

County to meet and elect two fit and proper Persons to represent them in this Assembly. That the said Writ was delivered to *Christian Muller*, Esq; on or about the latter end of the Month aforesaid, who then was, and yet is high Sheriff of the said County of Sydney, who did give Twenty days notice to the Freeholders of the said County to meet at the Court-House in *Guyborough*, the same being a public place in the said County, for the purposes in the said Writ directed. That on the Twenty fifth day of February in the year 1800, the Poll was opened by the Sheriff at the said Court-House, and the said Writ read agreeable to Law, when *Joseph Marshall*, *William Campbell*, and *Lawrence Hartborne*, Esqrs; were Candidates; that the Freeholders then present did proceed to give their votes for the Election of two Persons to represent them; and that on the Twenty sixth day of the same Month all the Freeholders then and there present having given their Votes, the Poll was closed by the consent of all the Candidates; and the said *Joseph Marshall*, and *William Campbell*, having a great majority of Votes, were by the Sheriff declared duly elected, and summoned to attend the House. That the Committee also find that the Sheriff did return on the said Writ the proceedings by him had under it; and that the said *Joseph Marshall*, and *William Campbell*, were elected, and further the Committee find that the said original Writ and Return, have been lost or mislaid, and cannot now be found; and *Christian Muller*, the Sheriff of said County of Sydney, having appeared at the Bar of the House, did then and there return *William Campbell* and *Joseph Marshall* Esqrs; as having been duly elected and chosen by a large majority of the Freeholders of said County, as Members to represent the same in *General Assembly*; and did also return, that he had duly summoned them to give their attendance in the *General Assembly*, as he was by His Majesty's Writ to him directed, commanded so to do; thereupon,

On motion of Mr. *Wilkins*, resolved, That *Joseph Marshall* and *William Campbell*, Esqrs; be permitted to take their seat respectively in this House, as the Representatives duly elected for the County of Sydney.

Joseph Marshall, Esq; took the usual Oaths and his seat accordingly.

On motion of Mr. *Millidge*, resolved, That a Committee be appointed to wait upon, and deliver to his Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, a copy of the report of the Committee respecting the Election held for the County of Sydney, and to request that his Excellency will be pleased to give directions that the same be entered on record, in the Secretary's Office.

Ordered, That Mr. *Millidge*, Mr. *Wilkins*, and Mr. *Wallace*, be a Committee accordingly.

Mr. *Wallace*, reported from the Committee appointed to prepare an Address in answer to his Excellency's Speech, and presented an Address accordingly, which he read in his place, and afterwards delivered it in at the Clerk's Table, where it was again, read by the Clerk, and upon the Question put thereupon agreed to, and is as follows:

TO HIS EXCELLENCY

SIR JOHN WENTWORTH, Baronet, L. L. D.

Lieutenant-Governor and Commander in Chief, in and over His Majesty's Province of Nova-Scotia, and its Dependencies, &c. &c. &c.

The Address of the House of Representatives in General Assembly.

May it please your Excellency,

WE, His Majesty's faithful Subjects, the Commons of *Nova-Scotia*, return our best thanks for your Excellency's Speech at the opening of the present Session of Assembly.

We sincerely participate with your Excellency in the pleasing contemplation of the tranquillity and prosperity which prevail throughout the Province, and which
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