

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 *Rigaud* Electoral Division of Our Province of *Quebec*, and We do command you, the said *Joseph Rosaire Thibaudeau*, 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 Well-Beloved Cousin and Councillor the Right Honorable Sir *Frederic Temple*, Earl of *Dufferin*, Viscount and Baron *Clandeboye*, of *Clandeboye*, in the County *Down*, in the Peerage of the United Kingdom, Baron *Dufferin* and *Clandeboye*, of *Ballyleidy* and *Killeleagh*, in the County *Down*, in the Peerage of *Ireland*, and a Baronet Knight of Our Most Illustrious Order of *Saint Patrick*, Knight Grand Cross of Our Most Distinguished Order of *Saint Michael* and *Saint George*, and Knight Commander of Our Most Honorable Order of the Bath, Governor General of *Canada*, and Vice-Admiral of the same. At Our Government House, in Our City of *Ottawa*, in Our Dominion of *Canada*, this Fourth day of January, in the year of Our Lord One Thousand Eight Hundred and Seventy-eight, and in the Forty-first Year of Our Reign.

By Command.

R. POPE,

Clerk of the Crown in Chancery, *Canada*.

Then the Honorable Mr. *Thibaudeau* took and subscribed the oath prescribed by Law, which was administered by *Robert LeMoine*, Esquire, a Commissioner appointed for that purpose, and took his seat accordingly.

The Honorable the Speaker 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 Honorable *Joseph Rosaire Thibaudeau*, a Member of the Senate, had made and subscribed the Declaration of Qualification required by the *British North America Act*, 1867.

The House was adjourned during pleasure.

After some time the House was resumed.

Sir *William Buell Richards*, Knight, Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of *Canada*, Deputy Governor, being seated in the Chair on the Throne,

The Honorable the Speaker commanded the Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod to proceed to the House of Commons and acquaint that House "It is the pleasure of Sir *William Buell Richards*, Deputy Governor, that they attend him immediately in this House."

Who being come,

The Honorable the Speaker said:—

*Honorable Gentlemen of the Senate:*

*Gentlemen of the House of Commons:*

Sir *William Buell Richards*, Knight, Deputy Governor, does not see fit to declare the causes of summoning the present Parliament of the Dominion of *Canada*. until