To Our Trusty and Well-Beloved Hugh Nelson, Esquire, of Our Province of British Columbia, in Our Dominion of Canada.

GREETING: -

Know YE, that as well for the special 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 command you, the said Hugh Nelson, 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 Councillor, Sir John Douglas Sutherland Campbell (commonly called the Marquis of Lorne), Knight of Our Most Ancient and Most Noble Order of the Thistle, Knight Grand Cross of Our Most Distinguished Order of Saint Michael and Saint George, Governor General of Canada, and Vice-Admiral of the same, &c., &c., &c. At Our Government House, in Our City of Ottawa, in Our Dominion of Canada, this Twelfth day of December, in the year of Our Lord One Thousand Eight Hundred and Seventy-nine, and in the Forty-third of Our Reign.

By Command,

R. POPE,

Clerk of the Crown in Chancery, Canada.

The Honorable Mr. Nelson came to the Table, and took and subscribed the cath prescribed by Law, which was administered by Robert Le Moine, 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 a Certificate of the Commissioner, setting forth that the Honorable Hugh Nelson, a Member of the Senate, had made and subscribed the Declaration of Qualification required by the British North America Act, 1867.

The following Petitions were brought up, and laid on the Table: -

By the Honorable Mr. Almon,—Of the Corporation of the Town of Emerson, in the County of Provencher, in the Province of Manitoba.

By the Honorable Mr. Bureau,—Of D. McFee, and others, residents of the County of Huntingdon, in the Province of Quebec, Militiamen, survivors of the troubles in the Years 1837 and 1838.

By the Honorable Mr. Christic, -Of the Dominion Grange Patrons of Husbandry:

By the Honorable Mr. Allan, -Of James Sawin McMurray, and others, of the City of Toronto.