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By His Excellency Sir CHARLES ALEXANDER HARRIS,
Knight Commander of the Most Distinguished Order of
Saint Michael and Saint George, Companion of the Most
Honourable Order of the Bath, Commander of the Royal
Victorian Order, Governor and Commander-in-Chief in
and over the Island of Newfoundland and its Depen-
dencies.

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PROCLAMATION.

C. ALEXANDER HARRIS,
Governor.
[L.S.]

By His Excellency Sir CHARLES ALEXANDER HARRIS, Knight Commander of the Most Distinguished Order of Saint Michael and Saint George, Companion of the Most Honourable Order of the Bath, Commander of the Royal Victorian Order, Governor and Commander-in-Chief, in and over the Dominion of Newfoundland.

WHEREAS the General Assembly stands prorogued until Monday, the Thirtieth day of September instant; and whereas I think fit to further prorogue the said General Assembly until WEDNESDAY, the TWENTIETH day of NOVEMBER next.

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

Given under my Hand and Seal, at the Government House, St. John's, this 24th day of September, A.D., 1917.

By his Excellency's Command,

ARTHUR MEWS,
Deputy Colonial Secretary.



PROCLAMATION.

C. ALEXANDER HARRIS,
Governor.
[L.S.]

By His Excellency Sir CHARLES ALEXANDER HARRIS, Knight Commander of the Most Distinguished Order of Saint Michael and Saint George, Companion of the Most Honourable Order of the Bath, Commander of the Royal Victorian Order, Governor and Commander-in-Chief, in and over the Dominion of Newfoundland.

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

I do, therefore, by this my Proclamation, further prorogue the said General Assembly until WEDNESDAY, the EIGHTEENTH 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 19th day of November, A.D., 1918.

By His Excellency's Command,

W. W. HALFYARD,
Colonial Secretary.



PROCLAMATION.

C. ALEXANDER HARRIS,
Governor.
[L.S.]

By His Excellency Sir CHARLES ALEXANDER HARRIS, Knight Commander of the Most Distinguished Order of Saint Michael and Saint George, Companion of the Most Honourable Order of the Bath, Commander of the Royal Victorian Order, Governor and Commander-in-Chief, in and over the Dominion of Newfoundland.

WHEREAS the General Assembly stands prorogued until Wednesday, the Eighteenth day of December instant; and whereas I think fit to further prorogue the said General Assembly until WEDNESDAY, the FIFTEENTH day of JANUARY, 1919.

I do, therefore, by this my Proclamation, further prorogue the said General Assembly until WEDNESDAY, the FIFTEENTH day of JANUARY, 1919, 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 16th day of December, A.D., 1918.

By His Excellency's Command,

W. W. HALFYARD,
Colonial Secretary.



PROCLAMATION.

By His Excellency Sir CHARLES ALEXANDER HARRIS, Knight Commander of the Most Distinguished Order of Saint Michael and Saint George, Companion of the Most Honourable Order of the Bath, Commander of the Royal Victorian Order, Governor and Commander-in-Chief, in and over the Dominion of Newfoundland.

C. ALEXANDER HARRIS,
Governor.
[L.S.]

WHEREAS the General Assembly stands prorogued until Wednesday, the Fifteenth day of January instant; and whereas I think fit to further prorogue the said General Assembly until WEDNESDAY, the TWELFTH day of FEBRUARY next.

I do, therefore, by this my Proclamation, further prorogue the said General Assembly until WEDNESDAY, the TWELFTH day of FEBRUARY 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 13th day of January, A.D., 1919.

By His Excellency's Command,

W. W. HALFYARD,
Colonial Secretary.



PROCLAMATION.

By His Excellency Sir CHARLES ALEXANDER HARRIS, Knight Commander of the Most Distinguished Order of Saint Michael and Saint George, Companion of the Most Honourable Order of the Bath, Commander of the Royal Victorian Order, Governor and Commander-in-Chief, in and over the Dominion of Newfoundland.

C. ALEXANDER HARRIS,
Governor.
[L.S.]

WHEREAS the General Assembly stands prorogued until Wednesday, the Twelfth day of February instant; and whereas I think fit to further prorogue the said General Assembly until WEDNESDAY, the TWELFTH day of MARCH next.

I do, therefore, by this my Proclamation, further prorogue the said General Assembly until WEDNESDAY, the TWELFTH day of MARCH 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 11th day of February, A.D., 1919.

By His Excellency's Command,

W. W. HALFYARD,
Colonial Secretary.



PROCLAMATION.

C. ALEXANDER HARRIS,
Governor.
[L.S.]

By His Excellency Sir CHARLES ALEXANDER HARRIS, Knight Commander of the Most Distinguished Order of Saint Michael and Saint George, Companion of the Most Honourable Order of the Bath, Commander of the Royal Victorian Order, Governor and Commander-in-Chief, in and over the Dominion of Newfoundland.

WHEREAS the General Assembly stands prorogued until Wednesday, the Twelfth day of March instant; and whereas I think fit to further prorogue the said General Assembly until WEDNESDAY, the NINETEENTH day of MARCH instant.

I do, therefore, by this my Proclamation, further prorogue the said General Assembly until WEDNESDAY, the NINETEENTH day of MARCH instant, 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 11th day of March, A.D., 1919.

By His Excellency's Command,

W. W. HALFYARD,
Colonial Secretary.



PROCLAMATION.

C. ALEXANDER HARRIS,
Governor.
[L.S.]

By His Excellency Sir CHARLES ALEXANDER HARRIS, Knight Commander of the Most Distinguished Order of Saint Michael and Saint George, Companion of the Most Honourable Order of the Bath, Commander of the Royal Victorian Order, Governor and Commander-in-Chief, in and over the Dominion of Newfoundland.

WHEREAS the General Assembly stands prorogued until Wednesday, the Nineteenth day of March instant; and whereas I think fit to further prorogue the said General Assembly until WEDNESDAY, the TWENTY-SIXTH day of MARCH instant.

I do, therefore, by this my Proclamation, further prorogue the said General Assembly until WEDNESDAY, the TWENTY-SIXTH day of MARCH instant, 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 18th day of March, A.D., 1919.

By His Excellency's Command,

W. W. HALFYARD,
Colonial Secretary.



PROCLAMATION.

By His Excellency Sir CHARLES ALEXANDER HARRIS, Knight Commander of the Most Distinguished Order of Saint Michael and Saint George, Companion of the Most Honourable Order of the Bath, Commander of the Royal Victorian Order, Governor and Commander-in-Chief, in and over the Dominion of Newfoundland.

C. ALEXANDER HARRIS,
Governor.
[L.S.]

WHEREAS the General Assembly stands prorogued until Wednesday, the Twenty-sixth day of March instant; and whereas I think fit to further prorogue the said General Assembly until WEDNESDAY, the SECOND day of APRIL next.

I do, therefore, by this my Proclamation, further prorogue the said General Assembly until WEDNESDAY, the SECOND day of APRIL 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 25th day of March, A.D., 1919.

By His Excellency's Command,

W. W. HALFYARD,
Colonial Secretary.

At three o'clock p.m. His Excellency the Governor Sir Charles Alexander Harris, Knight Commander of the Most Distinguished Order of St. Michael and St. George, Companion of the Most Honourable Order of the Bath, Commander of the Royal Victorian Order, 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:

It is with mingled sentiments of pride and thankfulness that I greet you to-day; pride in the wonderful success of the Allied arms in the great world war which ended in November last, and thankfulness in the termination of a conflict which has caused untold miseries to the greater portion of the human race. I trust that from the wreck and devastation of the war, better, more enduring and happier conditions may arise, ushering in a new era of peace and content which will in some measure justify and atone for the great sacrifices

of blood and treasure which have been poured forth so freely and unselfishly upon the altar of liberty.

At the time of the last session of this Legislature it will be remembered that the fortunes of the Allies were most critical and the war situation was of the utmost gravity. Under these circumstances a Bill was introduced to postpone for a second time the General Election and the Legislature then determined that the term of the present Assembly would be limited to April 30th, 1919.

Thanks however, under God, to the almost superhuman exertions made by the Allies, the continued pressure of the Navy and the tenacity and sustained gallantry of the soldiers the situation underwent such a change during the latter part of the summer and autumn that armistices have been signed by the enemies. The victory for which we had been hoping and praying has been achieved. The Peace Conference which followed the conclusion of hostilities has been in session some months. Problems of international significance and far reaching importance, which may call for Legislative action and approval, are in the course of settlement at the Conference and my Ministers feel that the Government should be in a position to call the Assembly together whenever necessary without any undue delay.

The object for which the Legislature is now called together is to make provision for that immediate appeal to the electorate which the legisla-

tion of the last session necessitates and to enable the use of the last Voters' List which was taken over twelve months ago.

The work of completing another List would throw unnecessary expense on the country and cause delay in appealing to the electorate.

Your consideration will be invited to proposals for amending the Election Act in order to legalize the use in the forthcoming General Election of the Voters' List taken in 1917. Care should be taken to ensure that the electoral qualifications of Newfoundlanders who have been serving in His Majesty's Naval and Military forces shall in no way be affected by their absence abroad on active service during the period of the war, and you will be asked to approve an amendment of the Act to this effect. You will be asked also to extend the franchise to Newfoundland sailors and soldiers under the age of 21 years who have been Overseas with His Majesty's Forces.

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

I am happy to be in a position to inform you that there was a substantial excess of Revenue over Expenditure to the amount of One Million, One Hundred and Seventy Thousand Six Hundred and Twenty Seven Dollars and Ninety Four Cents for the past fiscal year. It is gratifying to know that a Surplus of Revenue over Expenditure

for the current fiscal year may also be anticipated as the Customs Revenue for the eight months ending on February 28th shows an increase of One Million Four Hundred and Fifty Four Thousand Six Hundred and Twenty Three Dollars over the receipts for the same period last year.

You will be invited to vote the necessary funds to defray the expenses of the forthcoming General Election.

Mr. President and Honourable Gentlemen of the Legislative Council :

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

The tidings of the death of Prince John stirred the sympathetic feelings of the King's devoted subjects throughout the Dominion. It was my sad duty to convey to Their Majesties an expression of the sorrow and sympathy of our people in their affliction, which has knit even closer together the ties of love and loyalty which bind us to the Throne.

In response to a summons from the Right Honourable the Secretary of State for the Colonies, the Prime Minister attended during the summer the sittings of the Imperial War Cabinet and represented the Dominion in the discussion and determination of vital issues connected with the conduct of the war. He also participated in the deliberations of the Imperial Conference which

dealt with varied and complex problems affecting the present and future policy of the Empire.

In November last following upon the signing of the armistice, the Prime Minister was recalled to London by the British Government to take his place in the Imperial War Cabinet in connection with the discussion and formulation of terms of peace. Later he proceeded to Paris with the British Empire delegation and took part in the Peace Conference there, actively interesting himself in all matters affecting or likely to affect the Dominion. Before returning home he represented Newfoundland's position to the Imperial authorities and received an assurance that our interests would be very carefully safeguarded.

My Ministers decided to raise locally as well as in Canada the moneys required for the continued prosecution of the War and issued a Victory War Loan. Their faith in the patriotism and public spirit of the people was fully justified by the magnificent result achieved, the amount of the loan being considerably over subscribed within a very short period. This response is most gratifying as an evidence of the confidence of our people in the resources and possibilities of the country.

The continual growth and expansion of our trade and commerce of late years combined with the increasing importance of our relations with the Mother Country, having emphasized the necessity of adequate representation there, my Ministers arranged for the appointment of a High Com-

missioner in London to look after the trade and commercial interests of the Dominion.

I avail myself of this opportunity to extend a hearty welcome home to our sailors and soldiers who have represented Newfoundland so valiantly and well during the past four years amid the changing fortunes and bitter hardships of war. Mere words cannot express our feelings of appreciation and admiration of their wonderful work. Their deeds are eloquent and pass to judgment before them. On sea and land and in the air their worth has been proven and their fame has spread far and wide. Those who have died for the Right have bequeathed us a precious legacy—the undying memory of duty performed even to the death and the eternal fragrance of that love which exceeds all others—that a man lay down his life for his friends. Their loss to the country can never be fully estimated because it is impossible to compute the value of the chivalry, honor, self sacrifice and devotion to duty which these men possessed in the highest degree. We can only endeavour to prove worthy of the glorious heritage which they have purchased for us at such a price.

In taking leave of you I trust that your deliberations may conduce to the future welfare and prosperity of Newfoundland and that Divine Providence may guide you in the performance of your duties.

Then the House of Assembly withdrew.

His Excellency was pleased to retire.

The Commission appointing Capt. R. H. Tait, M.C., Clerk of the Legislative Council, in place of Hugh H. Carter, K.C., deceased, was then read by the Clerk.

The Honourable the President administered the oath of office to the Clerk.

The Commissions appointing the Honourable Walter Baine Grieve, C.B.E., and the Honourable Jesse Whiteway, respectively to be members of the Legislative Council were read by the Clerk and the said members took their seats.

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

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Grieve, seconded by the Honourable Mr. Mews—

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.

Ordered—That the Honourables Messrs. Grieve, Mews, Whiteway, Knowling and Ryan be a Committee for that purpose.

On motion of the Honourable Mr. Harvey, seconded by the Hon. Mr. Squires, the following resolution was unanimously passed :

Resolved : That this House records its great

sorrow for the death of the late Honourable James Angel whose decease leaves a void not easily filled in this Council, with which he was actively connected, as well as in the community at large.

Resolved further : That a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to the family of the late Honourable James Angel expressing the sympathy of the Council with them in their great bereavement.

On motion of the Honourable Mr. Gibbs, seconded by the Honourable Dr. Skelton, the following Resolution was unanimously passed :

Resolved : That this House records its deep regret for the death of Mr. Hugh Hoyles Carter, K.C., who for a great number of years so ably filled the position of Clerk of this Council.

Resolved further : That a copy of this Resolution be sent to the relatives of the late Hugh H. Carter, K.C., expressing the sympathy of the Council with them in their bereavement.

The Honourable Mr. Gibbs gives notice that he will on to-morrow ask the Honourable the Leader of the Government to lay on the Table of this House a statement showing amounts expended under Order in Council during 1917-1918 not passed by the Auditor General and chargeable to the Current Revenue.

Also to lay on the Table of this House a statement showing amounts expended during the last financial half of 1918 and to March 30th, 1919,

under Orders in Council not passed by the Auditor General and chargeable to the Current Revenue for 1917-1918.

The Honourable Mr. Squires gives notice that he will on to-morrow ask the Honourable the Leader of the Government to lay on the Table of this House a statement showing the number of officials and employees of the Department of Militia as at the following dates:

(a) July 1st, 1917.

(b) July 1st, 1918.

(c) April 1st, 1919.

Together with particulars as to the salaries paid to each official and employee at these several dates; also what has been the total cost to the Colony of the Department of Militia since its creation; also to lay on the Table of the House a copy of each Order or Minute of Council assenting to or authorizing the increase of freight and passenger rates in the Railway system and steamship service of the Reid Newfoundland Company together with copies of freight and passenger rate schedules before and after each increase in rates assented to, authorized or made by the Reid Newfoundland Company since January 1918.

On motion made the House adjourned until Friday next, April 4th, at four o'clock.

