

who invited Sir Grantley to honour his country by opening the trade fair, the first to be sponsored by Canada in The West Indies, and the first of this nature to be held beyond the confines of Canada.

"Canada and The West Indies are trading partners of long standing," Mr. MacLean said. "I am reminded that the commercial and friendly relations between our two countries were so firmly founded in the Nineteenth Century that 247 Canadian firms participated in the great Jamaica International Exhibition of 1891.

"Two of our Governors-General, Sir Charles Metcalfe and the Earl of Elgin and Kincardine, came to us after having served in Jamaica as Governors, and were able to establish through their respective persons strong links between this Island and Canada. We are grateful for the administrative experience you enabled them to secure.

"Friendship is forged by trade, especially when the peoples concerned realize that commodities must move in two directions - in this case, north and south. Tourism is another factor that contributes much to the creation of goodwill. I am pleased to say that many Canadians have come to appreciate the attractions to The West Indies, and return home with the warmest sentiments for West Indians.

"We, in Canada, take a lively interest in the birth and development of your Federation. Little more than ninety years ago, Sir John A. Macdonald laid the foundations of what is now the Dominion of Canada. Incidentally, he met and married during the London Conference of 1866 Susan Agnes Bernard, whose father was a member of the Privy Council for Jamaica -- another link with The West Indies.

"Recognizing the importance of your new status in the Commonwealth, the Canadian Government decided to hold two trade fairs, one in Kingston and the other in Port-of-Spain, during the first year of Federation. Our prime purpose is to create a better understanding between The West Indies and Canada, and to foster the good relations that have already come to flower.

"Some 150 Canadian firms welcomed the opportunity to join with us in showing their wares and in outlining the services they are able to render in establishing closer commercial relations between you and us. The importance of the West Indies as a trading partner is also appreciated by a very important and representative group of businessmen, now with us as members of the Canadian Chamber of Commerce Mission. They have established committees, which will discuss matters of mutual concern in all seriousness with businessmen and government officials in Jamaica, Trinidad and Barbados, as well as British Guiana.

"May I say how happy we were to welcome Sir Grantley Adams in Ottawa last October. He is no stranger in our country, of course, and made a most favourable impression at a summer

seminar arranged in 1957 by Mount Allison University, Sackville, New Brunswick, to discuss The West Indies and Federation. We appreciate his ability, his scholarship and his wisdom, together with his unassuming manner.

"Canadians have a high opinion of your Chief Minister, the Honourable Norman Manley, and realize that he has made a substantial contribution to the creation of your Federation. Nor has he spared himself in providing a better understanding of West Indians and their way of life, during his visits to other lands.

"We welcomed the visit to Canada last January of your Minister of Trade and Industry, the Honourable Wills Isaacs, and an influential group of businessmen from Jamaica. Our discussions were harmonious and stimulating, and their presence provided many Canadians with a better understanding of The West Indies. I think I am safe in saying that they laid the foundation for a return visit of Canadian businessmen now in our midst, headed by Mr. Albert C. Ashforth, President of The Canadian Chamber of Commerce and President of The Toronto-Dominion Bank...."

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THREE NEW SENATORS

Prime Minister Diefenbaker announced the following appointments to the Senate on January 15:

Mr. Jahn Hnatyshyn, 50 year old Saskatoon lawyer who will be the first Ukrainian-born Senator; Mr. John A. Buchanan, 71, Edmonton engineer and contractor; Mr. John G. Higgins, 67, St. John's, Newfoundland lawyer, Rhodes scholar and former Conservative leader in the provincial legislature.

The standing of the Senate is now - Conservatives 19, Liberals 74, Independents 2, Independent Liberals 1, vacant 6.

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ENVOY FROM LUXEMBOURG

The Department of External Affairs has announced that His Excellency George Heisbourg presented on January 8 to His Excellency the Governor General his Letters of Credence as Envoy Extraordinary and Minister Plenipotentiary of Luxembourg to Canada. The ceremony took place at Government House.

Mr. Heisbourg was born in 1918, and was educated at the Universities of Grenoble, Innsbruck and Paris. In 1944 he was appointed Chief of Information Service and in 1945 was appointed Attaché and subsequently Secretary of the Luxembourg Legation in London. From 1952 to 1958, he served as Legation Counsellor at the Luxembourg Foreign Ministry.

Mr. Heisbourg has also been appointed Ambassador of Luxembourg to the United States, and will hold the post of Minister to Canada concurrently. He will reside in Washington.