

PRAYERS :

The Honorable the Speaker informed the House that by the usage of Parliament the Clerk of the Senate is required to take the oath of office before the Chancellor or the Honorable the Speaker of this House.

The Clerk of the Senate then took and subscribed the oath in these words :—

Ye shall be true and faithful, and troth ye shall bear to Our Sovereign Lady *Victoria*, by the Grace of God, of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, Queen, and to Her Heirs and Successors; Ye shall nothing know that shall be prejudicial to Her Highness, the Crown, Estate, and Dignity Royal, but that you shall resist it to your power, and with all speed ye shall advertize Her Grace thereof, or the least some of Her Council, in such wise as the same may come to Her knowledge, Ye shall also well and truly serve Her Highness in the Office of Clerk of the Senate of *Canada*, to attend upon the Senate of *Canada*, 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 Her said Senate, and not disclose the same before they shall be published, but to such as it ought to be disclosed unto; and generally ye shall well and truly do and execute all things belonging to you to be done appertaining to the Office of Clerk of the said Senate. As God you help.

J. F. TAYLOR.

Sworn this sixth day of
November, 1867, before me,
Joseph Cauchon,
Speaker.

His Excellency the Right Honorable CHARLES STANLEY, Viscount MONCK, Baron *Monck*, of *Ballytrammon*, in the County of *Wexford*, in the Peerage of *Ireland*, and Baron *Monck*, of *Ballytrammon*, in the County of *Wexford*, in the Peerage of the United Kingdom of *Great Britain and Ireland*, Governor General of *Canada*, &c., &c., &c., being seated in the Chair on the Throne.

The Honorable the Speaker commanded the Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod to proceed to the House of Commons and acquaint that House "It is His Excellency's pleasure they attend him immediately in this House."

Who being come,
The Honorable the Speaker said:

Honorable Gentlemen of the Senate,
Gentlemen of the House of Commons.

His Excellency the Governor General does not see fit to declare the causes of his summoning the present Parliament of *Canada* until the Speaker of the House of Commons shall have been chosen according to Law; but to-morrow, at the hour of three o'clock in the afternoon, His Excellency will declare the causes of his calling this Parliament.

His Excellency the Governor General was pleased to retire, and the House of Commons withdrew.

Then, on motion of the Honorable Mr. *Hamilton*, (*Kingston*), seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Campbell*,

The House adjourned until to-morrow, at half-past two o'clock in the afternoon.