The Honorable Mr. Robitaille came to the Table, and took and subscribed the Oath prescribed by Law, which was administered by Edouard Joseph Langevin, 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 Commissioners, setting forth that the Honorable Louis Robitaille, a Member of the Senate, had made and subscribed the Declaration of Qualification required by the British North America Act, 1867.

The Honorable the Speaker presented to the House the following communications from His Excellency the Governor General's Secretary.

OTTAWA, 6th February, 1883.

SIR,—I am directed by His Excellency the Governor General to inform you that the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of Canada, in his capacity as Deputy Governor, will proceed to the Senate Chamber to open the Session of the Dominion Parliament, on Thursday, the 8th instant, at three o'clock.

I have the honor to be, Sir, Your most obedient servant,

F. DEWINTON, Lt.-Col. R.A.,

Governor General's Secretary.

The Honorable

The Speaker of the Senate.

OTTAWA, 6th February, 1883.

Sir.—I have the honor to inform you, that His Excellency the Governor General will proceed to the Senate Chamber, to formally open the Session of the Dominion Parliament, on Friday, the 9th instant, at three o'clock.

I have the honor to be, Sir, Your most obedient servant,

> F. DEWINTON, Lt.-Col. R.A., Governor General's Secretary.

The Honorable

The Speaker of the Senate.

The House was adjourned during pleasure.

The Honorable Sir William Johnstone Ritchie, Knight, Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of Canada, Deputy Governor, being seated in the Chair on the Throne,

The Honorable 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 Honorable the Speaker said:-

Honorable 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 Par-