

The Honourable the Speaker then acquainted the House that the Clerk of the Senate had laid upon the Table the Certificate of one of the Commissioners setting forth that the Honourable Mr. Wood, a Member of the Senate, had made and subscribed the Declaration of Qualification required by the British North America Act, 1867.

The Honourable the Speaker informed the Senate that there was a Member without ready to be introduced.

When the Honourable James O'Brien was introduced between the Honourable Sir Mackenzie Bowell and the Honourable Sir Frank Smith.

The Honourable Mr. O'Brien presented Her Majesty's Writ summoning him to the Senate.

The same was then read by the Clerk, and

Ordered, to be put upon the Journal, and it is as follows:—



CANADA.

*Aberdeen.*

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VICTORIA, by the Grace of God, of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, Queen, Defender of the Faith, &c., &c., &c.

To Our Trusty and Well-Beloved James O'Brien, Esquire, of the City of Montreal, of Our Province of Quebec, in Our Dominion of Canada—

GREETING :

1896 GRU 1318 YNOW YE, that as well for the especial trust and confidence We have manifested in you, as for the purpose of obtaining your advice and assistance in all weighty and arduous affairs which may the State and Defence of Our Dominion of Canada concern, We have thought fit to summon you to the Senate of Our said Dominion; and We do appoint you for the Victoria Electoral Division of Our Province of Quebec; and We do command you, that all difficulties and excuses whatsoever laying aside, you be and appear for the purpose aforesaid, in the Senate of Our said Dominion, at all times whensoever and wheresoever Our Parliament may be in our said Dominion convoked and holden: and this you are in no wise to omit.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, We have caused these Our Letters to be made Patent, and the Great Seal of Canada to be hereunto affixed. WITNESS, Our Right Trusty and Right Well-Beloved Cousin and Councillor the Right Honourable Sir John Campbell Hamilton-Gordon, Earl of Aberdeen; Viscount Formartine, Baron Haddo, Methlic, Tarves and Kellie, in the Peerage of Scotland; Viscount Gordon of Aberdeen, County of Aberdeen, in the Peerage of the United Kingdom; Baronet of Nova Scotia; Knight Grand Cross of Our Most Distinguished Order of Saint Michael and Saint George, &c., &c., Governor General of Canada.

At Our Government House, in Our City of Ottawa, in Our Dominion of Canada, this Second day of January, in the Year of Our Lord, One Thousand Eight Hundred and Ninety-six, and in the Fifty-ninth Year of Our Reign.

By Command,

SAML. E. ST. O. CHAPLEAU,

Clerk of the Crown in Chancery, Canada.