## Queensland



# Parliamentary Debates [Hansard]

## **Legislative Council**

TUESDAY, 6 AUGUST 1867

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## PARTTAMENTARY DEBATES

DURING THE

# FIRST SESSION OF THE THIRD PARLIAMENT OF THE COLONY OF QUEENSLAND, AUSTRALIA,

APPOINTED TO MEET

AT BRISBANE, ON THE SIXTH DAY OF AUGUST, IN THE THIRTY-FIRST YEAR OF THE REIGN OF HER MAJESTY QUEEN VICTORIA, IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD 1867.

#### LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

Tuesday, 6 August, 1867.

Meeting of Parliament.

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The House met at twelve o'clock, in pursuance of the Proclamation of His Excellency the Governor, convening Parliament "for the

despatch of business."

The PRESIDENT having announced to the House that this Parliament would be opened by Commission under the Great Seal of the Colony, took the chair; and, on his right hand, the Honorable St. G. R. Gore, Postmaster-General, and on his left, the Honorable D. F. Roberts, being seated, as Commissioners, with the President, for the purpose set forth; the Acting Usher of the Black Rod was directed to acquaint the members of the Legislative Assembly that the Commissioners desired their immediate attendance in the Council Chamber, to hear the Commission read.

And the Assembly being in attendance, and seated at the Bar,—

The PRESIDENT said:

Honorable Gentlemen of the Legis-LATIVE COUNCIL, AND GENTLEMEN OF THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY—

His Excellency the Governor, not thinking fit to be personally present here this day, has been pleased to cause a Commission to be issued under the Great Seal of the Colony, constituting us Commissioners, to do all things necessary to be performed by the Governor, in the name or on the part of Her Majesty the Queen, or in the name or on the part of His Excellency as Governor of the Colony, in order to the opening and holding of this Parliament, as will more fully appear by the Commission itself, which I now direct the Clerk of the Parliaments to read.

Whereupon the Clerk read the Commission.

The President then said:

HONORABLE GENTLEMEN OF THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL, AND GENTLEMEN OF THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY—

We have it in command from His Excellency the Governor, to let you know—That as soon as the members of both Houses shall have been sworn, the causes of this Parliament being called together will be declared to you; and, it being necessary that a Speaker of the Legislative Assembly be first chosen, it is His Excellency's pleasure, that you, Gentlemen of the Legislative Assembly, repair to your own chamber, and there proceed to the election of one of your number to be your Speaker.

And, the Assembly having withdrawn— The Commissioners took the oath required by law to be taken by members of the Legislative Council, and subscribed the roll, and thereafter administered the oath to the other honorable members present, who also subscribed the roll.