costs in certain actions against Justices of the Peace.
- (102) An Act to provide for the vacating of certificates of lis pendens.
- (103) An Act to amend the Act for the protection of game and fur-bearing animals.
- (104) An Act to amend the law respecting powers of sale in mortgages.
- (105) An Act respecting assignments and preferences by insolvent persons.
- (106) An Act for the suppression of foul brood among bees.
- (107) An Act to amend the Division Courts Act.
- (108) An Act to further facilitate proceedings under the Land Titles Act.
- (109) An Act to provide for holding Winter Assizes in the County of Carleton.
- (110) An Act to amend the Ditches and Water-courses Act.
- (111) An Act to confirm and establish a certain survey of the Township of Kennebec, in the County of Frontenac.
- (112) An Act to amend the Act respecting private lunatic asylums.
- (113) An Act to amend the Ontario Insurance Act.
- (114) An Act to amend the Free Grants and Homesteads Act.
- (115) An Act respecting the profession of architects.
- (116) An Act to amend the Public and Separate Schools Act.
- (117) An Act to amend the Trades Arbitration Act.
- (118) An Act respecting exemption from municipal assessments.
- (119) An Act to amend the Railway Act of Ontario.
- (120) An Act to amend the Partition Act.
- (121) An Act to provide means of extinguishing forest fires.
- (122) An Act with respect to fines and costs of summary convictions.
- (123) An Act to amend the Act respecting the establishment of Municipal Institutions in the Districts of Algoma, Muskoka, Parry Sound, Nipissing, Thunder Bay and Rainy River.
- (124) An Act respecting contracts of life insurance.
- (125) An Act respecting the culling and measurement of saw-logs cut upon Crown Lands.
- (126) An Act respecting the commitment of persons of tender years.
- (127) An Act to amend the Act to prevent the spread of noxious weeds and diseases affecting fruit trees.
- (128) An Act to simplify the procedure for enforcing Mechanics' Liens.
- (129) An Act to amend the General Road Companies Act.
- (130) An Act to amend the Ontario Tree Planting Act.
- (131) An Act to vest certain portions of the former St. Catharines, Thorold and Niagara Falls Road, in the Town of Niagara Falls and the Township of Stamford.
- (132) An Act to amend the Timber Slides Companies' Act.
- (133) An Act to amend the Act respecting Snow Fences.
- (134) An Act to amend the Registry Act.
- (135) An Act to amend the Street Railway Act.
- (136) An Act respecting the expenses of County Court Judges under the Ditches and Water-courses Act.
- (137) An Act to amend the Act respecting Conditional Sales of Chattels.
- (138) An Act relating to manhood suffrage voters.
- (139) An Act to protect persons acting as executors or administrators.
- (140) An Act respecting sales for taxes in Muskoka and Parry Sound.
- (141) An Act respecting certain statistical returns.
- (142) An Act to amend the Act respecting mortgages and sales of personal property.
- (143) An Act to amend the High Schools Act.
- (144) An Act respecting timber licenses affecting registered land.
- (145) An Act respecting polling places in the District of Algoma.
- (146) An Act to amend the Joint Stock Companies Winding-up Act.
- (147) An Act respecting juvenile offenders.
- (148) The Municipal Amendment Act, 1890.
- (149) An Act respecting aid to certain railways.

THE ROYAL ASSENT.

To these bills the Royal assent was announced by the Clerk of the Legislative Assembly in the following words:—

"In Her Majesty's name, His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor doth assent to these bills."

EXPENSES OF CIVIL GOVERNMENT.

Mr. Speaker then said:—

May it please Your Honor,

We, Her Majesty's most dutiful and faithful subjects, the Legislative Assembly of the Province of Ontario, in session assembled, approach Your Honor at the close of our labors with sentiments of unfeigned devotion and loyalty to Her Majesty's person and Government, and humbly beg to present for Your Honor's acceptance a bill intitled "An Act for granting to Her Majesty certain sums of money to defray the expenses of civil government for the year 1890, and for other purposes therein mentioned," thus placing at the disposal of the Crown the means by which the Government can be made efficient for the service and welfare of the Province.

THE ROYAL ASSENT.

To this bill the Royal assent was announced by the Clerk of the Legislative Assembly, in the following words:—

"His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor doth thank Her Majesty's dutiful and loyal subjects, accept their benevolence and assent to this bill in Her Majesty's name."