FRIDAY, April 4th, 1919.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

PRESENT :

The Honourable Sir PATRICK T. McGRATH,
K.B.E., L.L.D.,

President.

The Honourables GEORGE SKELTON
GEORGE KNOWLING
JAMES D. RYAN
JOHN ANDERSON
JOHN HARVEY
SAMUEL MILLEY
MICHAEL P. GIBBS, K.C.
MARMADUKE G. WINTER
AUGUSTUS F. GOODRIDGE
JOHN J. MURPHY
MICHAEL F. POWER
FRANCIS M. McNAMARA
SAMUEL K. BELL
TASKER K. COOK
ALEXANDER W. MEWS
DANIEL A. RYAN
WALTER B. GRIEVE,
C.B.E.
JESSE WHITEWAY.

The Minutes of Wednesday, April 2nd, were read and confirmed.

The Hon. Mr. Grieve 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 Hon. Mr. Grieve the said Address was read a second time (at length).

The Hon. Mr. Grieve moved "That the said Address do now pass."

Ordered—That the Address in Reply to the Speech of His Excellency the Governor do now pass, and

Ordered—That the said Address be engrossed and presented to His Excellency the Governor by a Deputation of the Whole House:

To His Excellency Sir CHARLES ALEXANDER HARRIS, Knight Commander of the Most Distinguished Order of St. Michael and St. George, Companion of the Most Honourable Order of the Bath, Commander of the Royal Victorian Order, Governor and Commander in Chief in and over the Island of Newfoundland 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 Your Ex-

cellency has addressed to both Houses of the Legislature.

P. T. McGRATH,
President.

Council Chamber,
April 4th, 1919.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Grieve,

Ordered—That in the absence of the Honourable the Leader of the Government the Questions pursuant to Notice be deferred until next meeting.

The Honourable Mr. Gibbs gives notice that he will on to-morrow ask the Honourable the Leader of the Government to lay on the Table of the House a statement showing in detail the amounts collected by the Food Control Board; also to ask under what authority the Board collected the amounts.

On motion made the House adjourned until to-morrow, Saturday, April 5th, at 4 o'clock p.m.

SATURDAY, April 5th, 1919.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

PRESENT :

The Honourable Sir PATRICK T. McGRATH,
K.B.E., L.L.D.,
President.

The Honourables GEORGE SKELTON
GEORGE KNOWLING
JAMES D. RYAN
JOHN ANDERSON
JOHN HARVEY
SAMUEL MILLEY
MICHAEL P. GIBBS, K.C.
MARMADUKE G. WINTER
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ALEXANDER W. MEWS
DANIEL A. RYAN
WALTER B. GRIEVE,
C.B.E.
JESSE WHITEWAY.

The Minutes of Friday, April 4th, were read and confirmed.

Pursuant to notice the Hon. Mr. Gibbs asked the Honourable the Leader of the Government to

lay on the Table of the House a statement showing the amounts expended under Order in Council during 1917-1918 not passed by the Auditor General and chargeable to Current Revenue; also to lay on the Table of the House a statement showing amounts expended during the last financial half of 1918 and to March 30th, 1919, under Orders in Council not passed by the Auditor General and chargeable to Current Revenue for 1917-1918.

The Honourable Mr. Ellis replied that the information asked for was in course of preparation.

Pursuant to notice the Hon. Mr. Gibbs on behalf of the Hon. Mr. Squires asked the Honourable the Leader of the Government to lay on the Table of the House a statement showing the number of officials and employees of the Department of Militia as at the following dates: (a) July 1st, 1917; (b) July 1st, 1918; (c) April 1st, 1919; together with particulars as to the salaries paid to each official and employee at these several dates.

Also what has been the total cost to the Colony of the Department of Militia since its creation; also to lay on the Table of this House a copy of each order or Minute in Council assenting to or authorizing the increase of freight and passenger rates on the Railway system and Steamship service of the Reid Newfoundland Company together with copies of freight and passenger rate schedules before and after each increase in rates, assented to, authorized or made by the Reid Newfoundland Company since January 1918.

The Honourable Mr. Ellis replied that the information asked for would be tabled on Monday.

The Honourable Mr. Gibbs asked the Honourable the Leader of the Government to lay on the Table of this House a statement showing in detail the amounts collected by the Food Control Board; also under what authority the Board collected the amounts.

The Honourable Mr. Ellis replied that the information asked for would be tabled on Monday.

Hon. 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 Elections in the Present Year" and "An Act for Defraying the Expenses of a General Election to be held during the Present Year" in which they request the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

W. J. HIGGINS,
Speaker.

House of Assembly,
April 4th, 1919.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Ellis the following Bills sent up entitled respectively:

"An Act respecting Elections in the Present Year," and

“An Act for Defraying the Expenses of a General Election to be held during the Present Year,”

Were severally read a first time, and

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

The Honourable the President informed the House that His Excellency the Governor would receive the Address in Reply to His Excellency's Speech on Monday, April 7th, at 3.30 p.m.

On motion made the House adjourned until Monday, April 7th, at 3.15 p.m.

MONDAY, April 7th, 1919.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

PRESENT :

The Honourable Sir PATRICK T. McGRATH,
K.B.E., L.L.D.,

President.

The Honourables GEORGE SKELTON
JAMES D. RYAN
JOHN ANDERSON
JOHN HARVEY
MICHAEL P. GIBBS, K.C.
MARMADUKE G. WINTER
AUGUSTUS F. GOODRIDGE
PHILIP TEMPLEMAN
JOHN J. MURPHY
MICHAEL F. POWER
RICHARD A. SQUIRES, K.C.
WILLIAM J. ELLIS
FRANCIS M. McNAMARA
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DANIEL A. RYAN
WALTER B. GRIEVE,
C.B.E.
JESSE WHITEWAY

The Minutes of Saturday, April 5th, were read and confirmed.

At 3.30 p.m. the House proceeded to Gov-

ernment House with the Address in Reply to the Speech of His Excellency the Governor.

At 3.45 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.

C. ALEXANDER HARRIS,
Governor.

Government House,
St. John's, Newfoundland,
7 April, 1919.

Pursuant to notice the Hon. Mr. Gibbs asked the Honourable the Leader of the Government to lay on the Table of the House a statement showing the amounts expended under Order in Council during 1917-1918 not passed by the Auditor General and chargeable to Current Revenue; also to lay on the Table of the House a statement showing amounts expended during the last financial half of 1918 and to March 30th, 1919, under Orders in Council not passed by the Auditor General and chargeable to Current Revenue for 1917-1918.

The Hon. Mr. Ellis laid on the Table the information asked for.

Pursuant to notice the Hon. Mr. Gibbs on behalf of the Hon. R. A. Squires asked the Honourable the Leader of the Government to lay on the Table of the House (1) a statement showing the number of officials and employees of the Department of Militia as at the following dates: (a) July 1st, 1917; (b) July 1st, 1918; (c) April 1st, 1919; together with particulars as to the salaries paid to each official and employee at these several dates; also what has been the total cost to the Colony of the Department of Militia since its creation; (2) also a copy of each Order or Minute in Council assenting to or authorizing the increase of freight and passenger rates on the Railway system and Steamship service of the Reid Newfoundland Company together with copies of freight and passenger rate schedule before and after each increase in rates assented to, authorized, or made by the Reid Newfoundland Company since January 1918.

With reference to (1) the Hon. Mr. Ellis replied that the information asked for would be tabled as soon as possible.

With reference to (2) the Hon. Mr. Ellis laid on the Table the information asked for.

The Hon. Mr. Gibbs asked the Honourable the Leader of the Government to lay on the Table of the House a statement showing in detail the amounts collected by the Food Control Board; also under what authority the Board collected the amounts.

The Hon. Mr. Ellis laid on the Table the information asked for.

On motion of the Hon. A. Goodridge—

Ordered—That a copy of the “Resolutions adopted at a public meeting of citizens of St. John’s held in the Casino Theatre, April 4th, 1919,” be read and laid on the Table.

On motion of the Hon. R. A. Squires—

Ordered—That the second reading of the Bills entitled respectively “An Act respecting Elections in the Present Year” and “An Act for Defraying the Expenses of a General Election to be held during the Present Year” be deferred till to-morrow.

The Hon. A. F. Goodridge gives notice that on to-morrow he will ask the Honourable the Leader of the Government to lay on the Table of the House all the Reports of the Government Engineer and all the correspondence passed during the year 1917-1918 and the present year in connection with the Railway Service in this Island.

The Hon. Mr. Gibbs gives notice that he will on to-morrow ask the Honourable the Leader of the Government if the Auditor General has made his official report to the Government; if so to lay on the Table of this House a copy of the Report.

On motion made the House adjourned till Tuesday, April 8th, at 4 p.m.

TUESDAY, April 8th, 1919.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

PRESENT :

The Honourable Sir PATRICK T. McGRATH,
K.B.E., L.L.D.,
President.

The Honourables GEORGE SKELTON
JAMES D. RYAN
JOHN ANDERSON
JOHN HARVEY
MICHAEL P. GIBBS, K.C.
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JESSE WHITEWAY.

The Minutes of Monday, April 7th, were read and confirmed.

Pursuant to notice the Hon. Mr. Goodridge asked the Honourable the Leader of the Govern-

ment to lay on the Table of the House all the Reports of the Government Engineer and all the correspondence passed during the years 1917-1918 and the present year in connection with the Railway Service in this Island.

The Hon. Mr. Ellis replied that the information asked for was in course of preparation.

Pursuant to notice the Hon. Mr. Gibbs asked the Honourable the Leader of the Government if the Auditor General has made his official report to the Government; if so, to lay on the Table of this House a copy of the Report.

The Hon. Mr. Ellis replied that the information asked for was in course of preparation.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Hon. Mr. Ellis moved that the Bill entitled "An Act respecting Elections in the Present Year" be now read a second time.

Whereupon the Hon. Mr. Squires moved in amendment that the said reading of the Bill be deferred till to-morrow.

The question of the amendment having been put, there appeared,

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Hons. Messrs. Harvey	Hons. Messrs, Skelton
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Goodridge	Bell
Squires	Whiteway

Templeman
Anderson
J. D. Ryan

Mews
Grieve
D. A. Ryan
Cook
McNamara
Murphy

So it passed in the negative.

And the question on the original motion having been put, it passed in the affirmative, and—

Ordered—Accordingly.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Ellis the House adjourned until 8 p.m.

At 8.30 p.m. the House resumed.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Ellis the Bills entitled respectively "An Act respecting Elections in the Present Year" and "An Act for Defraying the Expenses of a General Election to be held during the Present Year" were severally read a second time, and

Ordered—To be severally committed to-morrow.

Pursuant to notice the Hon. Mr. Ellis laid upon the Table the statement with reference to the Militia Department asked for by the Hon. Mr. Squires.

The Hon. Mr. Ellis laid upon the Table the following Reports:

Report of the Public Schools of Newfoundland under Methodist Boards for the year ended December 31st, 1918.

Annual Report of the Department of Marine and Fisheries for the year ended 1918.

Annual Report of the Newfoundland Savings Bank for the year ended 1918.

On motion made the House adjourned until to-morrow, Wednesday, April 9th, at 3 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, April 9th, 1919.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

PRESENT :

The Honourable Sir PATRICK T. McGRATH,
K.B.E., L.L.D.,
President.

The Honourables GEORGE SKELTON
GEORGE KNOWLING
JAMES D. RYAN
JOHN ANDERSON
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C.B.E.
JESSE WHITEWAY.

The Minutes of Tuesday, April 8th, were read
and confirmed.

The Hon. Mr. Ellis laid on the Table the balance of the information asked for by the Hon. Mr. Squires relating to the increase in Passenger and Freight Rates on the Reid Newfoundland Railway.

Pursuant to notice the Hon. Mr. Goodridge asked the Honourable the Leader of the Government to lay on the Table of the House all the Reports of the Government Engineer and all the correspondence passed during the years 1917-1918 and the present year in connection with the Railway service in the Island.

The Hon. Mr. Ellis replied that the information asked for was still in course of preparation.

Pursuant to notice the Hon. Mr. Gibbs asked the Honourable the Leader of the Government if the Auditor General has made his official report to the Government; if so, to lay on the Table of the House a copy of the Report.

The Hon. Mr. Ellis replied that the information asked for was still in course of preparation.

The Hon. Mr. Gibbs, seconded by the Hon. Mr. Goodridge, moved an adjournment of the House until the report of the Government Engineer be tabled this afternoon; but this motion was withdrawn on the assurance by the Hon. Mr. Ellis that every effort would be made to have the

information asked for tabled to-morrow as far as possible.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day and on motion of the Hon. Mr. Ellis the House then went into Committee on the Bill sent up entitled "An Act respecting Elections in the Present Year."

The Hon. 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 Hon. Mr. Ellis,

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

On motion made the House adjourned until to-morrow, Thursday, April 10th, at 3 p.m.

THURSDAY, April 10th, 1919.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

PRESENT :

The Honourable Sir PATRICK T. McGRATH,
K.B.E., L.L.D.,
President.

The Honourables GEORGE SKELTON
JAMES D. RYAN
JOHN ANDERSON
JOHN HARVEY
MICHAEL P. GIBBS, K.C.
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C.B.E.
JESSE WHITEWAY.

The Minutes of Wednesday, April 9th, were read and confirmed.

Pursuant to notice of Question by Hon. Mr. Goodridge the Hon. Mr. Ellis laid on the Table the

Reports of the Government Engineer for 1917-1918 and the present year.

Pursuant to notice of question by the Hon. Mr. Gibbs the Hon. Mr. Ellis replied that the Report of the Auditor General would be tabled this afternoon.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day and on motion of the Hon. Mr. Ellis the House went into Committee on the Bill sent up entitled "An Act respecting Elections in the Present Year."

The Hon. J. D. Ryan in the Chair.

After some debate 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 to-morrow.

The Hon. Mr. Ellis placed on the Table the copy of the Report of the Auditor General to the Government.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day and on motion of the Honourable Mr. Ellis the House went into Committee on the Bill sent up entitled "An Act for Defraying the Expenses of a General Election to be held during the Present Year."

The Hon. Dr. Skelton in the Chair.

After a short 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 the President informed the House that he had received the following Message from His Excellency the Governor:

The Governor has the honour to communicate to the Honourable Legislative Council the appointment of the Commissioners of Internal Economy of the Legislature in accordance with the provisions of the Statute 61 Victoria Cap. I. as set forth in the accompanying certified copy of a Minute of the Honourable Executive Council approved by the Governor on the 8th inst.

C. ALEXANDER HARRIS,
Governor.

9 April, 1919.

Certified Copy of Minutes of the Honourable Executive Council approved by His Excellency the Governor on the 8th April, 1919.

April 7th, 1919.

Under the provisions of Section 4, Cap. I. 61 Vic. it was ordered that the following persons con-

stitute the Commission of Internal Economy of the Legislature, namely:—

Hon. Sir P. T. McGrath, K.B.E., President
Legislative Council.

Hon. R. K. Bishop.

Hon. W. J. Ellis.

Hon. W. J. Higgins, K.C., Speaker House of
Assembly.

Rt. Hon. Sir Wm. F. Lloyd, P.C., K.C.M.G.

Hon. J. C. Crosbie.

