

"The claim against the Government of the Dominion in connection with the Eastern Extension matter, so called, is, I regret to say, still unpaid. My Government has not ceased to urgently press its payment upon the Government at Ottawa, but so far without success.

"The obligation resting upon the State to provide for the education of the Blind and Deaf and Dumb has already been recognized by the Government and people of the Province, but not, I am led to believe, to the extent demanded by the growing needs of these dependent classes. A measure relating to the subject has been prepared and will be submitted for your approval.

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

"Under the authority conferred at the last Session of the Legislature, a very extensive importation of pure bred stock of various standard breeds was made from the sister Provinces of Ontario and Quebec. The quality of the animals imported is admitted to have been of a very high order, and their distribution throughout the Province cannot fail to be of general benefit. The Accounts, in detail, in connection with this importation, will be laid before you.

"I have directed the Accounts of the Income and Expenditure of the past year, as well as a Statement of the Receipts and Payments of the current year, up to the opening of the present Session, to be laid before you.

"Estimates of the probable Income and Expenditure of the current year will be submitted to you, and I think you will find that the Estimates of expenditure have been prepared with a due regard to economy and the requirements of the public service.

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

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

"Bills have been prepared—To declare the rights of the Crown, as represented by the Government of the Province, in certain public lands and property,—For the substitution of Insurance Policies of Guarantee Companies, for bonds with sureties in the case of public officers,—Relating to Bills of Sale,—which will be submitted for your consideration and approval.

"A Bill is also in course of preparation and may be ready to lay before you at the present Session, adopting the provisions of the English Judicature Acts, so far as they may be made applicable to the practice and procedure in the Courts of the Province, and making uniform the practice of the Supreme and County Courts.

"I am confident that these measures, and the subjects to which I have invited your attention, will receive every consideration at your hands."

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