His Excellency then read the prorogation speech from an engrossed manuscript, as follows:—

Mr. Speaker and Gentlemen of the Legislative Assembly:

Now that you have brought to a close your labors for this session and I am about to relieve you from further attendance here, I desire to express to you my high appreciation of the zeal and intelligence with which you have discharged your duties as representatives of the people.

The public measures which you have passed, having for their object the improvement of the municipal law, the better administration of justice, the simplification of the procedure in respect of mechanics' liens, the promotion of agricultural interests, the protection of valuable live stock; and the amendment of the Registry laws and the insurance laws, are, I am persuaded, in the public interest, and will be found to have been framed with the due appreciation of the ends to be attained.

I cordially approve of the amendments made to the Public and Separate Schools Acts. Although it was already clear that no person was to be ranked as a Separate School supporter except through his own voluntary act, nevertheless the directions now given to municipal officers with respect to assessments and to registration of the notices required by Section 40 of the Separate Schools Act will, doubtless, tend to prevent the occurrence of mistakes in the rating of Public and Separate School supporters respectively, and thus secure greater certainty with regard to assessments for school purposes.

It is gratifying to me to observe your manifest desire to aid in every proper manner the interests of education throughout the Province. Your sympathy was practically evinced, on the one hand, by the unanimity with which you came to the assistance of the Provincial University in the recent calamity that befel that institution, and, on the other hand, by the generous grant made towards maintaining, in increased efficiency, the poor schools in the new districts, where, owing to sparseness of population and other disadvantages, settlers have serious difficulties to contend with in securing for their children the benefits of a Common School training.

I cannot dismiss the subject of education without referring to the excellent impression made everywhere by the intimation that a sister Province has donated to the University of Toronto a substantial sum to assist in rebuilding that institution.

I am pleased to note that the measure which you have adopted providing mining regulations has met with the general approval of

those engaged in mining operations. The Act will doubtless be of service in promoting the safety, health and comfort of the operatives, and gives assurance that work in the mines of the Province will be carried on upon improved methods.

The measure amending the General Mining Act will afford those desirous of purchasing mining lands facilities for transacting much of their business in the localities in which the lands lie, and for obtaining the information necessary to applications for purchasing.

The amendments made to the Free Grants and Homestead Act will, I trust, beneficially affect, not only those who may be within its immediate operation, but the Free Grant Districts generally.

It is with much gratification that I give my sanction to the Act passed for the purpose of encouraging County Councils in the laudable work of erecting Houses of Refuge in connection with Industrial Farms, and thereby relieving goals of the care and support of aged, helpless and poor persons not belonging to the criminal classes. I trust the Councils will avail themselves of the provisions of the Act, and thus give effect to your timely legislation in this respect.

I have, with much satisfaction, observed your efforts to make more adequate the provisions of the law having for their object the proper care of persons of tender years committed as offenders under any of the statutes in force in this Province; and I regard as a most salutary provision your enactment that children under the age of thirteen years shall be sent, not to penal institutions, but, where practicable, to duly certified Industrial Schools, where they may receive a training calculated to make them useful citizens.

I trust it will be found that the abolition of certain exemptions from municipal assessment has been in the public interest, your action having been largely, if not wholly, based upon communications to my advisers from the various Municipal Councils in the Province, which had been consulted with a view to ascertaining the extent to which public opinion would concur in changes to be made.

I have assented with pleasure to the amendments made in the Liquor License Law. They appear to be in consonance with the growth of public sentiment upon the Temperance question, and to have received general sympathy and approval. I have no doubt experience will show that the measure on this subject has been conceived in the public interest and will prove eminently beneficial.

I notice that the private legislation this session has been unprecedentedly large, a fact which marks the ever-increasing wants of an active population. These measures, some of which are of a very important character, bear evidence of having received careful consideration.

I thank you for the liberal appropriations which you have made for the public service. The supplies which you have granted will be expended with care and in the public interest.

It now devolves upon me to bring to a close this the last session of the sixth Legislature of Ontario. In doing so I wish to assure you that I take leave of you with a due sense of the wisdom and patriotism which have guided your deliberations. My hope is, that your successors will be found to be not less earnest in fulfilling their duty to our common country, and that, like you, they will at all times show a just appreciation of the high trust which as representatives of the people will have been committed to their safe-keeping.