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ALFRED GREENFIELD, Provincial Secretary.

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PROROGATION OF COUNCIL.

**S**PEECH of his Honor the Superintendent on the Prorogation of the Twenty-fourth Session of the Nelson Provincial Council, on the 7th February, 1874.

MR SPEAKER AND GENTLEMEN OF THE PROVINCIAL COUNCIL—

I have assented, on behalf of his Excellency the Governor, to the following Acts.

An Act to amend the Law relating to the sale of Alcoholic Liquors.

An Act to amend the Goldfields Local Revenues Act 1873.

An Act to further appropriate the Revenue of the Province of Nelson, for the year ending the thirty-first day of March, One thousand eight hundred and seventy-four.

I am much gratified to find that the important proposals I submitted to you in reference to Public Works and Immigration have received your approval.

I forwarded your resolution on the latter subject to the Colonial Government by telegraph, and have since been informed by them that they have instructed the Agent-General to despatch 150 immigrants per month to the Province.

It may, I think, be fairly assumed from the readiness with which the Colonial Government have complied with the wishes of the Province in respect to Immigration, that they will give an equally cordial support to the other portion of the scheme—namely, the proposals for opening the country by the construction of Public Works, without which the introduction of so considerable an accession to the laboring population would, in my opinion, be at the best a doubtful experiment.

The unanimity with which these proposals as a whole have been approved by the Provincial Council will greatly assist the representatives of the Province in procuring the sanction of the Colonial Legislature.

I now declare this Council prorogued.

OSWALD CURTIS,  
*Superintendent.*