
CANADA.

By His Excellency the Right Honorable Sir *Frederick Temple*, Earl of *Dufferin*, Viscount and Baron *Clandeboye* of *Clandeboye* in the County *Down*, in the Peerage of the United Kingdom, Baron *Dufferin* and *Clandeboye* of *Ba'lyleidy* and *Killeleagh* in the County *Down*, in the Peerage of *Ireland*, one of Her Majesty's Most Honorable Privy Council, and a Baronet, Knight of the most Illustrious Order of *Saint Patrick*, and Knight Commander of the most Honorable Order of the Bath, Governor General of *Canada*, and Governor and Commander in Chief in and over the Island of *Prince Edward*.

To *Richard James Bell*, Esquire, and to all to whom these presents shall come,

GREETING :—

(Endorsed) Commission appointing *Richard James Bell*, Esquire, Returning Officer for the Electoral District of the County of *Muskoka*.

Recorded, 15th July, 1872, Lib. 10, Folio, 151.

(Signed) *J. C. Aikins*, Secretary of State and Registrar General of *Canada*.

WHEREAS, by "The Interim Parliamentary Elections Act, 1871," it is amongst other things in effect enacted; That for the purposes of Elections of Members to serve in the House of Commons, the Governor General shall cause Writs to be issued by such persons and addressed to such Returning Officer as he thinks fit.

Now therefore know ye, that having confidence in the loyalty, integrity and ability of you, the said *Richard James Bell*, I, the Right Honorable Sir *Frederick Temple*, Earl of *Dufferin*, Governor General of *Canada*, by virtue of the power in me vested, have nominated and appointed and by these presents do nominate and appoint you, the said *Richard James Bell*, to be Returning Officer of and for the Electoral District of the County of *Muskoka*, in the Province of *Ontario*, in the Dominion of *Canada*.

To have, hold, and execute the said place, trust, and office of Returning Officer aforesaid, together with all the rights, powers, privileges, authorities and emoluments which to the said office do and of right ought to belong and appertain.

Given under my hand and seal at arms, at the City of *Ottawa*, in our said Dominion the fifteenth day of July, in the year of Our Lord, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-two, and in the thirty-sixth year of Her Majesty's Reign.

(Signed,) DUFFERIN.

By Command.

(Signed,)

EDOUARD J. LANGEVIN,
Clerk of the Crown in Chancery,
Canada.

True Copy.

(Signed,)

EDOUARD J. LANGEVIN,
Clerk of the Crown in Chancery,
Canada.

PROCLAMATION.

Electoral District of the County of *Muskoka*, in the Province of *Ontario*, TO WIT :—

PUBLIC Notice is hereby given to the Electors of the Electoral District of the County of *Muskoka*, that in obedience to Her Majesty's writ to me directed, and bearing date the 15th day of the month of July, 1872, I require the presence of the said Electors at the Orange Hall, in the village of *Bracebridge* in the said County of *Muskoka*, on the fifteenth day of the month of August, at twelve o'clock noon, for the purpose o