The Senate adjourned during pleasure.

After a while the Right Honourable Lyman Poore Duff, Deputy Governor General, having come and being seated at the foot of the Throne—

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 it in command to let you know that His Excellency the Governor General does not see fit to declare the causes of his summoning the present Parliament of Canada, until a Speaker of the House of Commons shall have been chosen, according to law; but this afternoon, at the hour of three o'clock, His Excellency will declare the causes of his calling this Parliament.

The Right Honourable the Deputy Governor General was pleased to retire.

The Commons withdrew.

The Senate was resumed.

The Honourable Edmund William Tobin was introduced between the Honourable Senator Dandurand and the Honourable Senator Bureau, and having presented His Majesty's Writ of Summons, it was read by the Clerk, as follows:—

CANADA

WILLINGDON [L.S.]

George the Fifth, by the Grace of God, of Great Britain, Ireland, and of the British Dominions beyond the Seas King, Defender of the Faith, Emperor of India.

To Our Trusty and Well-beloved Edmund William Tobin, of Brompton-ville, in the Province of Quebec, in Our Dominion of Canada, Esquire.

GREETING:

Know you, that as well for the especial trust and confidence We have manifested in you, as for the purpose of obtaining your advice and assistance in all weighty and 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 appoint you for the Victoria Electoral Division of our Province of Quebec, 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