

Robert Mooney, Esquire, addressing himself in like manner to the Clerk, proposed *Francis Longworth*, Esquire, a Member for the Town and Royalty of Charlottetown as Speaker; and the motion being seconded—

And the question being called for, and put, "That the Hon. John Jardine do take the chair of this House as Speaker :"

The House divided.

YEAS :

Mr Macaulay,	Mr Conroy,
Mr Douse,	Mr Macgowan,
Hon. Mr Palmer,	Mr Longworth,
Mr Beer,	Mr Macleod,
Mr Haviland,	Mr Goff,
Mr Maceachen,	Mr Montgomery.
Mr Yeo,	

NAYS :

Mr Mooney,	Mr Clark,
Mr M'Gill,	Hon. Col. Secretary,
Mr Davies,	Hon. Mr Lord,
Mr Fraser,	Hon. Mr Whelan.
Mr Wightman,	

So it was resolved in the affirmative.

The Hon. John Jardine having been declared by the Clerk duly elected, he was conducted to the Chair by *Roderick Macaulay* and *William Douse*, Esquires; and standing on the upper step, 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.

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 Legislative Council said:—

Hon. Mr. JARDINE;

I am commanded by His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor to acquaint you that he hath so good an opinion of your integrity, diligence and sufficiency for executing the important office to which you have been elected, that His Excellency is perfectly satisfied with the choice which the House of Assembly have made, and doth allow and confirm you to be their Speaker.

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 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 being fully assured of the prudence, loyalty and good affection of the House of Assembly, most willingly grants to them all their privileges, conformably to ancient usage, the Laws of the land, and Her Majesty's Instructions.

The House being returned, 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 followeth:—