

And the House having returned, the honorable James W. Johnston (addressing himself to the Clerk, who standing up, pointed to him, and then sat down) proposed to the House for their Speaker, John C. Wade, esquire, and moved "that John C. Wade, esquire do take the chair of this House as Speaker," which motion was seconded by the honorable the Solicitor General. Mr. Wade proposed.

Then the honorable William Young in like manner proposed to the House for their Speaker, Stewart Campbell, esquire, and moved "that Stewart Campbell, esquire, do take the chair of this House as Speaker," which motion was seconded by the honorable Joseph Howe, and no debate arising in relation to either of these motions, Mr. Campbell proposed.

The question was put by the Clerk "that John C. Wade, esquire, do take the chair of this House as Speaker." Div. on Mr. Wade's nomination.

The house divided—

The yeas on the right were 25.

The noes on the left were 28.

So it was passed in the negative.

Then the question was put by the Clerk, "that Stewart Campbell, esquire, do take the chair of this House as Speaker." Div. on Mr. Campbell's nomination.

The house again divided.

The yeas on the right were 28.

The noes on the left were 25.

So it was resolved in the affirmative, whereupon Stewart Campbell, esquire, was conducted to the chair by the honorable Mr. Young and the honorable Mr. Howe. Speaker chosen.

Mr. Speaker elect, with the House then went to attend his Excellency in the council chamber, when Mr. Speaker elect was presented to his Excellency by the honorable Mr. Young, who addressed his Excellency as follows:— House attend Governor.

*"May it please your Excellency ;*

"The House of Assembly agreeably to your Excellency's command, have proceeded to the choice of a Speaker, and elected Stewart Campbell, esquire, member for the county of Guysborough, to that office, and by their direction I beg leave to present him for the approbation of your Excellency." Speaker presented.

After which his Excellency was pleased to say, "I approve of the Speaker whom the House of Assembly have chosen." Approved.

The House being returned and Mr. Speaker having taken the chair,

Mr. Speaker reported that the House had attended his Excellency in the council chamber, where his Excellency had been pleased to approve of the choice the House had made of him to be their Speaker; and that he had thereupon addressed his Excellency to the following effect:— Speaker reports.

*"May it please your Excellency ;*

"Your Excellency's ready approval of the choice with which I have been honored by the House, having constituted me, in due form, the Speaker of the House of Assembly, it has now become my duty, in the name of the representatives of her Majesty's loyal subjects the people of this province, respectfully to demand all their accustomed rights and privileges—that they may have freedom of speech in their debates—that they may be free from arrest during their attendance on parliament, and that I, as their Speaker, may have free access to your Excellency's person." Usual privileges demanded.

Mr. Speaker also reported that his Excellency in reply said,

*Mr. Speaker,*

"I most cheerfully grant your request."

Privileges granted,

Mr.