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 whersoever 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 Most Dear and Entirely Beloved Uncle and Most Faithful Counsellor Field Marshal His Royal Highness PRINCE ARTHUR WILLIAM PATRICK ALBERT, Duke of Connaught and of Strathearn, Earl of Sussex (in the Peerage of the United Kingdom), Prince of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, Duke of Saxony, Prince of Saxe-Coburg and Gotha; Knight of Our Most Noble Order of the Garter; Knight of Our Most Ancient and Most Noble Order of the Thistle; Knight of Our Most Illustrious Order of Saint Patrick; one of Our Most Honourable Privy Council; Great Master of Our Most Honourable Order of the Bath; Knight Grand Commander of Our Most Exalted Order of the Star of India; Knight Grand Cross of Our Most Distinguished Order of Saint Michael and Saint George; Knight Grand Commander of Our Most Eminent Order of the Indian Empire; Knight Grand Cross of Our Royal Victorian Order; Our Personal Aide-de-Camp; Governor General and Commander-in-Chief of Our Dominion of Canada.
  - At Our Government House, in Our City of Ottawa, in Our said Dominion, this Tenth day of February, in the year of Our Lord, one thousand nine hundred and sixteen, and in the sixth year of Our Reign.

By Command,

JAMES G. FOLEY,

Clerk of the Crown in Chancery for Canada.

Ordered, That the same be placed upon the Journals.

The Honourable Mr. Sharpe came to the Table, and took and subscribed the oath prescribed by law, which was administered by the Clerk of the Senate, one of the Commissioners appointed for that purpose, and took his seat as a Member of the Senate.

The Honourable the Speaker informed the Senate that the Honourable Mr. Sharpe had made and subscribed the Declaration of Qualification required of him by *The British North America Act*, 1867, in the presence of the Clerk of the Senate, one of the Commissioners appointed to receive and witness the same.

The following Petitions were brought up and laid on the Table:-

By the Honourable Mr. Derbyshire:-

Of Hope Fothergill Baily, of the City of Toronto; praying for a Bill of Divorce from her husband, William George Baily.

By the Honourable Mr. Belcourt:-

Of The Joliette and Lake Manuan Colonization Railway Company, Limited.

The following two Petitions were read and received:-

Of Mgr. O. Charlebois, and others of Le Pas, Manitoba; praying for legislation granting them the enjoyment of the rights conferred on them in 1870 and 1875, with respect to separate schools; and