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

Fifth Session of the Nineteenth General Assembly 1904.

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CAVENDISH BOYLE,
GOVERNOR.

[L.S.]

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

WHEREAS the General Assembly stands prorogued until Thursday, the 23rd day of July instant; and whereas I think fit to further prorogue the said General Assembly until Thursday, the 10th day of September next:

I do, therefore, by this my Proclamation, further prorogue the said General Assembly until Thursday, the 10th day of September next, as aforesaid, of which all persons concerned are hereby required to take due notice and govern themselves accordingly.

Given under my Hand and Seal, at the Government House, Saint John's this 20th day of July, A. D. 1903.

By His Excellency's Command,



CAVENDISH BOYLE,
GOVERNOR.
[L.S.]

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

WHEREAS the General Assembly stands prorogued until Thursday, the 10th day of September, inst.; and whereas I think fit to further prorogue the said General Assembly until Thursday, the 22nd day of October next:

I do, therefore, by this my Proclamation, further prorogue the said General Assembly until Thursday, the 22nd day of October next, as aforesaid, of which all persons concerned are required to take due notice and govern themselves accordingly.

Given under my Hand and Seal, at the Government House, at Saint John's this 5th day of September, A. D. 1903.

By His Excellency's Command,

R. BOND.

Colonial Secretary.



CAVENDISH BOYLE,
GOVERNOR.
[L.S.]

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

WHEREAS the General Assembly stands prorogued until Thursday, the 22nd day of October instant; and whereas I think fit to further prorogue the said General Assembly until Thursday, the 26th day of November next:

I do, therefore, in this my proclamation, further prorogue the said General Assembly until Thursday, the 26th day of November next, as aforesaid, of which all persons concerned are required to take due notice and govern themselves accordingly.

> Given under my Hand and Seal, at the Government House, Saint John's, this 20th day of October, A. D. 1903.

By His Excellency's Command,



CAVENDISH BOYLE,
GOVERNOR.

[L. S.]

By His Excellency Sir Cavendish Boyle, Knight Commander of the Most Distinguished Order of St. Michael and St. George, Governor and Command\_ er-in-Chief in and over the Island of Newfoundland and its Dependencies.

WHEREAS the General Assembly stands prorogued until Thursday, the 26th day of November instant; and whereas I think fit to further prorogue the said General Assembly until Thursday, the 7th day of January next:

I do, therefore, by this my Proclamation, further prorogue the said General Assembly until Thursday, the 7th day of January 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, Saint John's, this 23rd day of November, A. D. 1903.

By His Excellency's Command,



CAVENDISH BOYLE,
GOVERNOR.

[L. S.]

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

WHEREAS the General Assembly stands prorogued until Thursday, the 7th day of January instant; and whereas I think fit to further prorogue the said General Assembly until Thursday, the 28th day of January instant.

I do, therefore, in this my Proclamation, further prorogue the said General Assembly until Thursday, the 28th day of January 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, Saint John's this 5th day of January, A. D. 1904.

By His Excellency's Command,



CAVENDISH BOYLE.

GOVERNOR.

[L. S.]

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

WHEREAS the General Assembly stands prorogued until Thursday, the 28th day of January instant; and whereas I think fit to further prorogue the said General Assembly until Thursday, the 25th day of February next:

I do, therefore, by this my Proclamation, further prorogue the said General Assembly until Thursday, the 25th 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, Saint John's, this 25th day of January, A. D. 1904.

By His Excellency's Command,



CAVENDISH BOYLE,
GOVERNOR.
[L. S.]

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

WHEREAS, by Proclamation dated the 25th day of January, last, the General Assembly was prorogued until Thursday, the 25th day of February instant: and whereas I think fit to Summon the said General Assembly to meet on the aforesaid Thursday, the 25th day of February instant:

I do, therefore, by this my Proclamation, Summon the said General Assembly, to meet for the despatch of business, on Thursday, the 25th day of February instant, of which all persons concerned are hereby required to take due notice and govern themselves accordingly.

Given uuder my Hand and Seal, at the Government House, Saint John's, this 9th day of February, A. D. 1904.

By His Excellency's Command,

# Legislative Council of Newfoundland.

### Fifth Session of the Nineteenth General Assembly.

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 25th, 1904.

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

At Five Minutes to Three o'clock, P.M. the House Meets. Council met.

#### PRESENT:

The Honorable Sir Edward D. Shea, — Members Present.

The Honorables George T. Rendell, —
James Angel. —
John Harris, —
George Skelton, —
Samuel Blandford, —
George Knowling, —
D. Joseph Greene, —
James Baird, —
John B. Ayre, —
James S. Pitts, —
Robert K. Bishop,
James D. Ryan, —
John Anderson,
John Harvey, —

SAMUEL MILLEY,

Governor arrives at Council Chamber.

