The Honourable the Speaker informed the Senate that by the usage of Parliament the Clerk of the Senate is required to take the Oath of Office before the Honourable the Speaker of the Senate.

The Clerk of the Senate then took and subscribed the Oath of Office, as follows:—

Ye shall be true and faithful, and troth ye shall bear to Our Sovereign Lord King George, by the Grace of God, of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, and of the British Dominions beyond the Seas, King, and to His Heirs and Successors; Ye shall nothing know that shall be prejudicial to His Highness, the Crown, Estate, and Dignity Royal, but that you shall resist it to your power, and with all speed you shall advertise His Excellency the Governor General thereof, or at least some of His Council, in such wise as the same may come to His knowledge. Ye shall also well and truly serve His Highness in the Office of Clerk of the Senate of Canada, to attend upon the Senate of this Dominion, making true entries and records of the things done and passed in the same. Ye shall keep secret all such matters as shall be treated in the said Senate, and not disclose the same before they shall be published, but to such as they ought to be disclosed unto; and generally Ye shall well and truly do and execute all things belonging to you or to be done appertaining to the Office of Clerk of the said Senate. As God you help.

L. C. MOYER, Clerk of the Senate.

Sworn this twelfth day of January, A.D. 1939, before me.

W. E. FOSTER, Speaker of the Senate.

The Honourable the Speaker informed the Senate that a Commission under the Great Seal had been issued to Leslie Clare Moyer, Esquire, appointing him a Commissioner to Administer the Oath of Allegiance to Members of the Senate, and also to take and receive their Declarations of Qualification.

The said Commission was then read, as follows:-

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George the Sixth, by the Grace of God of Great Britain, Ireland and the British Dominions beyond the Seas, King, Defender of the Faith, Emperor of India.

To all to whom these Presents shall come,—Greeting:

C. P. PLAXTON.

Acting Deputy Minister of Justice, Canada.

Whereas, in and by the One hundred and twenty-eighth section of a certain Act of the Parliament of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, passed in the Session thereof held in the thirtieth and thirty-first years of the Reign of Her late Majesty Queen Victoria, and called and known as "The British North America Act, 1867," it is amongst other things in effect enacted that every Member of the Senate of Our Dominion of Canada shall, before taking his