Hon. W. F. Coaker.

Certified True Copy,

ARTHUR MEWS,
Deputy Colonial Secretary.

The Hon. Mr. Gibbs gives notice that he will on to-morrow ask leave to introduce a Bill entitled "An Act to Amend the Act 8 Edward VII. Chapter 5, entitled "An Act with respect to Compensation to Workmen for Injuries suffered in the course of their Employment."

On motion made the House adjourned until to-morrow, Friday, April 11th, at 4 p.m.

FRIDAY, April 11th, 1919.

PRESENT :

The Honourable SIR PATRICK T. MCGRATH,
K.B.E., L.L.D.,
President.

The Honourable the President declared the House adjourned until to-morrow Saturday, April 12th, at 4 p.m. for want of a quorum.

SATURDAY, April 12th, 1919.

PRESENT :

The Honourable SIR PATRICK T. MCGRATH,
K.B.E., L.L.D.,
President.

The Honourable the President declared the House adjourned until Monday, April 14th, at 4 p.m. for want of a quorum.

MONDAY, April 14th, 1919.

PRESENT :

The Honourable SIR PATRICK T. MCGRATH,
K.B.E., L.L.D.,
President.

The Honourable the President adjourned the House for want of a quorum until to-morrow, Tuesday, the 15th inst., at 4 p.m.

TUESDAY, April 15th, 1919.

PRESENT :

The Honourable SIR PATRICK T. McGRATH,
K.B.E., L.L.D.,
President.

The Honourable the President adjourned the House for want of a quorum until to-morrow, Wednesday, the 16th inst., at 4 o'clock p.m.

WEDNESDAY, April 16th, 1919.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

PRESENT :

The Honourable SIR PATRICK T. McGRATH,
K.B.E., L.L.D.,
President.

The Honourables RICHARD A. SQUIRES, K.C.
WILLIAM J. ELLIS
SAMUEL K. BELL
TASKER K. COOK
ALEXANDER W. MEWS
DANIEL A. RYAN

The Minutes of Thursday, April 10th, and the subsequent Minutes up to and including Tuesday, April 15th, were read and confirmed.

On motion made the House adjourned until Monday, April 21st, at 4 p.m.

MONDAY, April 21st, 1919.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

PRESENT :

The Honourable SIR PATRICK T. McGRATH,
K.B.E., L.L.D.,
President.

The Honourables GEORGE SKELTON
GEORGE KNOWLING
ROBERT K. BISHOP
JAMES D. RYAN
JOHN ANDERSON
JOHN HARVEY
MICHAEL P. GIBBS, K.C.
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DANIEL A. RYAN
WALTER B. GRIEVE,
C.B.E.
JESSE WHITEWAY

The Minutes of Wednesday, April 16th, were read and confirmed.

Pursuant to notice of motion the Hon. Mr. Gibbs brought in a Bill entitled "A Bill to Amend

the Act 8 Edward VII, Chapter 5, An Act entitled "An Act with respect to Compensation to Workmen for Injuries suffered in the course of their Employment" which was received and read a first time, and,

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

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, and

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Ellis—

Ordered—That the consideration of the Order of the Day respecting the Third Reading of the Bill entitled "An Act respecting Elections in the Present Year" with amendments be deferred till to-morrow.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day and on motion of the Hon. Mr. Ellis the Bill sent up entitled "An Act for Defraying the Expenses of a General Election to be held during the Present Year" was read a third time and passed, and

Ordered—That the said Bill 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 Bill entitled "An Act Further to Extend the Term of the Present Legislature," in which they request the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

W. J. HIGGINS,
Speaker.

House of Assembly,
April 15th, 1919.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Ellis the Bill sent up entitled "An Act Further to Extend the Term of the Present Legislature," was read a first time, and

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

The Hon. Mr. Anderson gives notice that he will on to-morrow ask leave to introduce a Bill in connection with the Housing Problem.

On motion made the House adjourned till to-morrow, Tuesday, April 22nd, at 4 p.m.

TUESDAY, April 22nd, 1919.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

PRESENT :

The Honourable SIR PATRICK T. McGRATH,
K.B.E., L.L.D.,
President.

The Honourables GEORGE SKELTON
GEORGE KNOWLING
ROBERT K. BISHOP
JAMES D. RYAN
JOHN ANDERSON
JOHN HARVEY
MICHAEL P. GIBBS, K.C.
MARMADUKE G. WINTER
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FRANK M. McNAMARA
SAMUEL K. BELL
ALEXANDER W. MEWS
DANIEL A. RYAN
WALTER B. GRIEVE,
C.B.E.
JESSE WHITEWAY

The Minutes of Monday, April 21st, were read and confirmed.

The Hon. Mr. Ellis laid on the Table the Annual Report of the Registrar General of Births, Marriages and Deaths for the year ended December 31st, 1918.

Pursuant to notice of motion the Hon. Mr. Anderson brought in a Bill entitled "An Act of Ejectment of Tenants" which was received and read a first time, and

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

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Harvey

Ordered—That the second reading of the Bill entitled "An Act to Amend the Act 8 Edward VII, Chapter 5, An Act entitled "An Act with respect to Compensation to Workmen for Injuries Suffered in the course of their Employment" be deferred till to-morrow.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Ellis

Ordered—That the consideration of the Order of the Day respecting the Third Reading of the Bill entitled "An Act respecting Elections in the Present Year" with amendments be deferred till to-morrow.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Ellis the Bill entitled "An Act further to Extend the Term of the Present Legislature" was read a second time, and

Ordered—To be committed to-morrow.

The Hon. Mr. Gibbs gives notice that he will on to-morrow ask the Honourable the Leader of the Government to lay on the Table of this House all correspondence telegraphic or otherwise between the Imperial Government and the Government of this Colony in relation to the sale or purchase of the produce of the Seal Fishery of 1918.

The Hon. Mr. Squires asked the Honourable the Leader of the Government to lay on the Table the balance of the information asked for in relation to the Militia Department.

The Hon. Mr. Ellis replied that the information would be tabled as soon as possible.

On motion made the House adjourned until to-morrow, Wednesday, April 23rd, at 4 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, April 23rd, 1919.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

PRESENT :

The Honourable SIR PATRICK T. McGRATH,
K.B.E., L.L.D.,
President.

The Honourables GEORGE SKELTON
ROBERT K. BISHOP
JAMES D. RYAN
JOHN ANDERSON
JOHN HARVEY
MICHAEL P. GIBBS, K.C.
MARMADUKE G. WINTER
AUGUSTUS F. GOODRIDGE
PHILIP TEMPLEMAN
JOHN J. MURPHY
MICHAEL F. POWER
WILLIAM J. ELLIS
FRANK M. McNAMARA
ALEXANDER W. MEWS
WALTER B. GRIEVE,
C.B.E.
JESSE WHITEWAY

The Minutes of Tuesday, April 22nd, were read and confirmed.

Pursuant to notice of question by the Hon. Mr. Gibbs the Hon. Mr. Ellis replied that the information asked for was in course of preparation.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Anderson

Ordered—That the second reading of the Bill entitled “An Act of Ejectment of Tenants,” be deferred till to-morrow.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Ellis

Ordered—That the third reading of the Bill entitled “An Act respecting Elections in the Present Year,” with amendments, be deferred till to-morrow.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day and on motion of the Hon. Mr. Gibbs the Bill entitled “An Act to Amend the Act 8 Edward VII Chapter 5, entitled “An Act with respect to Compensation to Workmen for Injuries suffered in the Course of their Employment,” was read a second time, and,

Ordered—To be committed to-morrow.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day and on motion of the Hon. Mr. Ellis the House went into Committee on the Bill sent up entitled “An Act Further to Extend the Term of the Present Legislature.”

The Hon. Mr. Anderson in the Chair.

After a short time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported the Bill with some amendments.

Ordered—That the Report be received.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Ellis

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 a Message that this House had passed the said Bill with some amendments and requesting their concurrence therein.

The amendments are as follows:

Section 2 is now numbered as Section 3.

A new Section 2 is inserted:

2. A General Election of Members of the House of Assembly shall be holden not later than the tenth day of November One Thousand Nine Hundred and Nineteen.

On motion made the House adjourned till Friday, April 25th, at 4 p.m.

FRIDAY, April 25th, 1919.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

PRESENT :

The Honourable SIR PATRICK T. McGRATH,
K.B.E., L.L.D.,

President.

The Honourables GEORGE SKELTON
GEORGE KNOWLING
ROBERT K. BISHOP
JAMES D. RYAN
JOHN ANDERSON
JOHN HARVEY
MARMADUKE G. WINTER
AUGUSTUS F. GOODRIDGE
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WILLIAM J. ELLIS
FRANK M. McNAMARA
SAMUEL K. BELL
ALEXANDER W. MEWS
WALTER B. GRIEVE,
C.B.E.

The Minutes of Wednesday, April 23rd, were read and confirmed.

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 Further to Extend the Term of the Present Legislature," without amendment.

W. J. HIGGINS,
Speaker.

House of Assembly,
April 24th, 1919.

The Honourable the President informed the House that it is the intention of His Excellency the Governor to give his assent to the Bill entitled "An Act further to extend the Term of the Present Legislature," at 4.15 p.m.

The Honourable the President left the Chair till 4.15 p.m.

At 4.15 p.m. His Excellency the Governor Sir Charles Alexander Harris, Knight Commander of the Most Distinguished Order of St. Michael and St. George, Companion of the Most Honourable Order of the Bath, Commander of the Royal Victorian Order, 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 Bill entitled “An Act further to Extend the Term of the Present Legislature.”

The House of Assembly then retired.

His Excellency withdrew.

The Honourable the President resumed the Chair at 4.30 p.m.

On motion of Hon. Mr. Ellis,

Ordered—That the consideration of the third reading of the Bill entitled “An Act respecting Elections in the Present Year” with amendments be deferred till to-morrow.

On motion of Hon. Mr. Ellis,

Ordered—That the committal of the Bill entitled “An Act to Amend the Act 8 Edward VII, Chapter 5, entitled “An Act with Respect to Compensation to Workmen for Injuries suffered in the Course of their Employment,” be deferred till to-morrow.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Anderson

Ordered—That the second reading of the Bill

entitled "An Act of Ejectment of Tenants" be deferred till to-morrow.

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 prevent the Introduction of Rabies into Newfoundland" in which they request the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

W. J. HIGGINS,
Speaker.

House of Assembly,
April 25th, 1919.

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 and other purposes" in which they request the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

W. J. HIGGINS,
Speaker.

House of Assembly,
April 24th, 1919.

MR. PRESIDENT :

The House of Assembly acquaint the Legislative Council that they have passed the Bills entitled respectively: "An Act respecting Documentary Evidence and Extra Judicial Oaths"; "An Act to Amend 61 Victoria (1898) Chapter 18, entitled "An Act respecting the Department of Justice" and "An Act to Amend Chapter 141 of the Consolidated Statutes of Newfoundland (Second Series) entitled "Of the Keeping of Dogs," in which they request the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

W. J. HIGGINS,
Speaker.

House of Assembly,
April 24th, 1919.

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

"An Act to prevent the Introduction of Rabies into Newfoundland."

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

"An Act respecting Documentary Evidence and Extra Judicial Oaths."

"An Act to Amend the Act 61 Victoria (1898), Chapter 18, entitled "An Act respecting the Department of Justice."

“Act to Amend Chapter 141 of the Consolidated Statutes of Newfoundland (Second Series) entitled “Of the Keeping of Dogs.”

Were severally read a first time, and

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

On motion made the House adjourned till 4 p.m. on Monday, April 28th.

MONDAY, April 28th, 1919.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

PRESENT :

The Honourable SIR PATRICK T. McGRATH,
K.B.E., L.L.D.,
President.

The Honourables GEORGE SKELTON
GEORGE KNOWLING
JAMES D. RYAN
JOHN ANDERSON
JOHN HARVEY
MICHAEL P. GIBBS, K.C.
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DANIEL A. RYAN
WALTER B. GRIEVE,
C.B.E.
JESSE WHITEWAY.

The Minutes of Friday, April 25th, were read and confirmed.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Ellis,

Ordered— That the Bill sent up entitled "An

Act respecting Elections in the Present Year" be re-committed to-morrow.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day and on motion of the Hon. Mr. Gibbs the House went into Committee on the Bill sent up entitled "An Act to Amend the Act 8 Edward VII, Chapter 5, entitled "An Act with respect to Compensation to Workmen for Injuries suffered in the Course of their employment."

The Hon. Mr. Knowling 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 Hon. Mr. Anderson the Bill entitled "An Act with respect to Existing Tenancies and the Ejectment of Tenants therefrom" was read a second time, and

Ordered—To be committed to-morrow.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day and on motion of the Hon. Mr. Ellis the Bills sent up entitled respectively:

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

“An Act to Prevent the Introduction of Rabies into Newfoundland.”

“An Act respecting Documentary Evidence and Extra-Judicial Oaths.”

“An Act to Amend the Act 61 Victoria (1898), Chapter 18, entitled “An Act respecting the Department of Justice.”

“An Act to Amend Chapter 141 of the Consolidated Statutes of Newfoundland (Second Series) entitled “Of the Keeping of Dogs.”

Were severally read a second time, and

Ordered—To be severally committed to-morrow.

The Hon. Mr. Gibbs gives notice that he will on to-morrow ask the Honourable the Leader of the Government to lay on the Table of the House:

(1) Copy of any bill or bills by the Reid Newfoundland Company against the Government under their Construction Contracts.

(2) Report of the Government Engineer in relation to same, and

(3) A statement of any moneys paid on account.

On motion made the House adjourned until Wednesday, April 30th, at 4 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, April 30th, 1919.

PRESENT :

The Honourable SIR PATRICK T. McGRATH,
K.B.E., L.L.D.,
President.

The Honourable the President declared the House adjourned until to-morrow, Thursday, May 1st, at 4 p.m. for want of a quorum.

THURSDAY, May 1st, 1919.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

PRESENT :

The Honourable SIR PATRICK T. McGRATH,
K.B.E., L.L.D.,
President.

The Honourables GEORGE SKELTON
GEORGE KNOWLING
ROBERT K. BISHOP
JAMES D. RYAN
JOHN ANDERSON
JOHN HARVEY
SAMUEL MILLEY
MICHAEL P. GIBBS, K.C.
AUGUSTUS F. GOODRIDGE
PHILIP TEMPLEMAN
RICHARD A. SQUIRES, K.C.
WILLIAM J. ELLIS
FRANK M. McNAMARA
ALEXANDER W. MEWS
DANIEL A. RYAN
WALTER B. GRIEVE,
C.B.E.
JESSE WHITEWAY

The Minutes of Monday, April 28th, and Wednesday, April 30th, were read and confirmed.

Pursuant to notice of question by the Hon. Mr. Gibbs, the Hon. Mr. Ellis replied that the information asked for was in course of preparation.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day and on motion of the Hon. Mr. Ellis the House went into Committee on the Bill sent up entitled "An Act respecting Elections in the Present Year."

The Hon. J. D. Ryan in the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported the Bill with some amendment.

Ordered—That the Report be received.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Ellis

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

Ordered—To be sent to the House of Assembly with a message that this House had passed the Bill with some amendment and requesting their concurrence therein.

