

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 Cousin and Councillor the Right Honorable Sir FREDERIC TEMPLE, Earl of *Dufferin*, Viscount and Baron *Clandeboye*, of *Clandeboye*, in the County *Down*, in the Peerage of the United Kingdom, Baron *Dufferin* and *Clandeboye* of *Ballyleidy* and *Killeleagh*, in the County *Down*, in the Peerage of *Ireland*, and a Baronet, Knight of Our Most Illustrious Order of *Saint Patrick*, and Knight Commander of Our Most Honorable Order of the Bath, Governor General of *Canada*, and Vice-Admiral of the same. At Our Government House, in Our City of *Ottawa*, in Our Dominion of *Canada*, this Thirteenth day of March, in the year of Our Lord One Thousand Eight Hundred and Seventy-four, and in the Thirty-seventh Year of Our Reign.

By Command,

RICHARD POPE,

Clerk of the Crown in Chancery, *Canada*.

The Honorable Mr. *Penny* came to the Table, and took and subscribed the oath 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 *Edward Goff Penny*, a Member of the Senate, had made and subscribed the Declaration of Qualification required by the *British North America Act*, 1867.

The House was adjourned during pleasure.

After some time the House was resumed.

His Excellency the Right Honorable Sir *Frederic Temple*, Earl of *Dufferin*, Viscount and Baron *Clandeboye*, of *Clandeboye*, in the County *Down*, in the Peerage of the United Kingdom, Baron *Dufferin* and *Clandeboye* of *Ballyleidy* and *Killeleagh*, in the County *Down*, in the Peerage of *Ireland*, and a Baronet, Knight of the Most Illustrious Order of *Saint Patrick*, and Knight Commander of the Most Honorable Order of the Bath, Governor General of *Canada*, and Vice-Admiral of the same, 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 His Excellency's pleasure 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.*

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 his calling this Parliament.

His Excellency the Governor General was pleased to retire, and the House of Commons withdrew.

The Honorable Mr. *Hamilton (Kingston)*, moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *McClellan*,