

"Honorable Gentlemen of the Legislative Council, and

"Gentlemen of the House of Assembly,

"I am commanded by His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor to inform you, that he doth not think fit to declare the causes for which he has summoned this General Assembly until there be a Speaker of the House of Assembly. It is therefore His Excellency's pleasure, that you, Gentlemen of the House of Assembly, do repair to the place where the sittings of the House of Assembly are usually held, and there choose a fit person to be your Speaker; and that you present the person who shall be so chosen to His Excellency, in this House, to-morrow at one o'clock, for his approbation."

The House of Assembly then withdrew, and His Excellency was pleased to retire.

Adjourned until To-morrow at half past 12 o'clock.

FRIDAY, 20th October, 1854.

PRESENT :

THE HON.

Mr. Black, President.

*Mr. Bolsford,
Mr. Solicitor General,
Mr. Hill,
Mr. Wark,*

*Mr. Chandler,
Mr. Minchin,
Mr. Harrison,
Mr. Ryan.*

PRAYERS.

At one o'clock His Excellency The Honorable John Henry Thomas Manners Sutton, Lieutenant Governor and Commander in Chief of the Province, came to the Council Chamber, and being seated in the Chair on the Throne, commanded the Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod, through the Honorable the President, to let the Assembly know—"It is His Excellency's pleasure that they attend him immediately in this House."

Who being come,

Mr. Hanington said—

"May it please Your Excellency,

"Your Excellency having communicated your pleasure to the Assembly, they returned to the place where they usually deliberate, and immediately proceeded to choose a Speaker; they have elected me to that important office and honorable situation, and they now present me to be approved of by Your Excellency."

The President of this House said—

"Mr. Hanington,

"I am commanded by His Excellency to assure you, that he is fully sensible of your zeal for the public service, and of your sufficiency to execute the duties of the office to which you have been elected by the House of Assembly, and that he doth most readily approve of their choice, and allow and confirm you to be their Speaker."

Then