

NAYS :

<i>Mr. Pope,</i>	<i>Mr. Longworth,</i>
<i>Mr. Clark,</i>	<i>Mr. Hudson,</i>
<i>Mr. Palmer,</i>	<i>Mr. Yeo.</i>

So it was carried in the affirmative ; and Mr. *Cooper* having been declared by the Clerk to be duly elected, he was conducted to the Chair by Mr. *Thomson* and Mr. *Le Lacheur*, and, standing on the upper step, said :

Gentlemen—For the honor you have been pleased to confer, in selecting me to be your Speaker, I return you my sincere thanks. To perform the duties of that office shall have my diligent application ; and I rely on your support to enable me to maintain the rights and privileges of the House of Assembly, and to preserve good order in our relations, by courteous and affable deportment. I hope that our regular attendance in the House, and close application to the public business, will shorten the Session, and consequently lessen the expenses of the Legislature.

Mr. Speaker elect, with the House, then went up to attend His Excellency in the Council Chamber, when Mr. Speaker elect acquainted His Excellency that the House had chosen him to be their Speaker, and humbly trusted their election would meet His Excellency's approbation.

Whereupon the Honorable the President of the Council said—

I am commanded by His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor to say, that His Excellency approves of the Speaker which the House of Assembly have chosen.

And hereupon Mr. Speaker addressed His Excellency to the following effect :

May it please your Excellency ;

As you have been pleased to approve of the choice of the House of Assembly, in appointing me to be their Speaker, it now becomes my duty as such, to request of your Excellency, as the privilege of the House, that the Members thereof, during the Session, may be freed from arrest, that they may have freedom of speech in their debates, and have free access to your Excellency on all occasions ; and I do also, in their name and behalf, beg leave to claim all their ancient rights and privileges.

The President of the Council then replied :

Mr. Speaker ;

I am commanded by His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor to say, that His Excellency most cheerfully grants your request,

conformably to ancient usage, the laws of the land, and the Royal Instructions.

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

The House proceeded to the choice of Officers ; and thereupon.

Resolved, That Mr. *William Cullen* be re-appointed and re-sworn to the Office of Clerk of the House of Assembly—and he took the usual Oaths accordingly.

Resolved, That Mr. *Solomon Desbrisay* be the Serjeant at Arms.

Resolved, That Mr. *Henry William Lobban* be the Messenger to the House.

Mr. *Longworth* moved that the Reverend *Louis Charles Jenkins* be the Chaplain to the House.

The House divided on the question :

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<i>Mr. Longworth,</i>	<i>Mr. Pope,</i>
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<i>Mr. Macfarlane,</i>	<i>Mr. Hudson.</i>

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<i>Mr. Thomson,</i>	<i>Mr. Fraser,</i>
<i>Mr. J. Dingwell,</i>	<i>Mr. Rae,</i>
<i>Mr. Clark,</i>	<i>Mr. Gorman,</i>
<i>Mr. Montgomery,</i>	<i>Mr. Beck,</i>
<i>Mr. Le Lacheur,</i>	<i>Mr. W. Dingwell,</i>
<i>Mr. Forbes,</i>	<i>Mr. Dalziel,</i>
<i>Mr. Macniell,</i>	<i>Mr. Macintosh,</i>
<i>Mr. Arbuckle,</i>	<i>Mr. D. Macdonald.</i>
<i>Mr. J. S. Macdonald,</i>	

So it passed in the negative.

Ordered, That the Sergeant at Arms do appoint a fit and proper person to be Door-keeper.

Mr. Speaker reported, that when the House did attend His Excellency this day in the Council Chamber, His Excellency was pleased to make a Speech to both Houses of the Legislature, of which, Mr. Speaker said he had, to prevent mistakes, obtained a copy, which was read by the Clerk, and is as follows :

Mr. President, and Gentlemen of the Council :

Mr. Speaker, and Gentlemen of the House of Assembly :

The General Assembly being limited by Law to a duration of four years, and that period having nearly expired, I caused the late House to be dissolved, and