

# CANADA.

## DEBATES of the HOUSE of COMMONS,

FOR THE

SECOND SESSION OF THE THIRD PARLIAMENT OF THE DOMINION  
OF CANADA, CALLED FOR THE DESPATCH OF BUSINESS ON THE 4TH DAY  
OF FEBRUARY, 1875.

HOUSE OF COMMONS,

*Thursday, February 4th, 1875.*

The Parliament which had been pro-rogued from the Twenty-fifth of May, 1874, and thence from time to time to the Fourth day of February, 1875, met this day for despatch of business, at 3 o'clock.

A Message from His Excellency the Governor General, by René Kimber, Esquire, Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod:—

“Mr. SPEAKER,

“His Excellency the Governor-General commands this Honorable House to attend immediately in the Chamber of the Senate.”

Accordingly Mr. SPEAKER, with the House, went up to attend His Excellency, and having returned:—

CERTIFICATES AND REPORTS FROM JUDGES,

RELATING TO ELECTIONS.

Mr. SPEAKER acquainted the House that he had received from the Judges selected for the trial of election petitions, pursuant to the Controverted Elections Act, 1873, certificates and reports relating to the elections for the electoral districts of Essex, Lincoln, Cornwall, Renfrew South, Addington, Argenteuil, Renfrew North, Northumberland West, Montreal West, Montreal Centre, Northumberland East, Richmond and Wolfe, Joliette, Norfolk South, Wellington Centre, Leeds and Grenville North, Colchester, Victoria

*Mr. Speaker.*

North, Simcoe North, Niagara, L'Assomption, Kingston, Chambly, Toronto East, Halton, Middlesex East, London, Huron South, and Two Mountains; in each of which cases the sitting member was unseated.

Mr. SPEAKER said—In conformity with section 24 of the said Act, I issued my several warrants to the Clerk of the Crown in Chancery, to make out new writs of election for the said elective districts respectively.

Mr. SPEAKER also informed the House that he had received from the Hon. Chief Justice WOOD, one of the Judges selected for the trial of Election petitions, a certificate and report of the Election for the Electoral District of Marquette, and, in conformity with section twenty-four of the Controverted Elections Act 1873, had issued his warrant to the Clerk of the Crown in Chancery, directing him to alter the return for the said District, dated February 17, 1874, by expunging the name of ROBERT CUNNINGHAM therefrom, and substituting that of JOSEPH RYAN as the member duly elected; and the Clerk of the House read a report from the Clerk of the Crown in Chancery, certifying that these instructions had been carried out.

Mr. SPEAKER announced that in the following Controverted Election cases the sitting members had been declared duly elected: Levis, Cumberland, Cardwell, Pictou, L'Islet, and Hants.