The amendment is as follows:

Section 6 is struck out.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day and on motion of the Hon. Mr. Gibbs the House went into Committee on the Bill sent up entitled "An Act to Amend the Act 8 Edward VII (1908), Chapter 5, entitled "An Act with respect to Compensation to Workmen for Injuries suffered in the Course of their Employment."

The Hon. Mr. Anderson in the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported the Bill with some amendment.

Ordered—That the Report be received, and

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

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Anderson

Ordered—That the committal of the Bill entitled “An Act with respect to Existing Tenancies and the Electment of Tenants therefrom” be deferred till later in the day.

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

The Hon. 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 Hon. Mr. Ellis the House went into Committee on the Bill sent up entitled "An Act to prevent the Introduction of Rabies into Newfoundland."

The Hon. 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 Hon. Mr. Ellis, the House went into Committee on the Bill sent up entitled "An Act respecting Documentary Evidence and Extra Judicial Oaths."

The Hon. 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.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day and on motion of the Hon. Mr. Ellis, the House went into Committee on the Bill sent up entitled "An Act to Amend the Act 61 Victoria (1898), Chapter 18, entitled "An Act respecting the Department of Justice."

The Hon. Mr. McNamara 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 Hon. Mr. Ellis, the House went into Committee on the Bill sent up entitled "An Act to Amend Chapter 141 of the Consolidated Statutes of Newfoundland (Second Series) entitled "Of the Keepings of Dogs."

The Hon. Mr. Grieve 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 Hon. Mr. Anderson, the House went into Committee on the Bill sent up entitled "An Act with respect to Existing Tenancies and the Ejection of Tenants therefrom."

The Hon. 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 Hon. Mr. Squires gives notice that he will on to-morrow ask the Honourable Leader of the Government to lay on the table of the Council a statement showing the total cost of the Port Union Railway Extension to date covering:

(a) The total amounts paid the Reid Newfoundland Company with respect thereto.

(b) The total cost of right of way.

(c) The total of all other costs, disbursements and expenses in connection therewith.

What is the additional length of the Bonavista Branch Railway occasioned by this construction? Does the Reid Newfoundland Company receive

any additional amounts, mail or other subsidy, because of this Port Union additional line? If so, how much annually? Do passengers to and from Bonavista pay any additional fare or mileage because of additional length of line. Do goods carried by Express or freight pay any additional charge because of increase in the length of line? If so, how much?

Hon. Mr. Squires gives notice that he will on to-morrow ask the Honourable Leader of the Government to lay upon the Table of the Council a copy of the various statements of Claims of the Reid Newfoundland Company and statements furnished by the Government Engineer in relation to the claim of the Reid Newfoundland Company against the Government for monies due for Branch line construction, fencing and equipment, covering all statements made by the Reid Newfoundland Company and the Government since August 1st, 1917? Has any report or reports been made by Committee of Council to the Government with respect to these claims or any of them? If so when were reports made and furnish a copy of each? Who concurred in the reports and by whom were they signed? What sums of money if any were paid to the Reid Newfoundland Company with respect to these claims between August 1st, 1917, and January 1st, 1918, and on what authority (if any) were said payments made and when? What sums of money have been paid the Reid Newfoundland Company with respect thereto since January 1st, 1918? On what authority and when?

Hon. Mr. Squires gives notice that on to-morrow he will ask the Honourable the Leader of the Government to lay upon the Table of the Council a statement showing all payments made to Mr. John R. Bennett and all amounts due Mr. John R. Bennett with respect to telegraph, postal and other censorships since January 1st, 1918.

Also all amounts paid or due Mr. John R. Goodison for censorship in connection with the Press or any other censorship since January 1st, 1918; also all other amounts paid or due with respect to any matters in which Mr. Goodison may have been employed by the Government or any department of the Government since January 1st, 1918. When did Mr. Goodison's employment as Press Censor terminate?

Also to lay upon the Table of the House a statement as to the total cost of Press Censorship since the 1st of January, 1918, and copies of all orders, circulars and instructions issued by the Press Censor, or issued from the office of the Press Censor since January 1st, 1918.

The Hon. Mr. Ellis placed on the Table the Report of the Reid Newfoundland Company for 1917-1918.

On motion made the House adjourned until Monday, May 5th, at 4 p.m.

MONDAY, May 5th, 1919.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

PRESENT :

The Honourable SIR PATRICK T. McGRATH,
K.B.E., L.L.D.,
President.

The Honourables GEORGE SKELTON
GEORGE KNOWLING
ROBERT K. BISHOP
JAMES D. RYAN
JOHN ANDERSON
JOHN HARVEY
SAMUEL MILLEY
MICHAEL P. GIBBS, K.C.
AUGUSTUS F. GOODRIDGE
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ALEXANDER W. MEWS
WALTER B. GRIEVE,
C.B.E.
JESSE WHITEWAY

The Minutes of Thursday, May 1st, were read and confirmed.

The Hon. Mr. Ellis tabled the information asked for by the Hon. Mr. Gibbs.

Pursuant to notice of question the Hon. Mr.

Ellis tabled the information asked for by the Hon. Mr. Squires.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day and on motion of the Hon. Mr. Gibbs, the Bill sent up entitled "An Act to Amend the Act 8 Edward VII (1908), Chapter 5, entitled "An Act with respect to Compensation to Workmen for Injuries suffered in the Course of their Employment," was read a third time and passed, and

The Hon. the President signed the same.

Ordered—That the said Bill be sent to the House of Assembly with a message that this House had passed the same and requesting their concurrence therein.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day and on motion of the Hon. Mr. Ellis, the Bills sent up entitled respectively:

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

"An Act to prevent the Introduction of Rabies into Newfoundland";

"An Act respecting Documentary Evidence and Extra Judicial Oaths";

"An Act to Amend the Act 61 Victoria (1898), Chapter 18, entitled "An Act respecting the Department of Justice";

“An Act to Amend Chapter 141 of the Consolidated Statutes of Newfoundland (Second Series) entitled “Of the Keeping of Dogs”;

Were severally read a third time and passed, and

The Honourable the President signed the same.

Ordered—That the said Bills be sent to the House of Assembly with a message that this House had passed the said Bills without amendment.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day and on motion of the Hon. Mr. Anderson, the House went into Committee on the Bill sent up entitled “An Act with respect to Existing Tenancies and the Ejectment of Tenants therefrom.”

The Hon. Mr. Milley in the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported progress and asked that the Bill be referred to a Select Committee of the House.

Ordered—That the Report be received, and

Ordered—That a Select Committee be appointed to consider and report on the said Bill, and

Ordered—That the Honourable Messrs.

Anderson, Gibbs, Squires, Bishop, McNamara and Mews be a Committee for that purpose.

The Hon. 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 amendment sent down in and upon the Bill sent up entitled "An Act respecting Elections in the Present Year," without amendment.

W. J. HIGGINS,
Speaker.

House of Assembly,
May 2nd, 1919.

On motion made the House adjourned till Thursday, May 8th, at 4 p.m.

THURSDAY, May 8th, 1919.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

PRESENT :

The Honourable SIR PATRICK T. McGRATH,
K.B.E., L.L.D.,
President.

The Honourables GEORGE SKELTON
GEORGE KNOWLING
ROBERT K. BISHOP
JAMES D. RYAN
JOHN ANDERSON
JOHN HARVEY
SAMUEL MILLEY
MICHAEL P. GIBBS, K.C.
PHILIP TEMPLEMAN
MICHAEL F. POWER
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FRANK M. McNAMARA
SAMUEL K. BELL
TASKER K. COOK
ALEXANDER W. MEWS
WALTER B. GRIEVE,
C.B.E.
JESSE WHITEWAY

The Minutes of Monday, May 5th, were read and confirmed.

The Hon. the President informed the House that it is the intention of His Excellency the Governor to assent to the Loan Act, 1919, this afternoon at 4.15 p.m.

The Hon. the President left the Chair till 4.15 p.m.

At 4.15 p.m. His Excellency the Governor Sir Charles Alexander Harris, Knight Commander of the Most Distinguished Order of St. Michael and St. George, Companion of the Most Honourable Order of the Bath, Commander of the Royal Victorian Order, 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 that 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 Bill entitled:

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

The House of Assembly then retired.

His Excellency withdrew.

At 4.30 p.m. the Honourable the President resumed the Chair.

The Honourable Mr. Anderson from the

Select Committee appointed to consider the amendments made in and upon the Bill entitled "An Act with respect to Existing Tenancies and the Ejectment of Tenants therefrom," presented the following report which was received and read:

We, the undersigned members of the Select Committee appointed by the Legislative Council to consider the amendments to "The Tenancy Act, 1919," beg to report that we have considered the same and herewith submit the Bill and amendments attached.

JOHN ANDERSON
M. P. GIBBS
ALEX. W. MEWS
R. K. BISHOP
F. M. MCNAMARA.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Anderson

Ordered—That the Bill be referred to a Committee of the Whole House.

The Hon. 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 Bill as amended be read a third time to-morrow.

The Hon. 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 Prevent the Introduction or Spreading of Insects, Pests and Diseases destructive to Vegetation"; "An Act respecting Second-Hand Stores"; "An Act to Amend Chapter 52 of the Consolidated Statutes of Newfoundland (Second Series) entitled "Of the Central and Harbor Grace District Courts"; and "An Act for the Protection of Domesticated Deer"; in which they request the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

W. J. HIGGINS,
Speaker.

House of Assembly,
May 7th, 1919.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Ellis the following Bills sent up entitled respectively:

"An Act to Prevent the Introduction or Spreading of Insects, Pests and Diseases destructive to Vegetation";

"An Act respecting Second-Hand Stores";

"An Act to Amend Chapter 52 of the Consolidated Statutes of Newfoundland (Second

Series) entitled "Of the Central and Harbor Grace District Courts";

"An Act for the Protection of Domesticated Deer";

Were severally read a first time, and

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

The Hon. Mr. Ellis tabled the following Reports:

Report of the Examinations conducted by the Council of Higher Education Newfoundland for the year 1918.

Report of the Public Schools of Newfoundland under Salvation Army Boards for the year ending December 31st, 1918.

Report of the Postmaster General on the Postal and Telegraph Service for Year ended June 30th, 1918.

On motion made the House adjourned until to-morrow, Friday, May 9th, at 4p.m.

FRIDAY, May 9th, 1919.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

PRESENT :

The Honourable SIR PATRICK T. McGRATH,
K.B.E., L.L.D.,
President.

The Honourables GEORGE SKELTON
JAMES D. RYAN
JOHN ANDERSON
SAMUEL MILLEY
MICHAEL P. GIBBS, K.C.
AUGUSTUS F. GOODRIDGE
MICHAEL F. POWER
WILLIAM J. ELLIS
ALEXANDER W. MEWS
JESSE WHITEWAY

The Minutes of Thursday, May 8th, were read and confirmed.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Anderson

Ordered—That the Bill entitled “An Act with respect to existing Tenancies and the Ejectment of Tenants therefrom,” be re-committed.

The Hon. Mr. Milley in the Chair.

After a short time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported the Bill with some amendments.

Ordered—That the Report be received.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Anderson the said Bill as amended was read a third time and passed, and

Ordered—That the said Bill be sent to the House of Assembly with a Message that this House had passed the said Bill and requesting their concurrence therein.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day and on motion of the Hon. Mr. Ellis, the Bills sent up entitled respectively:

“An Act to Prevent the Introduction or Spreading of Insects, Pests and Diseases destructive to Vegetation”;

“An Act respecting Second-Hand Stores”;

“An Act to Amend Chapter 52 of the Consolidated Statutes of Newfoundland (Second Series) entitled “Of the Central and Harbor Grace District Courts”;

“An Act for the Protection of Domesticated Deer”;

Were severally read a second time, and

Ordered—To be severally committed 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 Bill entitled "An Act Further to Amend the Weights and Measures Act, 1916," in which they request the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

W. J. HIGGINS,
Speaker.

House of Assembly,
May 9th, 1919.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Ellis the Bill sent up entitled "An Act Further to Amend the Weights and Measures Act, 1916," was read a first time, and

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

On motion made the House then adjourned until to-morrow, Saturday, at 4 p.m.

SATURDAY, May 10th, 1919.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

PRESENT :

The Honourable SIR PATRICK T. McGRATH,
K.B.E., L.L.D.,
President.

The Honourables GEORGE KNOWLING
ROBERT K. BISHOP
JAMES D. RYAN
JOHN ANDERSON
JOHN HARVEY
SAMUEL MILLEY
PHILIP TEMPLEMAN
WILLIAM J. ELLIS
FRANCIS M. McNAMARA

The Minutes of Friday, May 9th, were read and confirmed.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day and on motion of the Hon. W. J. Ellis, the House went into Committee on the Bill sent up entitled "An Act to Prevent the Introduction or Spreading of Insects, Pests and Diseases Destructive to Vegetation."

Hon. 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 Hon. Mr. Ellis, the House went into Committee on the Bill sent up entitled "An Act respecting Second-Hand Stores."

The Hon. Mr. Templeman 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 Hon. Mr. Ellis, the House went into Committee on the Bill entitled "An Act for the Protection of Domesticated Deer."

The Hon. J. D. Ryan in the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

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

Ordered—That the Report be received.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Ellis,

Ordered—That the consideration of the Second Reading of the Bill sent up entitled “An Act Further to Amend the Weights and Measures Act, 1916,” be deferred until to-morrow.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day and on motion of the Hon. Mr. Ellis, the House went into Committee on the Bill sent up entitled “An Act to Amend Chapter 52 of the Consolidated Statutes of Newfoundland (Second Series) entitled “Of the Central and Harbor Grace District Courts.”

The Hon. 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.

The Hon. 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 Extend and Amend

the Business Profits Tax Act, 1917," and "An Act to Amend the Income War Tax Act, 1918," in which they request the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

W. J. HIGGINS,
Speaker.

House of Assembly,
May 9th, 1919.

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

"An Act to Extend and Amend the Business Profits Tax Act, 1917," and

"An Act to Amend the Income War Tax Act, 1918,"

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, May 12th, at 4 p.m.

MONDAY, May 12th, 1919.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

PRESENT :

The Honourable SIR PATRICK T. McGRATH,
K.B.E., L.L.D.,

President.

The Honourables GEORGE SKELTON
GEORGE KNOWLING
ROBERT K. BISHOP
JAMES D. RYAN
JOHN ANDERSON
JOHN HARVEY
SAMUEL MILLEY
MICHAEL P. GIBBS, K.C.
MARMADUKE G. WINTER
AUGUSTUS F. GOODRIDGE
PHILIP TEMPLEMAN
JOHN J. MURPHY
MICHAEL F. POWER
WILLIAM J. ELLIS
FRANK M. McNAMARA
ALEXANDER W. MEWS
WALTER B. GRIEVE,
C.B.E.
JESSE WHITEWAY

The Minutes of Saturday, May 10th, were read and confirmed.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day and on motion of the Hon. Mr. Ellis, the Bills sent up up entitled respectively:

“An Act to Prevent the Introduction of Insects, Pests and Diseases Destructive to Vegetation”;

“An Act respecting Second-Hand Stores”;

“An Act to Amend Chapter 52 of the Consolidated Statutes of Newfoundland (Second Series) entitled “Of the Central and Harbor Grace District Courts”;

Were severally read a third time and passed, and

The Hon. the President signed the same.

