

*Billa Flint*, Esquire, has been returned as duly elected accordingly, as appears by the Return of the said Writ of Election, dated the twenty-first day of July, which is now lodged of Record in my Office.

OFFICE OF THE CLERK OF THE CROWN IN CHANCERY,  
Quebec, 24th July, 1863.

L. R. FORTIER,  
Clerk of the Crown in Chancery.

To *John Fennings Taylor*, Esquire,  
Clerk, Legislative Council,  
Quebec.

To the Honorable *Alexander Campbell*, Speaker of the Legislative Council of the Province of Canada.

We, the undersigned, being two Members of the Legislative Council of the Province of Canada, do hereby inform you that a vacancy has happened in the representation of the *Saint Clair* Electoral Division, in the said Legislative Council, by reason of the acceptance by the Honorable *John Wilson* of the office of Puisne Justice of the Court of Common Pleas in *Upper Canada*.

Dated at Quebec, this 11th day of August, 1863.

A. J. FERGUSSON BLAIR,  
L. LETELIER.

The hereinbefore mentioned Honorable Members severally took and subscribed the oath prescribed by law, which was administered by *John Fennings Taylor*, Esquire, Clerk of the Legislative Council.

His Excellency the Right Honorable CHARLES STANLEY, Viscount MONCK, Baron MONCK of *Ballytrammon*, in the County of *Wexford*, Governor General of *British North America*, and Captain General and Governor-in-Chief in and over the Provinces of *Canada*, *Nova Scotia*, *New Brunswick*, and the *Island of Prince Edward*, and Vice-Admiral of the same, &c., &c., &c., being seated in the Chair on the Throne, the Clerk of the Legislative Council 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 Clerk of the Legislative Council said :—

*Honorable Gentlemen of the Legislative Council, and*

*Gentlemen of the Legislative Assembly :*

His Excellency the Governor General does not see fit to declare the causes of his summoning the present Provincial Parliament, until the Speakers of both Houses shall have been chosen according to law; but to-morrow, at the hour of three o'clock in the afternoon, His Excellency will declare the causes of his calling this Parliament.

His Excellency the Governor General was pleased to retire, and the Legislative Assembly withdrew.

The Honorable Mr. *de La Terrière* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Christie*, That the Honorable *Ulric Joseph Tessier* do take the Chair of this House as Speaker. And the question of concurrence being put thereon, it was resolved unanimously in the affirmative.

And the Clerk having declared the Honorable *Ulric Joseph Tessier* duly elected, he was conducted to the Chair by the Honorable Messieurs *de La Terrière* and *Christie*; where he returned his humble acknowledgments to the House for the great honor they had been pleased to confer upon him, by choosing him to be their Speaker.

And thereupon he sat down in the Chair; and the Mace (which before lay under the table) was laid upon the table.