

Sir John who was not very dignified in appearance, but rather of gentle disposition and manners, placed his three cornered black hat on his head,—the House retired,—and the imposing scene closed. Immediately great searching commenced into Hatsell and an older work for precedents and a decision on the important point. Some of the more ardent spirits were for again presenting Tonge, according to the somewhat similar case of Wilkes in the British Parliament, who was several times *elected*, and refused a seat in the Commons, because of the publication of his radical tract number 45. During the day, and by the next morning, the members had cooled down, and when again assembled, elected another member as speaker,—I think, Attorney General R. J. Uniacke, who received approval and the Session commenced.

In a Session of the same House, a few years after, Tonge retaliated on Sir John, for his rejection, in the way I will now relate. The Home Government, very properly decided to remove Sir John, who was very far advanced in years. He had been a governor in one of the smaller revolted colonies. Sir George Prevost, a Lieutenant General, was appointed as his successor, and the British Government allowed £500, sterling, towards a retiring pension for Sir John, and recommended a similar sum to be granted by the Province, so as to make the pension £1,000. On the proposal being submitted to the House, Tonge in opposing it took the opportunity to review public affairs, and all the measures of the Government, during the whole term of Sir John's administration. He had a right to do so, and he