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

CANADA.



Stanley of Preston.

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VICTORIA by the Grace of God, of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, Queen, Defender of the Faith, &c., &c., &c.

To the Honourable Alexandre Lacoste, a Senator of Our Dominion of Canada.

GREETING:

JNO. S. D. THOMPSON,
Attorney General,
Canada.

Canada.

Know You, that reposing special trust and confidence in your loyalty, integrity and ability— we do hereby nominate, constitute and appoint you the said The Honourable Alexandre Lacoste to be the Speaker of the Senate of Our Dominion of Canada, under the provisions of the 34th Section of the British North America Act, 1867.

To have, hold, exercise and enjoy the said office of Speaker of the Senate of Our Dominion of Canada, unto you the said The Honourable Alexandre Lacoste, with all and everythe power, rights, authority, privileges, profits, emoluments, and advantages, unto the said office of right and by law appertaining during pleasure.

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 the Right Honourable Sir Frederick Arthur Stanley, Baron Stanley of Preston, in the County of Lancaster, in the Peerage of United Kingdom; Knight Grand Cross of Our Most Honourable Order of the Bath, Governor General of Canada. At Our Government House, in Our City of Ottawa, this Twenty-seventh day of April, in the Year of Our Lord one thousand eight hundred and Ninety-One, and in the Fifty-fourth Year of Our Reign.

By Command,

J. A. CHAPLEAU, Secretary of State.

The Honourable the Speaker then took the Chair at the foot of the Throne, to which he was conducted by the Honourable Messieurs Abbott and Smith, the Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod preceding.

The Mace (which before lay under the Table) was then laid upon the Table, and it was

Ordered, That the said Mace be carried before His Honour.

The Honourable the Speaker reported to the House that the Clerk had received a communication from the Clerk of the Crown in Chancery, and

The same was then read by the Clerk

Ordered, That the same be placed upon the Journal, and it is as follows:-

OFFICE OF THE CLERK OF THE CROWN IN CHANCERY, CANADA,
OTTAWA, 17th April, 1891.

This is to certify that His Excellency the Governor General has been pleased to summon to the Senate, by Letters Patent, under the Great Seal, bearing date the