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By His Excellency Sir WALTER EDWARD DAVIDSON, Knight
Commander of the Most Distinguished Order of Saint Michael and
Saint George, Governor and Commander-in-Chief in and over the
Island of Newfoundland and its Dependencies.

Fourth Session of the Twenty-Third General
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PROCLAMATION.

By His Excellency Sir WALTER EDWARD DAVIDSON, Knight, Commander of the Most Distinguished Order of St. Michael and St. George, Governor and Commander-in-Chief in and over the Island of Newfoundland and its Dependencies.

W. E. DAVIDSON,
Governor.
[L.S.]

WHEREAS the General Assembly stands prorogued until Wednesday, the 14th day of July, instant; and whereas I think fit to further prorogue the said General Assembly until WEDNESDAY, the ELEVENTH day of AUGUST next;

I do, therefore, by this my Proclamation, further prorogue the said General Assembly until WEDNESDAY, the ELEVENTH day of AUGUST, next, as aforesaid, of which all persons concerned are hereby required to take due notice and govern themselves accordingly.

Given under my Hand and Seal, at the Government House, at St. John's, this 13th day of July, A.D., 1915.

By His Excellency's Command,

JOHN R. BENNETT,
Colonial Secretary.



PROCLAMATION.

W. E. DAVIDSON,
Governor,
[L.S.]

By His Excellency Sir WALTER EDWARD DAVIDSON, Knight, Commander of the Most Distinguished Order of St. Michael and St. George, Governor and Commander-in-Chief in and over the Island of Newfoundland and its Dependencies.

WHEREAS the General Assembly stands prorogued until Wednesday, the 11th day of August, instant; and whereas I think fit to further prorogue the said General Assembly until WEDNESDAY, the EIGHTH day of SEPTEMBER next;

I do, therefore, by this my Proclamation, further prorogue the said General Assembly until WEDNESDAY the EIGHTH day of SEPTEMBER next, as aforesaid, of which all persons concerned are hereby required to take due notice and govern themselves accordingly.

Given under my Hand and Seal, at the Government House, St. John's, this 10th day of August, A. D., 1915.

By His Excellency's Command,

JOHN R. BENNETT,
Colonial Secretary.



PROCLAMATION.

W. E. DAVIDSON,
Governor.
[L.S.]

By His Excellency Sir WALTER EDWARD DAVIDSON, Knight Commander of the Most Distinguished Order of St. Michael and St. George, Governor and Commander-in-Chief in and over the Island of Newfoundland and its Dependencies.

WHEREAS the General Assembly stands prorogued until Wednesday, the 8th day of September, instant; and whereas I think fit to further prorogue the said General Assembly until WEDNESDAY, the SIXTH day of OCTOBER next;

I do, therefore, by this my Proclamation, further prorogue the said General Assembly until WEDNESDAY the SIXTH day of OCTOBER next, as aforesaid, of which all persons concerned are hereby required to take due notice and govern themselves accordingly.

Given under my Hand and Seal, at the Government House, St. John's, this 6th day of September, A. D., 1915.

By His Excellency's Command,

JOHN R. BENNETT,
Colonial Secretary.



PROCLAMATION.

W. E. DAVIDSON,
Governor.
[L.S.]

By His Excellency Sir WALTER EDWARD DAVIDSON, Knight, Commander of the Most Distinguished Order of St. Michael and St. George, Governor and Commander-in-Chief, in and over the Island of Newfoundland and its Dependencies.

WHEREAS the General Assembly stands prorogued until Wednesday, the 6th day of October, instant; and whereas I think fit to further prorogue the said General Assembly—until WEDNESDAY, the THIRD day of NOVEMBER next;

I do, therefore, by this my Proclamation, further prorogue the said General Assembly until WEDNESDAY, the THIRD day of NOVEMBER next, as aforesaid, of which all persons concerned are hereby required to take due notice and govern themselves accordingly.

Given under my Hand and Seal, at the Government House, St. John's, this 5th day of October, A.D., 1915.

By His Excellency's Command,

JOHN R. BENNETT,
Colonial Secretary.



PROCLAMATION.

W. E. DAVIDSON,
Governor.
[L.S.]

By His Excellency Sir WALTER EDWARD DAVIDSON, Knight, Commander of the Most Distinguished Order of St. Michael and St. George, Governor and Commander-in-Chief, in and over the Island of Newfoundland and its Dependencies.

WHEREAS the General Assembly stands prorogued until Wednesday, the 3rd day of November, instant; and whereas I think fit to further prorogue the said General Assembly until WEDNESDAY, the FIRST day of DECEMBER next;

I do, therefore, by this my Proclamation, further prorogue the said General Assembly until WEDNESDAY, the FIRST day of DECEMBER next, as aforesaid, of which all persons concerned are hereby required to take due notice and govern themselves accordingly.

Given under my Hand and Seal, at the Government House, St. John's, this 2nd day of November, A.D., 1915.

By His Excellency's Command,

JOHN R. BENNETT,
Colonial Secretary.



PROCLAMATION.

By His Excellency Sir WALTER EDWARD DAVIDSON, Knight, Commander of the Most Distinguished Order of St. Michael and St. George, Governor and Commander-in-Chief, in and over the Island of Newfoundland and its Dependencies.

W. E. DAVIDSON,
Governor.
[L.S.]

WHEREAS the General Assembly stands prorogued until Wednesday, the 1st of December next; and whereas I think fit to further prorogue the said General Assembly until WEDNESDAY, the TWENTY-NINTH day of DECEMBER next;

I do, therefore, by this my Proclamation, further prorogue the said General Assembly until WEDNESDAY, the TWENTY-NINTH day of DECEMBER next, as aforesaid, of which all persons concerned are hereby required to take due notice and govern themselves accordingly.

Given under my Hand and Seal, at the Government House, St. John's, this 29th day of November, A.D., 1915.

By His Excellency's Command,

JOHN R. BENNETT,
Colonial Secretary.



PROCLAMATION.

W. E. DAVIDSON,
Governor.
[L.S.]

By His Excellency Sir WALTER EDWARD DAVIDSON, Knight, Commander of the Most Distinguished Order of St. Michael and St. George, Governor and Commander-in-Chief, in and over the Island of Newfoundland and its Dependencies.

WHEREAS the General Assembly stands prorogued until Wednesday, the 29th day of December, instant; and whereas I think fit to further prorogue the said General Assembly until TUESDAY, the FIFTEENTH day of FEBRUARY, 1916;

I do, therefore, by this my Proclamation, further prorogue the said General Assembly until TUESDAY, the FIFTEENTH day of FEBRUARY, 1916, as aforesaid, of which all persons concerned are hereby required to take due notice and govern themselves accordingly.

Given under my Hand and Seal, at the Government House, St. John's, this 28th day of December, A.D., 1915.

By His Excellency's Command,

JOHN R. BENNETT,
Colonial Secretary.



PROCLAMATION.

W. E. DAVIDSON,
Governor.
[L.S.]

By His Excellency Sir WALTER EDWARD DAVIDSON, Knight, Commander of the Most Distinguished Order of St. Michael and St. George, Governor and Commander-in-Chief, in and over the Island of Newfoundland and its Dependencies.

WHEREAS the General Assembly stands prorogued until Tuesday, the 15th day of February, instant; and whereas I think fit to further prorogue the said General Assembly until THURSDAY, the SIXTEENTH day of MARCH next;

I do, therefore, by this my Proclamation, further prorogue the said General Assembly until THURSDAY, the SIXTEENTH day of MARCH next, as aforesaid, *then to meet for the despatch of business*, of which all persons concerned are hereby required to take due notice and govern themselves accordingly.

Given under my Hand and Seal, at the Government House, St. John's, this 15th day of February, A.D., 1916.

By His Excellency's Command,

JOHN R. BENNETT,
Colonial Secretary.

Legislative Council of Newfoundland.

Fourth Session of the Twenty-Third General Assembly.

THURSDAY, March 16th, 1916.

This being the day appointed by Proclamation for the meeting of the Legislature.

The House met.

PRESENT :

The Honourable PATRICK T. McGRATH,
President.

The Honourables JAMES ANGEL,
GEORGE SKELTON,
GEORGE KNOWLING,
ROBERT K. BISHOP,
JAMES D. RYAN,
JOHN ANDERSON,
JOHN HARVEY,
MICHAEL P. GIBBS, K.C.
J. ALEXANDER ROBINSON,
MARMADUKE G. WINTER,
AUGUSTUS F. GOODRIDGE,
PHILIP TEMPLEMAN,
JOHN J. MURPHY,
MICHAEL F. POWER,
SYDNEY D. BLANDFORD,
Minister of Agriculture and Mines ;
RICHARD A. SQUIRES, K.C.,
Minister of Justice.

At three o'clock, p.m., His Excellency the Governor, Sir Walter Edward Davidson, Knight, Commander of the most Distinguished Order of St. Michael and St. George, having arrived at the Council Chamber, and being seated on the Throne, commanded the Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod, through the Honourable the President of the Legislative Council, to let the House of Assembly know—

“It is His Excellency the Governor's pleasure they attend him immediately in this House.”

Who being come thereto with their Speaker, His Excellency was pleased to speak as follows :—

Mr. President and Honourable Gentlemen of the Legislative Council :

Mr. Speaker and Gentlemen of the Honourable House of Assembly :

Since the last Session of the Legislature the terrible struggle between the warring nations of Europe has continued to rage with unabated violence. The splendid traditions of the fighting forces of the Empire have been admirably upheld, and in conjunction with our Allies substantial progress has been made towards achieving the result which is inspiring us all, the conclusion of a peace that will preserve the liberties of the world and the advancement of the nations along the pathways of enlightened civilization.

The contingents from this country for military and naval service have, I am proud to say, conducted themselves with such gallantry and devotion to duty as to have won the highest praise from the responsible authorities, and the enthusiastic response made during the past year to the appeals for further recruits is, I am glad to say, likely to be continued on a similar scale during the present year.

At the beginning it was hoped and expected that the war would be short and the end attained without exceptional demands upon the manhood or resources of the Mother Country and the Oversea Dominions. Instead of that, however, the conflict is proving one which threatens the very existence of the British Empire and of the nations associated with her in the effort to maintain civil liberty and the rights of free states. Unexampled calls have been made on the Mother Land and the other portions of the Empire, and they have been nobly met. A measure of compulsory enlistment has been enforced in the British Isles. Canada, Australia, New Zealand and South Africa have undertaken obligations proportionately great; and I have every confidence in the new invitation now being addressed to the young men of the Colony to do their part in the fighting line, and to the rest of our people to recognize what is required from those who remain at home, that there will be a response that will keep Newfoundland where she was at the outset, in the very first rank in proportion to her population and resources.

In view of the growing seriousness of the tonnage problem to the Colony as evidenced by some of its phases at present, measures will be introduced to invest my Ministers with further powers to enable them to deal with this matter in the general interests of the Colony.

The industrial operations of our people during the past year have been attended with highly satisfactory results. The high prices obtained for the staple products of the fisheries, forests and mines have enabled the working classes to enjoy a high degree of prosperity. This is all the more gratifying when we remember how the economic interests of every country have been disturbed by the far-reaching effects of the War, and we have surely cause for thankfulness that here in Newfoundland we have suffered so little.

One of the lessons which this War has taught the peoples of the British Empire is the desirability of promoting inter-Imperial trade, and we may not unreasonably hope that one of the results will be a very great increase in the demands for the products of our fisheries, and that the development of our forest and mineral resources will be even more actively undertaken than heretofore.

Bills will be submitted to you for the consolidation of the laws of the Colony, a work last undertaken twenty-five years ago; for bringing up to date the Education Law; for bringing the law with regard to Weights and Measures into con-

formity with the standards existing in other countries; and to provide for the Municipal Government of the town of St. John's, as well as other measures.

Mr. Speaker and Gentlemen of the Honourable House of Assembly:

The accounts for the past fiscal year, and the Estimates for the coming one will be submitted to you in due course, and I am sure that you will make suitable provision for the requirements of the Public Service, with special reference to the increased obligations which the War will impose on the Colony.

You will be glad to know that there is a very substantial increase in the revenue from all sources, encouraging the hope that at the end of the fiscal year in June next our receipts will suffice to meet the expenditure on current account. It is now apparent that the decrease in revenue for the last fiscal year of \$720,000 was largely due to the reduction in imports, consequent on the uncertainties as to trade development during the first year of the War; but we may reasonably assume, seeing there has been such a marked recovery the present year, that there is no longer any reason to fear a return to the condition of twelve months ago. On the contrary we may hope, as the months pass and the outlook for the Allied cause grows brighter, that this condition will reflect itself in still larger imports and more enhanced prosperity.

*Mr. President and Honourable Gentlemen of the
Legislative Council :*

*Mr. Speaker and Gentlemen of the Honourable
House of Assembly :*

In accordance with the Act passed at the last Session of the Legislature providing for the submission to the electors of the Colony of the question of the prohibition of the importation, manufacture and sale of alcoholic liquors, an election was held in November last resulting in the number of votes polled in the affirmative being a majority of the total number of votes cast and amounting to over forty per cent. of the total number of votes on the register as required under the Statute. Under these circumstances a Proclamation called for by the Statute will issue at an early date, prohibiting the importation, manufacture and sale of intoxicating liquors into or in this Colony at any time after the first day of January, 1917, except as provided for in the said Act.

I commend the duties of the Session to your assiduous care, and pray that the guidance of Divine Providence may attend you. The sentiments of profound loyalty expressed by the Colony and the practical manifestations of patriotism which have supported the same since the beginning of the War will, I feel sure, stimulate you all to the zealous performance of the Session's tasks.

Then the House of Assembly withdrew,

His Excellency was pleased to retire.

The Commission appointing the Honourable Patrick Thomas McGrath President of the Legislative Council in place of the Honourable John Harris, deceased, was read by the Clerk.

The Honourable the President reported His Excellency's Speech, and the same was read by the Clerk.

On motion of the Honourable Mr. Bishop, the following Resolutions were unanimously adopted :

Resolved,--That this House hereby records its great sorrow for the death of the late Honourable John Harris, President of the Legislative Council, whose decease leaves a void not easily filled in the Legislature, Church, Commercial and Municipal Bodies, and the several Patriotic Societies with which he was so actively connected.

The deceased gentleman, as a member of this Chamber, evinced marked ability and financial acumen in the discussion of all matters of public interest, and whilst holding the highly important position of President of the Legislative Council, at all times displayed dignity, impartiality and sound judgment in the duties of his office.

Resolved,--That a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to the family of the late Honourable John Harris, expressing the sympathy of the Council with them in their great bereavement.

On motion of the Honourable Attorney Gene

ral the following Resolutions were unanimously adopted:

Resolved,---That the Legislative Council hereby places on record its deep regret for the death of the late Martin W. Furlong, Esquire, K.C., Law Clerk of the Legislature, which event has deprived the Legislature of a most efficient and able legal officer, the community of an esteemed citizen, and the Bar of a master of advocacy.

Resolved,---That a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to Mrs. Furlong, expressing the sympathy of the Council with her and the family of the late Mr. Furlong in their bereavement.