Ordered—That the said Bills 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 Hon. Mr. Ellis, the House went into Committee on the Bill sent up entitled “An Act for the Protection of Domesticated Deer.”

The Hon. J. D. Ryan 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 Hon Mr. Ellis, the Bills sent up entitled respectively:

“An Act Further to Amend the Weights and Measures Act, 1916”;

“Act Act to Extend and Amend the Business Profits Tax Act, 1918”;

“An Act to Amend the Income War Tax Act, 1918”;

Were severally read a second time, and

Ordered—To be severally committed to-morrow.

The Hon. 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 further to Amend the Act 2 Edward VII (1902), Chapter 14, entitled “An Act respecting the Control and Management of the Harbor of Grand Bank,” in which they request the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

W. J. HIGGINS,
Speaker.

House of Assembly,
May 12th, 1919.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Ellis the Bill sent up entitled "An Act Further to Amend the Act 2 Edward VII (1902), Chapter 14, entitled "An Act respecting the Control and Management of the Harbor of Grand Bank," was read a first time, and

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

On motion made the House adjourned until to-morrow, the 13th inst., at 4 p.m.

TUESDAY, May 13th, 1919.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

PRESENT :

The Honourable SIR PATRICK T. McGRATH,
K.B.E., L.L.D.,
President.

The Honourables GEORGE SKELTON
ROBERT K. BISHOP
JAMES D. RYAN
JOHN ANDERSON
SAMUEL MILLEY
MICHAEL P. GIBBS, K.C.
MARMADUKE G. WINTER
RICHARD A. SQUIRES, K.C.
WILLIAM J. ELLIS
SAMUEL K. BELL
TASKER K. COOK
ALEXANDER W. MEWS
WALTER B. GRIEVE,
C.B.E.

The Minutes of Monday, May 12th, were read and confirmed.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day and on motion of the Hon. Mr. Ellis, the Bill sent up entitled "An Act for the Protection of Domesticated Deer," was read a third time and passed, and

The Hon. the President signed the same.

Ordered—That the said Bill 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 Hon. Mr. Ellis, the House went into Committee on the Bill sent up entitled "An Act Further to Amend the Weights and Measures Act 1916."

The Hon. Mr. Cook in the Chair.

After a short 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 Hon. Mr. Ellis, the House went into Committee on the Bill sent up entitled "An Act to Extend and Amend the Business Profits Tax Act, 1917."

The Hon. Mr. Bell in the Chair.

After a short 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 Hon. Mr. Ellis, the House went into Committee on the Bill sent up entitled “An Act to Amend the Income War Tax Act, 1918.”

The Hon. Mr. Mews in the Chair.

After a short 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 Hon. Mr. Ellis, the Bill sent up entitled “An Act Further to Amend the Act 2 Edward VII (1902), Chapter 14, entitled “An Act respecting the Control and Management of the Harbor of Grand Bank” was read a second time, and

Ordered—To be committed to-morrow.

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 Bill sent down entitled "An Act to Amend the Act 8 Edward VII (1908), Chapter 5, entitled "An Act with respect to Compensation to Workmen for Injuries suffered in the Course of their Employment," without amendment.

W. J. HIGGINS,
Speaker.

House of Assembly,
May 13th, 1919.

MR. PRESIDENT :

The House of Assembly acquaint the Legislative Council that they have passed the Bills entitled respectively: "An Act respecting the Municipal Affairs of the Town of St. John's"; "An Act to Amend the Act 6 Geo. V (1916), Chapter 26, entitled "An Act Respecting the Refining of Cod Liver Oil"; An Act to Amend the Act 6 Geo. V (1915), Chapter 18, entitled "An Act respecting the Administration of Local Affairs," and "An Act to provide for the Inspection of Food on Sealing Steamers," in which they request the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

W. J. HIGGINS,
Speaker.

House of Assembly,
May 13th, 1919.

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

“An Act to Amend the Act 6 Geo. V (1916), Chapter 26, entitled “An Act Respecting the Refining of Cod Liver Oil”;

“An Act respecting the Municipal Affairs of the Town of St. John’s”;

“An Act further to Amend the Act 6 Geo. V (1915), Chapter 18, entitled “An Act respecting the Administration of Local Affairs”;

“An Act to Provide for the Inspection of Food on Sealing Steamers”;

Were severally read a first time, and

Ordered—That the said Bills be severally read a second time to-morrow.

The Hon. Mr. Squires gives notice that he will on to-morrow ask the Honourable the Leader of the Government to lay upon the Table of the Council a statement of all expenditures made by or under the authority of the Department of Justice under the heading of civil and criminal prosecutions account, giving names of persons to whom payments were made, nature of services rendered, dates of payment and amounts paid; also like information relating to all payments made by the Department of Justice, Department of Finance and Customs, Department of Marine and Fisheries, Department of Agriculture, Department of Public

Works, Militia Department, Board of Food Control, Press Censorship Committee, Shipping Committee and all other Departments or Committees of the Government for professional services in connection with all matters, including particularly commissions, administrations and probates, tax collecting, royalty rental and bonus collecting, legal proceedings and all other matters in which fees and commissions have been paid for professional or expert services rendered the Government, the statement to date from the 1st of January, A.D. 1918.

Hon. Mr. Squires gives notice that he will on to-morrow ask the Honourable the Leader of the Government to lay upon the Table of the Council a statement showing all sums of money paid during the years 1914-15-16-17-18-19, stating the total amount paid each year by the Government out of the public funds, or by any Department of the Government, any Government Board, or Commission out of public funds:

(a) For advertising.

(b) For job work.

To

(a) The Evening Telegram newspaper and / or its proprietor.

(b) The "Evening Herald" newspaper and / or its proprietor.

(c) The "Mail and Advocate," "Evening Advocate," "Morning Advocate," "Weekly Advocate" and / or their proprietors.

(d) The "Daily News," "Free Press" and / or their proprietors.

(e) The "Daily Star" and / or its proprietors.

What sums of money are estimated to be now due and unpaid to each of these publications and / or their proprietors with respect to

(a) Advertising;

(b) Job work.

Hon. Mr. Squires gives notice that he will on to-morrow ask the Hon. the Leader of the Government to lay on the Table of the Council a statement showing all payments made to all and each of the members of the Executive Government as Departmental or other salaries and income: also all payments made to each or to any firm or company with which any member of the Council is connected as a shareholder, partner, manager, or office holder for any purpose whatever, giving amounts of payments, dates, persons to whom paid and services for which payments were made, all particulars to be given covering period since January 1st, 1918.

Hon. Mr. Gibbs gives notice that he will on to-morrow ask the Honourable Leader of the Government to lay on the Table of this House copies of

all correspondence in relation to negotiations that took place between the Italian Government and the British Government on the one hand and the Governor of Newfoundland or the Executive Council of this Colony or any member or committee thereof or any Department of the Government on the other hand in relation to the export of codfish from this Colony to Italy during the autumn of 1917. If the codfish was purchased in this country for the Italian Government directly or indirectly or through Agents during the Autumn of 1917 or at any time during the year 1917; if so by whom and what quantity. What price did the Italian Government agree to pay for such codfish and what price was actually paid for same in this country.

On motion made the House adjourned until to-morrow, Wednesday, the 14th inst., at 4 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, May 14th, 1919.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

PRESENT :

The Honourable SIR PATRICK T. MCGRATH,
K.B.E., L.L.D.,

President.

The Honourables GEORGE SKELTON
GEORGE KNOWLING
ROBERT K. BISHOP
JAMES D. RYAN
SAMUEL MILLEY
MARMADUKE G. WINTER
AUGUSTUS F. GOODRIDGE
PHILIP TEMPLEMAN
MICHAEL F. POWER
RICHARD A. SQUIRES, K.C.
WILLIAM J. ELLIS
FRANK M. MCNAMARA
SAMUEL K. BELL
ALEXANDER W. MEWS
WALTER B. GRIEVE,
C.B.E.

The Minutes of Tuesday, the 13th inst., were read and confirmed.

Pursuant to notice of question by the Hon. Mr. Squires and the Hon. Mr. Gibbs, the Hon. Mr. Ellis replied that the information asked for was in course of preparation.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day and on motion of the Hon. Mr. Ellis, the Bills sent up entitled respectively:

“An Act further to Amend the Weights and Measures Act, 1916”;

“An Act to Amend the Income War tax Act, 1918”;

“An Act to Amend and Extend the Business Profits Tax Act, 1917”;

Were severally read a third time and passed, and

The Honourable the President signed the same.

Ordered—That the said Bills be sent to the House of Assembly with Messages that this House had passed the same without amendment.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day and on motion of the Hon. Mr. Ellis, the House went into Committee on the Bill sent up entitled “An Act further to Amend the Act 2 Edward VII (1902), Chapter 14, entitled “An Act respecting the Control and Management of the Harbor of Grand Bank.”

The Hon. Mr. Whiteway in the Chair.

After a short 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 Hon. Mr. Ellis, the Bills sent up entitled respectively:

“An Act to Amend the Act 6 Geo. V. (1916), Chapter 26, entitled “An Act respecting the Refining of Cod Liver Oil”;

“An Act to Amend the Act 6 Geo. V (1915), Chapter 18, entitled “An Act respecting the Administration of Local Affairs”;

Were severally read a second time, and

Ordered—To be severally committed to-morrow.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Ellis the consideration of the Bills sent up entitled respectively:

“An Act respecting the Municipal Affairs of the Town of St. John’s,” and

“An Act to provide for the Inspection of Food on Sealing Steamers,”

Was deferred until to-morrow.

The Hon. Mr. Mews gives notice that he will on to-morrow ask the Hon. the Leader of the Government to lay on the Table of the House a statement showing all payments made to the Hon. R. A. Squires as Departmental or other Salary; also all payments made in connection with arbitrations or for any other purpose to Hon. R. A. Squires or to any other firm with which he was or is connected, giving dates and purposes for which payments were made; all particulars to be given covering the period from June 30th, 1908, to present date; also a statement of any accounts presented by Hon. R. A. Squires or the firm with which he is connected which have not been paid.

On motion made the House adjourned until to-morrow, Thursday, the 15th inst., at 4 p.m.

THURSDAY, May 15th, 1919.

PRESENT :

The Honourable SIR PATRICK T. McGRATH,
K.B.E., L.L.D.,
President.

The Honourable the President adjourned the House for want of a quorum until to-morrow, Friday, the 16th instant, at 4 p.m.

FRIDAY, May 16th, 1919.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

PRESENT :

The Honourable SIR PATRICK T. McGRATH,
K.B.E., L.L.D.,
President.

The Honourables GEORGE SKELTON
GEORGE KNOWLING
ROBERT K. BISHOP
JAMES D. RYAN
SAMUEL MILLEY
MARMADUKE G. WINTER
AUGUSTUS F. GOODRIDGE
PHILIP TEMPLEMAN
WILLIAM J. ELLIS
FRANK M. McNAMARA
ALEXANDER W. MEWS
WALTER B. GRIEVE,
C.B.E.
JESSE WHITEWAY

The Minutes of Wednesday, May 14th and Thursday, May 15th, were read and confirmed.

Pursuant to notice of question by the Hon. Mr. Mews, the Hon. Mr. Ellis replied that the information asked for was in course of preparation.

The Hon. Mr. Ellis laid on the Table of the House the following Reports:

Report of Minister of Militia from Inauguration of Militia Department to 31st March, 1919.

Report of the Board of Pension Commissioners for Newfoundland from February 19th to December 31st, 1918.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day and on motion of the Hon. Mr. Ellis, the Bill sent up entitled "An Act further to Amend the Act 2 Edward VII (1902), Chapter 14, entitled "An Act respecting the Control and Management of the Harbor of Grand Bank," was read a third time and passed, and

The Honourable the President signed the same.

Ordered—That the said Bill 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 Hon. Mr. Ellis, the House went into Committee on the Bill sent up entitled "An Act to Amend the Act 6 Geo. V (1915), Chapter 26, en-

titled "An Act respecting the Refining of Cod Liver Oil."

The Hon. Mr. Goodridge in the Chair.

After a short 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 Hon. Mr. Ellis, the House went into Committee on the Bill sent up entitled "An Act to Amend the Act 6 Geo. V (1915), Chapter 18, entitled "An Act respecting the Administration of Local Affairs."

The Hon. Mr. Winter in the Chair.

After a short 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 Hon. Mr. Ellis, the Bill sent up en-

titled "An Act respecting the Municipal Affairs of the Town of St. John's," was read a second time, and

Ordered—To be committed to-morrow.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Ellis the consideration of the Second Reading of the Bill entitled "An Act to provide for the Inspection of Food on Sealing Steamers" was deferred till 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 Bill entitled "An Act to Extend the Beaver Act, 1918," in which they request the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

W. J. HIGGINS,
Speaker.

House of Assembly,
May 14th, 1919.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Ellis the Bill sent up entitled "An Act to Extend the Beaver Act, 1918," was read a first time, and

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

On motion made the House adjourned until Monday, May 19th, at 4 p.m.

MONDAY, May 19th, 1919.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

PRESENT :

The Honourable SIR PATRICK T. MCGRATH,
K.B.E., L.L.D.,
President.

The Honourables GEORGE SKELTON
GEORGE KNOWLING
ROBERT K. BISHOP
JAMES D. RYAN
SAMUEL MILLEY
MARMADUKE G. WINTER
PHILIP TEMPLEMAN
WILLIAM J. ELLIS
SAMUEL K. BELL
ALEXANDER W. MEWS
WALTER B. GRIEVE
C.B.E.
JESSE WHITEWAY

The Minutes of Friday, May 16th, were read and confirmed.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day and on motion of the Hon. Mr. Ellis, the Bills sent up entitled respectively:

“An Act to Amend the Act 6 Geo. V (1916), Chapter 26, entitled “An Act respecting the Refining of Cod Liver Oil,” and

“An Act to Amend the Act 6 Geo. V (1915),

Chapter 18, entitled "An Act respecting the Administration of Local Affairs,"

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 same without amendment.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day and on motion of the Hon. Mr. Ellis, the House went into Committee on the Bill sent up entitled "An Act respecting the Municipal Affairs of the Town of St. John's."

The Hon. 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 Hon. Mr. Ellis

Ordered—That the consideration of the Second Reading of the Bill entitled "An Act to provide for the Inspection of Food on Sealing Steamers," be deferred till to-morrow.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day and on

motion of the Hon. Mr. Ellis, the Bill sent up entitled "An Act to Extend the Beaver Act, 1918," was read a second time, and

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 passed the following Bills entitled respectively: "An Act respecting the Bell Island Co-operative Company, Limited"; "An Act respecting the People's Electric Company, Limited"; "An Act to Amend the Insurance Companies Act, 1906"; "An Act to Amend the Act 61 Vic. (1898), Chapter 8, entitled "An Act respecting Salaries"; "An Act to Amend the Act 61 Vic. (1898), Chapter 47, entitled "An Act relating to the Constitution of the Supreme Court"; and "An Act respecting Certain Retiring Allowances," in which they request the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

W. J. HIGGINS,
Speaker.

House of Assembly,
May 16th, 1919.

