

THE DEBATES

OF THE

SENATE OF CANADA

IN THE

FIRST SESSION OF THE EIGHTH PARLIAMENT OF CANADA, APPOINTED TO MEET
FOR DESPATCH OF BUSINESS ON WEDNESDAY, THE NINETEENTH
DAY OF AUGUST, IN THE SIXTIETH YEAR OF THE
REIGN OF

HER MAJESTY QUEEN VICTORIA

THE SENATE.

Ottawa, Wednesday, 19th August, 1896.

The Senate met at 2:30 P.M.

PRAYERS.

A communication under the Great Seal, from the Secretary of State, was read announcing that Hon. Mr. Pelletier had been appointed Speaker of the Senate. The Hon. Speaker then took the chair.

NEW SENATORS.

The following newly-appointed Senators were then introduced and took their seats:

Hon. Sir OLIVER MOWAT.

Hon. FRANÇOIS BÉCHARD.

Hon. LOUIS J. FORGET.

The House was adjourned during pleasure.

After some time the House was resumed.

The Hon. Sir Henry Strong, Knight, Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of

Canada, Deputy Governor, being seated at the foot of the Throne.

The Hon. the Speaker commanded the Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod to proceed to the House of Commons and acquaint that House,—“It is the Deputy Governor’s desire that they attend him immediately in this House.”

Who being come, the Hon. the Speaker said:

Honourable Gentlemen of the Senate:

Gentlemen 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 the Speaker of the House of Commons shall have been chosen, according to law; but, to-morrow, at the hour of three o’clock in the afternoon, His Excellency will declare the causes of his calling this Parliament.

The Deputy Governor was pleased to retire, and the House of Commons withdrew.

The Senate then adjourned.