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Prime Ministers of Canada



J.J. [John Joseph] Abbott
(1891-1892)



Mackenzie Bowell
(1894-1896)



J.G.B. [John George Bannerman] Diefenbaker
(1957-1963)



Wilfrid Laurier
(1896-1911)



John A. Macdonald
(1867-1873, 1878-1891)



A. [Alexander] Mackenzie
(1873-1878)



L.B. [Lester Bowles] Pearson
(1963-1986)



Jno S.D. [John Sparrow David] Thompson
(1892-1894)



Charles Tupper
(1896)

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AMENDED BY O. C. 1243
6 MAY 1892

J. D. Caldwell

Stanley of Preston

The Committee on the
 recommendation of the Honourable
 Sir Mackenzie Bowell, K.C.M.G.,
 the Prime Minister, advise that
 the Order in Council of the 15th
 January 1896, appointing the
 Honourable Sir Charles Tupper,
 Bart., to be Acting High Com-
 missioner for Canada, be cancelled.

CANCELLING O.C. 194
 15 JANUARY 1896

Mackenzie Bowell

approved

Blundell

March 23. 1896

Draft
Unit Officers Overseas Rank Lieut. Name Diefenbaker J.G.B.

OFFICERS' DECLARATION PAPER

CANADIAN OVER-SEAS EXPEDITIONARY FORCE

QUESTIONS TO BE ANSWERED BY OFFICER

[ANSWERS]

1. (a) What is your Surname? DIEFENBAKER
(b) What are your Christian Names? John George Bannerman
2. (a) Where were you born? (State place and country) New State, Ontario.
(b) What is your present address? 411 9th Street, Saskatoon, Sask.
3. What is the date of your birth? 18th September, 1895.
4. What is (a) the name of your next-of-kin? Mr. W. T. Diefenbaker.
(b) the address of your next-of-kin? 411 9th Street, Saskatoon, Sask.
(c) the relationship of your next-of-kin? Father.
5. What is your profession or occupation? Student.
6. What is your religion? Baptist.
7. Are you willing to be vaccinated or re-vaccinated and inoculated? Yes.
8. To what Unit of the Active Militia do you belong? 105th Saskatoon Fusiliers.
9. State particulars of any former Military Service No.
10. Are you willing to serve in the Yes.

CANADIAN OVER-SEAS EXPEDITIONARY FORCE?

The undersigned hereby declares that the above answers made by him to the above questions are true.

J.G.B. Diefenbaker (Signature of Officer.)

Taken on strength (place) Regina, Sask.

(date) 25th August, 1916.

[Signature]
(Signature of Commanding Officer.)

CERTIFICATE OF MEDICAL EXAMINATION

I have examined the above-named Officer in accordance with the Regulations for Army Medical Services.

I consider him* fit for the CANADIAN OVER-SEAS EXPEDITIONARY FORCE.

Date August 26 1916

Place Regina, Sask.

*Insert here "fit" or "unfit"

Dennis Murray St. C. A. M. C.
Medical Officer.

13 July 1896

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Secretary State 17

The Committee on
the recommendation of the
Honourable Mr. Laurier, the
Prime Minister, advise that the
Honourable Wilfrid Laurier,
the President of the Queen's Privy
Council for Canada, be appointed
~~Acting~~ Minister of Finance.
Wilfrid Laurier

c. approved.
Alexander

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31 January '85.

On the recommendation
of the Right Honourable Sir John
Macdonald, and in conformity
with the 22nd Section of "The
"British North America Act, 1867,"
the Committee advise that
Francis Clemon of the City
of Ottawa, Esquire, be summoned
to be a Member of the Senate
and a Senator in and for the
Province of Ontario, in the
Dominion of Canada.

John Macdonald

app.

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Copy to Secretary of State 31 January 1885

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The Committee submit the
above recommendations for your
Excellency's approval.

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approved 12/11/74

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ATTESTATION PAPER

CANADIAN OVER-SEAS EXPEDITIONARY FORCE

No. **1048**

Folio.