At Three o'clock, P.M., His Excellency the Governor Sir Cavendish Boyle, K.C.M.G., having arrived at the Council Chamber and being seated on the Throne, the Honorable the President commanded the Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod, to proceed to the Commons House of Assembly and inform the Speaker and members thereof, that it is His Excellency's will and pleasure that they attend at the Bar of this House; and they being come thereto His Excellency was pleased to open the present Session of the Legislature with the following Speech to both Houses:—

Members of Assembly attend at Council Chamber.

Covernor's Speech.

Mr. President and Honorable Gentleman of the Legislative Council:

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

I am very pleased to meet you again and to rejoice with you in the large measure of prosperity that has crowned the labours of our people during the past year. The year that has just closed was one that may be regarded from every point of view as the most successful in the history of this Colony, which to-day occupies a highly independent and honorable position amongst the Dependencies of the Crown.

Our staple industries are being prosecuted with confidence and vigour, and the returns therefrom, I observe, are eminently satisfactory. While the high prices obtained for codfish and cod liver oil during the past season may be attributed in a

measure to the comparative failure of our foreign Speech.- (Continued) competitors, we may expect that the prices now ruling will be maintained, provided new markets be secured for those products, or means be adopted to prevent the overstocking of such markets as we at present possess.

It is for you to consider whether legislation cannot be devised to accomplish this purpose. My ministers are of opinion that, by encouraging the exportation of fresh fish and thus relieving foreign markets of a surplus of the cured article, not only may present prices be maintained for dried codfish, but an industry will be established which in other countries has proved highly remunerative.

In the United States and Great Britain there is an enormous market for fresh fish of all kinds, and the demand for that article is increasing year by year. Cold storage is now a recognized, indispensable factor of the export trade in fish and other perishable products. The development that has taken place in recent years in the application of refrigeration to perishable food products is most marked, and as marine refrigeration is now conducted successfully, the application of capital would appear to be the only thing necessary to insure abundant success.

The whale fishery has rapidly become a most important branch of our commerce, and during Speech.— (Continued.) the present year a very large amount of additional capital will be invested therein. The value of this fishery and the revenue that has already resulted therefrom, emphasize the wisdom of rigidly enforcing the law so wisely adopted by this Legislature two years ago for its protection.

The output from the mines is still on the increase, and it is gratifying to learn that further development of our mineral resources may be presently expected. The examination of the coal area in the neighborhood of Grand Lake by an expert from abroad was sufficiently encouraging to warrant my Ministers in arranging for a continuation of the work, and you will be asked to make another allocation for further exploration this year.

The official returns indicate a considerable expansion of the lumber trade. Our forest wealth is now attracting the attention of capatalists abroad, and not only is there an immediate prospect of a much larger export of that commodity, but that the manufacture of pulp and paper from wood fibre will shortly be established here. The amendments that you have made to the Crown Lands Act have certainly had the effect of giving an impetus to lumbering, and of very largely augmenting the revenue derived threfrom. As this source of wealth and of employment to so many operatives is rendered precarious by reason of yearly recurring forest fires, your attention will be

invited to a measure for the better protection of speech.—(Continued.) the same.

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

The anticipation of my Ministers respecting the financial result of the fiscal year, ending 30th June, 1903, has been more than realized. The accounts to be furnished will show a considerable surplus of revenue over expenditure.

The estimates for the coming year have been prepared, and will be laid before you at an early date; and I know I can rely on your readiness to make all necessary provision for the public service.

Mr. President and Honorable Gentleman of the Legislative Council:

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

In compliance with the desire of His Majesty's Government, my Ministers will again move for the adoption of a temporary Bill for the purpose of carrying into effect engagements with France respecting fisheries on a portion of the coast of this Colony. Negotiations are now in progress between my Ministers and His Majesty's Government for an adjustment of all questions that have arisen under the subsisting treaties, and I have reason to hope that an arrangement advantageous to the interests of this Colony will be arrived at,

Speech.— (Continued.) thus rendering it unnecessary to enact this Bill another year.

As the exclusive rights of the Anglo-American Telegraph Company, under charter, expire in April next, my Ministers are making arrangements whereby the telegraphic business of the Colony will in future be under the control of the Government.

In my Speech at the opening of the Legislature last year, I intimated that an effort was being made to conserve the important fishery interests on the Labrador by establishing on that coast the Marconi system of telegraphy. Arrangements have now been completed to bring the principal harbours into telegraphic communication with each other and with the capital. It is expected that this system will be in operation early in July next.

With a view to meeting the increased trade of the Colony, the demand so prevalent in respect to the conveyance of mails, passengers and freight, and in order to provide such facilities in important districts for which no provision was made in the Railway Contract of 1898, my Ministers have entered into an arrangement with responsible parties for two first-class steamers to ply between St. John's and centres of trade situate on the North East and South West coasts, from the first day of May next. This contract will be submitted for your approval.

