

John Lyte,* the Speaker, died on 17 May 1767; and on 31 May John Gay Alleyne was elected as Speaker in his place the first time in the history of the House, the new Speaker on his presentation to the President administering the oath demanded the privileges of the House similar to those enjoyed by the House of Commons. The President, unprepared by this demand, observed that he would give an answer at the next sitting of the Assembly. The next day, but receiving no answer from the President, they resolved not to enter upon any business until they received a satisfactory reply. At the next meeting of the House on 7th July the President commanded the attendance of the Members, and said, "I give and grant, as far as is consistent with the royal prerogative, and the laws and constitution of the Kingdom, every privilege and liberty which has been enjoyed by the House of Assembly, to be enjoyed by you, as fully and freely

as the House of Commons." The election to fill the place of the deceased, John Lyte, was made for St. George, Eyre Walcott was elected and took his seat on 1 August ensuing; but he immediately obtained six months of absence to go to the United States. In August 1767 the House passed a new rule, providing that the Speaker should have only a casting vote. Captain Fairchild died on 22 September 1767, but a by-election followed, as the Session was nearly at its end the last meeting was held on 27 October 1767.

SESSION OF 1767—68.

Samson Wood	Patrick Lynch
Henry Beckles	Colonel Thomas Ince
Hon. John Gittens	Major Thomas Drake
Dr. Samuel Sedgwick	Eyre Walcott
Thomas Alleyne	John Wheeler
	Ridgeway
Colonel Richard Downes	Colonel Benjamin Malloney
George Sanders	William Gibbes
	Alleyne
Major John Denny	Capt. Joseph Leacock
Hon. Hillary Rowe *	Hon. Hillary Rowe, junior
Hon. John Gay Alleyne	James Maycock
Hon. Henry Evans Holder	Benjamin Mellowes
	junior

John Gay Alleyne was again elected as Speaker at the end of the Session on 30 December 1767. The officers of the House remained as before.

General in the Militia.

Hon. Judge Holder was appointed Chairman of Committees.

Hon. John Gittens (Chief Judge of St. Michael, Colonel of the Windward Regiment of Horse, and a Justice of the Peace) died on 25 February 1768. He was succeeded in the Assembly by his son, Joshua.

Eyre Walcott, member for St. George's parish, resigned his seat on 28 May 1768, and Edward Pare was elected in his place.

On 24 October 1768, the death of Thomas Ince, member for Christ Church, was reported to the House. There is no record of a by-election following, and there were no subsequent meetings of the house.

SESSION OF 1769—1770.

St. Michael	Samson Wood	Patrick Lynch
Ch. Church	Henry Beckles	Francis Niles
St. Philip	Thomas Drake	Joshua Gittens
St. George	Colonel Edward Pare	Robert Jackman
St. James	Thomas Alleyne	John Wheeler
		Ridgeway
St. John	Richard Downes	Benjamin Malloney
St. Thomas	George Sanders	William Gibbes
		Alleyne
St. Peter	Colonel John Denny	Joseph Leacock
St. Lucy	Hon. Hillary Rowe	Hon. Hillary Rowe, junior
St. Andrew	John Gay Alleyne	James Maycock
St. Joseph	Hon. Benjamin Mellowes	Hon. Henry Evans Holder

Writs were made returnable on 26 January 1769 on which date the first meeting of the Session was held. Hon. John Gay Alleyne was again elected as Speaker. The officers of the House remained as before.

On 6 April 1769 it was announced that the Speaker had been granted the dignity of a Baronet of England.

The death of Richard Downes, member for St. John, was reported to the House on 28 November 1769. The Session closed with the meeting of 20 December 1769.