On motion of the Honorable Senator Campbell, seconded by the Honorable Senator Fergusson Blair, it was

Ordered, That the Senate do take into consideration the Speech of His Excellency the Governor General on Monday next.

Ordered, That the Speech of His Excellency the Governor General be printed in both languages for the use of Senators.

On motion of the Honorable Senator Campbell, seconded by the Honorable Senator Fergusson Blair, it was

Ordered, That all the Senators present during this Session be appointed a Committee to consider of the Orders and Customs of this Senate, and Privileges of Parliament, and that the said Committee have leave to meet in this House when and as often as they please.

On motion of the Honorable Senator Campbell, seconded by the Honorable Senator Fergusson Blair, it was-

Ordered, That a Select Committee, composed of the Honorable Senators Fergusson Blair, McCully, Botsford, Christie, Tessier, Sanborn and the mover, be appointed to frame Rules, Orders and Regulations for the guidance and government of this House, and of the several Officers and Servants connected therewith.

Ordered, That pending the Report of the Select Committee just appointed to frame Rules and Regulations for the government of this House, the Rules and Orders in force in the Legislative Council of the late Province of Canada, in the Session held in the year 1866, be followed by this House.

The Honorable the Speaker reported to the Senate that the following Senators, viz :--The Honorable Senator Donald McDonald, the Honorable Senator John Sewall Sanborn, and the Honorable Senator George William Allan, had this day made and signed their Declaration of Qualification as prescribed by law, before George Fennings Taylor, Esquire, Clerk of the Senate.

The Honorable the Speaker reported to the Senate, that Commissions, under the Great Seal, had been issued, appointing John Fennings Taylor, Esquire, (the elder) Robert LeMoine, Esquire, and Fennings Taylor, Esquire, Masters in Chancery.

The said Commissions were ordered to be put upon the Journals, and they are in the following words :--

[L.S.] MONCK.

CANADA.

VICTORIA, by the Grace of God, of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, Queen, Defender of the Faith, &c., &c., &c.

To Our Trusty and Well Beloved John Fennings Taylor, the Elder, Esquire,

GREETING :

Know Ye, that reposing especial trust and confidence in the fidelity, ability, and integrity of you, the said John Fennings Taylor, the elder, Esquire, we have nominated, constituted, and appointed, and by these presents do nominate, constitute and appoint you, the said John Fennings Taylor, the elder, to be Master in the Chancery of Our Dominion of Canada to attend our Senate of Our said Dominion, and to do, perform, and execute all such acts, services, matters and things in Our Parliament as appertain to the said office and as you shall be required and ordered to do in the said office of Master in the Chancery by us, or by the said Senate of Canada, sitting in Our Parliament of Our said Dominion, giving and granting to you power and authority to exercise and perform all the said duties of the said office, place, and trust of Master in the Chancery of Canada belonging.

To have, hold, exercise and enjoy the said office of Master in the Chancery of .