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

“An Act respecting the Bell Island Co-Operate Company, Limited”;

“An Act respecting the People’s Electric Company, Limited”;

“An Act to Amend the Insurance Companies Act, 1906”;

“An Act to Amend the Act 61 Vic. (1898), Chapter 47, entitled “An Act relating to the Constitution of the Supreme Court”;

“An Act respecting Certain Retiring Allowances”;

Were severally read a first time, and

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

On motion made the House adjourned until Wednesday, the 21st inst., at 4 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, May 21st, 1919.

PRESENT :

The Honourable SIR PATRICK T. MCGRATH,
K.B.E., L.L.D.,
President.

The Honourable the President declared the House adjourned until Thursday, May 22nd, at 4 p.m. for want of a quorum.

THURSDAY, May 22nd, 1919.

PRESENT :

The Honourable SIR PATRICK T. MCGRATH,
K.B.E., L.L.D.,
President.

The Honourable the President declared the House adjourned until Friday, May 23rd, at 4 p.m. for want of a quorum.

FRIDAY, May 23rd, 1919.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

PRESENT :

The Honourable SIR PATRICK T. McGRATH,
K.B.E., L.L.D.,
President.

The Honourables GEORGE SKELTON
GEORGE KNOWLING
ROBERT K. BISHOP
SAMUEL MILLEY
MARMADUKE G. WINTER
AUGUSTUS F. GOODRIDGE
PHILIP TEMPLEMAN
MICHAEL F. POWER
WILLIAM J. ELLIS
FRANK M. McNAMARA
SAMUEL K. BELL
ALEXANDER W. MEWS
WALTER B. GRIEVE,
C.B.E.

The Minutes of Monday, May 19th, and
Wednesday, May 21st, were read and confirmed.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day and on
motion of the Hon. Mr. Ellis, the House went into
Committee on the Bill sent up entitled "An Act
respecting the Municipal Affairs of the Town of
St. John's."

The Hon. Dr. Skelton in the Chair.

After a short time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported some progress and asked that the Bill be referred to a Select Committee of the House.

Ordered—That the Report be received, and

Ordered—That a Select Committee be appointed to consider and report on the said Bill, and

Ordered—That the Honourables Messrs. Ellis, Templeman, Grieve, Goodridge and Power be a Select Committee for that purpose.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day and on motion of the Hon. Mr. Ellis, the House went into Committee on the Bill sent up entitled "An Act to Extend the Beaver Act, 1918."

The Hon. 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

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

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Ellis, the consideration of the Second Reading of the Bill sent up entitled "An Act to Provide for the Inspection of

Food on Sealing Steamers," was deferred till tomorrow.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day and on motion of the Hon. Mr. Ellis, the Bills sent up entitled respectively:

"An Act respecting the Bell Island Co-Operative Company, Limited";

"An Act respecting the People's Electric Company, Limited";

"An Act to Amend the Insurance Companies Act, 1906";

"An Act to Amend the Act 61 Vic. (1898), Chapter 8, entitled "An Act respecting Salaries";

"An Act to Amend the Act 61 Vic. (1898), Chapter 47, entitled "An Act relating to the Constitution of the Supreme Court";

"An Act respecting Certain Retiring Allowances";

Were severally read a second time, and

Ordered—To be severally committed tomorrow.

On motion made the House adjourned until Monday, May 26th, at 4 p.m.

MONDAY, May 26th, 1919.

PRESENT :

The Honourable SIR PATRICK T. McGRATH,
K.B.E., L.L.D.,
President.

The Honourable the President declared the House adjourned until to-morrow, Tuesday, the 27th inst., for want of a quorum.

TUESDAY, May 27th, 1919.

PRESENT :

The Honourable SIR PATRICK T. McGRATH,
K.B.E., L.L.D.,
Secretary.

The Honourables GEORGE SKELTON
GEORGE KNOWLING
ROBERT K. BISHOP
SAMUEL MILLEY
MARMADUKE G. WINTER
AUGUSTUS F. GOODRIDGE
JOHN J. MURPHY
RICHARD A. SQUIRES, K.C.
WILLIAM J. ELLIS
FRANCIS M. McNAMARA

The Minutes of Friday, May 23rd, and Monday, May 26th, were read and confirmed.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day and on motion of the Hon. Mr. Ellis, the Bill sent up entitled "An Act to Extend the Beaver Act, 1918," 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.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day and on motion of the Hon. Mr. Ellis, the House went into Committee on the Bill sent up entitled "An Act respecting the Bell Island Co-operative Company, Limited."

The Hon. Mr. Knowling in the Chair.

After a short time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported the Bill without amendment.

Ordered—That the Report be received.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Ellis the said Bill was then read a third time and passed, and

The Hon. 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 Hon. Mr. Ellis, the House went into Committee on the Bill sent up entitled "An Act respecting the People's Electric Company, Limited."

The Hon. Mr. Milley in the Chair.

After a short time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported the Bill without amendment.

Ordered—That the Report be received, and

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Ellis the said Bill was then read a third time and passed, and

The Hon. 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 Hon. Mr. Ellis, the House went into Committee on the Bill sent up entitled "An Act to Amend the Insurance Companies Act, 1906."

The Hon. Mr. Winter 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 Hon. Mr. Ellis the said Bill was then read a third time, and passed, and

The Hon. 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 Hon. Mr. Ellis, the House went into Committee on the Bill sent up entitled “An Act to Amend the Act 61 Vic. (1898), Chapter 8, entitled “An Act respecting Salaries.”

The Hon. Mr. Goodridge in the Chair.

After a short 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 Hon. Mr. Ellis, the House went into Committee on the Bill sent up entitled “An Act to Amend the Act 61 Vic. (1898), Chapter 47, entitled “An Act relating to the Constitution of the Supreme Court.”

The Hon. 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 Hon. Mr. Ellis, the House went into Committee on the Bill sent up entitled "An Act respecting Certain Retiring Allowances."

The Hon. Mr. Power in the Chair.

After a short 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 Hon. Mr. Ellis the consideration of the Second Reading of the Bill sent up entitled "An Act to Provide for the Inspection of Food on Sealing Steamers," was deferred till to-morrow.

The Hon. Mr. Ellis from the Select Committee appointed to consider Section 3, 4, and 5 of the

Bill sent up entitled "An Act respecting the Municipal Affairs of the Town of St. John's," presented the following Report which was received and read:

MR. PRESIDENT :

We, the undersigned members of the Select Committee appointed by the Legislative Council to consider Sections 3, 4, and 5 of the Bill entitled "An Act respecting the Municipal Affairs of the Town of St. John's," beg to report that we have considered the same and recommend the Bill as it stands.

W. J. ELLIS

A. F. GOODRIDGE

W. B. GRIEVE

M. F. POWER (with reservation)

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Ellis the House went into Committee on the said Bill.

The Hon. Dr. Skelton in the Chair.

After a short 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 Thursday, May 29th, at 4 p.m.

THURSDAY, May 29th, 1913.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

PRESENT :

The Honourable SIR PATRICK T. McGRATH,
K.B.E., L.L.D.,
President.

The Honourables GEORGE SKELTON
ROBERT K. BISHOP
SAMUEL MILLEY
AUGUSTUS F. GOODRIDGE
PHILIP TEMPLEMAN
MICHAEL F. POWER
WILLIAM J. ELLIS
FRANCIS M. McNAMARA
ALEXANDER W. MEWS
WALTER B. GRIEVE,
C.B.E.

The Minutes of Tuesday, May 27th, were read and confirmed.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day and on motion of the Hon. Mr. Ellis, the following Bills sent up entitled respectively:

“An Act to Amend the Act 61 Vic. (1898), Chapter 8, entitled “An Act respecting Salaries”;

“An Act to Amend the Act 61 Vic. (1898), Chapter 47, entitled “An Act relating to the Constitution of the Supreme Court”;

“An Act respecting Certain Retiring Allowances,” and

“An Act respecting the Municipal Affairs of the Town of St. John’s”;

Were severally read a third time and passed, and

The Hon. 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 Hon. Mr. Ellis, the Bill sent up entitled “An Act to provide for the Inspection of Food on Sealing Steamers,” was read a second time.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Ellis

Ordered—That the said Bill be committed immediately.

The Hon. Mr. McNamara in the Chair.

After a short time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported the Bill with some amendments.

Ordered—That the Report be received.

On Motion of the Hon. Mr. Ellis 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 a Message that this House had passed the said Bill with some amendments and requesting concurrence therein.

The amendments are as follows:

1. In section one:

Strike out the proposed new subsection (2) and substitute the following:—

(2) It shall be duty of the owner or person on whose account any steamer shall prosecute the Seal Fishery in any year to provide Food of sound quality in accordance with this Section in sufficient quantity to meet the requirements of the Sealing Voyage under a penalty not exceeding five hundred dollars to be recovered in a summary manner by any person who shall sue for the same.

2. Strike out the second section and substitute the following:

(2) The said Act the Seal Fishery Act, 1916, and this Act may be cited collectively as the Seal Fishery Acts 1914-1919.

3. Strike out the title of the Act and substitute the following:

“An Act to Amend the Act 4 George V (1914), Chapter nineteen, entitled “An Act to Regulate the Prosecution of the Seal Fishery.”

The Hon. 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 sent up entitled “An Act with respect to Existing Tenancies and the Ejectment of Tenants therefrom,” with some amendments in which they request the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

W. J. HIGGINS,
Speaker.

House of Assembly,
May 28th, 1919.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Ellis the amendments made by the House of Assembly in and upon the Bill sent down entitled “An Act with respect to Existing Tenancies and the Ejectment of Tenants therefrom,” were read a first and second time, and

Ordered—To be committed to-morrow.

The Hon. 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 respecting the Exportation of Timber"; "An Act to Authorize the Governor-in-Council to enter into a Contract for an Aerial Mail Service"; "An Act to Authorize the Governor-in-Council to enter into a Contract for the Coastal Mail Service"; "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, 1919, and the 30th day of June, 1920, and for other purposes relating to the Public Service"; and "An Act further to Amend the Revenue Act, 1905," in which they request the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

W. J. HIGGINS,
Speaker.

House of Assembly,
May 28th, 1919.

On Motion of the Hon. Mr. Ellis the following Bills sent up entitled respectively:

"An Act respecting the Exportation of Timber";

"An Act to Authorize the Governor-in-Council to enter into a Contract for an Aerial Mail Service";

"An Act to Authorize the Governor-in-Coun-

cil to enter into a Contract for the Coastal Mail Service”;

“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, 1919, and the 30th day of June, 1920, and for other purposes relating to the Public Service”; 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 Hon. Mr. Mews, seconded by the Hon. Mr. Goodridge, the following Message was unanimously passed:

The Legislative Council desires to join with the whole people in extending a welcome home to those who have come from the scenes of conflict, after taking part in the tremendous issues ended fortunately by the triumph of the forces of Right and Justice.

It also ventures to extend to the men of the Royal Naval Reserve, Royal Newfoundland Regiment and the Forestry Battalion a sincere expression of its deep admiration and thankfulness for their brilliant exploits, its appreciation of the valour that has brought honour to Newfoundland,

and its sense of sorrow that the victory has been won with such loss of our sturdy manhood. The past period of four and a half years of war has laid Newfoundland under an eternal debt to the men who laid down their lives and those who were willing to lay down their lives for King and Empire.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Ellis, seconded by the Hon. Mr. McNamara,

Ordered—That a Committee be appointed for the transmission of the Message to the proper authorities and to consult with a Committee of the House of Assembly, if such is appointed, and

Ordered—That the Hon. the President and the Hons. Messrs. Mews and Goodridge be a Committee for this purpose.

On motion made the House adjourned until to-morrow Friday, May 30th, at 4 p.m.

FRIDAY, May 30th, 1919.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

PRESENT :

The Honourable SIR PATRICK T. McGRATH,
K.B.E., L.L.D.,
President.

The Honourables GEORGE SKELTON
ROBERT K. BISHOP
JOHN ANDERSON
MARMADUKE G. WINTER
AUGUSTUS F. GOODRIDGE
PHILIP TEMPLEMAN
JOHN J. MURPHY
RICHARD A. SQUIRES, K.C.
WILLIAM J. ELLIS
FRANCIS M. McNAMARA
SAMUEL K. BELL
ALEXANDER W. MEWS
WALTER B. GRIEVE,
C.B.E.

The Minutes of Thursday, May 29th, were read and confirmed.

The Hon. Mr. Ellis tabled a portion of the information asked for by the Hon. Mr. Squires at a previous meeting.

Pursuant to notice and on motion of the Hon. Mr. Ellis,

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 the Order of the Day and on motion of the Hon. Mr. Anderson, the House went into Committee on the amendments made by the House of Assembly in and upon the Bill sent down entitled "An Act with respect to Existing Tenancies and the Ejectment of Tenants therefrom."

The Hon. Dr. Skelton in the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported the amendments without amendment.

Ordered—That the Report be received.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Anderson the said Bill was then read a third time and passed, and

The Hon. the President signed the same.

Ordered—To be sent to the House of Assembly with a Message that this House had passed their amendments in and upon the said Bill without amendment.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day and on motion of the Hon. Mr. Ellis, the consideration of the Second Reading of the Bills sent up entitled respectively:

“An Act to Authorize the Exportation of Timber,” and

“An Act to Authorize the Governor-in-Council to enter into a Contract for an Aerial Mail Service,”

Was deferred until to-morrow.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day and on motion of the Hon. Mr. Ellis, the Bill sent up entitled “An Act to Authorize the Governor-in-Council to enter into a Contract for a Coastal Steam Service,” was read a second time, and

Ordered—To be committed immediately.

The Hon. Mr. Mews 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 Hon. 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 Hon. Mr. Ellis, 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 Financial Years ending respectively the 30th day of June, 1919, and the 30th day of June, 1920, and for other purposes relating to Public Service," was read a second time, and

Ordered—To be committed immediately.

The Hon. Mr. Grieve in the Chair.

After a short 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 Hon. 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 Hon. Mr. Ellis, the Bill sent up entitled "An Act further to Amend the Revenue Act, 1905," was read a second time, and

Ordered—To be committed immediately.

The Hon. Mr. Templeman in the Chair.

After a short 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 Hon. 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 Hon. 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 provide for Arbitration respecting the Coastal Contract"; and "An Act to Authorize the Governor-in-Council to enter into a Contract for Telephone Service"; in which they request the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

House of Assembly,
May 29th, 1919.

W. J. HIGGINS,
Speaker.

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

“An Act to provide for Arbitration respecting the Coastal Contract,” and

“An Act to Authorize the Governor-in-Council to enter into a Contract for Telephone Service,”

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, Saturday, May 31st, at 4 p.m.

SATURDAY, May 31st, 1919.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

PRESENT :

The Honourable SIR PATRICK T. McGRATH,
K.B.E., L.L.D.,
President.

The Honourables ROBERT K. BISHOP
MARMADUKE G. WINTER
AUGUSTUS F. GOODRIDGE
PHILIP TEMPLEMAN
JOHN J. MURPHY
MICHAEL F. POWER
RICHARD A. SQUIRES, K.C.
WILLIAM J. ELLIS
FRANCIS M. McNAMARA
SAMUEL K. BELL
TASKER K. COOK
ALEXANDER W. MEWS
WALTER B. GRIEVE,
C.B.E.

