

Esquires, who have been elected Members of the General Assembly, under and by virtue of the provisions of a Proclamation dated twenty-seventh day of August last past, giving them and either of them, our said Commissioners, full power and authority to perform the matters hereinbefore mentioned, ratifying and confirming all and whatsoever they, or either of them, shall do and perform in this behalf: And thereof they, or either of them, are to make due return under their, or either of their, Hands and Seals, unto Our Governor of Our said Island.

Given under the Great Seal of our aforesaid Island.

Witness our trusty and well-beloved Sir ALEXANDER BANNERMAN, Knight, our Governor and Commander-in-Chief. in and over our said Island and its Dependencies, at St. John's, in our said Island, the first day of December, 1860, in the twenty-fourth year of our Reign.

By His Excellency's Command,

J. KENT.

Oath administered to H. W. Hoyles and Richard McGrath.

The Hon. E. D. SHEA, one of the said Commissioners, came at one o'clock on this day, into the Assembly Chamber, and administered the usual State Oath severally to Hugh W. Hoyles, Esq., returned Member for the District of Burgeo and LaPoile, in room of James Seaton, Esq., resigned; and to Richard McGrath, Esq., returned Member for the District of Placentia and St. Mary's, in room of John Delaney, Esq., appointed to the office of Post Master General.

Take the oath and their seats.

And the said H. W. Hoyles and Richard McGrath, Esqrs., having severally taken and subscribed the Oath prescribed by law, took their seats as Members for the said several Districts accordingly.

Message by Usher of Black Rod commanding attendance of the House.

At two o'clock a Message was delivered from His Excellency the Governor by F. W. Rennie, Esq., the gentleman Usher of the Black Rod:

*Gentlemen of the House of Assembly:*

His Excellency the Governor commands your immediate attendance in the Council Chamber.

House attend the Governor in Council Chamber.

Accordingly, the House attended His Excellency the Governor in the Council Chamber, when His Excellency was pleased to say: