

His Excellency commands the Members of Assembly to retire and elect the Speaker.

It is therefore His Excellency's pleasure that you Gentlemen of the House of Assembly do retire and proceed to the choice of some proper person as your Speaker, and that you present such person whom you shall so choose, here for His Excellency's approbation.

The Members then retired to the principal Committee Room and,

John Kent, Esq. proposed

Mr. WINSER addressing himself to the Clerk Assistant of the late General Assembly, seconded by Mr. O'BRIEN, proposed JOHN KENT Esq., and Member for the District of Saint John's to be their Speaker.

and elected Speaker.

And the choice of the House having unanimously fallen upon JOHN KENT, Esquire, he stood up in his place and expressing the sense he had of the honour proposed to be conferred upon him by the House, submitted himself to their choice, and he was taken out of his place by Mr. WINSER and Mr. O'BRIEN and conducted to and placed in the chair accordingly.

The Speaker addresses the Members of Assembly.

Whereupon Mr. SPEAKER elect addressed the Members as follows:—

GENTLEMEN,—The honor you have done me by unanimously electing me to the chair of this Assembly I deeply appreciate. The only drawback to my feelings of satisfaction is the sense I entertain of my own deficiency satisfactorily to discharge the duties of this important office. I, however, am consoled by the reflection that my labours will be lightened by the support and assistance I may confidently rely on receiving from every member of this Honourable House.

Message from His Excellency commanding attendance of Speaker and Members in Assembly Room.

After which a message was delivered from His Excellency the Governor by the Usher of the Black Rod, commanding the attendance of Mr. SPEAKER and the House forthwith in the Assembly Room.

Speaker and Members attend His Excellency.

Accordingly Mr. SPEAKER elect with the House attended His Excellency the Governor in the Assembly Room, where Mr. SPEAKER elect was presented to His Excellency by Mr. WINSER, Member for the District of Ferryland, who addressed His Excellency as follows:—

Mr. Winsor addresses His Excellency.

*May it please Your Excellency,—*

The House of Assembly, agreeably to Your Excellency's command, have proceeded to the choice of a SPEAKER, and have unanimously elected JOHN KENT, Esq., Member for the District of Saint John's, and by their directions I beg leave to present him for Your Excellency's approbation.

President of H. M. Council addresses the Speaker.

Whereupon the President of Her Majesty's Council addressing Mr. SPEAKER elect said:—