The Minutes of Friday, May 30th, were read and confirmed.

The Hon. Mr. Ellis placed on the Table a portion of the information asked for by the Hon. Mr. Squires at a previous meeting.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Hon. Mr. Ellis moved that the Bill sent up entitled "An Act respecting the Exportation of Timber," be now read a second time.

Whereupon the Hon. Mr. Squires moved in amendment that the second reading of the said Bill be deferred until to-morrow.

And the question of the amendment having been put, there appeared:

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Hons Messrs. Bishop	Hons. Messrs. Murphy
Winter	Power
Goodridge	Ellis
Templeman	McNamara
Squires	Cook
Bell	
Mews	
Grieve	

So it passed in the affirmative.

Ordered—Accordingly.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Ellis the Bill sent up entitled "An Act to Authorize the Governor-in-Council to enter into a Contract for an Aerial Mail Service," was withdrawn and a new Bill similiarly entitled was introduced and read a first and second time.

The Hon. Mr. Ellis moved that the said Bill be committed immediately.

Whereupon the Hon. Mr. Squires moved in amendment that the committal be deferred till to-morrow.

And the question to the amendment having been put, there appeared:

CONTENTS (5)

NON-CONTENTS (7)

Hons. Messrs. Winter

Goodridge

Templeman

Squires

Mews

Hon. Messrs. Bishop

Murphy

Power

Ellis

McNamara

Bell

Cook

So it passed in the negative.

And the question on the original motion having been put, it passed in the affirmative, and

Ordered—Accordingly.

The House then went into Committee on the said Bill.

The Hon. Mr. Power 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.

Ordered—That the report be received, and

Ordered—That the Hons. Messrs. Bishop, Ellis, Templeman, Mews and Grieve be a Committee for that purpose.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day and on motion of the Hon. Mr. Ellis the Bill sent up entitled "An Act to provide for Arbitration respecting the Coastal Contract," was read a second time, and

Ordered—To be committed immediately.

The Hon. Mr. Bell in the Chair.

After a short 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 Hon. 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 Hon. Mr. Ellis moved that the Bill sent up entitled "An Act to Authorize the Governor-in-Council to enter into a Contract for a Telephone Service," be now read a second time.

Whereupon the Hon. Mr. Bishop moved an amendment that the second reading of the said Bill be deferred till to-morrow.

And the question on the amendment having been put, there appeared:

CONTENTS (8)	NON-CONTENTS (5)
Hon. Messrs. Bishop	Hon. Messrs. Murphy
Winter	Power
Goodridge	Ellis
Templeman	Bell
Squires	Cook
McNamara	
Mews	
Grieve	

And so it passed in the affirmative.

Ordered—Accordingly.

The Hon. 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 had passed the following Bills entitled respectively: "An Act to Authorize the Governor-in-Council to enter into a Contract for the Development of Certain of the Coal Deposits of this Country"; "An Act to Amend the Judicature Act, 1904"; "An Act to Amend the Saw Mills Act, 1914"; "An Act to Amend the Act 3 V (1913), Chapter 4, entitled "An Act to Incorporate the Conception Bay Electric Company and for other purposes"; "An Act to Amend the Act 6 Geo.

V (1915), Chapter 4, entitled "An Act for the Confirmation of a Contract with the Newfoundland Products Corporation, Limited"; "An Act to Amend the Election Act, 1913"; "An Act to Amend the Protection of Animals Act, 1914"; and "An Act to Amend the War Pensions Act, 1914"; in which they request the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

W. J. HIGGINS,
Speaker.

House of Assembly,
May 30th, 1919.

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 Provide for the Inspection of Food on Sealing Steamers," without amendment.
House of Assembly,

W. J. HIGGINS,
Speaker.

May 31st, 1919.

MR. PRESIDENT :

The House of Assembly acquaint the Legislative Council that they have passed the Bill entitled "An Act respecting Industrial and Provident Societies," in which they request the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

W. J. HIGGINS,
Speaker.

House of Assembly,
May 31st, 1919.

MR. PRESIDENT :

The House of Assembly acquaint the Legislative Council that they have passed the Bill entitled "An Act respecting Newfoundland Notes," in which they request the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

W. J. HIGGINS,
Speaker.

House of Assembly,
May 31st, 1919.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Ellis the following Bills sent up entitled respectively:

"An Act to Authorize the Governor-in-Council to Enter into a Contract for the Development of Certain Coal Deposits of this Country";

"An Act to Amend the Judicature Act, 1904";

"An Act to Amend the Saw Mills Act, 1914";

"An Act to Amend the Act 3 Geo. V (1913), Chapter 4, entitled "An Act for the Confirmation of a Contract with the Newfoundland Products Corporation, Limited";

"An Act to Amend the Election Act, 1913";

"An Act to Amend the Protection of Animals Act, 1914";

"An Act to Amend the War Pensions Act, 1917";

“An Act respecting Industrial and Provident Societies”; and

“An Act respecting Newfoundland Notes”;

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, June 2nd, at 3 p.m.

MONDAY, June 2nd, 1919.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

PRESENT :

The Honourable SIR PATRICK T. McGRATH,
K.B.E., L.L.D.,

President.

The Honourables GEORGE SKELTON
ROBERT K. BISHOP
SAMUEL MILLEY
MARMADUKE G. WINTER
AUGUSTUS F. GOODRIDGE
PHILIP TEMPLEMAN
JAMES J. MURPHY
RICHARD A. SQUIRES, K.C.
WILLIAM J. ELLIS
FRANCIS M. McNAMARA
SAMUEL K. BELL
TASKER K. COOK
ALEXANDER W. MEWS
WALTER B. GRIEVE,
C.B.E.

The Minutes of Saturday, May 31st, were read and confirmed.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Hon. Mr. Ellis from the Select Committee appointed to consider the Bill entitled "An Act to Authorize the Governor-in-Council to enter into a Contract for an Aerial Mail Service," presented the following report which was received and read:

We, the undersigned members of the Select Committee appointed by the Legislative Council to consider the Bill entitled: "An Act to Authorize the Governor-in-Council to enter into a Contract for an Aerial Mail Service," beg to report that we have considered the same and recommend the Bill as it stands.

W. J. ELLIS
R. K. BISHOP
A. W. MEWS
W. B. GRIEVE
P. TEMPLEMAN

June 2nd, 1919.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Ellis the House went into Committee on the said Bill.

The Hon. 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 was then read a third time and passed, and

The Hon. 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 and requesting their concurrence therein.

The Hon. Mr. Ellis laid on the Table a portion of the information asked for by the Hon. Mr. Squires at a previous meeting.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day and on motion of the Hon. Mr. Ellis, the Bill sent up entitled "An Act respecting the Exportation of Timber," was read a second time, and

Ordered—To be committed immediately.

The Hon. Mr. Goodridge in the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported some progress and recommended that the Bill be referred to a Select Committee.

Ordered—That the Report be received, and

Ordered—That the Hons. Messrs. Ellis, Bishop, Murphy, Bell, Squires, and McNamara be a Committee for this purpose.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day and on motion of the Hon. Mr. Ellis the Bill sent up entitled "An Act to Authorize the Governor-in-Council to enter into a Contract for Telephone Service," was read a second time, and

Ordered—To be committed immediately.

The Hon. Mr. Bell in the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

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

Ordered—That the Report be received, and

Ordered—That the Hons. Messrs. Ellis, Winter, Milley, McNamara, Cook, Mews, and Grieve, be a Committee for that purpose.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Ellis the consideration of the second reading of the Bills sent up entitled respectively:

“An Act to Authorize the Governor-in-Council to enter into a Contract for the Development of Certain of the Coal Deposits of this Country”;

“An Act to Amend the Act 6 Geo. V (1915), Chapter 4, entitled “An Act for the Confirmation of a Contract with the Newfoundland Products Corporation, Limited”;

“An Act to Amend the Election Act, 1913”;
and

“An Act respecting Industrial and Provident Societies”;

Was deferred till to-morrow.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day and on motion of the Hon. Mr. Ellis, the Bill sent up en-

titled "An Act to Amend the Judicature Act, 1904," was read a second time, and

Ordered—To be committed immediately.

The Hon. Mr. Cook 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 Hon. 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 Hon. Mr. Ellis, the Bill sent up entitled "An Act to Amend the Saw Mills Act, 1914," was read a second time, and

Ordered—To be committed immediately.

The Hon. Mr. Mews in the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

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

Ordered—That the Report be received, and

Ordered—That the Hons. Messrs. Ellis, Murphy, Templeman, Goodridge, and Bishop be a Committee for that purpose.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day and on motion of the Hon. Mr. Ellis, the Bill sent up entitled "An Act to Amend the Act 3 Geo. V (1913), Chapter 4, entitled "An Act to Incorporate the Conception Bay Electric Company and for other purposes," was read a second time, and

Ordered—To be committed immediately.

The Hon. Dr. Skelton in the Chair.

After a short 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 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 Hon. Mr. Ellis, the Bill sent up en-

titled "An Act to Amend the Protection of Animals Act, 1914," was read a second time, and

Ordered—To be committed immediately.

The Hon. Mr. Winter in the Chair.

After a short 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 Hon. 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 Hon. Mr. Ellis the Bill sent up entitled "An Act to Amend the War Pensions Act, 1917," was read a second time, and

Ordered—To be committed immediately.

The Hon. Mr. Templeman in the Chair.

After a short 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 Hon. 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 Hon. Mr. Ellis, the Bill sent up entitled "An Act respecting Newfoundland Notes," was read a second time, and

Ordered—To be committed immediately.

The Hon. Mr. McNamara 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 Wednesday, June 4th, at 3 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, June 4th, 1919.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

PRESENT :

The Honourable SIR PATRICK T. McGRATH,
K.B.E., L.L.D.,
President.

The Honourables GEORGE SKELTON
ROBERT K. BISHOP
SAMUEL MILLEY
MARMADUKE G. WINTER,
C.B.E.
AUGUSTUS F. GOODRIDGE
PHILIP TEMPLEMAN
JOHN J. MURPHY
WILLIAM J. ELLIS
FRANCIS M. McNAMARA
SAMUEL K. BELL
TASKER K. COOK
ALEXANDER W. MEWS
WALTER B. GRIEVE,
C.B.E.

The Minutes of Monday, June 2nd, were read and confirmed.

The Hon. Mr. Ellis laid on the Table the Report of the Public Schools of Newfoundland under Roman Catholic Boards for the year ended 31st December, 1918.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day and on motion of the Hon. Mr. Ellis, the House went into Committee on the Bill sent up entitled "An Act respecting Newfoundland Notes."

The Hon. Mr. McNamara in the Chair.

After a short 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 Hon. 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, the Hon. Mr. Ellis from the Select Committee appointed to consider the Bill sent up entitled "An Act respecting the Exportation of Timber," presented the following report which was received and read:

We, the undersigned members of the Select Committee appointed to consider the Bill sent up entitled "An Act respecting the Exportation of Timber," beg to report that we have considered the

same and recommend the said Bill with certain amendments hereto annexed.

Respectfully submitted,

W. J. ELLIS

R. K. BISHOP

J. J. MURPHY

F. M. MCNAMARA

June 4th, 1919.

Ordered—That the Report be received.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Ellis,

Ordered—That the said Bill be committed immediately.

The Hon. Mr. Goodridge in the Chair.

After a short 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 Hon. the President signed the same.

Ordered—To be sent to the House of Assem-

bly with a Message that this House had passed the said Bill with some amendments and requesting their concurrence therein.

The following are the amendments:

Section One: Strike out the words "Five inches" and substitute the words "six inches."

Section one, subsection (2): Add the following words "and be part of trees cut for manufacture in a pulp or paper mill or a saw mill of the licensee."

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Ellis,

Ordered—That the report of the Select Committee on the Bill sent up entitled "An Act to Authorize the Governor-in-Council to enter into a Contract for Telephone Service," be deferred until later in the day.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Hon. Mr. Ellis from the Select Committee appointed to consider the Bill sent up entitled "An Act to Amend the Saw Mills Act, 1914," presented the following report which was received and read:

We, the undersigned members of the Select Committee appointed by the Legislative Council to consider the Bill entitled "An Act to Amend the Saw Mills Act, 1914," beg to report that we have

considered the same and recommend the said Bill with certain amendments hereto annexed.

Respectfully submitted,

W. J. ELLIS
A. F. GOODRIDGE
P. TEMPLEMAN
J. J. MURPHY
R. K. BISHOP

June 4th, 1919.

Ordered—That the Report be received.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Ellis,

Ordered—That the said Bill be committed immediately.

The Hon. Mr. Mews in the Chair.

After a short time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported the Bill with some amendment.

Ordered—That the Report be received.

The said Bill as amended was then read a third time and passed, and

The Hon. 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 with some amendments and requesting their concurrence therein.

The amendment is as follows:

“(2) The following shall be added to Section 2 of the Saw Mills Act, 1914:

“(H) In every license an area shall be defined within which only is shall be lawful for the licensee to cut timber.

“(1) The Minister of Agriculture and Mines shall cause a report to be made in writing by an Inspector or other qualified person upon every application and in granting licenses shall have regard to the location of mills, so that each shall as far as possible be assured sufficient timber for continued operation for several years and not be unduly hampered by competition.”

Pursuant to the Order of the Day and on motion of the Hon. Mr. Ellis the Bill sent up entitled “An Act to Authorize the Governor-in-Council to enter into a Contract for the Development of Certain of the Coal Deposits of this Country,” was read a second time, and

Ordered—To be committed immediately.

The Hon. Dr. Skelton in the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported some progress and

recommended that the Bill be referred to a Select Committee.

Ordered—That the Report be received, and

Ordered—That the Hons. Messrs. Ellis, Bishop, Grieve, Winter, Mews, Milley and Murphy be a Committee for this purpose.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day and on motion of the Hon. Mr. Ellis, the Bill sent up entitled "An Act to Amend the Act 6 Geo. V (1915), Chapter, entitled "An Act for the Confirmation of a Contract with the Newfoundland Products Corporation, Limited," was read a second time, and

Ordered—To be committed immediately.

The Hon. 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 was then read a third time and passed, and

The Hon. 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 Hon. Mr. Ellis, the Bill sent up entitled "An Act to Amend the Election Act, 1913," was read a second time, and

Ordered—To be committed immediately.

The Hon. Mr. Templeman in the Chair.

After a short 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 Hon. 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 Hon. Mr. Ellis, the Bill sent up entitled "An Act respecting Industrial and Provident Societies," was read a second time, and

Ordered—To be committed immediately.

The Hon. Mr. Cook in the Chair.

After a short 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 Hon. 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, the Hon. Mr. Ellis from the Select Committee appointed to consider the Bill entitled "An Act to Authorize the Governor-in-Council to enter into a Contract for Telephone Service," presented the following report which was received and read:

We, the undersigned members of the Select Committee appointed to consider the Bill sent up entitled "An Act to Authorize the Governor-in-Council to enter into a Contract for a Telephone Service," beg to report that we have considered the same and recommend the said Bill with certain amendments hereto annexed.

Respectfully submitted,

W. J. ELLIS
S. MILLEY
F. M. McNAMARA
A. W. MEWS
W. B. GRIEVE
TASKER COOK
M. G. WINTER

June 4th, 1919.

