

and We do command you, that all difficulties and excuses whatsoever laying aside, you be and appear for the purposes aforesaid, in the Senate of Our said Dominion, at all times whensoever and wheresoever Our Parliament may be in Our said Dominion convoked and holden: and this you are in no wise to omit.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, We have caused these Our Letters to be made Patent, and the Great Seal of Canada to be hereunto affixed. WITNESS, John J. McGee, Esquire, Deputy of Our Right Trusty and Well-Beloved the Right Honorable Sir FREDERICK ARTHUR STANLEY, Baron Stanley of Preston, in the County of Lancaster, in the Peerage of Great Britain; Knight Grand Cross of Our Most Honorable Order of the Bath, Governor General of Canada, and Vice-Admiral of the same. At Our Government House, in Our City of Ottawa, in Our Dominion of Canada, this Eighth day of October, in the Year of Our Lord, One Thousand Eight Hundred and Eighty-eight, and in the Fifty-second Year of Our Reign.

By Command,

SAML. E. ST. O. CHAPLEAU,
Clerk of the Crown in Chancery, Canada.

The Honorable Mr. Reid came to the Table and took and subscribed the Oath prescribed by Law, which was administered by Edouard Joseph Langevin, Esquire, a Commissioner appointed for that purpose, and took his seat accordingly.

The Honorable the Speaker then acquainted the House, that the Clerk of the Senate had laid upon the Table the certificate of one of the Commissioners setting forth that the Honorable Mr. Reid, a Member of the Senate, had made and subscribed the Declaration of Qualification required by the British North America Act, 1867.

The following Petitions were severally brought up, and laid on the Table:—

By the Honorable Mr. Clemow,—Of the Prescott County Railway Company, and of H. K. Egan, and others, of the City of Ottawa.

By the Honorable Mr. Macdonald (Midland),—Of D. E. Thomson, President, and Ira Smith, Secretary, of the Regular Baptist Missionary Society.

By the Honorable Mr. Reid,—Of James Isbester and others, Provisional Directors of the Kootenay and Athabaska Railway Company.

By the Honorable Mr. Merner,—Of the Ontario Mutual Life Assurance Company.

The Honorable Mr. Abbott, a Member of the Privy Council for Canada, presented to the House,—The Preliminary Abstract of the business of Canadian Life Insurance Companies, for the year ended 31st December, 1888

Ordered, That the same do lie on the Table, and it is as follows:—

(*Vide Sessional Papers, No. 11a*)

The Order of the Day being read for the consideration of His Excellency's Speech from the Throne at the opening of Parliament,

The Honorable Mr. Drummond moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Perley, That the following Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, to offer the respectful thanks of this House to His Excellency for the gracious Speech he has been pleased to make to both Houses of Parliament:—
namely:—