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EDWARD THE SEVENTH, by the Grace of God, of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, and of the British Dominions beyond the Seas, King, Defender of the Faith, Emperor of India.

To Our Trusty and Well-Beloved Thomas Osborne Davis, Esquire, of the Town of Prince Albert, in the North-west Territories, in Our Dominion of Canada.

Know YE, that as well for the especial trust and confidence We have manifested in you, as for the purpose of obtaining your advice and assistance in all weighty and arduous affairs which may the State and Defence of Our Dominion of Canada concern, We have thought fit to summon you to the Senate of Our said Dominion; and We do command you, that all difficulties and excuses whatsoever laying aside, you be and appear, for the purposes aforesaid, in the Senate of Our said Dominion, at all times whensoever and wheresoever Our Parliament may be in Our said Dominion convoked and holden; and this you are in no wise to omit.

In Testimony Whereof, We have caused these Our Letters to be made Patent, and the Great Seal of Canada to be hereunto affixed. Witness, Our Right Trusty and Right Well-Beloved Cousin and Councillor the Right Honourable Sir Gilbert John Elliot, Earl of Minto and Viscount Melgund of Melgund, County of Forfar, in the Peerage of the United Kingdom, Baron Minto of Minto, County of Roxburgh, in the Peerage of Great Britain, Baronet of Nova Scotia, Knight Grand Cross of the Most distinguished Order of Saint

Michael and Saint George, &c., &c., Governor General of Canada.

At Our Government House, in Our City of Ottawa, this Thirteenth day of September, in the Year of Our Lord One Thousand Nine Hundred and Four, and the Fourth Year of Our Regin.

By Command,

R. W. SCOTT,

Secretary of State.

Whereupon the Honourable Mr. Davis came to the Table and took and subscribed the Oath prescribed by law, which was administered by Samuel Edmour St. Onge Chapleau, Esquire, one of the Commissioners appointed for that purpose, and took his seat accordingly.

The Honourable the Speaker then acquainted the House that the Clerk of the Senate had laid upon the Table the Certificate of one of the Commissioners setting forth that the Honourable Mr. Davis, a Member of the Senate, had made and subscribed the Declaration of Qualification required by the British North America Act,

The Honourable the Speaker informed the Senate that he had received the following communication from the Governor General's Secretary :-

THE OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR GENERAL'S SECRETARY,

OTTAWA, 10th January, 1905.

SIR,-I am directed by His Excellency the Governor General to inform you that the Chief Justice of Canada, in his capacity as Deputy Governor, will proceed to the Senate Chamber to open the Session of the Dominion Parliament an Wednesday, the 11th instant, at 3 o'clock, p.m.

I have the honour to be, Sir,

Your obedient servant,

J. HANBURY-WILLIAMS, Governor General's Secretary.

The Honourable The Speaker of the Senate.