

Accordingly, the Members went up to the Senate Chamber, when the Speaker of the Senate said:

*Honourable Members of the Senate,
and 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 the 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 calling this Parliament.

And the Members being returned;

The Right Honourable Lester B. Pearson, addressing himself to the Clerk, moved, seconded by the Honourable Lionel Chevrier,—That Alan A. Macnaughton, Esquire, Member for the Electoral District of Mount Royal, do take the Chair of this House as Speaker.

And the question being put on the said motion, it was agreed to.

And the Clerk having declared Alan A. Macnaughton, Esquire, duly elected, Mr. Macnaughton was conducted to the Chair by the Right Honourable Lester B. Pearson and the Honourable Lionel Chevrier, when he returned his humble acknowledgments to the House for the great honour they had been pleased to confer upon him by choosing him to be their Speaker.

The Mace was laid upon the Table.

At 11.35 o'clock a.m., the sitting was suspended until 3.00 o'clock p.m. this day.