On motion of the Honourable Mr. Goodridge, seconded by the Honourable Mr. Murphy:

Ordered,---That a Select Committee be appointed to draft an Address to the Governor in Reply to His Excellency's Speech at the opening of the present Session of the Legislature, and

Ordered,---That the Honourables Messrs. Goodridge, Murphy, Skelton, Anderson and Winter be a Committee for that purpose.

The Honourable the President informed the Council that the following communication had been received from His Excellency the Governor: The Clerk to the Legislative Council,---

I have the honour to inform you that I have received an application from the Hon. James Ryan for leave of absence during the coming Session of

the Legislature, and to inform you that I have had much pleasure in complying with the request.

W. E. DAVIDSON,
Governor.

19 February, 1916.

The Honourable Mr. Bishop laid on the Table the following Documents by command of His Excellency the Governor:

Report of the Examinations conducted by the Council of Higher Education, Newfoundland, 1915.

Financial Statement of the Council of Higher Education for 1915.

On motion made the House adjourned until Monday next, March 20th, at half-past four o'clock, p.m.

MONDAY, March 20th, 1916.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

PRESENT :

The Honourable PATRICK T. McGRATH,
President.

The Honourables JAMES ANGEL,
GEORGE SKELTON,
ROBERT K. BISHOP,
JOHN ANDERSON,
JOHN HARVEY,
SAMUEL MILLEY,
MARMADUKE G. WINTER,
AUGUSTUS F. GOODRIDGE,
JOHN J. MURPHY,
MICHAEL F. POWER,

The Minutes of Thursday, March 16th, were read.

The Honourable Mr. Goodridge, from the Select Committee appointed to prepare an Address in Reply to the Speech of His Excellency the Governor, reported a draft of the same, which was received and read a first time (short) and

On motion of the Honourable Mr. Goodridge the said Address was read a second time (at length) and

Ordered,---That the said Address be engrossed and presented to His Excellency the Governor by a Deputation of the Whole House.

The Address is as follows :

*To His Excellency Sir WALTER EDWARD
DAVIDSON, Knight, Commander of
the Most Distinguished Order of
St. Michael and St. George, Gover-
nor and Commander-in-Chief in
and over the Island of Newfound-
land and its Dependencies :*

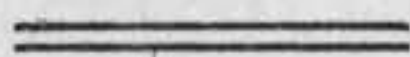
MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY :

We, the Legislative Council of Newfoundland, in Session convened, beg leave to thank Your Excellency for the Gracious Speech which you have addressed to both Houses of the Legislature.

PATRICK T. McGRATH,
President.

Legislative Council, 20th March, 1916.

On motion made the House adjourned until Thursday, March 23rd, at half-past four o'clock, p.m.



THURSDAY, March 23rd, 1916.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

PRESENT:

The Honourable PATRICK T. McGRATH,
President.

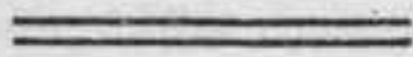
The Honourables JAMES ANGEL,
GEORGE SKELTON,
GEORGE KNOWLING,
ROBERT K. BISHOP,
JOHN ANDERSON,
JOHN HARVEY,
SAMUEL MILLEY,
MICHAEL F. POWER.

The Minutes of Monday March 20th were read.

The Honourable Mr. Bishop, by command of His Excellency the Governor, laid on the Table:

Report of the Reid-Newfoundland Company from June 30th, 1914, to June 30th, 1915.

On motion made the House adjourned until Tuesday next, March 28th, at half-past four o'clock, p.m.



TUESDAY, March 28th, 1916.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

PRESENT :

The Honourable PATRICK T. McGRATH,
President.

The Honourables JAMES ANGEL,
GEORGE SKELTON,
GEORGE KNOWLING,
ROBERT K. BISHOP,
JOHN ANDERSON,
JOHN HARVEY,
SAMUEL MILLEY,
J. ALEXANDER ROBINSON,
MARMADUKE G. WINTER,
AUGUSTUS F. GOODRIDGE,
PHILIP TEMPLEMAN,
JOHN J. MURPHY,
SYDNEY D. BLANDFORD,
Minister of Agriculture and Mines ;
RICHARD A. SQUIRES, K.C.,
Minister of Justice.

The Minutes of Thursday, March 23rd, were read.

The Honourable the President informed the House that he had received the following message from the House of Assembly :

MR. PRESIDENT :

The House of Assembly acquaint the Legislative Council that they have passed the Bill, en-

titled, "An Act to Regulate Further the Prosecution of the Seal Fishery," in which they request the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

J. R. GOODISON,
Speaker.

House of Assembly, March 24th, 1916.

On motion of the Honourable Mr. Bishop the Bill sent up, entitled, "An Act to Regulate Further the Prosecution of the Seal Fishery," was read a first time, and

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Bishop, with the unanimous consent of the House, the said Bill was read a second time, and

Ordered,—To be committed presently.

The Honourable Mr. Angel in the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported the Bill without amendment.

Ordered,---That the Report be received.

The said Bill was then read a third time and passed, and the Honourable the President signed the same.

Ordered,---To be sent to the House of Assembly with a message that this House had passed the said Bill without amendment.

The Honourable the President informed the House that he had received the following message from the House of Assembly :

MR. PRESIDENT :

The House of Assembly acquaint the Legislative Council that they have appointed a Select Committee to consider the Bill, entitled, "An Act Respecting the Seal Fishery," and request the Legislative Council to appoint a similar committee for conference on the said Bill. The Select Committee appointed by the House of Assembly is as follows : Mr. Coaker, Mr. Piccott, Hon. Mr. Cashin, Mr. Young, Mr. Winsor, Mr. Lloyd, Mr. Abbott.

J. R. GOODISON,
Speaker.

House of Assembly, March 23rd, 1916.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Bishop,

*Ordered,---*That a Select Committee be appointed to co-operate with the Select Committee of the House of Assembly upon the Bill "Respecting the Seal Fishery."

And---

*Ordered,---*That the Honourables Messrs. Bishop, Harvey, Winter, Gibbs, Goodridge, Templeman and Murphy be a Committee for that purpose.

And---

Ordered,—That a message be sent to the House of Assembly to this effect.

The Honourable the President informed the House that he had received the following messages from the House of Assembly :

MR. PRESIDENT :

The House of Assembly acquaint the Legislative Council that they have passed the Bills, entitled, respectively, "An Act to amend 3 George V., Cap. 14, entitled, 'An Act Respecting the Construction of a Railway through Labrador,'" "An Act to amend the War Measures Act, 1914," "An Act to Incorporate the Salvation Army," and "An Act to Enable the Governor in Council During the Existence of a State of War to take Possession of Articles of Commerce Unreasonably Withheld," in which they request the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

J. R. GOODISON,
Speaker.

House of Assembly, March 24th, 1916.

MR. PRESIDENT :

The House of Assembly acquaint the Legislative Council that they have passed the Bill, entitled, "An Act to amend the Law Respecting the Naturalization of Aliens," in which they request the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

J. R. GOODISON,
Speaker.

House of Assembly, March 27th, 1916.

On motion of the Honourable Mr. Bishop, the following Bills entitled, respectively, "An Act to amend 3 George V., Cap. 14, entitled, 'An Act Respecting the Construction of a Railway through Labrador,'" "An Act to amend the War Measures Act, 1914," and "An Act to Enable the Governor in Council During the Existence of a State of War to take Possession of Articles of Commerce Unreasonably Withheld," were read a first time,

And---

Ordered,---To be read a second time tomorrow.

On motion of the Honourable Minister of Justice, the Bill sent up, entitled, "An Act to Incorporate the Salvation Army," was read a first time,

And---

Ordered,---To be read a second time tomorrow.

On motion of the Honourable Mr. Bishop, the Bill sent up, entitled, "An Act to amend the Law Respecting the Naturalization of Aliens," was read a first time,

And---

Ordered,---To be read a second time tomorrow.

The House then took recess.

After recess, the House having resumed, the

Honourable the President informed the House that he had received letters from Mrs. Tobin and Mrs. Furlong thanking the Council for their Resolutions of Condolence on the deaths of Hon. John Harris and Martin W. Furlong, K.C.

The Honourable the President announced that His Excellency the Governor would receive the Address in Reply at four o'clock, p.m., on Thursday, March 30th.

On motion made the House adjourned until to-morrow, Wednesday, March 29th, at half-past four o'clock, p.m.



WEDNESDAY, March 29th, 1916.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

PRESENT :

The Honourable PATRICK T. McGRATH,
President.

The Honourables JAMES ANGEL,
GEORGE SKELTON,
ROBERT K. BISHOP,
JAMES D. RYAN,
JOHN ANDERSON,
JOHN HARVEY,
SAMUEL MILLEY,
MICHAEL P. GIBBS, K.C.
J. ALEXANDER ROBINSON,
MARMADUKE G. WINTER,
AUGUSTUS F. GOODRIDGE,
PHILIP TEMPLEMAN,
JOHN J. MURPHY,
MICHAEL F. POWER,
SYDNEY D. BLANDFORD,
Minister of Agriculture and Mines ;
RICHARD A. SQUIRES, K.C.,
Minister of Justice.

The Minutes of Tuesday, March 28th, were read.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, and on motion of the Honourable Mr. Bishop, the Bills sent up, entitled, respectively, "An Act to amend 3 George V., Cap. 14, entitled, 'An Act Respecting the Construction of a Railway through Labrador,"

“An Act to amend the War Measures Act, 1914,” and “An Act to enable the Governor in Council during the Existence of a State of War to take Possession of Articles of Commerce Unreasonably Withheld,” were severally read a second time, and

Ordered,---To be severally committed tomorrow.

The House then took recess.

At five o'clock, p.m., His Excellency the Governor, Sir Walter Edward Davidson, Knight, Commander of the Most Distinguished Order of St. Michael and St. George, having arrived at the Council Chamber, and being seated on the Throne commanded the Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod, through the Honourable President of the Legislative Council to let the Honourable House of Assembly know :

“It is His Excellency the Governor's pleasure they attend him immediately in this House.”

Who being come thereto, with their Speaker, His Excellency was pleased to give His assent to the Bill, entitled, “An Act to Regulate Further the Prosecution of the Seal Fishery.”

The House of Assembly withdrew.

His Excellency retired.

The House resumed,

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, and on mo-

tion of the Honourable Minister of Justice, the Bill sent up, entitled, "An Act to Incorporate the Salvation Army" was read a second time, and

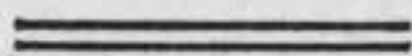
Ordered,---To be committed to-morrow.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, and on motion of the Honourable Mr. Bishop, the Bill sent up, entitled, "An Act to amend the Law Respecting the Naturalization of Aliens" was read a second time, and

Ordered,---To be committed to-morrow.

The Honourable Mr. Bishop, by command of His Excellency the Governor, laid upon the Table the Report of the Public Schools of Newfoundland under Church of England Boards for Year Ended June 30th, 1915.

On motion made the House adjourned until to-morrow, Thursday, March 30th, at half-past three o'clock, p.m.



THURSDAY, March 30th, 1916.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

PRESENT :

The Honourable PATRICK T. McGRATH,
President.

The Honourables JAMES ANGEL,
GEORGE SKELTON,
GEORGE KNOWLING,
ROBERT K. BISHOP,
JOHN ANDERSON,
JOHN HARVEY,
SAMUEL MILLEY,
JOHN J. MURPHY,
MARMADUKE G. WINTER,
AUGUSTUS F. GOODRIDGE,
PHILIP TEMPLEMAN,
MICHAEL F. POWER,
SYDNEY D. BLANDFORD,
Minister of Agriculture and Mines.
RICHARD A. SQUIRES, K.C.,
Minister of Justice.

The Minutes of Wednesday, March 29th, were read.

At four o'clock, p.m., the House proceeded to Government House with the Address in Reply to the Speech of His Excellency the Governor.

At half-past four o'clock, p.m., the House having returned, the Honourable the President reported that His Excellency had been pleased to

receive the said Address, and return an answer thereto in the following words:

Mr. President and Honourable Gentlemen of the Legislative Council:

I thank you for your Address in Reply to the Speech with which your present Session was opened.

W. E. DAVIDSON,
Governor.

30th March, 1916.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, and on motion of the Honourable Mr. Bishop, the House went into Committee on the Bill sent up, entitled, "An Act to amend 3, George II., Cap. 14, entitled, 'An Act Respecting the Construction of a Railway through Labrador.'"

The Honourable Dr. Skelton in the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported the Bill without amendment.

Ordered,—That the Report be received, and

Ordered,—That the said Bill be read a third time to-morrow.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, and on motion of the Honourable Mr. Bishop, the House

went into Committee on the Bill sent up, entitled, "An Act to amend the War Measures Act, 1914."

The Honourable Mr. Knowling in the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported the Bill without amendment.

Ordered,---That the Report be received, and

Ordered,---That the said Bill be read a third time to-morrow.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, and on motion of the Honourable Mr. Bishop, the House went into Committee on the Bill sent up, entitled, "An Act to Enable the Governor in Council During the Existence of a State of War to Take Possession of Articles of Commerce Unreasonably Withheld."

The Honourable Mr. Harvey in the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported progress and asked leave to sit again to-morrow.

Ordered,---That the Report be received.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, and on motion of the Honourable Minister of Justice, the House went into Committee on the Bill sent up, entitled, "An Act to Incorporate the Salvation Army."

The Honourable Mr. Anderson in the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported the Bill without amendment.

Ordered,---That the Report be received, and

Ordered,---That the said Bill be read a third time to-morrow.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, and on motion of the Honourable Mr. Bishop, the House went into Committee on the Bill sent up, entitled, "An Act to amend the Law Respecting the Naturalization of Aliens."

The Honourable Mr. Milley in the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported the Bill without amendment.

Ordered,---That the Report be received, and

Ordered,---That the said Bill be read a third time to-morrow.

The Honourable Mr. Bishop, by command of His Excellency the Governor laid on the Table the following document :

Annual Report of the Department of Marine and Fisheries for the Year 1915.

On motion made the House adjourned until Monday next, April 3rd, at half-past four o'clock, p.m.



MONDAY, April 3rd, 1916.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

PRESENT :

The Honourable PATRICK T. McGRATH,
President.

The Honourables JAMES ANGEL,
GEORGE SKELTON,
GEORGE KNOWLING,
ROBERT K. BISHOP,
JAMES D. RYAN,
JOHN ANDERSON,
JOHN HARVEY,
SAMUEL MILLEY,
MICHAEL P. GIBBS, K.C.,
J. ALEXANDER ROBINSON,
AUGUSTUS F. GOODRIDGE,
JOHN J. MURPHY,
MICHAEL F. POWER,
SYDNEY D. BLANDFORD,
Minister of Agriculture and Mines ;
RICHARD A. SQUIRES, K.C.,
Minister of Justice.

The Minutes of Thursday March 30th, were read.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, and on motion of the Honourable Mr. Bishop, the Bills sent up, entitled, respectively, " An Act to amend 3, George V., Cap. 14, entitled, ' An Act Respecting the Construction of a Railway through Labra-

dor,' ” and “ An Act to amend the War Measures Act, 1914,” were severally read a third time and passed, and the Honourable the President signed the same.

