The General Elections took place on 23rd June, 1896, and the Tupper Administration resigned 8th July.

Hon. Wilfrid Laurier was sworn in as first Minister, 11th July, and the other members of the Cabinet on 13th July, excepting the Minister of the Interior, who was sworn in on 17th November. This formed the eighth Ministry.

The following tables give the names of the Lieutenant-Governors of the several provinces; a list of the sessions of each Legislative Assembly, with the dates of the opening and closing, from the time each province, respectively, entered confederation; and the names of the present members of each Government.

LIEUTENANT-GOVERNORS OF THE PROVINCES OF CANADA SINCE ADMISSION INTO THE CONFEDERATION.

Province.	Hon. W. P. Howland, P.C., C.B. John W. Crawford. D. A. Macdonald, P.C. John Beverley Robinson. Sir Alexander Campbell, K.C.M.G., P.C. Geo. A. Kirkpatrick, P.C. Sir Oliver Mowat, G.C.M.G.	Date of Appointment.	
Ontario		May	1, 1867 14, 1868 5, 1873 18, 1875 30, 1880 8, 1887 30, 1892 18, 1897 20, 1903
Quebec	Luc Letellier de St. Just, P.C	Jan. Feb. Dec. July Nov. Oct. Dec.	1, 1867 31, 1868 11, 1873 15, 1876 26, 1879 7, 1884 24, 1887 5, 1892 2, 1898
Nova Scotia	Major General Sir C. Hastings Doyle, K.C.M.G. Lieut. General Sir C. Hastings Doyle, K.C.M.G. Sir E. Kenny, Kt. (acting) Hon. Joseph Howe, P.C. A. G. Archibald, C.M.G., Q.C., P.C. Matthew Henry Richey A. W. McLelan, P.C. Malachy Bowes Daly (first appointment) " (second ")	July Oct. Jan. May " July " " " Aug.	1, 1867 18, 1867 31, 1868 13, 1870 1, 1873 4, 1873 4, 1883 9, 1888 11, 1890 29, 1895 7, 1900
New Brunswick	Col. F. P. Harding. Hon. L. A. Wilmot, D.C.L. S. L. Tilley, C.B. Ed. Baron Chandler, Q.C. Robert Duncan Wilmot, P.C. Sir Samuel Leonard Tilley, K.C.M.G., P.C. John Boyd	July Nov. July Feb. Oct. Sept. Dec.	1, 1867 18, 1867 14, 1868 5, 1873 16, 1878 11, 1880 31, 1885 21, 1893 20, 1893 9, 1896 5, 1902