Hon. Raymond Eudes, of Montreal, Quebec, introduced between Hon. Mr. Martin and Hon Mr. Macnaughton.

Hon. Edouard Joseph Thériault, of Digby, Nova Scotia, introduced between Hon. Mr. Martin and Hon. Mr. Urquhart.

Hon. Hedard-J. Robichaud, P.C., of Caraquet, New Brunswick, introduced between Hon. Mr. Martin and Hon. Mr. Burchill.

Hon. Louis de Gonzague Giguère, of Montreal, Quebec, introduced between Hon. Mr. Martin and Hon. Mr. Lamontagne.

The Hon. the Speaker informed the Senate that each of the honourable senators named above had made and subscribed the declaration of qualification required by the British North America Act, 1867, in the presence of the Clerk of the Senate, the Commissioner appointed to receive and witness the said declaration.

At 10.15 a.m. the Senate adjourned during pleasure.

At 10.30 a.m. the sitting was resumed, and was then adjourned, pending the arrival of the Honourable the Deputy of the Governor General.

Hon. J. R. Cartwright, M.C., Deputy of His Excellency the Governor General, having come and being seated,

The Hon. the Speaker commanded the Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod to proceed to the House of Commons and acquaint that House that it is the desire of the Honourable the Deputy Governor General that they attend him immediately in the Senate Chamber.

Who being come,

The Hon. the Speaker said:

Honourable Members of the Senate:

Members of the House of Commons:

I have it in command to let you know that His Excellency the Governor General does not see fit to declare the causes of his summoning the present Parliament of Canada until a Speaker of the House of Commons shall have been chosen, according to law; but this afternoon, at the hour of three o'clock, His Excellency will declare the causes of his calling Parliament.

The House of Commons withdrew.

The Honourable the Deputy of the Governor General was pleased to retire.

The sitting of the Senate was resumed.

COMMUNICATION FROM GOVERNOR GENERAL'S SECRETARY

The Hon. the Speaker: Honourable senators, I have received the following communication:

GOVERNMENT HOUSE

Ottawa

12 September 1968

Sir, I have the honour to inform you that His Excellency the Governor General will arrive at the Main Entrance of the Parliament Buildings at 3.00 p.m. on this day Thursday the 12th September 1968, and when it has been signified that all is in readiness, will proceed to the Chamber of the Senate to open formally the First Session of the Twenty-eighth Parliament of Canada.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient servant, Esmond Butler

Secretary to the Governor General.

The Honourable

The Speaker of the Senate.

On motion of Hon. Mr. Hayden, seconded by Hon. Mr. Croll, the Senate adjourned until 2.45 p.m.

SECOND SITTING

The Senate met at 2.55 p.m., the Speaker in the Chair.

The Senate adjourned during pleasure.

At three o'clock His Excellency the Governor General having come and being seated upon the Throne,

The Hon. the Speaker commanded the Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod to proceed to the House of Commons and acquaint that House that it is His Excellency the Governor General's pleasure that they attend him immediately in the Senate Chamber.

The House of Commons being come,

Their Speaker, The Hon. Lucien Lamoureux, said:

May it please Your Excellency,

The House of Commons has elected me their Speaker, though I am but little able to fulfil the important duties thus assigned to me.