*Ordered,---*To be sent to the House of Assembly with messages that this House had passed the said Bills without amendment.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, and on motion of the Honourable Mr. Bishop, the Bill sent up, entitled, “ An Act to Incorporate the Salvation Army ” was read a third time and passed, and the Honourable the President signed the same.

*Ordered,---*To be sent to the House of Assembly with a message that this House had passed the said Bill without amendment.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, and on motion of the Honourable Mr. Bishop, the Bill sent up, entitled, “ An Act to amend the Law Respecting the Naturalization of Aliens ” was read a third time and passed, and the Honourable the President signed the same.

*Ordered,---*To be sent to the House of Assembly with a message that this House had passed the said Bill without amendment.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Bishop---

*Ordered,---*That the consideration of the Bill, entitled, “ An Act to Enable the Governor in Council During the Existence of a State of War

to Take Possession of Articles of Commerce Unreasonably Withheld," be deferred until tomorrow.

The Honourable the President informed the Council that he had received the following message from the House of Assembly :

MR. PRESIDENT :

The House of Assembly acquaint the Legislative Council that they have passed the Bill, entitled, " An Act Respecting the Control of Trading in Certain Commodities," in which they request the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

J. R. GOODISON,
Speaker.

House of Assembly, March 30th, 1916.

On motion of the Honourable Mr. Bishop the Bill sent up, entitled, " An Act Respecting the Control of Trading in Certain Commodities " was read a first time, and

*Ordered,---*To be read a second time tomorrow.

The Honourable Mr. Bishop, by command of His Excellency the Governor, laid on the Table the following documents :

Report of the Postmaster General for the Year Ended June 30th, 1915.

Hospital Returns for the Year 1915 of the International Grenfell Association.

Report and Statement of the Marine Disasters Fund for the Year Ending December 31st, 1915.

The Honourable Minister of Agriculture and Mines, by command of His Excellency the Governor, laid on the Table :

Report of the Newfoundland Agricultural Board for the Year Ended December 31st, 1915.

On motion made the House adjourned until Thursday next, April 6th, at half-past four o'clock, p.m.



THURSDAY, April 6th, 1916.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

PRESENT :

The Honourable PATRICK T. McGRATH,
President.

The Honourables JAMES ANGEL,
GEORGE SKELTON,
GEORGE KNOWLING,
ROBERT K. BISHOP,
JOHN ANDERSON,
JOHN HARVEY,
SAMUEL MILLEY,
MICHAEL P. GIBBS, K.C.
J. ALEXANDER ROBINSON,
AUGUSTUS F. GOODRIDGE,
MICHAEL F. POWER,
SYDNEY D. BLANDFORD,
Minister of Agriculture and Mines.

The Minutes of Monday, April 3rd, were read.

The Honourable the President informed the Council that he had received the following communications from His Excellency the Governor :

The Honourable the President Legislative Council :

I have the honour to inform you that I have had much pleasure in granting leave of absence,

from his duties in the Legislative Council, to the Honourable J. D. Ryan, for the period of one month from the 6th instant.

W. E. DAVIDSON,
Governor.

Government House, 5th April, 1916.

The Honourable the President Legislative Council:

I have the honour to inform you that I have this day granted leave of absence from his Legislative duties, to the Honourable M. G. Winter, for the remainder of the present Session.

W. E. DAVIDSON,
Governor.

Government House, 3 April, 1916.

The Honourable the President Legislative Council:

I have the honour to inform you that I have this day granted leave of absence from his duties in the Legislative Council, to the Honourable Philip Templeman, for the remainder of the present Session.

W. E. DAVIDSON,
Governor.

April, 1916.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, and on mo-

tion of the Honourable Mr. Bishop, the House went into Committee on the Bill sent up, entitled, "An Act to Enable the Governor in Council During the Existence of a State of War to Take Possession of Articles of Commerce Unreasonably Withheld."

The Honourable Mr. Milley in the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported the Bill without amendment.

Ordered,---That the Report be received, and

Ordered,---That the said Bill be read a third time to-morrow.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, and on motion of the Honourable Mr. Bishop, the Bill sent up, entitled, "An Act Respecting the Control of Trading in Certain Commodities" was read a second time, and

Ordered,---To be committed to-morrow.

The Honourable Mr. Bishop, by command of His Excellency the Governor, laid upon the Table the following documents :

Annual Report of the Newfoundland Savings Bank, 1915.

Report of the Game and Inland Fisheries Board, Newfoundland for the Year 1915.

On motion made the House adjourned until to-morrow, Friday, April 7th, at half-past four o'clock, p.m.



FRIDAY, April 7th, 1916.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

PRESENT :

The Honourable PATRICK T. McGRATH,
President.

The Honourables JAMES ANGEL,
GEORGE SKELTON,
GEORGE KNOWLING,
ROBERT K. BISHOP,
JOHN ANDERSON,
JOHN HARVEY,
SAMUEL MILLEY,
AUGUSTUS F. GOODRIDGE,
JOHN J. MURPHY,
MICHAEL F. POWER,
SYDNEY D. BLANDFORD,
Minister of Agriculture and Mines ;
RICHARD A. SQUIRES, K.C.,
Minister of Justice.

The Minutes of Thursday, April 6th, were read.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Honourable Mr. Bishop moved that the Bill sent up, entitled, "An Act to Enable the Governor in Council, During the Existence of a State of War, to take Possession of Articles of Commerce Unreasonably Withheld," be now read a third time.

Whereupon the Honourable Mr. Harvey moved in amendment the following, "In the first section of the Bill, 5th line, after the word 'rea-

tion of the Honourable Mr. Bishop, the House went into Committee on the Bill sent up, entitled, "An Act Respecting the Control of Trading in Certain Commodities."

The Honourable Mr. Goodridge in the Chair.

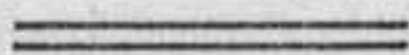
After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported the Bill without amendment.

Ordered,---That the Report be received, and

Ordered,---That the said Bill be read a third time to-morrow.

On motion made the House adjourned until Monday next, April. 10th, at half-past four o'clock, p.m.



MONDAY, April 10th, 1916.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

PRESENT :

The Honourable PATRICK T. McGRATH,
President.

The Honourables JAMES ANGEL,
GEORGE SKELTON,
ROBERT K. BISHOP,
JOHN ANDERSON,
JOHN HARVEY,
SAMUEL MILLEY,
AUGUSTUS F. GOODRIDGE,
MICHAEL F. POWER,
SYDNEY D. BLANDFORD,
Minister of Agriculture and Mines ;
RICHARD A. SQUIRES, K.C.,
Minister of Justice.

The Minutes of Friday, April 7th, were read.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, and on motion of the Honourable Mr. Bishop, the Bill sent up, entitled, "An Act Respecting the Control of Trading in Certain Commodities" was read a third time and passed, and the Honourable the President signed the same.

*Ordered,---*To be sent to the House of Assembly with a message that this House had passed the said Bill without amendment.

The Honourable the President informed the

Council that he had received the following message from the House of Assembly:

MR. PRESIDENT:

The House of Assembly acquaint the Legislative Council that they have passed the following Bills, entitled, respectively: "An Act to amend and Consolidate the Law Relating to Education," "An Act to Revise and Consolidate the General Public Statute Laws of the Colony, and for Publication of Same," "An Act to Incorporate 'The Union Electric Light and Power Company,' and for Other Purposes," "An Act to amend Chapter 115 of the Consolidated Statutes (Second Series), entitled, 'Of Passenger Accommodation on Steamers and Sailing Vessels,'" "An Act for the Protection of Persons Engaged in Trawl Fishing," "An Act to amend Chapter 44 of the Consolidated Statutes of Newfoundland (Second Series), entitled, 'Of the Rebuilding of Carbonear,'" and "An Act Respecting Trading with the Enemy," in which they request the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

J. R. GOODISON,
Speaker.

House of Assembly, April 7th, 1916.

On motion of the Honourable Mr. Bishop the Bills sent up, entitled, respectively, "An Act for the Protection of Persons Engaged in Trawl Fishing," "An Act to amend and Consolidate the Law Relating to Education," "An Act Respecting

Trading with the Enemy," "An Act to amend Chapter 44 of the Consolidated Statutes of Newfoundland (Second Series), entitled, 'Of the Rebuilding of Carbonear,' " and "An Act to amend Chapter 115 of the Consolidated Statutes (Second Series), entitled, 'Of Passenger Accommodation on Steamers and Sailing Vessels,' " were severally read a first time, and

*Ordered,---*To be severally read a second time to-morrow.

On motion of the Honourable Minister of Justice, the Bills sent up, entitled, respectively, "An Act to Revise and Consolidate the General Public Statute Laws of the Colony, and for Publication of Same," and

"An Act to Incorporate 'The Union Electric Light and Power Company' and for Other Purposes," were severally read a first time, and

*Ordered,---*To be severally read a second time to-morrow.

On motion made the House adjourned until Tuesday, April 11th, at half-past four o'clock, p.m.

TUESDAY, April 11th, 1916.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

PRESENT :

The Honourable PATRICK T. McGRATH,
President.

The Honourables JAMES ANGEL,
GEORGE SKELTON,
GEORGE KNOWLING,
ROBERT K. BISHOP,
JOHN HARVEY,
SAMUEL MILLEY,
MICHAEL P. GIBBS, K.C.,
J. ALEXANDER ROBINSON,
AUGUSTUS F. GOODRIDGE,
SYDNEY D. BLANDFORD,
Minister of Agriculture and Mines.
RICHARD A. SQUIRES, K.C.,
Minister of Justice.

The Minutes of Monday, April 10th, were read.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, and on motion of the Honourable Mr. Bishop, the Bill sent up, entitled, "An Act for the Protection of Persons Engaged in Trawl Fishing" was read a second time, and

Ordered,—To be committed to-morrow.

On motion of the Honourable Mr. Bishop,

Ordered,—That the consideration of the Bill

sent up, entitled, "An Act to amend and Consolidate the Law Relating to Education" be deferred until to-morrow.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, and on motion of the Honourable Mr. Bishop, the Bills sent up, entitled, respectively, "An Act Respecting Trading with the Enemy," "An Act to Amend Chapter 44 of the Consolidated Statutes of Newfoundland (Second Series), 'Of the Rebuilding of Carbonear,'" and "An Act to amend Chapter 115 of the Consolidated Statutes (Second Series), 'Of Passenger Accommodation on Board Steamers and Sailing Vessels,'" were severally read a second time, and

*Ordered,---*To be severally committed to-morrow.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, and on motion of the Honourable Minister of Justice, the Bills sent up, entitled, respectively, "An Act for Revising and Consolidating the General Public Statute Laws of the Colony, and for Publication of Same," and "An Act to Incorporate 'The Union Electric Light and Power Company,' and for Other Purposes,'" were severally read a second time, and

*Ordered,---*To be severally committed to-morrow.

The Honourable the President informed the Council that he had received the following message from the House of Assembly :

MR. PRESIDENT :

The House of Assembly acquaint the Legislative Council that they have passed the Bill, entitled, "An Act to amend and Continue in Force for a Further Period the Act 5 George V., Session 1, Chapter 4, entitled, 'An Act Respecting a Volunteer Force in this Colony,'" in which they request the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

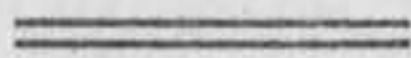
J. R. GOODISON,
Speaker.

House of Assembly, April 11th, 1916.

On motion of the Honourable Mr. Bishop the Bill sent up, entitled, "An Act to amend and Continue in Force for a Further Period the Act 5, George V., Session 1, Chapter 4, entitled, 'An Act Respecting a Volunteer Force in this Colony,'" was read a first time, and

Ordered,—To be read a second time to-morrow.

On motion made the House adjourned until to-morrow, Wednesday, April 12th, at half-past four o'clock, p.m.



WEDNESDAY, April 12th, 1916.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

PRESENT :

The Honourable PATRICK T. McGRATH,
President.

The Honourables JAMES ANGEL,
GEORGE SKELTON,
GEORGE KNOWLING,
ROBERT K. BISHOP,
JOHN ANDERSON,
JOHN HARVEY,
SAMUEL MILLEY,
MICHAEL P. GIBBS, K.C.
J. ALEXANDER ROBINSON,
AUGUSTUS F. GOODRIDGE,
MICHAEL F. POWER,
SYDNEY D. BLANDFORD,
Minister of Agriculture and Mines.
RICHARD A. SQUIRES, K.C.,
Minister of Justice.

The Minutes of Tuesday April 11th were read.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, and on motion of the Honourable Mr. Bishop, the House went into Committee on the Bill sent up, entitled, "An Act for the Protection of Persons Engaged in Trawl Fishing."

The Honourable Mr. Angel in the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported progress and asked leave to sit again to-morrow.

Ordered,—That the Report be received.

On motion of the Honourable Mr. Bishop,

Ordered,---That the remaining Orders of the Day be deferred until to-morrow.

The Honourable the President informed the Council that he had received the following message from the House of Assembly:

MR. PRESIDENT:

The House of Assembly acquaint the Legislative Council that they have passed the Bill, entitled, "An Act to Facilitate the Marriage Between British Subjects Residing in Newfoundland, and British Subjects Residing in the United Kingdom," in which they request the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

J. R. GOODISON,
Speaker.

House of Assembly, April 12th, 1916.

On motion of the Honourable Mr. Bishop, the Bill sent up, entitled, "An Act to Facilitate the Marriage Between British Subjects Resident in Newfoundland, and British Subjects Resident in the United Kingdom," was read a first time, and

Ordered,---To be read a second time to-morrow.

The Honourable the President informed the Council that he had received the following message from the House of Assembly :

MR. PRESIDENT :

The House of Assembly acquaint the Legislative Council that they have appointed the following Select Committee to consider the Municipal Affairs Bill, namely : Rt. Honourable the Prime Minister, Honourable Colonial Secretary, Honourable Minister of Finance and Customs, Mr. Dwyer, Mr. M. J. Kennedy, Mr. Higgins, Mr. Clift, Mr. Coaker, Mr. Lloyd, and request the Legislative Council to appoint a Committee to confer with the Committee from the House of Assembly respecting the said Bill.

J. R. GOODISON,
Speaker.

House of Assembly, April 11th, 1916.

On motion of the Honourable Mr. Bishop,

Ordered,---That a Select Committee be appointed to co-operate with the Select Committee of the House of Assembly upon the subject of the Bill, "To amend and Consolidate the Laws in Relation to the Municipal Affairs of the Town of St. John's," and

Ordered,---That the Honourables Messrs. Bishop, Angel, Knowling, Harvey, Milley, Gibbs,

Robinson, Power and Blandford, be a Committee for that purpose, and

Ordered,---That a message be sent to the House of Assembly to that effect.

On motion made the House adjourned until Thursday, April 13th, at half-past four o'clock, p.m.



