
A FURTHER RETURN

To an Address of the Legislative Assembly for copies of all correspondence with the Dominion Government respecting the Acts of last Session.

By Command.

*Attorney-General's Office,
20th February, 1878.*

A. C. ELLIOTT,
Attorney-General.

The Attorney-General to the Lieutenant-Governor.

ATTORNEY-GENERAL'S OFFICE,
16th April, 1877.

SIR,—I have the honour to report upon an Act passed during the present Session of the Legislature, intituled “An Act to amend the ‘Gold Mining Amendment Act, 1872.’”

This Act gives jurisdiction, in all personal actions, to the Gold Commissioners in Kootenay and Cassiar, and appears to trench upon the provisions of the 96th section of the British North America Act, which vests the appointment of the Supreme and County Court Judges in the Governor-General alone; inasmuch as it provides that the paid employes of the Local Government in the districts aforesaid, shall have and exercise almost as much power as a Supreme Court Judge.

As I think this Legislature has not the power, in effect, to make these appointments, I should suggest that the Act be reserved for the consideration of His Excellency the Governor-General.

I have, etc.,
(Signed) A. C. ELLIOTT,
Attorney-General.

The Attorney-General to the Lieutenant-Governor.

ATTORNEY-GENERAL'S OFFICE,
16th April, 1877.

SIR,—I have the honour to enclose the Acts passed during the present Session of the Legislature, and to report that, with the exception of the Act to amend the “Gold Mining Amendment Act, 1872,” they should receive Your Excellency's assent.

I have, etc.,
(Signed) A. C. ELLIOTT,
Attorney-General.
