

the Speaker of the House of Commons shall have been chosen according to law, but to-morrow, at three o'clock in the afternoon, the causes of calling this Parliament will be declared.

Sir *William Buell Richards*, Knight, Deputy Governor, was pleased to retire, and the House of Commons withdrew.

Then, on motion of the Honorable Mr. *Scott*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Simpson*,

The House adjourned until to-morrow, at half past two o'clock in the afternoon.

Friday, 8th February, 1878.

The Members convened were

The Honorable *DAVID CHRISTIE*, Speaker.

The Honorable Messieurs

Alexander,
Alan,
Armand,
Baillargeon,
Bellerose,
Benson,
Botsford,
Bourinot,
Bureau,
Campbell,
Chaffers,
Chapais,
Cochrane,

Cormier,
Dever,
Dickey,
Dumouchel,
Fabre,
Ferguson,
Farrier,
Girard,
Glosier,
Guevremont,
Hamilton (Kingston),
Haviland,
Haythorne,

Hope,
Kaibach,
Leitch,
McDonald,
McMaster,
Macpherson,
Miller,
Montgomery,
Northup,
Piquet,
Pelletier,
Penny,

Pozer,
Read,
Scott,
Seymour,
Simpson,
Sked,
Sutherland,
Thibaudoux,
Trudel,
Vidal,
Wark,
Wilmot.

PRAYERS :

The Honorable the Speaker presented to the House a communication from the Governor General's Secretary.

The same was then read by the Clerk, and is as follows:—

GOVERNOR GENERAL'S OFFICE,
Ottawa, 7th February, 1878.

SIR,—I have the honour to inform you that His Excellency the Governor General will proceed to the Senate Chamber, to formally open the Session of the Dominion Parliament, on Friday, the 8th instant, at three o'clock.

I have the honor to be, Sir,
Your most obedient servant,

E. G. P. LITTLETON,
Governor General's Secretary.

The Honorable
The Speaker of the Senate.