The Honourable Mr. McDonald came to the Table and took and subscribed the Oath prescribed by law, which was administered by the Clerk of the Senate, one of the Commissioners appointed for that purpose, and took his seat as a Member of the Senate.

His Honour the Speaker informed the Senate that the Honourable Mr. McDonald had made and subscribed the Declaration of Qualification required of him by The British North America Act, 1867, in the presence of the Clerk of the Senate, one of the Commissioners appointed to receive and witness the same.

The following Petitions were severally presented:-

By the Honourable Mr. Blain:

Of William Henry Coulson, Toronto, Ontario; praying for the passage of an Act to dissolve his marriage with Marion Coulson.

By the Honourable Mr. DeVeber:-

Of Royland Stanley Morrison, Toronto, Ontario; praying for the passage of an Act to dissolve his marriage with Kathleen Loretta Marie Morrison.

By the Honourable Mr. White (Pembroke):-

Of Ethel Edna Denning, Toronto, Ontario; praying for the passage of an Act to dissolve her marriage with Frederick G. C. Denning.

By the Honourable Mr. White (Inkerman):-

Of Maria Martin Morel, Montreal, Quebec; praying for the passage of an Act to dissolve her marriage with Alfred Morel.

By the Honourable Mr. Bennett:-

Of William John Bell, of the town of Walkerville, Ontario; praying for the passage of an Act to dissolve his marriage with Ethel Florence Bell.

By the Honourable Mr. Fisher:-

Of Mary Elizabeth Leonard, of the town of Hanover, in the county of Grey, Ontario; praying for the passage of an Act to dissolve her marriage with Samuel C. Leonard.

By the Honourable Mr. McHugh:-

Of the Thousanad Islands Railway Company; and

Of Oshawa Railway Company.

By the Honourable Mr. Pope:-

Of "Les Révérends Peres Oblats de Marie Immaculée des Territoires de Nord-Ouest."

The following Petitions were severally read and received:-

Of the James MacLaren Company, Limited; praying for the passing of an Act

to increase its capital stock, and enlarge its borrowing powers; and

Of Lansing Belmont Campbell and others of Toronto, Ontario; praying for the passing of an Act, incorporating them under the name of "Fidelity Company of Canada."

The Honourable Mr. Beique, from the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills, presented their First Report.

The same was then read by the Clerk, as follows:-