

to issue certain debentures in aid of the Kingston, Smith's Falls & Ottawa Railway company.

An act to incorporate the Hamilton Radical Electric Street Railway company.

An act to amend the act respecting compensation to workmen in certain cases.

An act for the prevention of cruelty to and better protection of children.

An act to further facilitate the enforcement of the just rights of wage-earners and sub-contractors.

An act respecting securities in the surrogate courts.

An act respecting the office of county crown attorney in the county of York and city of Toronto.

An act to extend the time for the vesting of estates in heirs and devisees.

An act to further provide against the extermination of the plant called ginseng.

An act to amend the voters' lists act.

An act to establish the office of land titles for the district of Rainy River.

An act to amend the Toronto medical act.

An act to amend the liquor license act.

An act to amend the pharmacy act.

An act respecting the Sarnia Consumers' Gas company.

An act to amend the act respecting the limitation of certain actions.

An act to amend the agriculture and arts act.

An act to establish the Algonquin National park of Ontario.

An act to prevent fraud in the sale of milk.

An act to incorporate the Strathroy & Western Counties Railway company.

An act to amend the division courts act.

An act to amend the act respecting joint stock companies for supplying cities, towns and villages with gas and water.

An act to amend the act respecting private lunatic asylums.

An act to amend the municipal waterworks act.

An act to amend the act respecting pounds.

An act to amend the insurance law.

An act respecting the registration of instruments relating to lands.

An act to make further provisions in regard to voters' lists in cities.

An act to amend the public health act.

An act to amend the judicature act.

An act respecting the enforcement of judges' orders in matters not in court.

An act respecting the debt of the town of Sault Ste. Marie to her majesty as representing this province.

An act respecting houses of refuge for females.

An act to amend the act to impose a tax on dogs and for the protection of sheep.

An act for the relief of loan companies incorporated out of Ontario.

An act respecting polling places in the electoral districts of Algoma West and of Algoma East.

An act as to costs in appeals on prosecutions.

An act to enable the electors of the province to pronounce upon the desirability of prohibiting the importation, manufacture and sale as a beverage of intoxicating liquors.

An act respecting the erection of the new provincial lunatic asylum at Brockville.

An act relating to the erection of the new provincial buildings.

An act to consolidate and amend the acts relating to game and fur-bearing animals.

An act respecting agricultural societies in Nipissing, Parry Sound and Manitoulin.

An act respecting certain duties, liabilities and fees of sheriffs.

An act to amend the high schools act.

An act to amend an act relating to the Central prison.

An act respecting building societies.

An act for the better protection of free libraries.

An act for the better prevention of certain diseases affecting fruit trees.

An act for the better prevention of fraudulent statements by companies and others.

An act respecting the judges of the supreme court in Ontario.

An act respecting certain grants to the Industrial School association of Toronto.

An act to amend the industrial schools act.

An act respecting sales for taxes in the free grant territory.

An act to amend the jurors' act.

The municipal amendment act, 1893.

The assessment amendment act, 1893.

An act respecting aid to certain rail-ways.

An act for granting to her majesty certain sums of money to defray the expenses of civil government for the year 1893, and for other purposes therein mentioned.

To these bills the royal assent was announced by Col. Clarke, 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."

The 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 1893, 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.

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."

SPEECH FROM THE THRONE.

The lieutenant-governor then delivered the following speech:—

"Mr. Speaker and gentlemen of the legislative assembly:

"In relieving you from further attendance upon your legislative duties, I am glad to be able to congratulate you upon the advantages which have already been experienced from the completion of the new parliament buildings. While they have greatly contributed to your comfort and convenience in the discharge of your legislative duties, they have also proved themselves to be perfectly adapted to all the other requirements of the public service. It is very satisfactory to know that buildings so substantial and commodious have been erected at comparatively so low a cost.

"I desire to express my appreciation of the diligence and zeal with which you addressed yourselves to the work of the session. Although called together at a season of the year when the demands of private business are most urgent, you have shown no desire either to hasten legislation unduly or to postpone the consideration of measures important to the province.

"I recognize with pleasure your prudence and forethought in providing for the establishment of a large national park, about 12,000 square miles in area, in the northern part of the province, and in thereby securing for all time a forest reservation of untold value to the country, and included to it a reserve for such animals as it is desirable to protect. The name Algonquin, by which the park is to be known, will form a connecting link between its former and its future occupants, while, amongst other advantages, its ample area of lake and forest will furnish unbounded facilities to coming generations for rest and recreation.

"I heartily concur in the provisions of your act granting liberal aid to certain railways to be constructed in localities hitherto unprovided with railway facilities and which, opening as they do the way to localities believed to be rich in iron and ore deposits, must prove to be of great advantage to the general community.

"I am pleased to learn that steps are to be immediately taken for ascertaining whether, or to what extent, a provincial legislature has the power to deal with the prohibition of the liquor traffic, and that in the meantime, in response to numerous petitions from all parts of the province, a plebiscite is to be taken on the advisability of prohibiting by law the importation, manufacture and sale of intoxicating liquor as a beverage. It is but reasonable that before legislating you should procure the settlement of any constitutional doubts as to the powers of the legislature, and that you should ascertain whether there is such a substantial public opinion in favor of prohibition as would ensure its enforcement in the case of legislation being adopted. I shall watch with interest the course of events with respect to both these questions.

"I have assented with great pleasure to the bill which you have passed for the prevention of cruelty to and better protection of children, as a means of rescuing from a possible or probable criminal