THURSDAY, April 13th, 1916.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

PRESENT :

The Honourable PATRICK T. McGRATH,
President.

The Honourables JAMES ANGEL,
GEORGE SKELTON,
GEORGE KNOWLING,
ROBERT K. BISHOP,
JOHN ANDERSON,
JOHN HARVEY,
SAMUEL MILLEY,
MICHAEL P. GIBBS, K.C.,
J. ALEXANDER ROBINSON,
AUGUSTUS F. GOODRIDGE,
SYDNEY D. BLANDFORD,
Minister of Agriculture and Mines ;

The Minutes of Wednesday, April 12th, were read.

On motion of the Honourable Mr. Bishop,

Ordered,---That the consideration of the Bills sent up, entitled, respectively, "An Act for the Protection of Persons Engaged in Trawl Fishing," and "An Act to amend and Consolidate the Law Relating to Education" be deferred until to-morrow.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, and on motion of the Hon. Mr. Bishop, the House went into

Committee on the Bill sent up, entitled, "An Act Respecting Trading with the Enemy."

Honourable Mr. Robinson in the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported the Bill without amendment.

Ordered,---That the Report be received, and

Ordered,---That the said Bill be read a third time to-morrow.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, and on motion of the Honourable Mr. Bishop, the House went into Committee on the Bill sent up, entitled, "An Act to amend Chapter 44 of the Consolidated Statutes of Newfoundland (Second Series), entitled, 'Of the Rebuilding of Carbonear.'"

The Honourable Dr. Skelton in the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported the Bill without amendment.

Ordered,---That the Report be received, and

Ordered,---That the Bill be read a third time to-morrow.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, and on motion of the Honourable Mr. Bishop, the House went into Committee on the Bill sent up, entitled,

“An Act to amend Chapter 115 of the Consolidated Statutes (Second Series), entitled, ‘Of Passenger Accommodation on Board Steamers and Sailing Vessels.’”

The Honourable Mr. Knowling in the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported the Bill without amendment.

Ordered,---That the Report be received, and

Ordered,---That the said Bill be read a third time to-morrow.

On motion of the Honourable Mr. Bishop,

Ordered,---That the consideration of the Bill sent up, entitled, ‘An Act for Revising and Consolidating the General Public Statute Laws of the Colony, and for Publication of the Same,’ be deferred until to-morrow.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, and on motion of the Honourable Mr. Bishop, the House went into Committee on the Bill sent up, entitled, “An Act to Incorporate ‘The Union Electric Light and Power Company.’”

The Honourable Mr. Anderson in the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported the said Bill without amendment.

Ordered,---That the Report be received, and

Ordered,---That the said Bill be read a third time to-morrow.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, and on motion of the Honourable Mr. Bishop, the Bill sent up, entitled, "An Act to amend and Continue in Force for a Further Period the Act 5, George V., Session 1, Chapter 4, entitled, 'An Act Respecting a Volunteer Force in this Colony,'" was read a second time, and

Ordered,---To be committed to-morrow.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Bishop,

Ordered,---That the consideration of the Bill sent up, entitled, "An Act to Facilitate Marriages Between British Subjects Resident in Newfoundland, and British Subjects Resident in the United Kingdom," be deferred until to-morrow.

The Honourable the President informed the House that he had received the following message from the House of Assembly :

MR. PRESIDENT :

The House of Assembly acquaint the Legislative Council that they have passed the Bills entitled, respectively, "An Act to Amend and Consolidate the Law relating to Weights and Measures and the Inspection of Lumber"; and "An Act to Amend the Act 6 George V. Cap. 18, en-

titled, 'An Act respecting the Administration of Local Affairs;' " in which they request the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

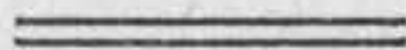
J. R. GOODISON,
Speaker.

House of Assembly, April 13th, 1916.

On motion of the Honourable Mr. Bishop the Bills sent up entitled, respectively, "An Act to Amend and Consolidate the Law relating to Weights and Measures and the Inspection of Lumber," and "An Act to Amend the Act 6 George V. Cap. 18, entitled, 'An Act respecting the Administration of Local Affairs.'" were severally read a first time, and,

*Ordered,---*To be severally read a second time to-morrow.

On motion made the House adjourned until to-morrow, Friday, April 14th, at half past four o'clock, p. m.



FRIDAY, April 14th, 1916.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

PRESENT :

The Honourable PATRICK T. McGRATH,
President.

The Honourables JAMES ANGEL,
GEORGE SKELTON,
GEORGE KNOWLING,
ROBERT K. BISHOP,
JOHN ANDERSON,
JOHN HARVEY,
SAMUEL MILLEY,
MICHAEL P. GIBBS, K.C.,
J. ALEXANDER ROBINSON,
AUGUSTUS F. GOODRIDGE,
JOHN J. MURPHY,
SYDNEY D. BLANDFORD,
Minister of Agriculture and Mines;
RICHARD A. SQUIRES, K.C.,
Minister of Justice.

The Minutes of Thursday, April 13th, were read.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day and on motion of the Honourable Mr. Bishop, the Bills sent up entitled, respectively, "An Act respecting Trading with the Enemy;" "An Act to Amend Chapter 44 of the Consolidated Statutes of Newfoundland (second series) entitled "Of the Rebuilding of Carbonear;" "An Act to Amend Chapter 115 of the Consolidated Statutes (second

series) entitled "Of Passenger Accommodation on Board Steamers and Sailing Vessels," "An Act to Incorporate 'The Union Electric Light and Power Company,' and for Other Purposes;" were severally read a third time and passed and the Honourable the President signed the same.

*Ordered,---*To be sent to the House of Assembly, with messages that the House had passed the said Bills without amendment.

On motion of the Honourable Mr. Bishop,

*Ordered,---*That the consideration of the Bill sent up, entitled, "An Act for the Protection of Persons Engaged in Trawl Fishing," be deferred until to-morrow.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, and on motion of the Honourable Mr. Bishop, the Bill sent up, entitled, "An Act to amend and Consolidate the Law Relating to Education," was read a second time, and

*Ordered,---*To be committed to-morrow.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, and on motion of the Honourable Minister of Justice, the House went into Committee on the Bill sent up, entitled, "An Act for Revising and Consolidating the Public General Statute Laws of the Colony, and for the Publication of the Same."

The Honourable Mr. Murphy in the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported the Bill without amendment.

*Ordered,---*That the Report be received, and

*Ordered,---*That the said Bill be read a third time to-morrow.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, and on motion of the Honourable Mr. Bishop, the House went into Committee on the Bill sent up, entitled, "An Act to amend and Continue in Force for a Further Period the Act 5 George V., Session I., Cap. 4, entitled, 'An Act Respecting a Volunteer Force in this Colony.'"

The Honourable Mr. Gibbs in the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported the Bill without amendment.

*Ordered,---*That the Report be received, and

*Ordered,---*That the said Bill be read a third time to-morrow.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, and on motion of the Honourable Mr. Gibbs, the Bill sent up, entitled, "An Act to Facilitate Marriages Between British Subjects Resident in Newfoundland and British Subjects Resident in the United Kingdom" was read a second time, and

*Ordered,---*To be committed to-morrow,

On motion of the Honourable Mr. Bishop, the consideration of the Bills sent up, entitled, respectively: "An Act to Amend and Consolidate the Law Relating to Weights and Measures and the Inspection of Lumber," and "An Act to amend the Act 6 George V., Cap. 18, entitled, 'An Act Respecting the Administration of Local Affairs,'" was deferred until to-morrow.

The Honourable the President informed the Council that he had received the following message from the House of Assembly:

MR. PRESIDENT:

The House of Assembly acquaint the Legislative Council that they have passed the Bills entitled, respectively, "An Act to amend the Act 8 Edward VII., Cap. 8, entitled, 'An Act for the Encouragement of Shipbuilding,'" and "An Act to amend the Law Relating to the Herring Fishery," in which they request the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

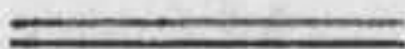
J. R. GOODISON,
Speaker.

House of Assembly, April 14th, 1916.

On motion of the Honourable Mr. Bishop, the Bills sent up, entitled, respectively, "An Act to amend the Act 8 Edward VII., Cap. 8, entitled, 'An Act for the Encouragement of Shipbuilding,'" and "An Act to amend the Law Relating to the Herring Fishery," were severally read a first time, and

Ordered,---To be severally read a second time to-morrow.

On motion made the House adjourned **until** Monday next, April 7th, at half-past four o'clock, p.m.



MONDAY, April 17th, 1916.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

PRESENT :

The Honourable PATRICK T. McGRATH,
President.

The Honourables JAMES ANGEL,
GEORGE SKELTON,
GEORGE KNOWLING,
ROBERT K. BISHOP,
JOHN ANDERSON,
JOHN HARVEY,
SAMUEL MILLEY,
MICHAEL P. GIBBS, K.C.,
J. ALEXANDER ROBINSON,
AUGUSTUS F. GOODRIDGE,
JOHN J. MURPHY,
MICHAEL F. POWER,
SYDNEY D. BLANDFORD,
Minister of Agriculture and Mines ;
RICHARD A. SQUIRES, K.C.,
Minister of Justice.

The Minutes of Friday, April 14th, were read.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, and on motion of the Honourable Mr. Bishop, the Bills sent up, entitled, respectively, "An Act for Revising and Consolidating the Public General Statute Laws of the Colony, and for the Publication of the Same," and "An Act to amend and Continue in Force for a Further Period the Act 5 George V., Session 1, Cap. 4, entitled, 'An Act Respecting a

Volunteer Force in this Colony,'” were severally read a third time and passed, and the Honourable the President signed the same.

*Ordered,---*To be sent to the House of Assembly with messages that the House had passed the said Bills without amendment.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, and on motion of the Honourable Mr. Bishop, the House went into Committee on the Bill sent up, entitled, “An Act for the Protection of Persons Engaged in Trawl Fishing.”

The Honourable Mr. Angel in the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported progress and asked leave to sit again to-morrow.

*Ordered,---*That the Report be received.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, and on motion of the Honourable Mr. Bishop, the House went into Committee on the Bill sent up, entitled, “An Act to amend and Consolidate the Law Relating to Education.”

The Honourable Mr. Milley in the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported progress and asked leave to sit again to-morrow.

*Ordered,---*That the Report be received.

On motion of the Honourable Mr. Bishop,

Ordered,---That the remaining Orders of the Day be deferred until to-morrow.

The Honourable the President informed the Council that he had received the following message from the House of Assembly :

MR. PRESIDENT :

The House of Assembly acquaint the Legislative Council that they have passed the Bills entitled, respectively, "An Act Respecting Companies Payment of Whose Capital Stock or of Interest Thereon is Guaranteed by the Government," "An Act to amend and Consolidate the Law Relating to Inflammable Substances," and "An Act to amend Chapter 109 of the Consolidated Statutes of Newfoundland (second series), entitled, 'Of Patents,'" in which they request the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

J. R. GOODISON,
Speaker.

House of Assembly, April 17th, 1916.

On motion of the Honourable Mr. Bishop the Bills sent up, entitled, respectively, "An Act Respecting Companies Payment of Whose Capital Stock or of Interest Thereon is Guaranteed by the Government," and "An Act to amend and Consolidate the Law Relating to Inflammable Substances," were severally read a first time, and

Ordered,---To be severally read a second time to-morrow.

On motion of the Honourable Minister of Justice the Bill sent up, entitled, "An Act to amend Chapter 109 of the Consolidated Statutes of Newfoundland (second series), entitled, 'Of Patents,' " was read a first time, and

Ordered,---To be read a second time to-morrow.

On motion made the House adjourned until to-morrow, Tuesday, April 18th, at half-past four o'clock, p.m.

TUESDAY, April 18th, 1916.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

PRESENT :

The Honourable PATRICK T. McGRATH,
President.

The Honourables JAMES ANGEL,
GEORGE SKELTON,
GEORGE KNOWLING,
ROBERT K. BISHOP,
JOHN ANDERSON,
JOHN HARVEY,
SAMUEL MILLEY,
MICHAEL P. GIBBS, K.C.,
J. ALEXANDER ROBINSON,
AUGUSTUS F. GOODRIDGE,
JOHN J. MURPHY,
SYDNEY D. BLANDFORD,
Minister of Agriculture and Mines ;
RICHARD A. SQUIRES, K.C.,
Minister of Justice.

The Minutes of Monday, April 17th, were read.

On motion of the Honourable Mr. Bishop,

Ordered,---That the consideration of the Bill sent up, entitled, "An Act for the Protection of Persons Engaged in Trawl Fishing," be deferred until to-morrow.

On motion of the Honourable Mr. Bishop,

Ordered,—That the consideration of the Bill sent up, entitled, “An Act to amend and Consolidate the Law Relating to Education,” be deferred until later in the evening.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, and on motion of the Honourable Mr. Bishop, the House went into Committee on the Bill sent up, entitled, “An Act to Facilitate Marriages Between British Subjects Resident in Newfoundland and British Subjects Resident in the United Kingdom.”

The Honourable Mr. Goodridge in the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported the Bill without amendment.

Ordered,---That the Report be received, and

Ordered,---That the said Bill be read a third time to-morrow.

On motion of the Honourable Mr. Bishop,

Ordered,---That the consideration of the Bill sent up, entitled, “An Act to amend and Consolidate the Law Relating to Weights and Measures and the Inspection of Lumber,” be deferred until to-morrow.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, and on motion of the Honourable Mr. Bishop, the Bills sent up, entitled, respectively, “An Act to amend the Act 6 George V., Cap. 18, entitled, ‘An Act Re-

specting the Administration of Local Affairs," "An Act to amend the Act 8, Edward VII., Cap. 8, entitled, 'An Act for the Encouragement of Shipbuilding,' " and "An Act to amend the Law Relating to the Herring Fishery," were severally read a second time, and

*Ordered,---*To be severally committed to-morrow.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, and on motion of the Honourable Minister of Justice, the Bill sent up, entitled, "An Act Respecting Companies Payment of Whose Capital Stock, or of Interest Thereon, is Guaranteed by the Government," was read a second time, and

*Ordered,---*To be committed to-morrow.

On motion of the Honourable Mr. Gibbs,

*Ordered,---*That the consideration of the Bill sent up, entitled, "An Act to amend and Consolidate the Law Relating to Inflammable Substances," be deferred until to-morrow.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, and on motion of the Honourable Minister of Justice, the Bill sent up, entitled, "An Act to amend Chapter 109 of the Consolidated Statutes of Newfoundland (second series), entitled, 'Of Patents,' " was read a second time, and

*Ordered,---*To be committed to-morrow.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, and on mo-

tion of the Honourable Mr. Bishop, the House went into Committee on the Bill sent up, entitled, "An Act to amend and Consolidate the Law Relating to Education."

The Honourable Mr. Milley in the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported progress, and asked leave to sit again to-morrow.

Ordered,---That the Report be received.

