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THURSDAY, APRIL 30.

S P E E C H

OF HIS EXCELLENCY

**George Dundas, Esquire,
Lieutenant Governor, &c., &c.,**

*At the closing of the Legislative Session, Friday,
April 24th, 1868.*

Mr. President and Honourable Gentlemen of the Legislative Council:

Mr. Speaker and Gentlemen of the House of Assembly:

In relieving you from further attendance here, I am glad to express to you my thanks for your assistance and advice.

By the Act which you have passed "to amend and explain the Land Purchase Bill," you have empowered me, —so soon as the purchase of any Public Estate shall have proved to be self-sustaining, —to relieve from further payment tenants on that Estate, who have paid their full proportion of the purchase money of their farms.

Under this Act, I shall be enabled to comply with the prayer of the Petition, which, at the commencement of the Session, I informed you that I had received from certain persons who had purchased their holdings on the Selkirk Estate.

The settlement and cultivation of Wilderness Lands cannot fail to be encouraged by the liberal Measure, in which you have authorized me to relax, on such parts of the Public Estates as may be deemed expedient, the provisions of the law which regulates their sale.

I have given my Assent, with much satisfaction, to the Bill, by which you have placed in the hands of the Government a discretionary power to expend a limited amount of Public Money in the purchase of lands, whose value may exceed the limits of the Land Purchase Act.

Mr. Speaker and Gentlemen of the House of Assembly:

I thank you for the Supplies which you have granted for the Public Service.

I earnestly hope, that the timely aid which you have offered to farmers who are unable to procure grain for seed, may avert the suffering to themselves, and the loss to the Colony, which their inability to procure such seed must inevitably produce.

Mr. President and Honourable Gentlemen of the Legislative Council:

Mr. Speaker and Gentlemen of the House of Assembly:

The important subject of Education has received your anxious consideration, and I trust, that the Measure, which you have matured for consolidating and amending the Laws thereupon, may be of benefit to the community.

The able Report of the Committee on Highways, has been laid before you: Although you have not seen fit to take any Legislative action upon it during the present Session, the whole subject will be carefully considered during the recess, with the view to the adoption, at your next meeting, of a system of management which will afford a better security for the judicious expenditure of the money appropriated for this service.

I now release you from further attendance here by proroguing this Session of the Legislature.

FORMS of Blank Handbills for Sheriff's Sale are to be had at the ROYAL GAZETTE office.

Legislative Council Chamber,

FRIDAY, 24th April, 1868.

His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor having come down to the Council Chamber, at half-past three o'clock, p. m., was pleased to give his assent to the following bills, intituled, viz:

1. An Act to amend the Act for the due observance of the Lord's Day.
2. An Act to revive and continue a certain Act therein mentioned.
3. An Act to incorporate the Prince County Agricultural Society.
4. An Act to incorporate the Saint Peter's Bay Agricultural Society.
5. An Act to incorporate the Minister and Trustees of the Baptist Church of Long Creek, West River.
6. An Act to prevent accidents to persons travelling on the Ice.
7. An Act to amend the Act incorporating the Summerside Bank.
8. An Act for the incorporation of Societies for the sale and distribution of seed grain on credit.
9. An Act for the better security of the Crown and Government of the United Kingdom within this Island.
10. An Act to incorporate the Minister and Trustees of the Baptist Church of North River, Lot 32.
11. An Act to continue and amend certain Acts therein mentioned relating to Summerside.
12. An Act to amend and explain the Act passed in the 2nd year of His Majesty King William the 4th, relating to the celebration of Marriages so far as the same relates to the Bible Christian Church.
13. An Act (from the Council) to shorten the language of Sheriffs' Deeds.
14. An Act for the relief of unfortunate Debtors.
15. An Act to amend the Laws establishing the salaries payable to the Attorney and Solicitor General.
16. An Act to amend and explain the Land Purchase Bill.
17. An Act to repeal the Acts now in force establishing and regulating the rate of Interest, and to make some provisions on the same subject.
18. An Act to encourage the settlement and cultivation of Wilderness Lands.
19. An Act to consolidate and amend several Acts therein mentioned relating to the Savings' Bank.
20. An Act in further addition to and amendment of the Act to incorporate the Town of Charlottetown.
21. An Act in further amendment of the Laws regulating the sale by License of Spirituous Liquors.
22. An Act to empower the Government of Prince Edward Island to expend Ten thousand pounds in the purchase of Lands in the said Island.
23. An Act to consolidate and amend the several Laws relating to Education.
24. An Act for raising a Revenue.
25. An Act for appropriating certain monies therein mentioned for the service of the year of our Lord One thousand eight hundred and sixty-eight.

JOHN BALL,
Clerk Leg. Council.

Executors' Notice.

ALL persons having claims against the Estate of the late James McCormack, of Georgetown, are requested to furnish the same, duly attested, within Three Months from date and those indebted to the said Estate are hereby requested to make immediate payment to either of the Executors.

MICHAEL HESSION,
GEORGE MOAR,
RONALD McCORMACK.

Georgetown, March 12, 1868.