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Detail for Prime Minister

Opening of 19th Parliament

3.00 p.m. Thursday, May 16, 1940

Dress: Morning Dress

- 2.30 p.m. Leave Laurier House
- 2.45 p.m. Arrive Parliament Buildings, Central Entrance under Tower. Proceed to Room 212 to leave coat and hat.
- 2.55 p.m. Leave Room 212 for Main Entrance.
- 3.00 p.m. His Excellency the Administrator (Sir Lyman Duff) arrives Main Entrance and is met by Prime Minister and Leader of Senate.
Outside there will be no Mounted Escort or Guard of Honour.
Administrator is attended by Mr. Pereira and Cdr. Sherwood.
Honorary A.D.C.'s and other officials will be formed up inside Main Entrance

Procession from Main Entrance to Senate Speaker's Quarters.
Order for processions is shown below.

Procession from Speaker's Quarters to Senate Chamber

Inside Senate Chamber

Administrator sits on Throne (Speaker's Chair having been moved to side)
Prime Minister stands on dais, at Administrator's right hand.
Administrator says "Pray be seated"
Speaker of Senate asks Black Rod to summon Commons
Commons arrive at Bar with their Speaker
Speech from Throne in English
Speech from Throne in French
Copies of Speech are handed by Mr. Pereira to both Speakers
Black Rod bows to Administrator
Procession reforms, proceeds to Speaker's Chambers and thence to Central Entrance.
Prime Minister says Good-bye to Administrator, and returns to Room 212.
Prime Minister enters House of Commons Chamber.

Order for Processions

Honorary A.D.C.'s
Major Bostock
Commander Sherwood Col. H. Willis O'Connor
Black Rod
Mr. Pereira
His Excellency the Administrator
The Prime Minister
Leader of the Senate
Defence Council
Officers of H.D.H.Q. and Ottawa Garrison

Additional Note re Dress:

Ladies wear afternoon dress with hats
Hon. A.D.C.'s and other officers wear Service Dress.