

arduous affairs which may the State and Defence of Our Dominion of Canada concern, We have thought fit to summon you to the Senate of Our said Dominion; 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, Our Right Trusty and Right Well-Beloved Cousin and Councillor The Right Honourable Sir Gilbert John Elliot, Earl of Minto and Viscount Melgund of Melgund, County of Forfar, in the Peerage of the United Kingdom, Baron Minto of Minto, County of Roxburgh, in the Peerage of Great Britain, Baronet of Nova Scotia, Knight Grand Cross of the Most Distinguished Order of Saint Michael and Saint George, &c., &c., Governor General of Canada.

At Our Government House, in Our City of Ottawa, this Twelfth day of March, in the Year of Our Lord One Thousand Nine Hundred and Three, and the Third Year of Our Reign.

By Command,  
R. W. SCOTT,  
Secretary of State.

Whereupon the Honourable Mr. Frost came to the Table and took and subscribed the Oath prescribed by law, which was administered by Samuel Edmour St. Onge Chapleau, Esquire, one of the Commissioners appointed for that purpose, and took his seat accordingly.

The Honourable 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 Honourable Mr. Frost, a Member of the Senate, had made and subscribed the Declaration of Qualification required by the British North American Act, 1867.

The Honourable the Speaker informed the Senate that he had received a communication from the Governor General's Secretary.

The same was read by the Honourable the Speaker, and it is as follows:—

OTTAWA, 10th March, 1903.

SIR,—I have the honour to inform you that His Excellency the Governor General will proceed to the Senate Chamber, to open the Third Session of the ninth Parliament of the Dominion of Canada, on Thursday, the 12th instant, at Three o'clock, P.M.

I have the honour to be, Sir,  
Your obedient servant,

F. S. MAUDE, Major,  
*Governor General's Secretary.*

The Honourable  
The Speaker of the Senate.

The Senate was adjourned during pleasure.  
After some time the Senate was resumed.

His Excellency the Right Honourable Sir Gilbert John Elliot, Earl of Minto and Viscount Melgund of Melgund, County of Forfar, in the Peerage of the United Kingdom, Baron Minto of Minto, County of Roxburgh, in the Peerage of Great Britain, Baronet of Nova Scotia, Knight Grand Cross of the Most Distinguished Order of Saint Michael and Saint George, &c., &c., Governor General of Canada, being seated on the Throne.