

Mr. Wyer, a Member from the County of Charlotte, then proposed Edward F. Chandler, Esquire, a Member from the County of Westmorland ; which was seconded by Mr. Cunard.

The Gentlemen then proposed withdrew from their seats.

The question being then put, whether C. Simonds, Esquire, be elected to the Office, the House divided.

Yeas, 12—Nays, 12.

Whereupon, the question was negatived.

The question was then put, as to the election of Edward B. Chandler, Esquire. Whereupon the House again divided equally ; and the question likewise negatived.

The House then adjourned until to-morrow morning at 10 o'clock.

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TUESDAY, 8th FEBRUARY, 1831.

In pursuance of the direction from His Honor the President, the House proceeded to the election of a Speaker.

Whereupon, Mr. Hayward, a Member from the County of Sunbury, proposed Charles Simonds, Esquire, to the Office ; which was seconded by Mr. Gilbert.

Mr. Cunard, a Member from Northumberland, then proposed Edward B. Chandler, Esquire ; which was seconded by Mr. Miles.

The question was then put upon the election of Mr. Simonds, and the House divided.

Yeas 12. Nays 12.

Whereupon the question was negatived.

The question was then taken as to the election of Mr. Chandler.

When the House again divided equally, and the question as to Mr. Chandler negatived.

Mr. Weldon, the Member from Kent, then proposed William Crane, Esquire, a Member from Westmorland, to the office ; which motion was seconded by Mr. End.

Mr. Slason, a Member from York, then proposed Rufus Smith, Esquire, a Member from Westmorland, to the office ; which was seconded by Mr. Simonds.

The question then being put upon the election of Mr. Crane, the House divided.

Yeas, 13. Nays, 12.

It was thereupon decided in favor of William Crane, Esquire.

Mr. Crane was then taken from his Seat and conducted to the Chair, and when on the steps, he expressed his grateful acknowledgements for the confidence reposed in him, and observed as he was conscious of his inability to discharge the duties of the high station to which he had been elected, in a proper manner, he trusted upon consideration, that the House would choose a Member of greater experience and ability.