

A Commission under the Great Seal, bearing date the 9th day of December instant, appointing Ward Chipman, William Botsford, James Carter and Robert Parker, Esquires, Commissioners for the duly qualifying the said Members, being produced by James Carter, Esquire, one of the Commissioners named in the said Commission, the following Members took the oaths and subscribed the declaration.

The Honorable Charles Simonds,
John R. Partelow,
John Jordan,
Thomas Barlow,
Thomas Wyer,
George S. Hill,
James Brown, Junior,
Robert Thomson,
John Allen,
James Taylor,
Lemuel A. Wilmot,
Charles Fisher,
Philip Palmer,
William Wilson,
The Honorable William Crane,

Daniel Hanington,
Samuel Freeze,
William M'Leod,
John A. Street,
George Hayward,
Henry T. Partelow,
The Honorable Hugh Johnston,
Thomas Gilbert,
John W. Weldon,
Peter Stewart,
William End,
David M'Almon,
J. M. Connell,
Bartholomew C. Beardsley.

And Isaac Woodward, Esquire, a Member for the City of Saint John, having refused the oath tendered to him by the Commissioners upon the grounds of his being of the profession of people called Quakers, made solemn declaration or affirmation, as prescribed by the Act of Assembly of the 26 Geo. III. Cap. 19, and likewise subscribed the declaration; which being done, the several Members took their seats.

A Commission under the Great Seal, bearing date the 8th day of August last, appointing George Garden, Esquire, to the office of Sergeant at Arms, in the place of H. G. Clopper, who had been appointed to the office of Audit, was then produced; whereupon it appeared that the said George Garden had duly qualified to fill the said office.

A Message was received from His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, by Isaac Woodward Jouett, Esquire, Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod, requiring the immediate attendance of the House in the Council Chamber.

The House attended accordingly, when the Honorable Ward Chipman, Chief Justice, said:—

*“Honorable Gentlemen of the Legislative Council, and
Gentlemen of the House of Assembly,*

“I am commanded by His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor to inform you, that he doth not think it expedient to declare the causes for which he has summoned this General Assembly until there be a Speaker of the House of Assembly. It is therefore His Excellency's pleasure that you, Gentlemen of the Assembly, do repair to the place where your sittings are usually held, and there choose a fit person to be your Speaker; and that you present the person who shall be so chosen to His Excellency in this House to-morrow, at twelve o'clock, for his approbation.”

And the House being returned—

Mr. Wyer, a Member for the County of Charlotte, addressing himself to the Clerk, proposed to the House for their Speaker the Honorable Charles Simonds; in which motion he was seconded by John R. Partelow, Esquire, a Member for the County of Saint John; and there being no other person proposed, he was taken from his seat by the Members proposing him, and conducted by them to the Chair; where, 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 again their Speaker; and thereupon he took the Chair.

When Mr. Partelow moved that the House do adjourn until to-morrow.

And the House accordingly adjourned until to-morrow.

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