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The Department of External Affairs announced that Mr. Sean Murphy presented today to His Excellency the Governor-General at Government House his Letter of Credence as Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of Ireland to Canada.

Mr. L. B. Pearson, Secretary of State for External Affairs, was present. Mr. John O'Brien, Secretary of the Embassy of Ireland, accompanied the Ambassador. Mr. Howard Measures, Chief of Protocol, Department of External Affairs, presented Mr. Sean Murphy to His Excellency the Governor-General.

Mr. Murphy was born in 1896, is married and has four daughters. He was educated at Clongowes Wood College and University College, Dublin. After practising as a solicitor, he served in Paris in the foreign service of his country; later he became administrative officer of the Department of External Affairs and in 1928 was Assistant Secretary of the Department. Mr. Murphy was a member of the Irish delegations to the Imperial Conferences held in 1926, 1929 and 1930 and attended successive League of Nations Assemblies. He was Irish Minister to France and Belgium from 1938 until his present appointment as the first Ambassador of Ireland to Canada. Mr. John J. Hearne, S.C., who has been High Commissioner for Ireland in Canada since August, 1939, left Ottawa on March 28 to take up his duties as Irish Ambassador to the United States.