

House of Commons Debates.

THIRD SESSION—SEVENTH PARLIAMENT.

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THURSDAY, 26th January, 1893.

The Parliament, which had been prorogued from time to time, was now commanded to assemble on the 26th day of January, 1893, for the despatch of business.

The SPEAKER took the Chair at fifteen minutes before Three o'clock.

PRAYERS.

A Message was delivered by Rene Edouard Kimber, Esquire, Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod :

MR. SPEAKER.

His Excellency the Governor-General desires the immediate attendance of this Honourable House in the Senate Chamber.

Accordingly, the House went up to the Senate Chamber.

And the House being returned.

CONTROVERTED ELECTIONS.

Mr. SPEAKER informed the House that he had received from the judges selected for the trial of election petitions, pursuant to the Dominion Controverted Elections Act, a certificate and report relating to the election petition for the electoral district of Soulanges, by which the said election was declared void ; and in conformity with chapter 9, section 46, of the Revised Statutes, he had issued his warrant to the Clerk of the Crown in Chancery to make out a new writ of election for the said electoral district.

Mr. SPEAKER also informed the House that he had received from the judges selected for the trial of election petitions, pursuant to the Dominion Controverted Elections Act, certificates and reports relating to the elections for the electoral districts of,—

Yarmouth, Peel, Pietou, Bonaventure, Charlotte, King's, N.B., South Perth, Argenteuil, North Perth, Welland, East York, East Hastings, Lennox, Mouck, Beauce, West Huron, East Simcoe.

In all of which the petitions were dismissed and the sitting member declared duly elected.

VACANCIES.

Mr. SPEAKER informed the House that he had received the following notifications of vacancies which have occurred in the representation, viz. :—

Of CHARLES N. SKINNER, Esq., Member for the Electoral District of St. John, City and County, by resignation :

Of ALPHONSE DESJARDINS, Esq., Member for the Electoral District of Hochelaga, by being summoned to the Senate :

Of LOUIS GEORGE DESJARDINS, Esq., Member for the Electoral District of L'Islet, by resignation :

Of THOMAS MAYNE DALY, Esq., Member for the Electoral District of Selkirk, by the acceptance of an office of emolument under the Crown, to wit, that of Minister of the Interior :

Of EDWARD H. LEGER, Esq., Member for the Electoral District of Kent, N.B., by decease :

Of the Hon. EDGAR DEWONEY, Member for the Electoral District of Assiniboia East, by resignation.

Of the Hon. MACKENZIE BOWELL, Member for the Electoral District of the North Riding of the County of Hastings, by being summoned to the Senate :

Of the Hon. JOSEPH A. CHAPLEAU, Member for the Electoral District of Terrebonne, by the acceptance of an office of emolument under the Crown, to wit, that of the Lieutenant-Governor of the Province of Quebec :

Of WILLIAM BULLOCK IVES, Esq., Member for the Electoral District of Sherbrooke, by the acceptance of an office of emolument under the Crown :

Of JOHN JOSEPH CURRAN, Esq., Member for the Electoral District of Montreal Centre, by the acceptance of an office of emolument under the Crown :

Of JOHN FISHER WOOD, Esq., Member for the Electoral District of the West Riding of the County of York, Ont., by resignation.

He also informed the House that he had issued his several warrants to the Clerk of the Crown in Chancery to make out new writs of election for the said electoral districts respectively.

NEW MEMBERS.

Mr. SPEAKER further informed the House that, during the Recess, the Clerk of the House had received from the Clerk of the Crown in Chancery, certificates of the election and return of the following members :—

Of NATHANIEL BOYD, Esq., for the Electoral District of Marquette :

Of LOUIS DE GONZAGUE BELLEY, Esq., for the Electoral District of Chicoutimi :

Of SÉVERIN LACHAPPELLE, Esq., for the Electoral District of Hochelaga :

Of the Hon. THOMAS MAYNE DALY, for the Electoral District of Selkirk :

Of WALTER WILLIAM McDONALD, Esq., for the Electoral District of the East Riding of Assiniboia :