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ALFRED GREENFIELD, Provincial Secretary.

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MR. SPEAKER, AND GENTLEMEN OF THE PROVINCIAL COUNCIL.

I have to thank you, on behalf of the Province, for the considerable additional sums which you have appropriated for Public Works and other services, chiefly on the South-west Goldfields, during the current Financial Year, and I am confident that your liberality will be highly appreciated in those districts.

I also thank you, on my own behalf, for making provision to cover the sum I have expended on the Goldfields beyond the amount which you previously authorised.

The provision which you have made to meet any unforeseen, but urgent demands upon the public funds, will, I have little doubt, enable me to comply with the terms of your Resolution of the 5th November, without that injury to the interests of the Province which would otherwise ensue from the sudden stoppage of Public Works in progress, or from the postponement of expenditure required in an emergency such as so frequently arises out of the progress of existing Goldfields and the development of new ones.

Calculating upon your giving due weight to these considerations, and perhaps to some extent upon the ready approval with which you granted, in your late

session, a sum of nearly the same amount to meet the unauthorised expenditure of my predecessor, incurred under similar, though less urgent, circumstances, I did not hesitate to take the responsibility from which you have now relieved me.

The unexampled increase of the Provincial Revenue which has immediately followed that expenditure satisfies me that the money was expended in the right manner, and, above all, at the right time; that the public interests required that I should take upon myself the responsibility of immediate action, and that had I failed to do so, I should have been unworthy of the confidence which the people of this Province have placed in me.

I have assented, on behalf of the Governor, to the "Supplementary Appropriation Act," and have reserved the "Electoral Districts Act Amendment Act," for the signification of his Excellency's pleasure thereon.

I now declare this Council prorogued.

OSWALD CURTIS,

Superintendent.