The Honourable the President informed the House that he had received the following message from the House of Assembly :

MR. PRESIDENT :

The House of Assembly acquaint the Legislative Council that they have passed the Bill, entitled, "An Act Respecting Certain Retiring Allowances," in which they request the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

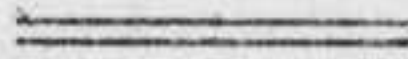
J. R. GOODISON,
Speaker.

House of Assembly, April 18th, 1916.

On motion of the Honourable Mr. Bishop, the Bill sent up, entitled, "An Act Respecting Certain Retiring Allowances," was read a first time, and

*Ordered,---*To be read a second time to-morrow.

On motion made the House adjourned until to-morrow, Wednesday, April 19th, at four o'clock, p.m.



WEDNESDAY, April 19th, 1916.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

PRESENT :

The Honourable PATRICK T. McGRATH,
President.

The Honourables JAMES ANGEL,
GEORGE SKELTON,
ROBERT K. BISHOP,
JOHN ANDERSON,
JOHN HARVEY,
SAMUEL MILLEY,
MICHAEL P. GIBBS, K.C.,
J. ALEXANDER ROBINSON,
AUGUSTUS F. GOODRIDGE,
JOHN J. MURPHY,
SYDNEY D. BLANDFORD,
Minister of Agriculture and Mines.
RICHARD A. SQUIRES, K.C.,
Minister of Justice.

The Minutes of Tuesday, April 18th, were read.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill sent up, entitled, "An Act to Facilitate Marriages Between British Subjects Resident in Newfoundland and British Subjects Resident in the United Kingdom," was read a third time and passed, and the Honourable the President signed the same.

Ordered,---To be sent to the House of Assembly with message that this House had passed the said Bill without amendment.

On motion of the Honourable Mr. Bishop,

Ordered,---That the consideration of the Bill sent up, entitled, "An Act for the Protection of Persons Engaged in Trawl Fishing," be deferred until later in the day.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, and on motion of the Honourable Mr. Bishop, the House went into Committee on the Bill sent up, entitled, "An Act to amend and Consolidate the Law Relating to Education."

The Honourable Mr. Milley in the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported progress and asked leave to sit again to-morrow.

Ordered,---That the Report be received.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, and on motion of the Honourable Mr. Bishop, the Bill sent up, entitled, "An Act to amend and Consolidate the Law Relating to Weights and Measures and the Inspection of Lumber," was read a second time, and

Ordered,---To be committed to-morrow.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, and on motion of the Honourable Mr. Bishop, the House went into Committee on the Bill sent up, entitled, "An Act to amend the Act 6 George V., Cap. 18

entitled, 'An Act Respecting the Administration of Local Affairs.' "

The Honourable Mr. Angel in the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported the Bill without amendment.

Ordered,---That the Report be received, and,

Ordered,---That the said Bill be read a third time to-morrow.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, and on motion of the Honourable Mr. Bishop, the House went into Committee on the Bill sent up, entitled, "An Act to amend the Act 8 Edward VII., Cap. 8, entitled, 'An Act for the Encouragement of Shipbuilding.' "

The Honourable Mr. Blandford in the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported the Bill without amendment.

Ordered,---That the report be received, and

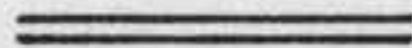
Ordered,---That the said Bill be read a third time on to-morrow.

On motion of the Honourable Mr. Bishop,

Ordered,---That the remaining Orders of the

Day be deferred until the next sitting of the House.

On motion made the House adjourned until Monday next, April 24th, at four o'clock, p.m.



MONDAY, April 24th, 1916.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

PRESENT :

The Honourable PATRICK T. McGRATH,
President.

The Honourables JAMES ANGEL,
GEORGE SKELTON,
ROBERT K. BISHOP,
JOHN ANDERSON,
JOHN HARVEY,
SAMUEL MILLEY,
MICHAEL P. GIBBS, K.C.
J. ALEXANDER ROBINSON,
AUGUSTUS F. GOODRIDGE,
JOHN J. MURPHY,
SYDNEY D. BLANDFORD,
Minister of Agriculture and Mines.
RICHARD A. SQUIRES, K.C.,
Minister of Justice.

The Minutes of Wednesday, April 19th, were read.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, and on motion of the Honourable Mr. Bishop, the Bills sent up, entitled, respectively, "An Act to amend the Act 6 George V., Cap. 18, entitled, 'An Act Respecting the Administration of Local Affairs,'" and "An Act to amend Act 8, Edward VII., Cap. 8, entitled, 'An Act for the Encouragement of Shipbuilding,'" were severally read a third time and

passed, and the Honourable the President signed the said Bills.

*Ordered,---*To be sent to the House of Assembly with messages that this House had passed the said Bills without amendment.

On motion of the Honourable Mr. Bishop,

*Ordered,---*That the consideration of the Bill sent up, entitled, "An Act for the Protection of Persons Engaged in Trawl Fishing," be deferred until later in the day.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, and on motion of the Honourable Mr. Bishop, the House went into Committee on the Bill sent up, entitled, "An Act to amend and Consolidate the Law Relating to Education."

The Honourable Mr. Milley in the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported the Bill with some amendments.

*Ordered,--*That the Report be received, and

*Ordered,---*That the said Bill, as amended, be read a third time on to-morrow.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, and on motion of the Honourable Mr. Bishop, the House went into Committee on the Bill sent up, entitled, "An Act to amend and Consolidate the Law Re-

lating to Weights and Measures and the Inspection of Lumber."

The Honourable Dr. Skelton in the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported progress, and asked leave to sit again to-morrow.

Ordered,---That the Report be received.

On motion of the Honourable Mr. Bishop,

Ordered,---That the consideration of the remaining Orders of the Day be deferred until to-morrow.

The Honourable Mr. Bishop gives notice that he will on to-morrow move the Suspension of the 33rd and all other Rules of this House with regard to Bills, Addresses, Petitions and other Business now before, or to come before, this House for the remainder of the Session, and that this notice stand first on the Order of the Day.

On motion made the House adjourned until to-morrow, Tuesday, April 25th, at four o'clock, p.m.



TUESDAY, April 25th, 1916.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

PRESENT :

The Honourable PATRICK T. McGRATH,
President.

The Honourables JAMES ANGEL,
GEORGE SKELTON,
GEORGE KNOWLING,
ROBERT K. BISHOP,
JOHN ANDERSON,
JOHN HARVEY,
SAMUEL MILLEY,
MICHAEL P. GIBBS, K.C.,
AUGUSTUS F. GOODRIDGE,
JOHN J. MURPHY,
MICHAEL F. POWER,
SYDNEY D. BLANDFORD,
Minister of Agriculture and Mines ;
RICHARD A. SQUIRES, K.C.,
Minister of Justice.

The Minutes of Monday, April 24th, were read.

Pursuant to notice, and on motion of the Honourable Mr. Bishop,

Ordered,—That the 33rd and all other Rules of the House be Suspended with regard to Bills, Addresses, Petitions and other Business now or to come before this House for the remainder of the Session.

Pursuant to notice, and on motion of the Honourable Mr. Bishop, the Bill sent up, entitled, "An Act to amend and Consolidate the Law Relating to Education," was read, as amended, a third time and passed, and the Honourable the President signed the same.

*Ordered,---*To be sent to the House of Assembly with message that this House had passed the said Bill with some amendments, and requesting concurrence therein.

The amendments are as follows :

Section 6, sub-section (*e*), in the last line but one after the word "remedied," strike out the remaining words of the said sub-section (*e*).

Same Section, sub-section (*x*), in the last line but five, after the word "provided," insert the following words, "That a fatherless child shall be entitled to free education in any Public School except where the person undertaking his support is able to pay his school fees without embarrassment : and Provided further."

Section 30, 3rd line, after the word "education," insert the word "and."

Same Section, 4th and 5th lines, strike out the words, "and the Government Analyst."

Same Section, 6th line, after the word "twenty," insert the word "one."

Section 31, 1st line, strike out the word

“seven,” and insert in lieu thereof the word “eleven.”

Section 33, sub-section (1), third line after the word “scholarships,” insert the words, “provided that on and after July 1st, 1916, in no case shall any candidate under the age of twelve be allowed to sit for any such examination.”

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, and on motion of the Honourable Mr. Bishop, the House went into Committee on the Bill sent up, entitled, “An Act for the Protection of Persons Engaged in Trawl Fishing.”

The Honourable Mr. Angel in the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported the Bill with some amendments.

Ordered,—That the Report be received.

And on motion of the Honourable Mr. Bishop the said Bill, as amended, was then read a third time and passed, and the Honourable the President signed the same.

Ordered,—To be sent to the House of Assembly with message that this House had passed the said Bill with some amendments, and requesting concurrence therein.

The amendments are as follows:

Section 3, of the said Bill, is amended as fol-

lows: Strike out all the words after the word "voyage" in the seventh line of the said section and substitute the following therefor, "Shall be guilty of an offence triable in a summary manner, before a stipendiary magistrate or a justice, and shall on conviction be liable to a fine of \$100.00, and in default of payment, to imprisonment for one month."

Section 4 is amended as follows: Strike out all the words after the word "days" in the fifth line of the said Section, and insert the following therefor: "A breach of this section shall be an offence triable in a summary manner before a stipendiary magistrate or a justice. The accused shall, on conviction, be liable to a fine of \$25.00 for each offence, and in default of payment, to imprisonment for seven days."

Strike out Section 9 of the said Bill. Re-number Sections 10, 11 and 12 of the said Bill as Sections "9, 10" and "11," respectively.

On motion of the Honourable Mr. Bishop, the consideration of the Bill sent up, entitled, "An Act to amend and Consolidate the Law Relating to Weights and Measures and the Inspection of Lumber," was deferred until later in the day.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, and on motion of the Honourable Mr. Bishop, the House went into Committee on the Bill sent up, entitled, "An Act to amend the Law Relating to the Herring Fishery."

The Honourable Mr. Power in the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported the Bill without amendment.

Ordered,---That the Report be received.

And on motion of the Honourable Mr. Bishop the said Bill was then read a third time and passed, and the Honourable the President signed the same.

Ordered,---To be sent to the House of Assembly with message that this House had passed the said Bill without amendment.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, and on motion of the Honourable the Minister of Justice, the House went into Committee on the Bill sent up, entitled, "An Act Respecting Companies' Payment of Whose Capital Stock, or of Interest Thereon, is Guaranteed by the Government."

The Honourable Mr. Murphy in the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported the Bill without amendment.

Ordered,---That the Report be received.

And on motion of the Honourable Minister of Justice the said Bill was then read a third time

and passed, and the Honourable the President signed the same.

*Ordered,---*To be sent to the House of Assembly with message that this House had passed the said Bill without amendment.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, and on motion of the Honourable Mr. Gibbs, the Bill sent up, entitled, "An Act to amend and Consolidate the Law Relating to Inflammable Substances," was read a second time, and

*Ordered,---*To be committed presently.

The Honourable Mr. Goodridge in the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported the Bill without amendment.

*Ordered,---*That the Report be received, and

On motion of the Honourable Mr. Gibbs,

The said Bill was then read a third time and passed, and the Honourable the President signed the same.

*Ordered,---*To be sent to the House of Assembly, with message that this House had passed the said Bill without amendment.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, and on motion of the Honourable Minister of Justice, the House went into Committee on the Bill sent up,

entitled, "An Act to amend Chapter 109 of the Consolidated Statutes of Newfoundland (second series), entitled, 'Of Patents.'"

The Honourable Mr. Anderson in the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported progress, and recommended that the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee, and

Ordered,---That the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee, consisting of the Honourables Minister of Justice, Mr. Gibbs, Mr. Blandford, Mr. Bishop, Mr. Harvey, Mr. Anderson, Mr. Milley and Mr. Goodridge.

On motion of the Honourable Mr. Bishop,

Ordered---That the consideration of the remaining Orders of the Day be deferred until to-morrow.

The Honourable Mr. Bishop laid on the Table the following: Report of His Excellency Sir W. E. Davidson, K.C.M.G., Governor, Chairman of the Patriotic Association of Newfoundland, March 1st, 1916.

On motion made the House adjourned until to-morrow, Wednesday, April 26th, at four o'clock, p.m.

WEDNESDAY, April 26th, 1916.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

PRESENT :

The Honourable PATRICK T. McGRATH,
President.

The Honourables JAMES ANGEL,
GEORGE SKELTON,
GEORGE KNOWLING,
ROBERT K. BISHOP,
JOHN ANDERSON,
JOHN HARVEY,
SAMUEL MILLEY,
MICHAEL P. GIBBS, K.C.,
J. ALEXANDER ROBINSON,
AUGUSTUS F. GOODRIDGE,
JOHN J. MURPHY,
MICHAEL F. POWER,
SYDNEY D. BLANDFORD,
Minister of Agriculture and Mines ;

The Minutes of Tuesday, April 25th, were read.

The Honourable the President informed the Council that he had received from the House of Assembly the following message :

MR. PRESIDENT :

The House of Assembly acquaint the Legislative Council that they have passed the Bill, entitled, "An Act Respecting the Seal Fishery," in

which they request the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

J. R. GOODISON,
Speaker.

Passed the House of Assembly April 25th, 1916.

On motion of the Honourable Mr. Gibbs the Bill sent up, entitled, "An Act Respecting the Seal Fishery," was read a first time.

The Honourable Mr. Anderson presented a petition from A. Harvey & Co., Ltd., Job Brothers & Co., Ltd., and others, owners and masters of sealing vessels, in relation to the said Bill, and asking for amendments thereto.

Ordered---To lie on the Table.

On motion of the Honourable Mr. Anderson the said Petition was then read by the Clerk.

The Honourable Mr. Anderson presented a Petition from A. Harvey & Co., Ltd., Job Brothers & Co., Ltd., and others, praying that the Council will be pleased to grant to Petitioners a hearing with respect to the said Bill before ratifying the same.

Ordered,---To lie on the Table.

On motion of the Honourable Mr. Anderson, the said Petition was then read by the Clerk.

The Honourable Mr. Anderson moved "That Job Brothers & Co., Ltd., and others, be heard by

Counsel at the Bar of the Council Chamber in relation to the Bill, entitled, 'An Act Respecting the Seal Fishery.' ”

And the question having been put, there appeared :

Contents (10)	Non-Contents (2)
Hons. Messrs. Anderson, Bishop, Angel, Knowling, Harvey, Milley, Robinson, Goodridge, Murphy, Power.	Hons. Messrs. Gibbs, Skelton.

So it passed in the affirmative, and

Ordered,---Accordingly.

Mr. Warren, K.C., as Counsel for Job Brothers & Company, Ltd., Bowring Brothers, Limited, and others, now appeared at the Bar of the Council and addressed the House in relation to the Bill, entitled, "An Act Respecting the Seal Fishery," and requested that the Council would be pleased to amend the said Bill in certain particular sections.

Mr. Warren then withdrew.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Gibbs,

Ordered,---That the Bill sent up, entitled, "An Act Respecting the Seal Fishery" be read a second time to-morrow.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, and on motion of the Hon. Mr. Bishop, the House went into Committee on the Bill sent up, entitled, "An Act to amend and Consolidate the Law Relating to Weights and Measures and the Inspection of Lumber."

