### CANADA

# House of Commons Debates

### OFFICIAL REPORT

### HOUSE OF COMMONS

Speaker:

The Honourable RODOLPHE LEMIEUX

### Thursday, February 5, 1925

The parliament which had been prorogued from time to time to the fifth day of February, 1925, met this day at Ottawa for the despatch of business.

The House met at three o'clock, the Speaker in the chair.

# APPOINTMENT OF CLERK AND CLERK ASSISTANT

Mr. SPEAKER: I have the honour to inform the House that Arthur Beauchesne, Esquire, K.C., F.R.S.C., has been appointed Clerk of the House of Commons, in the place of William Barton Northrup, Esquire, M.A., K.C., retired;

And that Thomas Munro Fraser, Esquire, LLB., has been appointed Clerk Assistant.

## FOURTH SESSION—FOURTEENTH PARLIAMENT—OPENING

Mr. Speaker read a communication from Mr. A. F. Sladen, Governor General's Secretary, announcing that His Excellency the Governor General would proceed to the Senate chamber at three p.m. on this day, for the purpose of formally opening the session of the Dominion Parliament.

A message was delivered by Colonel Ernest J. Chambers, Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod, as follows:

Mr. Speaker, His Excellency the Governor General desires the immediate attendance of this honourable House in the chamber of the honourable the Senate.

Accordingly the House went up to the Senate chamber.

And the House being returned to the Commons chamber:

#### VACANCIES

Mr. SPEAKER: I have the honour to inform the House that during the recess I

received communications from several members notifying me that the following vacancies had occurred in the representation, viz.:

Of Joseph Emile Stanislas Emmanuel d'Anjou, Esquire, member for the electoral district of Rimouski, consequent upon the acceptance of an office of emolument under the crown.

Of John Morrissy, Esquire, member for the electoral district of Northumberland (N.B.), by decease.

Of John Armstrong MacKelvie, Esquire, member for the electoral district of Yale, by decease.

Of Charles A. Gauvreau, Esquire, member for the electoral district of Témiscouata, by decease.

I accordingly issued my warrants to the Chief Electoral Officer to make out new writs of election for the said electoral districts respectively.

### NEW MEMBERS

Mr. SPEAKER: I have the honour to inform the House that during the recess the Clerk of the House has received from the Chief Electoral Officer certificates of the election and return of the following members, viz:

Of William James Hushion, Esquire, for the electoral district of St. Antoine.

Of Sir Eugène Fiset, Kt., for the electoral district of Rimouski.

Of William Bunting Snowball, Esquire, for the electoral district of Northumberland, N.B.

Of Grote Stirling, Esquire, for the electoral district of Yale.

Of Charles Edward Hanna, Esquire, for the electoral district of West Hastings.

Of Jean Francois Pouliot, Esquire, for the electoral district of Témiscouata.

#### NEW MEMBERS INTRODUCED

William James Hushion, Esquire, member for the electoral district of St. Antoine, introduced by Right Hon. W. L. Mackenzie King and Hon. P. J. A. Cardin.

Sir Eugène Fiset, Kt., member for the electoral district of Rimouski, introduced by Right Hon. W. L. Mackenzie King and Hon. Ernest Lapointe.