

# House of Commons Debates

## SECOND SESSION—EIGHTH PARLIAMENT

### HOUSE OF COMMONS.

THURSDAY, 25th March, 1897.

The Parliament which had been prorogued from time to time, was now commanded to assemble on the 25th day of March, 1897, for the despatch of business.

The SPEAKER took the Chair at Three o'clock.

#### PRAYERS.

A Message was delivered by René Edouard Kimber, Esquire, Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod :

MR. SPEAKER,—

His Excellency the Governor General desires the immediate attendance of this Honourable House in the Senate Chamber.

Accordingly, the House went up to the Senate Chamber.

And the House being returned,

#### CONTROVERTED ELECTIONS.

MR. SPEAKER. I have the honour to inform the House, that I have received from the Judges selected for the trial of Election Petitions pursuant to "The Dominion Controverted Elections Act," certificates and reports relating to the elections :

For the Electoral District of the South Riding of the County of Brant ;

For the Electoral District of the North Riding of the County of Ontario ;

For the Electoral District of the East Riding of the County of Simcoe ;

For the Electoral District of Champlain ; and

For the Electoral District of Colchester.

In all of which electoral districts the elections were declared void.

MR. SPEAKER also informed the House that in conformity with chapter 9, section 46 of the Revised Statutes he had issued his several warrants to the Clerk of the Crown in Chancery to make out new writs of election for the said electoral districts respectively.

MR. SPEAKER also informed the House that he had received from the Registrar of the Supreme Court of Canada a certified copy of the judgment of the said court in the Election Appeal for the Electoral District of Prince (West) P.E.I., confirming the report of the trial judges in the court below, declaring the election void.

MR. SPEAKER also informed the House that in conformity with chapter 9, section 46 of the Revised Statutes, he had issued his warrant to the Clerk of the Crown in Chancery to make out a new writ of election for the said electoral district.

#### ELECTION PETITIONS.

MR. SPEAKER further informed the House that he had received from the Judges selected for the trial of Election Petitions, pursuant to "The Dominion Controverted Elections Act," certificates and reports relating to the elections :

For the Electoral District of Terrebonne ;

For the Electoral District of Two Mountains ;

For the Electoral District of Nicolet ;

For the Electoral District of the North Riding of the County of Bruce ;

For the Electoral District of the North Riding of the County of Grey ;

For the Electoral District of the East Riding of the County of Northumberland, O. ;

For the Electoral District of Maskinongé ;

For the Electoral District of Three Rivers and St. Maurice ;

For the Electoral District of the North Riding of the County of Perth ;

For the Electoral District of the East Riding of the County of Durham ;

For the Electoral District of West Toronto ;

For the Electoral District of the East Riding of the County of York, O. ;

For the Electoral District of Pontiac ;

For the Electoral District of St. Antoine, Montreal ;

For the Electoral District of St. Lawrence, Montreal ; and

For the Electoral District of West Toronto.

By which the said election petitions were severally dismissed, and the sitting members declared duly elected.