

DOMINION PARLIAMENTS SINCE 1867.

No. of PARLIAMENTS.	Session.	Date of		
		Opening.	Prorogation.	Dissolution.
1st Parliament...	*1st	Nov. 6, 1867.	May 22, 1868.	} July 8, 1872.
	2nd.	April 15, 1869.	June 22, 1869.	
	3rd.	Feb. 15, 1870.	May 12, 1870.	
	4th.	" 15, 1871.	April 14, 1871.	
	5th.	April 11, 1872.	June 14, 1872.	
2nd Parliament.....	†1st.....	March 5, 1873.	Aug. 13, 1873.	} Jan. 2, 1874.
	2nd.	Oct. 23, 1873.	Nov. 7, 1873.	
3rd Parliament.....	1st.	March 26, 1874.	May 26, 1874.	} Aug. 17, 1878.
	2nd.	Feb. 4, 1875.	April 8, 1875.	
	3rd.	" 10, 1876.	" 12, 1876.	
	4th.	" 8, 1877.	" 28, 1877.	
	5th.	" 7, 1878.	May 10, 1878.	
4th Parliament.....	1st.	Feb. 13, 1879.	May 15, 1879.	} May 18, 1882.
	2nd.	" 12, 1880.	" 7, 1880.	
	3rd.	Dec. 9, 1880.	March 21, 1881.	
	4th.	Feb. 9, 1882.	May 17, 1882.	
5th Parliament ...	1st.	Feb. 8, 1883.	May 25, 1883.	} Jan. 15, 1887.
	2nd.	Jan. 17, 1884.	April 19, 1884.	
	3rd.	" 29, 1885.	July 20, 1885.	
	4th.	Feb. 25, 1886.	June 2, 1886.	
6th Parliament	1st.	April 13, 1887.	June 23, 1887.	} Feb. 3, 1891.
	2nd.	Feb. 23, 1888.	May 22, 1888.	
	3rd.	Jan. 31, 1889.	" 2, 1889.	
	4th.	" 16, 1890.	" 16, 1890.	
7th Parliament	1st.	April 29, 1891.	

*Adjourned from 21st December, 1867, to 12th March, 1868, to allow the Local Legislatures to meet. †Adjourned 23rd May till 13th August.

70. It will be seen that there have been six complete Parliaments since Confederation. The first Parliament was the longest one, and the second was the shortest. The average length of each Session has been 88 days, or about 12 weeks. The longest Session was in 1885, viz., 24 weeks 4 days, and the next longest was in 1890, viz., 17 weeks 1 day. The shortest Session was in 1873, and only lasted 2 weeks and 1 day.

Duration of Parliament.