

THE DEBATES
OF THE
SENATE OF CANADA

IN THE

FOURTH SESSION OF THE NINTH PARLIAMENT OF CANADA, APPOINTED TO MEET
FOR THE DESPATCH OF BUSINESS ON THURSDAY, THE TENTH DAY OF
MARCH, IN THE FOURTH YEAR OF THE REIGN OF

HIS MAJESTY KING EDWARD VII.

THE SENATE.

Ottawa, Thursday, March 10, 1904

The Senate met at 2.30 p.m.

PRAYERS.

USHER OF THE BLACK ROD.

The Speaker informed the Senate that he had received an extract from a report of the Committee of the Honourable, the Privy Council, approved by His Excellency on March 1, 1904, showing that Captain Ernest J. Chambers had been appointed Usher of the Black Rod.

NEW SENATOR.

Hon. William Mitchell, of Drummondville, Ont., for the Electoral Division of Wellington.

THE OPENING.

The Chief Justice of Canada, Deputy Governor General, being seated at the foot of the Throne.

The Speaker commanded the Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod to proceed to the House of Commons and acquaint that House that:—

It is the Deputy Governor's desire that they attend him immediately in the Senate.

Who being come,

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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 the calling of this parliament.

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

The Senate adjourned.

THE SENATE.

Ottawa, Friday, March 11, 1904.

The Speaker took the chair at 2.30 p.m.

PRAYERS.

THE SPEECH FROM THE THRONE.

This day, at Three o'clock p.m., His Excellency the Governor General proceeded in state to the Senate Chamber, in the Parliament Buildings, and took his seat upon the Throne. The Senators being assembled, His Excellency was pleased to command the attendance of the House of Commons. The