

The Honourable the Speaker commanded the Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod to proceed to the House of Commons and acquaint that House that—

“It is the Right Honourable the Deputy Governor General’s desire that they attend him immediately in the Senate Chamber.”

The House of Commons being come.

The Honourable the Speaker said—

Honourable Members of the Senate:

Members of the House of Commons:

I have the honour to inform you that His Excellency the Governor General has been pleased to cause Letters Patent to be issued under His Sign Manual and Signet constituting the Right Honourable Sir Lyman Poore Duff, Chief Justice of Canada, his Deputy, to do in His Excellency’s name all acts on his part necessary to be done during His Excellency’s pleasure.

The said Commission was then read by the Clerk, as follows:—

CANADA

ATHLONE

(L.S.)

By His Excellency Major-General The Right Honourable the Earl of Athlone, Knight of the Most Noble Order of the Garter, a Member of His Majesty’s Most Honourable Privy Council, Knight Grand Cross of the Most Honourable Order of the Bath, Grand Master of the Most Distinguished Order of Saint Michael and Saint George, Knight Grand Cross of the Royal Victorian Order, Companion of the Distinguished Service Order, one of His Majesty’s Personal Aides-de-Camp, Governor General and Commander-in-Chief of the Dominion of Canada.

To the Right Honourable Sir Lyman Poore Duff, P.C., G.C.M.G., a Member of His Majesty’s Most Honourable Privy Council and the Chief Justice of Canada.

GREETING:

Know you, that being well assured of your loyalty, fidelity and capacity, I, Major-General the Right Honourable the Earl of Athlone, Governor General of the Dominion of Canada, under and by virtue of and in pursuance of the power and authority vested in me by the Commission under the Royal Sign Manual and Signet of His Majesty the King, constituting and appointing me to be His Majesty’s Governor General in and over the Dominion of Canada, and by *The British North America Act, 1867*, do hereby nominate, constitute and appoint you, the said Lyman Poore Duff, to be my Deputy within the Dominion of Canada, and in that capacity to exercise, subject to any limitations or directions from time to time expressed or given by His Majesty, all the powers, authorities and functions vested in and of right, exercisable by me as Governor General, saving and excepting the power of dissolving the Parliament of Canada.

To have, hold, exercise and enjoy the said office of Deputy of me, the Governor General of Canada as aforesaid, together with all and every the powers, authorities and functions to the said office belonging unto you, the said Lyman Poore Duff, for and during my pleasure.

Provided always that the appointment of my said Deputy shall not effect the exercise of any such power, authority or function by me, the said Major-General the Right Honourable the Earl of Athlone, in person.