The Honourable Dr. Skelton in the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported the Bill with some amendments.

Ordered,---That the Report be received.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Bishop,

The said Bill, as amended, was then read a third time and passed, and the Honourable the President signed the same.

Ordered,---To be sent to the House of Assembly, with message that this House had passed the said Bill with some amendments, and requesting concurrence therein.

The Amendments are as follows :

Section 27, first line, after the word "by," at the end of the said line, insert the words, "weight each ton shall contain two thousand two hundred and forty pounds, and if sold by."

Section 28, first line, after the word "coal," strike out the word "shall," and insert in lieu thereof the word "may."

Section 32, sub-section (b), after the word "the," strike out the words "quantity contained in," and insert in lieu thereof the words, "gross cubical contents of."

Same Section, same sub-section (b), eighth line, after the word "guage," strike out the words, "The provisions of this sub-section shall come into force on the first day of July, nineteen hundred and sixteen."

Section 40, first line after the word "be," strike out the word "eighteen," and insert in lieu thereof the word "sixteen."

Strike out Section 43, and insert in lieu thereof the following:—

"43. Any person being a party to the purchase or sale of any timber, pit-props, plank, lumber or shingles, may, any previous contract to the contrary notwithstanding, demand that the same shall be surveyed by a duly appointed surveyor of lumber, and may give notice in writing of such demand to the other party to such purchase or sale; and if any person to whom such notice is given shall deliver, or cause to be delivered any timber, pit-props, plank, lumber or shingles, being sold by admeasurement before the same shall have been surveyed by a duly-appointed surveyor of lumber, such person shall be subject to a penalty not exceeding twenty-five dollars for each offence."

Section 44, fifty-fourth line, after the word "shall," insert the words, "in the absence of any agreement to the contrary."

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, and on motion of the Honourable Mr. Bishop, the Bill sent up, entitled, "An Act Respecting Certain Retiring Allowances," was read a second time, and

*Ordered,---*To be committed presently.

The Honourable Mr. Power in the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported the Bill without amendment.

*Ordered,---*That the Report be received, and

On motion of the Honourable Mr. Bishop, the said Bill was then read a third time and passed, and the Honourable the President signed the same.

*Ordered,---*To be sent to the House of Assembly with message that this House had passed the said Bill without amendment.

On motion made the House adjourned until to-morrow, Thursday, April 27th, at half-past four o'clock, p.m.

THURSDAY, April 27th, 1916.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

PRESENT :

The Honourable PATRICK T. McGRATH,
President.

The Honourables JAMES ANGEL,
GEORGE SKELTON,
GEORGE KNOWLING,
ROBERT K. BISHOP,
JOHN ANDERSON,
JOHN HARVEY,
SAMUEL MILLEY,
MICHAEL P. GIBBS, K.C.,
J. ALEXANDER ROBINSON,
AUGUSTUS F. GOODRIDGE,
RICHARD A. SQUIRES, K.C.,
Minister of Justice.

The Minutes of Wednesday, April 26th, were read.

The Honourable the President informed the Council that he had received the following messages from the House of Assembly :

MR. PRESIDENT :

The House of Assembly acquaint the Legislative Council that they have passed the amendments made by the Council in and upon the Bill sent up, entitled, "An Act for the Protection of

Persons Engaged in Trawl Fishing," without amendment.

J. R. GOODISON,
Speaker.

House of Assembly, April 26th, 1916.

MR. PRESIDENT :

The House of Assembly acquaint the Legislative Council that they have passed the Amendments made by the Council in and upon the Bill sent up, entitled, "An Act to amend and Consolidate the Law Relating to Education," with the exception of the amendment to Section 33, sub-section (1), in which they do not concur.

J. R. GOODISON,
Speaker.

House of Assembly, April 26th, 1916.

On motion of the Honourable Mr. Bishop, the amendment made by the Council to the 33rd section, sub-section (1), of the Bill sent up, entitled, "An Act to amend and Consolidate the Law Relating to Education," was read by the Clerk.

The Honourable Mr. Bishop moved that the Council recede from the said amendment.

And the question having been put, there appeared :

Contents (5)	Non-Contents (6)
Hons. Messrs. Bishop, Angel, Harvey, Gibbs, Minister of Justice.	Hons. Messrs. Robinson, Skelton, Knowling, Anderson, Milley, Goodridge,

So it passed in the negative, and

Ordered,---Accordingly.

The Honourable Mr. Bishop gives notice that he will, on to-morrow, move the reconsideration of the said amendment.

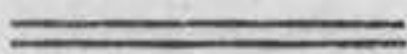
Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Honourable Mr. Gibbs moved that the Bill sent up, entitled, "An Act Respecting the Seal Fishery," be now read a second time.

After considerable debate, and

On motion of the Honourable Mr. Gibbs,

Ordered,---That the further consideration of the said Bill be deferred until to-morrow.

On motion made the House adjourned until to-morrow, Friday, April 28th, at four o'clock, p.m.



FRIDAY, April 28th, 1916.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

PRESENT :

The Honourable PATRICK T. McGRATH,
President.

The Honourables JAMES ANGEL,
GEORGE SKELTON,
GEORGE KNOWLING,
ROBERT K. BISHOP,
JOHN ANDERSON,
JOHN HARVEY,
SAMUEL MILLEY,
MICHAEL P. GIBBS, K.C.,
J. ALEXANDER ROBINSON,
AUGUSTUS F. GOODRIDGE,
JOHN J. MURPHY,
MICHAEL F. POWER,
SYDNEY D. BLANDFORD,
Minister of Agriculture and Mines.
RICHARD A. SQUIRES, K.C.,
Minister of Justice.

The Minutes of Thursday, April 27th, were read.

Pursuant to notice, and on motion of the Honourable Mr. Bishop,

Ordered,---That the House do now reconsider the amendment made by the Council in Section 33, sub-section (1), of the Bill entitled, "An Act to amend and Consolidate the Law Relating to Education," and

On motion of the Honourable Mr. Robinson,

Ordered,---That the following message be sent to the House of Assembly in reply to the message of the 26th April, instant, in relation to the said amendment to the said Bill:

MR. SPEAKER:

The Legislative Council acquaint the Honourable House of Assembly in reply to their message of the 26th April, instant, disagreeing with the Council's amendment to Section 33, sub-section (1), of the Bill sent up, entitled, "An Act to amend and Consolidate the Law Relating to Education," that they regret that the House of Assembly do not set out any reasons for not concurring in the said amendment. The Legislative Council, in view of the fact that the said amendment was the unanimous vote of this House, cannot recede from the said amendment.

PATRICK T. McGRATH,

President.

Legislative Council, April 28th, 1916.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, and on motion of the Honourable Mr. Gibbs, the Bill sent up, entitled, "An Act Respecting the Seal Fishery," was read a second time.

Ordered,---To be committed to-morrow.

The Honourable the President informed the Council that he had received the following message from the House of Assembly:

MR. PRESIDENT :

The House of Assembly acquaint the Legislative Council that they have appointed a Select Committee, consisting of the Honourable J. R. Bennett, Mr. Devereaux, Honourable Mr. Cashin, Mr. Coaker and Dr. Lloyd, and request that the Legislative Council will appoint a similar Committee from its body for the purpose of conference respecting the Legislative Council's amendments in and upon the Bill sent up, entitled, "An Act to amend and Consolidate the Law Relating to Weights and Measures, and the Inspection of Lumber.

J. R. GOODISON,
Speaker.

House of Assembly, April 28th, 1916.

On motion of the Honourable Mr. Bishop,

Ordered,---That a Select Committee of this House be appointed to confer with the Select Committee of the House of Assembly in relation to the amendments of the Legislative Council in and upon the Bill entitled, "An Act to amend and Consolidate the Law Relating to Weights and Measures and the Inspection of Lumber," and that the Honourables Messrs. Bishop, Murphy, Harvey, Angel and Robinson be a Committee for that purpose, and

Ordered,---That a message be sent to the House of Assembly to that effect.

On motion made the House adjourned until to-morrow, Saturday, April 29th, at four o'clock, p.m.



SATURDAY, April 29th, 1916.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

PRESENT :

The Honourable PATRICK T. McGRATH,
President.

The Honourables JAMES ANGEL,
GEORGE SKELTON,
GEORGE KNOWLING,
ROBERT K. BISHOP,
JOHN ANDERSON,
JOHN HARVEY,
SAMUEL MILLEY,
MICHAEL P. GIBBS, K.C.,
J. ALEXANDER ROBINSON,
AUGUSTUS F. GOODRIDGE,
JOHN J. MURPHY,
MICHAEL F. POWER,
SYDNEY D. BLANDFORD,
Minister of Agriculture and Mines ;
RICHARD A. SQUIRES, K.C.,
Minister of Justice.

The Minutes of Friday, April 28th, were read.

The Honourable the President informed the Council that he had received the following message from the House of Assembly :

MR. PRESIDENT :

The House of Assembly acquaint the Legislative Council that they have appointed the follow-

ing Select Committee, consisting of Rt. Honourable the Prime Minister, Dr. Lloyd, Hon. Mr. Emerson, Mr. Currie and Mr. Grimes, and request the Legislative Council to appoint a similar Select Committee for the purpose of a conference on the amendments made by the Legislative Council in and upon the Bill sent up, entitled, "An Act to amend and Consolidate the Law Relating to Education."

J. R. GOODISON,
Speaker.

House of Assembly, April 28th, 1916.

On motion of the Honourable Mr. Bishop,

Ordered,---That a Select Committee of the House be appointed to confer with the Select Committee of the House of Assembly in relation to the amendment made by the Legislative Council upon the 33rd Section, sub-section (1), of the Bill entitled, "An Act to amend and Consolidate the Law Relating to Education," and

Ordered,---That the Honourables Messrs. Bishop, Robinson, Squires, Power and Milley be a Committee for that purpose, and

Ordered,---That a message be sent to the House of Assembly to that effect.

The Honourable the President informed the Council that he had received the following message from the House of Assembly :

MR. PRESIDENT:

The House of Assembly acquaint the Legislative Council that they have passed the Bill entitled, "An Act for granting to His Majesty Certain Sums of Money for Defraying Certain Expenses of the Public Service for the Years Ending Respectively, the 30th day of June, 1916, and the 30th day of June, 1917, and for Other Purposes," in which they request the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

J. R. GOODISON,
Speaker.

House of Assembly, April 28th, 1916.

The Honourable the President nominated the Honourable Mr. Anderson on the Select Committee of the Council appointed to confer with the Select Committee of the House of Assembly on the subject of the Bill, entitled, "An Act to amend and Consolidate the Law Relating to Weights and Measures and the Inspection of Lumber," in the place of the Honourable Mr. Robinson, at that honourable member's request.

On motion of the Honourable Mr. Bishop, the Bill sent up, entitled, "An Act for Granting to His Majesty Certain Sums of Money for Defraying Certain Expenses of the Public Service for the Years Ending Respectively, the 30th day of June, 1916, and the 30th day of June, 1917, and for Other Purposes," was read a first time, and

Ordered,—To be read a second time tomorrow.

The Honourable the President informed the Council that he had received the following message from the House of Assembly:

MR. PRESIDENT:

The House of Assembly acquaint the Legislative Council that they have passed the following Bills, entitled, respectively, "An Act to amend the Law Respecting the Exportation of Timber," "An Act to amend the Act 4 George V., Cap. 17, entitled, 'An Act Respecting the Operation of Saw Mills,'" and "An Act to Prohibit the Importation, Manufacture and Sale of Intoxicating Liquors into and in Newfoundland after the First Day of January, 1917," in which they request the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

J. R. GOODISON,
Speaker.

House of Assembly, April 28th, 1916.

On motion of the Honourable Mr. Bishop, the Bills sent up, entitled, respectively:

"An Act to Prohibit the Importation, Manufacture and Sale of Intoxicating Liquors into and in Newfoundland after the First Day of January, 1917."

"An Act to amend the Law Respecting the Exportation of Timber," and

"An Act to amend the Act 4 George V., Cap.

17, entitled, ' An Act Respecting the Operation of Saw Mills,' " were severally read a first time, and

*Ordered,---*To be severally read a second time to-morrow.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, and on motion of the Honourable Mr. Gibbs, the House went into Committee on the Bill sent up, entitled, " An Act Respecting the Seal Fishery."

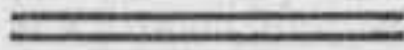
The Honourable Mr. Milley in the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported progress, and asked leave to sit again to-morrow.

*Ordered,---*That the Report be received.

On motion made the House adjourned until Monday next, May 1st, at three o'clock, p.m.



MONDAY, May 1st, 1916.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

PRESENT :

The Honourable PATRICK T. McGRATH,
President.

The Honourables JAMES ANGEL,
GEORGE SKELTON,
GEORGE KNOWLING,
ROBERT K. BISHOP,
JOHN ANDERSON,
JOHN HARVEY,
SAMUEL MILLEY,
MICHAEL P. GIBBS, K.C.,
J. ALEXANDER ROBINSON,
AUGUSTUS F. GOODRIDGE,
JOHN J. MURPHY,
MICHAEL F. POWER,
SYDNEY D. BLANDFORD,
Minister of Agriculture and Mines ;
RICHARD A. SQUIRES, K.C.,
Minister of Justice.

The Minutes of Saturday, April 29th, were read.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, and on motion of the Honourable Mr. Gibbs, the House went into Committee on the Bill sent up, entitled, "An Act Respecting the Seal Fishery."

The Honourable Mr. Milley in the Chair.

After some time the Chairman rose, and the

Committee took recess until half-past seven o'clock this evening.

After recess the Chairman took the Chair of the Committee.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported the Bill with some amendments.

*Ordered,---*That the Report be received.

The said Bill as amended was then read a third time and passed, and the Honourable the President signed the same.

*Ordered,---*To be sent to the House of Assembly with message that this House had passed the said Bill with some amendments, and requesting concurrence therein.

The Amendments are as follows:

Section 3. After the word "dark," in the third line, strike out the words, "or at any other time when the state of the weather is such as to endanger life and limb."

Section 5. In the sixth line, after the word "death," insert, "within twelve months thereafter."

Section 6. Add, "unless in his opinion the state of the weather is such as may endanger life and limb, under a penalty not exceeding one thou-

sand dollars, to be recovered in a summary manner by any person who shall sue for the same: Provided that the Magistrate or Justice imposing such penalty may, in addition, suspend the certificate of competency held by such officer under this Act for such period as he may deem proper."

Section 7. In the second line strike out, "an adequate supply of fire-rockets of a class to," and substitute therefor, "a supply of fire-rockets of such class and in such quantity as may."

Section 8. In the first line, after the word "ship," insert, "without lawful excuse."

In the third line, after the word "shall," insert, "unless he has positive and trustworthy information that such sealer is safe on board some other ship."

In the ninth line, after the word "intervals," insert, "during the hours of darkness, unless the weather is such as to prevent such rockets from being visible from the ice."

Section 9. In the fourth line, strike out the word "shall," and substitute therefor, "may in his discretion."