Ordered—That the Report be received.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Ellis,

Ordered—That the said Bill be committed immediately.

The Hon. Mr. Grieve in the Chair.

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 Hon. 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 with some amendments and requesting their concurrence therein.

The amendments are as follows:

Strike out all the words after the Title and substitute the following:

“Whereas negotiations are in progress for the establishment of a modern telephone service in the town of St. John’s and other towns and settlements with long distance connection and it is desirable

that a contract for that purpose should be entered into without delay but the details thereof cannot be finally settled before the termination of the present Session of the Legislature:

“Be it therefore enacted by the Governor, the Legislative Council and House of Assembly in Legislative Session convened as follows:

“1. The Governor-in-Council is hereby authorized and empowered to enter into a contract with any responsible person, firm or corporation for the establishment of an efficient modern telephone service with long distance connection and with public pay stations upon such terms and conditions as may be acceptable to the Governor-in-Council including the granting of an exclusive franchise for not exceeding thirty years subject to existing rights if any exist, to supply telephone service, such franchise to be subject to pre-emption by the Government or local authorities after fifteen years; and including also the granting to the contractors of the right to expropriate private land upon the terms usually granted to companies operating public utilities, and of exemption from or limitation of taxation; and of free entry for plant, machinery, materials and other requisites for the original installation and future extension of the works but not in substitution of new for old; but no subsidy be granted for such service.

“2. Notwithstanding anything in any contract made by virtue hereof any permanent Public Utilities Board or Commission hereafter created

may have jurisdiction conferred on it by Act of the Legislature to procure the extension and efficient operation of any telephone service established under such contract and to fix fair rates for such service after taking evidence, hearing the parties concerned, and taking into consideration all existing circumstances affecting the question.

“3. The Government Engineer, the St. John’s Municipal Council and the local authorities of any town, settlement, or area traversed by the wires of the contractors under any contract made by virtue hereof shall be consulted from time to time in relation to matters arising hereunder which may affect or seem to affect the special interests of the locality so traversed.

“4. Any contract which may be entered into by the Governor-in-Council hereunder shall be valid and binding upon both parties thereto without confirmation by Resolution of the House of Assembly or an Act of the Legislature.

“5. This Act may be cited as the Telephone Service Act, 1919.”

The House adjourned during pleasure.

The House resumed.

The Hon. Mr. Ellis, from the Select Committee appointed to consider the Bill sent up entitled “An Act to Authorize the Governor-in-Council to enter into a Contract for the Development of certain of the Coal Deposits of this Country,” pre-

sented the following report which was received and read:

We, the undersigned members of the Select Committee appointed to consider the Bill sent up entitled "An Act to Authorize the Governor-in-Council to enter into a Contract for the Development of Certain of the Coal Deposits of this Country," beg to report that we have considered the same and recommend the said with certain amendments hereto attached.

Respectfully submitted,

W. J. ELLIS
M. G. WINTER
S. MILLEY
J. J. MURPHY
R. K. BISHOP
A. W. MEWS
W. B. GRIEVE

June 4th, 1919.

Ordered—That the Report be received.

On motion of Hon. Mr. Ellis,

Ordered—That the said Bill be committed immediately.

The Hon. 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.

The said Bill as amended was then read a third time and passed, and

The Hon. 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 with some amendments and requesting their concurrence therein.

The amendments are as follows:

Section one: After the words “Crown Lands” strike out the words “for railways, tramways and for.”

After the word “buildings” add the words “used and operated in connection with and for the purpose of the development of the said coal fields.”

The original section three is now numbered section seven.

The following new sections are added and numbered three to seven inclusive:

“(3) The reservation of lands under the first section hereof shall not be for a longer period than five years.

“(4) Exemption from or limitation of taxation and the granting of a bonus shall not be for a period longer than ten years.

“(5) If the Company shall substantially cease mining operations for a period of one year, all Crown lands granted hereunder shall thereupon revert to the Crown but the title to any property of the Company situated thereon shall continue in the Company and the property may be removed by the Company within one year after the reversion of the land.

“(5) If any dispute shall arise between the parties to any contract entered into under the powers conferred by this Act the same shall be referred to the arbitrament of two arbitrators, one to be appointed by each of the said parties, and the provisions of Part VI of the Judicature Act shall apply to every such arbitration.”

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 sent down entitled “An Act to Authorize the Governor-in-Council to enter into a Contract for an Aerial Mail Service,” without amendment.

W. J. HIGGINS,

House of Assembly,
June 4th, 1919.

Speaker.

On motion made the House adjourned until to-morrow, June 5th, at 3.30 p.m.

THURSDAY, June 5th, 1919.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

PRESENT :

The Honourable SIR PATRICK T. McGRATH,
K.B.E., L.L.D.,
President.

The Honourables GEORGE SKELTON
GEORGE KNOWLING
ROBERT K. BISHOP
SAMUEL MILLEY
MARMADUKE G. WINTER,
C.B.E.
AUGUSTUS F. GOODRIDGE
PHILIP TEMPLEMAN
JOHN J. MURPHY
RICHARD A. SQUIRES, K.C.
WILLIAM J. ELLIS
FRANCIS M. McNAMARA
SAMUEL K. BELL
TASKER K. COOK
ALEXANDER W. MEWS
WALTER B. GRIEVE,
C.B.E.

The Minutes of Wednesday, the 14th inst.,
were read and confirmed.

The Hon. Mr. Ellis laid on the Table the
Annual Report of the Patriotic Fund for the year
ended December 31st, 1918; also a portion of the
information asked for by the Hon. Mr. Squires at
a previous meeting.

The Hon. 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 amendments sent down in and upon the Bills sent up entitled respectively: "An Act to Authorize the Governor-in-Council to enter into a Contract for a Telephone Service"; "An Act respecting the Exportation of Timber"; "An Act to Authorize the Governor-in-Council to enter into a Contract for the Development of Certain of the Coal Deposits of this Country," and "An Act to Amend the Saw Mills Act, 1914," without amendment.

W. J. HIGGINS, . . .
Speaker.

House of Assembly,
June 5th, 1919.

The House was adjourned during pleasure.

The House was resumed.

At four o'clock p.m. His Excellency the Governor Sir Charles Alexander Harris, Knight Commander of the Most Distinguished Order of St. Michael and St. George, Companion of the Most Honourable Order of the Bath, Commander of the Royal Victorian Order, 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, their Speaker read the following Address which was presented to His Excellency the Governor:

To His Excellency SIR CHARLES ALEXANDER HARRIS, Knight Commander of the Most Distinguished Order of St. Michael and St. George, Companion of the Most Honourable Order of the Bath, Commander of the Royal Victorian Order, Governor and Commander-in-Chief in and over the Island of Newfoundland and its Dependencies.

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY :

We, His Majesty’s dutiful and loyal subjects, the members of both branches of the General Assembly in Legislative Session Convened, have passed the accompanying Address of Thanks to the Sailors and Soldiers who have so nobly represented Newfoundland in the Great War, for their splendid endeavours on behalf of this, the oldest British Colony, and its people and we respectfully request that Your Excellency will be pleased to

transmit the same to the responsible authorities of each branch of the service.

P. T. McGRATH,
President of the Legislative Council.

W. J. HIGGINS,
Speaker of the House of Assembly.

Colonial Building,
June 5th, 1919.

The Legislature desires to join with the whole people in extending a welcome home to those who have come from the scenes of conflict, after taking part in the tremendous issues ended fortunately by the triumph of the forces of Right and Justice.

It also ventures to extend to the men of the Royal Naval Reserve, Royal Newfoundland Regiment, and the Forestry Battalion, a sincere expression of its deep admiration and thankfulness for their brilliant exploits, its appreciation of the valour that has brought honour to Newfoundland, and its sense of sorrow that the victory has been won with such loss of our sturdy manhood. The past period of four and a half years of war has laid Newfoundland under an eternal debt to the men who laid down their lives and those who were willing to lay down their lives for King and Empire.

His Excellency the Governor replied as follows:

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

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

Before proceeding to read the Speech which it was my intention to make to you I formally accept the Address which the Legislature has made in respect of the debt which is due to the Sailors and Soldiers of Newfoundland.

It will be my pleasure to transmit to the responsible Authorities of each branch of the Service, not only here but also overseas to the United Kingdom, the testimony which you bear to the self-sacrifice and devotion shown by the men of the Regiment throughout a period which has called forth the highest instances of self-sacrifice and bravery.

What the Regiment has done both in Newfoundland and the Empire will ever remain an honoured memorial.

C. ALEXANDER HARRIS,
Governor.

June 5th, 1919.

His Excellency the Governor was pleased to give His assent to the following Bills entitled respectively:

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, 1919, and the 30th day of June, 1920, and for other purposes relating to the Public Service.

An Act to Authorize the Governor-in-Council to Enter into a Contract for a Coastal Steam Service.

An Act Respecting Certain Retiring Allowances.

An Act to Amend the Act 61 Vic. (1898), Chapter 8, entitled, "An Act Respecting Salaries."

An Act for Defraying the Expenses of a General Election to be held during the Present Year.

An Act Further to Amend the Revenue Act, 1905.

An Act to Amend the Act 61 Vic. (1898), Chapter 47, entitled, "An Act Relating to the Constitution of the Supreme Court."

An Act to Amend the Income War Tax, 1918.

An Act to Extend and Amend the Business Profits War Tax, 1917.

An Act to Amend the War Pensions Act, 1917.

An Act Further to Amend the Act 2, Edward VII (1902), Chapter Fourteen, entitled, "An Act

Respecting the Control and Management of Harbor of Grand Bank.”

An Act to Authorize the Governor-in-Council to Enter into a Contract for Telephone Service.

An Act to Authorize the Governor-in-Council to Enter into a Contract for the Development of Certain of the Coal Deposits of this Country.

An Act Respecting Newfoundland Notes.

An Act to Provide for Arbitration Respecting the Coastal Contract.

An Act to Authorize the Governor-in-Council to Enter into a Contract for an Aerial Mail Service.

An Act to Extend the Beaver Act, 1918.

An Act Respecting the “People’s Electric Company, Limited.”

An Act Respecting the Bell Island Co-operative Company, Limited.

An Act to Amend the Insurance Companies’ Act, 1906.

An Act With Respect to Existing Tenancies and the Ejectment of Tenants Therefrom.

An Act Respecting the Exportation of Timber.

An Act to Amend the Act Three, George V (1913), Chapter Four, entitled, "An Act to Incorporate the Conception Bay Electric Company and for Other Purposes."

An Act to Amend the Saw Mills Act, 1914.

An Act to Amend the Judicature Act, 1904.

An Act to Amend the Election Act, 1913.

An Act to Amend "The Protection of Animals Act, 1914."

An Act Respecting Industrial and Provident Societies.

An Act to Amend the Act Six, George V (1915), Chapter Four, entitled, "An Act for the Confirmation of a Contract with the Newfoundland Products Corporation, Limited."

An Act Respecting Elections in the Present Year.

An Act to Amend Chapter 141 of the Consolidated Statutes of Newfoundland (Second Series), entitled, "Of the Keeping of Dogs."

An Act to Amend the Act Sixty-One Victoria (1898), Chapter Eighteen, entitled, "An Act respecting the Department of Justice."

An Act respecting Documentary Evidence and Extra-Judicial Oaths.

An Act to Prevent the Introduction of Rabies into Newfoundland.

An Act for the Temporary Suspension of the Weights and Measures Act, 1918.

An Act to Prevent the Introduction or Spreading of Insects, Pests and Diseases Destructive to Vegetation.

An Act Respecting Second-Hand Stores.

An Act to Amend Chapter Fifty-Two of the Consolidated Statutes of Newfoundland (Second Series, entitled, "Of the Central and Harbor Grace District Courts.")

An Act for the Protection of Domesticated Deer.

A Bill to Amend the Act 8, Edward VII, Chapter 5, entitled, "An Act with Respect to Compensation to Workmen for Injuries Suffered in the Course of Their Employment."

An Act Further to Amend the Act 6, Geo. V (1915), Cap. 18, entitled, "An Act Respecting the Administration of Local Affairs."

An Act to Amend the Act 6, Geo. V (1916), Chapter Twenty-Six, entitled, "An Act Respecting the Refining of Cod Liver Oil."

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

An Act to Amend the Act 4, George V (1914), Chapter 19, entitled, "An Act to Regulate the Prosecution of the Seal Fishery."

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:

The circumstances in which this session of the Legislature is closed are entirely different from those which were anticipated when I opened it on the 4th April. The events which led to the change are so recent and well known that it is unnecessary to refer to them further; but they have enabled my new Ministers to put forward some measures of pressing importance.

The assiduity with which you have discharged your Parliamentary duties enables me to release you from sessional attendance after the completion of a large amount of legislation of importance and usefulness.

Many of the matters which have engaged your attention within the past two months may be considered as of great moment to the future of Newfoundland and I sincerely hope that the results of these enactments may prove of commensurate advantage to the community.

It is gratifying to find that the financial credit of the Dominion abroad stands so high that it proved possible only a few days ago to raise the greater portion of the Loan for which provision was made by the measure to which I have already given my assent on terms more advantageous than any previous loan in its history. It must be equally satisfactory to the people to know that the results of the fiscal operations for the current year give promise of a surplus of Revenue of nearly two million dollars, while the decision to place this to the credit of the Treasury as a Reserve Fund for emergencies in the future cannot but commend itself to the judgment of all prudent citizens.

It is common knowledge that the recent condition of the Railway has raised serious question as to the duty of the Government in respect of it. There has been a great deal of exaggeration in the public press but the questions raised are full of difficulty and it has so far seemed to my Ministers wiser to study the matter during the present summer and leave a new House of Assembly to deal with it after the elections.

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

I have to thank you for the liberal supplies which you have been pleased to grant for the public service. They shall be dispensed with all the economy compatible with the efficiency of our institutions.

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

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

Once more I take occasion to welcome back most heartily our soldiers and sailors from their service overseas. These gallant fellows having secured the future of good citizenship in the safe peace their valour has done so much to establish, deserve not only our best thanks, but also every material consideration we can afford them. Their deeds will illumine the pages of history for all time. In this hour of rejoicing however, let us not forget their comrades who did not return; those who died that we might enjoy the security of to-day. Our hearts turn to them and to those loved ones who mourn their absence and our prayer should ever be that we may prove worthy of the great heritage they fought so bravely to preserve for us.

With the return of the world from the paths of war and desolation, we have manifold reason, far removed as we are from the theatre of hostilities, to be grateful to a merciful Providence who so bountifully dowers us with the treasures of sea and land, and to whom we now look with humble confidence to bestow upon us, as upon the rest of the world, the inestimable benefit of a just and lasting peace.

In bidding you farewell, at the close of what will be the last session of the present Parliament

unless extraordinary circumstances intervene, I sincerely pray that the blessing of the Almighty may rest upon your collective and individual endeavours for the advancement of the true interests of Newfoundland.

The Honourable the President then said:

It is His Excellency the Governor's Will and Pleasure that this General Assembly stand prorogued until Thursday, the 24th day of July next, then and here to be holden and this General Assembly stands prorogued accordingly.

R. H. TAIT,
Clerk of the Legislative Council.

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