

THE SENATE DEBATES

SIXTH SESSION—TWELFTH PARLIAMENT.

THE SENATE.

Wednesday, January 12, 1916.

The Senate met at 2.30 p.m.

Prayers.

NEW SENATORS.

The following newly appointed senators were introduced and took their seats:

Hon. Thomas Simpson Sproule.

Hon. John Milne.

Hon. Chas. Philippe Beaubien.

Hon. John McLean.

The Senate was adjourned during pleasure.

The Right Honourable Sir Charles Fitzpatrick, G.C.M.G., Chief Justice of Canada, Deputy Governor General, having come and being seated,

The Honourable 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 General’s desire that they attend him immediately in the Senate.”

Who being come,

The Honourable Speaker said:

Honourable Gentlemen of the Senate:

Gentlemen of the House of Commons:

I have it in command from the Right Honourable the Deputy Governor General to let you know that His Royal Highness 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 Royal Highness will declare the causes of the calling of this Parliament.

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

After some time the Senate was resumed.

The House was adjourned until to-morrow afternoon at half-past two o’clock.

THE SENATE.

Thursday, January 13, 1916.

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 Royal Highness the Governor General proceeded in state to the Senate Chamber, in the Parliament Buildings, and took his seat upon the Throne. The members of the Senate being assembled, His Royal Highness was pleased to command the attendance of the House of Commons, and that House being present, His Royal Highness was pleased to open the Sixth Session of the Twelfth Parliament of the Dominion of Canada with the following Speech:

Honourable Gentlemen of the Senate:

Gentlemen of the House of Commons:

Since I last addressed you the war in which we are engaged has been continued with unabated vigour and varying fortunes.

The Empire’s part therein has been amply maintained at sea by the inspiring achievements of the Navy, and on land by the distinguished valour of the great armies which have enrolled themselves in all parts of His Majesty’s Dominions for the common defence of our liberties.

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