Section 13. Strike out the whole section and substitute the following:

13 (a). No steel ship shall be cleared for the seal fishery from any port in the island of Newfoundland until forty-eight hours after the time fixed for the sailing of the wooden ships. Steel

ships under eight hundred and fifty tons gross, shall, for the purpose of this section, be considered as wooden ships.

(b). It shall be unlawful for any ship to bring into any port in this Colony, in any one seal-fishing season, more than thirty-five thousand seals, or more than a gross weight in seal pelts of seven hundred tons; and any surplus above the limits hereinbefore provided shall be confiscated by the Minister of Marine and Fisheries and sold, and the proceeds thereof shall be paid over to the Marine Disasters Fund.

(c). It shall be lawful for the Minister of Marine and Fisheries to cause all ships to be surveyed, and a special load line marked thereon for the purposes of the seal fishery, and no ship shall be loaded below the load line so fixed, under a penalty not exceeding two thousand five hundred dollars, to be recovered from the master of such ship in a summary manner, in an action in the name of the Minister of Marine and Fisheries, whose duty it shall be to see to the enforcement of this section. Any penalty recovered under this section shall be paid over to the Marine Disasters Fund.

Section 14. Strike out sub-section (a), and substitute the following:

(a). No owner of a ship shall put on board or authorize the putting on board said ship of more than two guns, under a penalty not exceeding one thousand dollars, to be recovered from such owner

in a summary manner by any person who shall sue for the same : and any person who shall bring or put on board such ship any gun or guns shall be subject to a similar penalty.

In sub-section (*b*), fourth line, strike out the word "owner" and substitute "master."

Section 16. Strike out the whole section.

Section 18. In the sixth line, after the words "Master Watch," insert, "which rules and regulations shall be approved by the Governor in Council."

Section 19. Add the following as sub-sections (*f*) and (*g*) :

(*f*). Where a sealer has given notice under section 20 of this Act, he shall, if so required by the owner of the ship submit himself for examination by a duly qualified medical practitioner, provided and paid by such owner; and if he refuses to submit himself to such examination, or in any way obstructs the same, his right to compensation and to take or prosecute any proceedings under this Act in relation to compensation, shall be suspended until such examination has taken place.

(*g*). Any sealer receiving weekly payments under this Act shall, if so required by the owner of the ship, from time to time submit himself for examination by a duly qualified medical practitioner, provided and paid by such owner. If the sealer refuses to submit himself to such examination, or in any way obstructs the same, his right

to such weekly payments shall be suspended until such examination has taken place.

Section 21. In the seventh line strike out the figures "20," and substitute therefor "19."

Section 23. Strike out the whole section and substitute the following :

23. The Second Hand and Master Watches of any ship shall have the right to dispose of the crew's share of seals brought in by any such ship. No agreement for the sale of such seals made prior to the arrival of the ship in port at the end of her voyage shall be binding on either party. Any agreement made by the Second Hand or Master Watches under this section, shall be in writing, and shall be irrevocable after the ship has begun discharging her seals.

After section 23 insert the following as a new section 24, and renumber sections 24, 25 and 26, as 25, 26 and 27, respectively :

24. No person shall be liable to any penalty or forfeiture provided by this Act unless some prosecution, action, or suit in respect of the offence committed, shall be commenced against such person within the space of six months after the commission of such offence. All penalties by this Act provided, may be recovered in a summary manner before a Stipendiary Magistrate or a Justice.

Section 24 (renumbered 25). In the first and second lines strike out "one hundred," and substitute "fifty."

Section 25 (renumbered 26). Strike out the section and substitute the following :

26. Except as hereinbefore otherwise provided, one-fourth of all penalties recovered under this Act shall be payable to the person suing for the same, and the other three-fourths thereof to the Marine Disasters Fund.

On motion of the Honourable Mr. Bishop,

Ordered,—That the consideration of the remaining Orders of the Day be deferred until tomorrow.

The Honourable the President informed the Council that he had received the following messages from the House of Assembly :

MR. PRESIDENT :

The House of Assembly acquaint the Legislative Council that they have passed the Bill, entitled, "An Act to Authorize the Raising of a Sum of Money by Loan for Naval, Military, Railway, and Other Public Purposes," in which they request the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

J. R. GOODISON,

Speaker.

House of Assembly, May 1st, 1916.

MR. PRESIDENT :

The House of Assembly acquaint the Legislative Council that they have passed the Bills en-

titled, respectively, "An Act Respecting the Censoring of Moving Pictures," "An Act to amend the Death Duties Act, 1914-15," and "An Act Further to amend 'The Revenue Act, 1905,'" in which they request the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

J. R. GOODISON,
Speaker.

House of Assembly, May 1st, 1916.

MR. PRESIDENT :

The House of Assembly acquaint the Legislative Council that they have passed the Bill, entitled, "An Act Respecting the Municipal Affairs of the Town of St. John's," in which they request the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

J. R. GOODISON,
Speaker.

House of Assembly, May 1st, 1916.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Bishop, the Bills sent up, entitled, respectively :

"An Act to Authorize the Raising of a Sum of Money by Loan for Naval, Military, Railway and Other Public Purposes," and

"An Act Further to amend 'The Revenue Act, 1905,'" were severally read a first time, and

*Ordered,---*To be severally read a second time to-morrow.

On motion of the Honourable Minister of Justice, the Bill sent up, entitled, "An Act to amend 'The Death Duties Act, 1914-15,'" was read a first time, and

*Ordered,---*To be read a second time on to-morrow.

On motion of the Honourable Mr. Bishop the Bills sent up, entitled, respectively, "An Act Respecting the Censoring of Moving Pictures," and "An Act Respecting the Municipal Affairs of the Town of St. John's," were severally read a first time, and

*Ordered,---*To be severally read a second time to-morrow.

On motion made the House adjourned until to-morrow, Tuesday, May 2nd, at four o'clock, p.m.



TUESDAY, May 2nd, 1916.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

PRESENT :

The Honourable PATRICK T. McGRATH,
President.

The Honourables JAMES ANGEL,
GEORGE SKELTON,
GEORGE KNOWLING,
ROBERT K. BISHOP,
JOHN ANDERSON,
JOHN HARVEY,
SAMUEL MILLEY,
MICHAEL P. GIBBS, K.C.
J. ALEXANDER ROBINSON,
AUGUSTUS F. GOODRIDGE,
JOHN J. MURPHY,
MICHAEL F. POWER,
SYDNEY D. BLANDFORD,
Minister of Agriculture and Mines.
RICHARD A. SQUIRES,
Minister of Justice.

The Minutes of Monday, May 1st, were read.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, and on motion of the Honourable Mr. Bishop, the Bill sent up, entitled, "An Act for Granting to His Majesty Certain Sums of Money for Defraying Certain Expenses of the Public Service for the Years Ending, Respectively, the 30th Day of June,

1916, and the 30th Day of June, 1917, and for Other Purposes," was read a second time, and

Ordered,---To be committed immediately.

The Honourable Mr. Angel in the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported the Bill without amendment.

Ordered,---That the Report be received.

On motion of the Honourable Mr. Bishop, the said Bill was then read a third time and passed, and the Honourable the President signed the same.

Ordered,---To be sent to the House of Assembly with message that this House had passed the said Bill without amendment.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, and on motion of the Honourable Mr. Bishop, the Bill sent up, entitled, "An Act to Prohibit the Importation, Manufacture, and Sale of Intoxicating Liquors into and in Newfoundland After the First Day of January, 1917," was read a second time, and

Ordered,---To be committed presently.

The Honourable Dr. Skelton in the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported the Bill without amendment.

*Ordered,---*That the Report be received.

On motion of the Honourable Mr. Bishop, the said Bill was then read a third time and passed, and the Honourable the President signed the same.

*Ordered,---*To be sent to the House of Assembly, with message that this House had passed the said Bill without amendment.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, and on motion of the Honourable Mr. Gibbs, the Bill sent up, entitled, "An Act to amend the Law Respecting the Exportation of Timber" was read a second time, and

*Ordered,---*To be committed presently.

The Honourable Mr. Knowling in the Chair.

The Honourable Mr. Knowling left the Chair of Committee.

The Honourable Mr. Milley took the Chair of Committee.

The Committee took recess until half-past eight o'clock this evening.

After recess the Chairman resumed the Chair of Committee.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported the Bill with some amendments.

Ordered,---That the Report be received, and

On motion of the Honourable Mr. Gibbs, the said Bill was then read a third time as amended and passed, and the Honourable the President signed the same.

Ordered,—To be sent to the House of Assembly with message that this House had passed the said Bill, with some amendments, and requesting concurrence therein.

The amendments are as follows :

Section 3, 3rd line, after the word “and” insert the following words, “shall meet at such times and places as they deem desirable.”

Section 4, 3rd line, after the word “than” strike out the word “five,” and insert in lieu thereof the word “four.”

Same section, same line, after the word “dollars” insert the words, “and fifty.”

Same section, fifth line, after the word “bank” insert the words, “at tidal water.”

Same section, at the end thereof, insert the following words :

“Provided that nothing herein contained shall apply to any timber or lumber for pit props cut prior to the first day of May, 1916.”

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, and on motion of the Honourable Mr. Bishop, the Bill sent up, entitled, “An Act to amend the Act 4 George

V., Cap. 17, entitled, 'An Act Respecting the Operation of Saw Mills,' " was read a second time, and

Ordered,---To be committed presently.

The Honourable Mr. Anderson in the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported the Bill without amendment.

Ordered,---That the Report be received, and

On motion of the Honourable Mr. Bishop, the said Bill was then read a third time and passed, and the Honourable the President signed the same.

Ordered,---To be sent to the House of Assembly, with message that this House had passed the said Bill without amendment.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, and on motion of the Honourable Mr. Bishop, the Bill sent up, entitled, "An Act to Authorize the Raising of a Sum of Money by Loan for Naval, Military and Other Public Purposes," was read a second time, and

Ordered,---To be committed presently.

The Honourable Mr. Harvey in the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported the Bill without amendment.

Ordered,—That the Report be received.

The said Bill, on motion of the Honourable Mr. Bishop, was then read a third time and passed, and the Honourable the President signed the same.

Ordered,—To be sent to the House of Assembly with message that this House had passed the said Bill without amendment.

On motion of the Honourable Mr. Bishop the consideration of the Bill sent up, entitled, "An Act Further to amend 'The Revenue Act, 1905,'" was deferred until to-morrow.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, and on motion of the Honourable Mr. Bishop, the Bill sent up, entitled, "An Act to amend the Death Duties Act, 1914 1915," was read a second time and

Ordered,—To be committed presently.

The Honourable Mr. Murphy in the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported the Bill without amendment.

Ordered,—That the Report be received.

The said Bill, on motion of the Honourable Mr. Bishop, was then read a third time and passed, and the Honourable the President signed the same.

*Ordered,---*To be sent to the House of Assembly with message that this House had passed the said Bill without amendment.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, and on motion of the Honourable Mr. Bishop, the Bill sent up, entitled, "An Act Respecting the Censoring of Moving Pictures," was read a second time, and

*Ordered,---*To be committed presently.

The Honourable Mr. Goodridge in the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported the Bill without amendment.

*Ordered,---*That the Report be received.

The said Bill, on motion of the Honourable Mr. Bishop, was then read a third time and passed, and the Honourable the President signed the same.

*Ordered,---*To be sent to the House of Assembly with message that this House had passed the said Bill without amendment.

The Honourable the President informed the House that he had received the following message from the House of Assembly:

MR. PRESIDENT :

The House of Assembly acquaint the Legislative Council that they have passed the Bill, en-

titled, "An Act Respecting the Refining of Cod Liver Oil," in which they request the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

J. R. GOODISON,
Speaker.

House of Assembly, May 2nd, 1916.

On motion of the Honourable Mr. Bishop, the Bill sent up, entitled, "An Act Respecting the Refining of Cod Liver Oil," was read a first and second time, and ordered to be committed tomorrow.

The Honourable the President informed the Council that he had received the following message from the House of Assembly:

MR. PRESIDENT:

The House of Assembly acquaint the Legislative Council that they have appointed the following Select Committee, consisting of Mr. Piccott, Honourable Mr. Cashin, Mr. Coaker, Mr. Downey, Mr. Lloyd, Mr. Devereaux and Honourable Mr. Crosbie, to consider the amendments made by the Legislative Council in and upon the Bill sent up, entitled, "An Act Respecting the Seal Fishery," and request the Legislative Council to appoint a similar Committee for the purpose of conference respecting the said amendments.

J. R. GOODISON,
Speaker.

House of Assembly, May 2nd, 1916.

On motion of the Honourable Mr. Bishop,

Ordered,---That a Select Committee be appointed to confer with the Select Committee of the House of Assembly on the subject of the amendments made by the Council in and upon the Bill, entitled, "An Act Respecting the Seal Fishery," and

Ordered,---That the Committee consist of the Honourables Messrs. Bishop, Gibbs, Harvey, Squires, Goodridge, Murphy and Angel, and

Ordered,---That a Message be sent to the House of Assembly to that effect.

The Honourable Mr. Bishop, from the Joint Committee appointed to consider the amendments made by the Council in and upon the Bill entitled, "An Act to amend and Consolidate the Law Relating to Weights and Measures and the Inspection of Lumber," presented the following Report, which was received and read.

The Joint Committee on "Weights and Measures and Inspection of Lumber," beg to report that they have considered the matter referred to them, and report the following amendments herewith attached.

J. R. BENNETT,
W. F. COAKER,
R. J. DEVEREAUX,
R. K. BISHOP,
JOHN HARVEY,
JAMES ANGEL,
J. J. MURPHY,
JOHN ANDERSON,
J. G. STONE.

On motion of the Honourable Mr. Bishop,

Ordered,---That the House do consider the said amendments to-morrow.

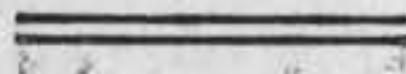
The Honourable Mr. Harvey moved the following Resolution, which was received, read and adopted :

Resolved,---That it is the opinion of this House that it is desirable, and it is hereby ordered, that from and after this date, all Acts passed by the Legislature shall, in addition to the usual form of title, be further distinguished, and shall hereafter be cited by reference to the Calendar year in which they were passed.

Resolved,---That a copy of this Resolution be sent to the Honourable House of Assembly requesting their concurrence in the same.

Ordered,---That a message be sent to the House of Assembly requesting their concurrence in the said Resolution.

On motion made the House adjourned until to-morrow, Wednesday, May 3rd, at half-past three o'clock, p.m.



WEDNESDAY, May 3rd, 1916.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

PRESENT :

The Honourable PATRICK T. McGRATH,
President.

The Honourables JAMES ANGEL,
GEORGE SKELTON,
ROBERT K. BISHOP,
JOHN ANDERSON,
JOHN HARVEY,
SAMUEL MILLEY,
MICHAEL P. GIBBS, K.C.,
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JOHN J. MURPHY,
SYDNEY D. BLANDFORD,
Minister of Agriculture and Mines.
RICHARD A. SQUIRES, K.C.,
Minister of Justice.

