

Mr. Jones	(District of Harbour Grace)
Mr. Kennedy	(District of Harbour Main)
Mr. Hannon	(District of Harbour Main)
Mr. Spencer	(District of Hermitage)
Mr. Fudge	(District of Humber)
Mr. Ballam	(District of Humber)
Mr. Northcott	(District of Lewisporte)
Mr. Miller	(District of Placentia East)
Mr. Ryan	(District of Placentia West)
Mr. McCarthy	(District of Port-au-Port)
Mr. Fowler	(District of Port de Grave)
Mr. Roberts	(District of St. Barbe)
Mr. Keough	(District of St. George's)
Mr. Fogwill	(District of St. John's East Extern)
Mr. Butt	(District of St. John's West Extern)
Mr. McCormack	(District of St. Mary's)
Mr. Higgins	(District of St. John's City East)
Mr. Hickman	(District of St. John's City East)
Mr. Job	(District of St. John's City East)
Mr. Crosbie	(District of St. John's City West)
Mr. Cashin	(District of St. John's City West)
Mr. Harrington	(District of St. John's City West)
Mr. Cranford	(District of Trinity Centre)
Mr. Vardy	(District of Trinity North)
Mr. Bailey	(District of Trinity South)
Mr. Ashbourne	(District of Twillingate)
Mr. Newell	(District of White Bay)
Rev. Burry	(District of Labrador)

Hon. Mr. Justice Fox, K.C. signed as Chairman and was followed by Professor K.C. Wheare, Mr. W. Gordon Warren, as Secretary and Mr. Francis Ryan as Assistant Secretary.

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Mr. Chairman Now, gentlemen, I wish to introduce the following officials: first, a distinguished scholar, Professor K.C. Wheare, Professor of Government at Oxford University, whose services have been made available as expert adviser to this Convention. Next, Captain W. Gordon Warren, R.A. Secretary of this Convention, and Mr. Francis Ryan, Assistant Secretary.

That concludes this morning's session, but I might briefly refer to the proposed procedure for this afternoon. The members will kindly assemble in this chamber at a quarter to three to await the arrival of His Excellency the Governor at 3 o'clock. His Excellency has graciously consented to open the Convention. That being done, following His Excellency's address, the Convention will remain seated until I return to the Chair; and then, possibly, we shall take an adjournment until tomorrow afternoon, or other such time as you desire, when an address of loyalty to His Majesty the King, and thanks to His Excellency the Governor, will be proposed by Hon. Mr. Job and seconded by Mr. Harrington, and, doubtless, supported by the various members of the Convention. Then will follow the appointment of a committee to draft the address of loyalty to His Majesty and thanks to His Excellency. Then, I suggest we might appoint a committee on rules and procedures; and as I shall mention to you then — I shall not delay you now — we should propose a resolution making applicable to the proceedings of the Convention parliamentary procedure in so far as it can be applied, pending the report of the committee on rules and procedure, which may take a week or ten days. But we must have rules to pursue our deliberations and I make that suggestion for your thought in the meantime. We shall now take recess until this afternoon at 2.45.

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At 2.45 pm the members of the Convention assembled in the chambers to await the arrival of His Excellency the Governor and party. At 2.55 the Chairman took the chair. At 2.58 Captain W. Gordon Warren as A.D.C. announced to the Chairman the arrival of His Excellency the Governor.

Mr. Chairman I have the very great honour to present His Excellency the Governor Sir Gordon Macdonald, K.C.M.G., who very graciously has consented to open this Convention. His Excellency the Governor.

Sir Gordon Macdonald, K.C.M.G. We are meeting today in a building where the giants of