

Who being come,

The President of this House said—

*“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 twelve o'clock, for his approbation.”

The House of Assembly withdrew, and His Excellency retired.

*Adjourned until To-Morrow at 12 o'clock.*

FRIDAY, 29th December, 1837.

PRESENT.

THE HON.

*Mr. Chief Justice Chipman, President.*

*Mr. Shore.*

*Mr. Baillie.*

*Mr. Botsford.*

*Mr. Attorney General.*

*Mr. Lee.*

*Mr. Chandler.*

PRAYERS.

The House adjourned during pleasure.

After some time the House formed.

At 12 o'clock His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor came to the Council Chamber, and being seated in the Chair on the Throne, the Honorable the President commanded the Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod, to let the Assembly know: “It is His Excellency's pleasure they attend him immediately in this House;”

Who being come,

The Honorable Mr. Simonds said:—

*“May it please Your Excellency,*

“The Assembly, yesterday, having received Your Excellency's commands returned to the place where they usually sit, and immediately proceeded to choose a Speaker; they have elected me to that important office, and now present me to be approved of by Your Excellency. Aware, however, of my inability properly to discharge the duties of that important situation, I pray Your Excellency to disapprove of the choice which the Assembly have made, and command them to choose a more fit person.”

Then the President of this House said:—

*Mr.*