The Minutes of Tuesday, May 2nd, were read.

The Honourable Mr. Robinson, from the Joint Committee appointed on the subject of the amendment made by the Council to the Bill, entitled, "An Act to amend and Consolidate the Law Relating to Education," presented the following Report, which was received and adopted,

The Joint Committee appointed by the House of Assembly and the Legislative Council to confer

upon the subject of the amendment made by the Council in and upon the Bill, entitled, "An Act to amend and Consolidate the Law Relating to Education," beg to report that they have held such conference and consider that while the Committee regard the age of 12 as the lowest at which any child should be permitted to enter competitive examinations outside their own schools, they recommend that consideration of the amendment be held over for another year, and the Council therefore withdraw its amendment.

Respectfully submitted,

J. ALEX. ROBINSON,
S. MILLEY,
R. A. SQUIRES,
M. POWER,
A. F. GOODRIDGE,
W. F. LLOYD,
E. P. MORRIS,
CHARLES EMERSON,
JOHN S. CURRIE,
GEORGE F. GRIMES.

Committee Room, 2nd May, 1916.

On motion of the Honourable Mr. Bishop,

Ordered,---That a Message be sent to the House of Assembly informing them that the Council withdraw its said amendment to Section 33, sub-section (1), of the Bill, entitled, "An Act to amend and Consolidate the Law Relating to Education."

On motion of the Honourable Mr. Bishop, the consideration of the Revenue and Municipal Bills was deferred until later in the day.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, and on motion of the Honourable Mr. Bishop, the House went into Committee on the Bill sent up, entitled, "An Act Respecting the Refining of Cod Liver Oil."

The Honourable Mr. Blandford in the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported the Bill without amendment.

Ordered,---That the Report be received.

The said Bill, on motion of the Honourable Mr. Bishop, was then read a third time and passed, and the Honourable the President signed the same.

Ordered,---To be sent to the House of Assembly, with message that this House had passed the said Bill without amendment.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the amendments made by the House of Assembly in and upon the amendments made by the Council in and upon the Bill, entitled, "An Act to amend and Consolidate the Law Relating to Weights and Measures and the Inspection of Lumber," were read a first and second time.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, and on mo-

tion of the Honourable Mr. Bishop, the Bill sent up, entitled, "An Act Further to amend 'The Revenue Act, 1905,'" was read a second time, and

*Ordered,---*To be committed presently.

The Honourable Mr. Milley in the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported the Bill without amendment.

*Ordered,---*That the Report be received.

The said Bill, on motion of the Honourable Mr. Bishop, was then read a third time and passed, and the Honourable the President signed the same.

*Ordered,---*To be sent to the House of Assembly, with message that this House had passed the said Bill without amendment.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, and on motion of the Honourable Mr. Gibbs, the Bill sent up, entitled, "An Act Respecting the Municipal Affairs of the town of St. John's," was read a second time, and

*Ordered,---*To be committed presently.

The Honourable Mr. Robinson in the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported the Bill with an amendment.

*Ordered,---*That the Report be received.

The said Bill, on motion of the Honourable

Mr. Gibbs, as amended, was then read a third time and passed, and the Honourable the President signed the same.

Ordered,—To be sent to the House of Assembly with message that this House had passed the said Bill with an amendment, and requesting concurrence therein.

The amendment is as follows :

Insert as new Section 9 :

9. The Board appointed under the provisions of the Act 5 George V., Cap. 10, shall continue in existence for the purpose of explaining the objects of the Bill for the amendment of the Government of St. John's, or making further recommendations in regard to same to the Joint Select Committee of the Legislature appointed to deal with the said Bill until such time as the said Bill has been finally disposed of by the Legislature.

The Honourable the President informed the Council that he had received the following message from the House of Assembly :

MR. PRESIDENT :

The House of Assembly acquaint the Legislative Council that they have passed the Resolutions sent up, and hereto attached with an amendment,

in which they request the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

J. R. GOODISON,
Speaker.

House of Assembly, May 3rd, 1916.

On motion of the Honourable Mr. Harvey,

*Ordered,---*That this House concur in the amendment made by the House of Assembly in and upon the Resolution sent down in relation to the Citing of Acts of the Legislature, and

*Ordered,---*That a message be sent to the House of Assembly to that effect.

The Honourable the President informed the Council that he had received the following message from the House of Assembly:

MR. PRESIDENT:

The House of Assembly acquaint the Legislative Council that they have passed the amendments made by the Legislative Council in and upon the Bill, entitled, "An Act to amend and Consolidate the Law Relating to Weights and Measures and the Inspection of Lumber," with some amendments, in which they request the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

J. R. GOODISON,
Speaker.

House of Assembly, May 3rd, 1916.

On motion of the Honourable Mr. Bishop,

Ordered,---That the amendments made by the House of Assembly in and upon the amendments made by the Legislative Council in and upon the Bill sent up, entitled, "An Act to amend and Consolidate the Law Relating to Weights and Measures and the Inspection of Lumber," do now pass, and

Ordered,---That a message be sent to the House of Assembly, informing them of the concurrence of the Council in the said amendments.

The Honourable the President informed the Council that he had received the following message:

MR. PRESIDENT:

The House of Assembly acquaint the Legislative Council that they have passed the amendments made by the Legislative Council in and upon the Bill, entitled, "An Act Respecting the Seal Fishery," with some amendments, in which they request the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

J. R. GOODISON,
Speaker.

House of Assembly, May 3rd, 1916.

On motion of the Honourable Mr. Bishop, the following Report was received and adopted:

We, the the undersigned members of the Joint

Select Committee appointed by the House of Assembly and the Legislative Council, to consider the Council amendments to the Sealing Bill, beg to report that we have considered the same, and herewith submit the Bill attached.

A. W. PICCOTT, *Chairman* ;
W. F. LLOYD,
J. F. DOWNEY,
JOHN C. CROSBIE,
R. K. BISHOP,
JOHN HARVEY,
JAS. ANGEL,
A. F. GOODRIDGE,
J. J. MURPHY,
R. J. DEVEREAUX,
W. F. COAKER,
M. P. GIBBS,
R. A. SQUIRES.

On motion of the Honourable Mr. Gibbs, the amendments made by the House of Assembly in and upon the amendments made by the Legislative Council in and upon the Bill sent up, entitled, "An Act Respecting the Seal Fishery," were read a first and second time and passed, and

Ordered,---That a message be sent to the House of Assembly informing them that this House had passed the said amendments without amendment.

The Honourable the President informed the Council that he had received the following message from the House of Assembly :

MR. PRESIDENT :

The House of Assembly acquaint the Legislative Council that they have passed the amendments sent down in and upon the Bill sent up, entitled, "An Act to amend the Law Respecting the Exportation of Timber," without amendment.

J. R. GOODISON,
Speaker.

House of Assembly, May 3rd, 1916.

The Honourable Mr. Anderson brought in a Bill "Respecting Certain Changes in the Hours of the Day and Night," which was received and read a first time.

The Honourable Mr. Anderson moved "That the said Bill be now read a second time."

Whereupon the Honourable Mr. Robinson moved in amendment "That the said Bill be read this day six months."

The Honourable Mr. Robinson withdrew the said amendment.

The Honourable Mr. Anderson withdrew the said Bill.

The House then took recess until half-past six o'clock this evening.

After recess, the House having resumed, the Honourable the President informed the Council

that he had received the following messages from the House of Assembly :

MR. PRESIDENT :

The House of Assembly acquaint the Legislative Council that they have passed the amendment sent down in and upon the Bill sent up, entitled, "An Act Respecting the Municipal Affairs of the Town of St. John's," without amendment.

J. R. GOODISON,
Speaker.

House of Assembly, May 3rd, 1916.

MR. PRESIDENT :

The House of Assembly acquaint the Legislative Council that they have passed the accompanying Resolution, in which they request the concurrence of the Council.

J. R. GOODISON,
Speaker.

House of Assembly, May 3rd, 1916.

On motion of the Honourable Mr. Bishop the following Resolution sent up was adopted and passed :

Resolution passed by the House of Assembly :

Resolved,---That in accordance with the recommendation of the Joint Select Commission appointed by the Legislative Council and the House

of Assembly, to consider the Municipal Bill to them referred, that an Address be moved to His Excellency the Governor in Council praying that a Commission be appointed with power to take evidence to sit during the year, and until the opening of the next Session of the Legislature, and to report a Bill for adoption by the Legislature.

Passed the Legislative Council 3rd May, 1916.

P. T. McGRATH,
President.

Passed the House of Assembly, May 3rd, 1916.

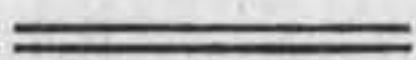
J. R. GOODISON,
Speaker.

*Ordered,---*That a message be sent to the House of Assembly informing them that this House concurs in the said Resolution.

The Honourable Mr. Bishop, by command of His Excellency the Governor, laid on the Table:

Report of the Public Schools of Newfoundland under Methodist School Boards for the Year Ended December 31st, 1915.

On motion made the House adjourned until to-morrow, Thursday, May 4th, at half-past two o'clock, p.m.



THURSDAY, May 4th, 1916.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

PRESENT :

The Honourable PATRICK T. McGRATH,
President.

The Honourables JAMES ANGEL,
GEORGE SKELTON,
GEORGE KNOWLING,
ROBERT K. BISHOP,
JOHN ANDERSON,
JOHN HARVEY,
SAMUEL MILLEY,
MICHAEL P. GIBBS, K.C.
J. ALEXANDER ROBINSON,
AUGUSTUS F. GOODRIDGE,
JOHN J. MURPHY,
MICHAEL F. POWER,
SYDNEY D. BLANDFORD,
Minister of Agriculture and Mines.
RICHARD A. SQUIRES, K.C.,
Minister of Justice.

At three o'clock, p.m., His Excellency the Governor, Sir Walter Edward Davidson, Knight, Commander of the Most Distinguished Order of St. Michael and St. George, having arrived at the Council Chamber, and being seated on the Throne, commanded the Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod, through the Honourable the President of the Legislative Council, to let the Honourable House of Assembly know:

“It is His Excellency’s pleasure they attend him immediately in this House ;”

Who, being come thereto with their Speaker, His Excellency was pleased to give His assent to the following Bills, entitled, respectively :

An Act to amend the Act 8, Edward VII., Cap. 8, entitled, “An Act for the Encouragement of Shipbuilding.”

An Act respecting Companies Payment of Whose Capital Stock or of Interest Thereon is Guaranteed by the Government.

An Act respecting Certain Retiring Allowances.

An Act for Granting to His Majesty Certain Sums of Money for Defraying Certain Expenses of the Public Service for the Financial Years ending respectively the 30th day of June, 1916, and the 30th day of June, 1917, and for Other Purposes relating to the Public Service.

An Act for the Protection of Persons Engaged in Trawl Fishing.

An Act to Authorize the Raising of a Sum of Money by Loan for Naval, Military, Railway and other Public Purposes.

An Act further to amend “The Revenue Act, 1905.”

An Act to amend the Death Duties Act 1914-1915.

An Act to amend and Consolidate the Law relating to Weights and Measures and the Inspection of Lumber.

An Act to amend the War Measures Act, 1914.

An Act to amend the Law respecting the Naturalization of Aliens.

An Act to amend 3 George V., Cap. 14, entitled, "An Act respecting the Construction of a Railway Through Labrador."

An Act to Incorporate the Salvation Army.

An Act to Enable the Governor in Council, During the Existence of a State of War, to take Possession of Articles of Commerce Unreasonably Withheld.

An Act respecting the Control of Trading in Certain Commodities.

An Act to amend and Continue in Force for a Further Period the Act 5 George V., Session 1, Cap. 4, entitled, "An Act respecting a Volunteer Force in this Colony."

An Act for Revising and Consolidating the Public General Statute Laws of the Colony, and for the Publication of the same.

An Act respecting Trading with the Enemy.

An Act to amend Chapter 44 of the Consoli-

dated Statutes of Newfoundland (Second Series), entitled, "Of the Rebuilding of Carbonear."

An Act to amend Chapter 115 of the Consolidated Statutes (Second Series), entitled, "Of Passenger Accommodation on Board Steamers and Sailing Vessels."

An Act to Incorporate "The Union Electric Light and Power Company," and for other purposes.

"An Act to Facilitate Marriages between British Subjects Resident in Newfoundland, and British Subjects Resident in the United Kingdom.

An Act to amend the Law relating to the Herring Fishery.

An Act to amend the Act 4 George V., Cap. 17, entitled, "An Act respecting the Operation of Saw Mills."

An Act to amend and Consolidate the Law relating to Inflammable Substances.

An Act to amend the Act 6 George V., Cap. 18, entitled, "An Act respecting the Administration of Local Affairs."

An Act to Prohibit the Importation, Manufacture and Sale of Intoxicating Liquors into and in Newfoundland after the 1st day of January, 1917.

An Act to amend the Law respecting the Exportation of Timber.

An Act respecting the Censoring of Moving Pictures.

An Act respecting the Municipal Affairs of the Town of St. John's.

An Act to amend and Consolidate the Law relating to Education.

An Act respecting the Seal Fishery.

An Act respecting the Refining of Cod Liver Oil.

After which His Excellency was pleased to speak as follows :

Mr. President and Honourable Gentlemen of the Legislative Council :

Mr. Speaker and Gentlemen of the Honourable House of Assembly :

I am pleased that I am able to relieve you at this, to many of you, a very busy season, from further attendance on your legislative duties. Having regard to the number of the measures upon which you have deliberated and passed into law, the session cannot be regarded as a protracted one, and it would have been difficult, keeping in view the importance of the measures, to have curtailed your deliberations.

Mr. Speaker and Gentlemen of the Honourable House of Assembly :

I thank you for the liberal nature of the supplies granted for the Public Service. The appropriations which will be made from time to time will be expended with a view of securing the very best returns to the public. The substantial increase you have made to the vote for Old Age Pensions will no doubt be appreciated throughout the country, especially by that deserving class for whose aid the pensions are designed.

Mr. President and Honourable Gentlemen of the Legislative Council :

Mr. Speaker and Gentlemen of the Honourable House of Assembly :

The further provision you have made for Newfoundland's participation in the great War in which the Empire is engaged reflects the universal desire of the country, and will be a fitting contribution to that splendid effort which Great Britain and her Allies are making towards the preservation of civilization and the establishment of permanent peace.

The satisfactory result of the seafishery is gratifying. The enterprise has not alone been remunerative to those of our people engaged in its prosecution, but must tend to stimulate the other industrial operations of the Colony.

In taking leave of you I earnestly hope that,

under Divine Providence, Newfoundland may continue to enjoy that prosperity with which, of late years, its people have been so abundantly blessed, and that before we meet again, the appalling War now devastating Europe may have terminated favourably to the Empire and our Allies.

The Honourable the President then said:

“It is His Excellency the Governor’s will and pleasure that this General Assembly be prorogued until Wednesday the fourteenth day of June next; then and here to be holden; and this General Assembly stands prorogued accordingly.”

HUGH H. CARTER,
Clerk to the Legislative Council.

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