QUESTIONS TO BE PUT BEFORE ATTESTATION.

(ANSWERS)

1. What is your name? *Lester Bowles Pearson*
 2. In what Town, Township, or Parish, and in what Country were you born? *Newtonbrook, Ont.*
 3. What is the name of your next-of-kin? *Mr. Edwin A. Pearson*
 4. What is the address of your next-of-kin? *6 Batham, Ont.*
 5. What is the date of your birth? *1897 April 23rd*
 6. What is your trade or calling? *Student*
 7. Are you married? *No.*
 8. Are you willing to be vaccinated or re-vaccinated? *Yes*
 9. Do you now belong to the Active Militia? *No*
 10. Have you ever served in any Military Force?
If so, state particulars of former Service. *C. O. I. C.*
 11. Do you understand the nature and terms of your engagement? *Yes*
 12. Are you willing to be attested to serve in the CANADIAN OVER-SEAS EXPEDITIONARY FORCE? *Yes*
- L B Pearson* (Signature of Man.)
W J Bates (Signature of Witness.)

DECLARATION TO BE MADE BY MAN ON ATTESTATION.

I, *Lester Bowles Pearson*, do solemnly declare that the above answers made by me to the above questions are true, and that I am willing to fulfil the engagements by me now made, and I hereby engage and agree to serve in the Canadian Over-Seas Expeditionary Force, and to be attached to any arm of the service therein, for the term of one year, or during the war now existing between Great Britain and Germany should that war last longer than one year, and for six months after the termination of that war provided His Majesty should so long require my services, or until legally discharged.

L B Pearson (Signature of Recruit.)
Date *April 27* 1915 *W J Bates* (Signature of Witness.)

OATH TO BE TAKEN BY MAN ON ATTESTATION.

I, *Lester Bowles Pearson*, do make Oath, that I will be faithful and bear true Allegiance to His Majesty King George the Fifth, His Heirs and Successors, and that I will as in duty bound honestly and faithfully defend His Majesty, His Heirs and Successors, in Person, Crown and Dignity, against all enemies, and will observe and obey all orders of His Majesty, His Heirs and Successors, and of all the Generals and Officers set over me. So help me God.

L B Pearson (Signature of Recruit.)
Date *April 27* 1915 *W J Bates* (Signature of Witness.)

CERTIFICATE OF MAGISTRATE.

The Recruit above-named was cautioned by me that if he made any false answer to any of the above questions he would be liable to be punished as provided in the Army Act.

The above questions were then read to the Recruit in my presence.

I have taken care that he understands each question, and that his answer to each question has been duly entered as replied to, and the said Recruit has made and signed the declaration and taken the oath before me, at *Toronto* this *27th* day of *April* 1915.

W J Bates (Signature of Justice.)

I certify that the above is a true copy of the Attestation of the above-named Recruit.

W J Bates (Approving Officer.)

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The Committee of the
Privy Council on the recommendation
of The Right Honourable Sir John
Thompson R. C. Inst. Privy Minister,
advise that a ^{Proclamation} ~~Commission~~ do issue
summoning Parliament for the
despatch of Business on Thursday
the fifteenth day of February
next.

John Thompson

approved

Blundell

Feb. 10. 1894

Proclamation of Queen in January 1894

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The Committee of the Privy Council on the recommendation of the Honourable Sir Charles Tupper, Baronet, G.C.M.G., advise that under the provisions of the Act 50-51 Victoria, Chapter 14, a Commission do issue appointing the Honourable Sir Charles Hibbert Tupper, K.C.M.G., a Member of the Queen's Privy Council for Canada to be the Solicitor General of Canada.

The Committee on the same recommendation further advise that upon the said the Honourable Sir Charles Hibbert Tupper taking the prescribed Oath or Oaths of Office he do assume the functions of Solicitor General.

Charles Tupper
approved 1 May 1896
A. L. M. D. M.