

ELECTORAL DISTRICT OF PEEL

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HOUSE OF COMMONS

To the Honourable the Speaker of the House of Commons:

We, the undersigned, hereby give notice, in pursuance of section ten of the House of Commons Act, that a vacancy hath occurred in the representation in the House of Commons, for the Electoral District of Peel, in the Province of Ontario, by reason of the death of Gordon Graydon, Esquire, the Member therefor.

Given under our hands and seals, at Ottawa, this twelfth day of November, 1953.

LOUIS S. ST. LAURENT (L.S.),
Member for the Electoral District of Quebec East.

GEORGE DREW (L.S.),
Member for the Electoral District of Carleton.

Mr. St. Laurent, by leave of the House, introduced a Bill, No. 1, An Act respecting the Administration of Oaths of Office, which was read the first time.

Mr. Speaker reported, that when the House did attend His Excellency the Governor General this day in the Senate Chamber, His Excellency was pleased to make a speech to both Houses of Parliament, and to prevent mistakes, he had obtained a copy, which is as follows:

Honourable Members of the Senate:

Members of the House of Commons:

It is a pleasure for me to welcome you to the opening of the Twenty-second Parliament. This is a time when, if peace is maintained, we have every reason to look forward to the continuing development of this prosperous and happy nation.

The Coronation of our beloved Queen was an occasion for universal rejoicing. Her devotion to duty, her personal charm and her happy family life have assured Her Majesty of a warm place in the hearts of all her subjects and have strengthened our attachment to the Crown and to the traditions of our constitutional system of government.

Following the legislation enacted during the last Parliament, the changes in the Royal Style and Titles have been proclaimed by Her Majesty.

Much remains to be done before there can be a permanent and durable peace in the world. My Ministers therefore consider it would be unwise for the free nations to slacken our efforts to build up and maintain the necessary strength to deter aggression and they intend to continue to work to that end.

We have every reason for satisfaction that through the use for the first time of collective police action the objective of the United Nations in Korea has been substantially achieved. The aggressors have been driven back, the fighting has ceased and an armistice has been concluded. My government earnestly hopes that a political conference will ultimately succeed in restoring peace in Korea.