

Hon. Orville Howard Phillips, of Alberton, Prince Edward Island, introduced between Hon. Mr. Brooks and Hon. Mr. MacDonald.

The Hon. the Speaker informed the Senate that the honourable senators named above had made and subscribed the declaration of qualification required by the British North America Act, 1867, in the presence of the Clerk of the Senate, the Commissioner appointed to receive and witness the said declaration.

The Senate adjourned during pleasure.

Hon. J. R. Cartwright, M.C., Deputy of His Excellency the Governor General, having come and being seated,

The Hon. 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 Honourable the Deputy of the Governor General's desire that they attend him immediately in the Senate Chamber.

Who being come,

The Hon. the Speaker said:

Honourable Members of the Senate:

Members of the House of Commons:

I have the honour to inform you that His Excellency the Governor General has been pleased to cause Letters Patent to be issued under his Sign Manual and Signet constituting the Honourable John R. Cartwright, Puisne Judge of the Supreme Court of Canada, his Deputy, to do in His Excellency's name all acts on his part necessary to be done during His Excellency's pleasure.

The Commission was read by the Clerk.

The Hon. the Speaker said:

Honourable Members of the Senate:

Members 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 summoning the present Parliament of Canada until a Speaker of the House of Commons shall have been chosen, according to law; but this afternoon at the hour of three o'clock His Excellency will declare the causes of his calling this Parliament.

The House of Commons withdrew.

The Honourable the Deputy of the Governor General was pleased to retire.

The sitting of the Senate was resumed.

COMMUNICATION FROM GOVERNOR
GENERAL'S SECRETARY

The Hon. the Speaker: Honourable senators, I have received the following communication:

GOVERNMENT HOUSE
Ottawa

16th May, 1963

Sir,

I have the honour to inform you that His Excellency the Administrator of the Government will arrive at the Main Entrance of the Parliament Buildings at 3.00 p.m. on this day, Thursday the 16th May, 1963, and when it has been signified that all is in readiness, will proceed to the Chamber of the Senate to open formally the Twenty-Sixth Parliament of Canada.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,

Your obedient servant,

Esmond Butler,
Secretary to the Governor General

The Honourable

The Speaker of the Senate

On motion of Hon. Mr. Vaillancourt, the Senate adjourned until 2.45 p.m.

SECOND SITTING

The Senate met at 2.45 p.m., the Speaker in the Chair.

The Senate adjourned during pleasure.

At three o'clock **His Excellency the Administrator** having come and being seated upon the Throne,

The Hon. the Speaker commanded the Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod to proceed to the House of Commons and acquaint that House that it is His Excellency the Administrator's pleasure that they attend him immediately in the Senate Chamber.

The House of Commons being come,

Their Speaker, the Hon. Alan Macnaughton, said:

May it please Your Excellency,

The House of Commons has elected me their Speaker, though I am but little able to fulfil the important duties thus assigned to me.

If, in the performance of those duties, I should at any time fall into error, I pray that the fault may be imputed to me, and not to the Commons, whose servant I am, and who, through me, the better to enable them to discharge their duty to