It affords me special gratification to announce Speech.- (Concluded.) that the highly satisfactory condition of the finances of the Colony will admit of an alteration in the tariff, whereby the principal articles necessary to the support and comfort of the fishermen and laboring classes will be placed upon the free list. In a few days the Minister of Finance and Customs will table resolutions in relation to the tariff, under which flour, molasses and kerosene oil will then be admitted into this Colony free of duty. This will mean a reduction of at least one hundred and eighty thousand dollars per annum, and, therefore, I am quite sure that this announcement will be hailed with delight by all classes in the community.

In now leaving you to your deliberations, I pray that you may be guided by Divine Providence in all your efforts to promote the advancement of

this Colony and its people.

The House of Assembly having withdrawn, Gove His Excellency retired.

The Honorable the President took the Chair.

The Honorable the President informed the Council that he had received the following message from His Excellency the Governor:—

# (Sgd.) CAVENDISH BOYLE, Governor.

Royal Warrant dated at the Court of Safnt James' the 30th of January, 1904.

The Governor herewith transmits for the information of the Honourable Legislative Council of Newfoundland, a Copy of a Warrant, under the Sign, Manual and Seal of the Sovereign, declaring His Majesty's royal will and pleasure, that upon receipt of the same the Honourable James Daniel Ryan, John Anderson, Esquire, John Harvey, Esquire and Samuel Milley, Esquire, should be forthwith sworn and admitted to be members of the said Council.

In accordance with His Majesty's Warrant and Mandate, the aforesaid Honourable James Daniel Ryan, John Anderson, Esquire, John Harvey Esquire and Samuel Milley, Esquire, have this day taken, before the Governor, the necessary Oath, and have been by him duly admitted to be Members of the aforesaid Legislative Council of this His Majesty's Colony of Newfoundland.

GOVERNMENT HOUSE,
St. John's, Newfoundland,
24th February, 1904.

[L. S.]

(Sgd.) EDWARD R. & I.

To Our Trusty and Well Beloved The Governor of Our Colony of Newfoundland:

TRUSTY AND WELL BELOVED WE GREET YOU WELL.

Warrant for the Appointment of The Honorable James Daniel Ryan, John Anderson, Esquire, John Harvey, Esquire and Samuel Milley, Esquire, to be members of the Legislative Council of Newfoundland.

We, being well satisfied of the Loyalty, Integrity and Ability of Our Trusty and Well Beloved The Honourable James Daniel Ryan, Our Trusty and Well Beloved John Anderson, Esquire, Our Trusty and Well Beloved John Harvey, Esquire and Our Trusty and Well Beloved Samuel Milley, Esquire, have thought fit hereby to signify Our Will and Pleasure that forthwith, upon receipt of these Presents you do swear and admit them, the said James Daniel Ryan, John Anderson, John Harvey and Samuel Milley to be Members of the Legislative Council of Our Colony of Mewfoundland. And for so doing this shall be your Warrant.

Given at Our Court of Saint James's this Thirtieth day of January, One Thousand Nine Hundred and Four, in the Fourth Year of Our Reign.

By His Majesty's Command,
(Sgd) ALFRED LYTTLETON.

A true Copy of His Majesty's Warrant. (Sgd.) CAVENDISH BOYLE,

Governor.

23rd February, 1904.

Warrant for the appointment of the Honourable James Daniel Ryan, John Anderson, Esquire, John Harvey, Esquire, Samuel Milley, Esquire, to be members of the Legislative Council of Newfoundland.

Speech read.

A Copy of His Excellency's Speech having been left with the Honourable the President it was read by the Clerk to the Legislative Council.

On motion of Hon. Mr. Harvey:-

Committee on Address of Thanks.

Ordered—That a Select Committee be appointed to draft an Address to His Excellency the Governor in reply to His gracious Speech at the opening of the present Session of the Legislature.

Ordered—That the Honourables Messrs. Harvey, Anderson, Greene, Harris and Ayre be a Committee for that purpose.

Notice of motion.

The Hon. Mr. Greene gives notice that he will on to-morrow ask the Hon. Leader of the Government to lay on the table a copy of all correspondence between the Government of Newfoundland and the Colonial Office relating to the appointment of the Honorables James D. Ryan, John Anderson, John Harvey and Samuel Milley to the Legislative Council.

Also, to ask the Hon. Leader of the Government to lay on the table a copy of the resignations of the Honorables James D. Ryan and John Anderson from their respective constituencies.

Also, to ask the Hon. Leader of the Government whether it is the intention of the Government to introduce retaliatory legislation in consequence of the imposition by the United States of a poll tax on Newfoundland subjects entering that country, and for copies of all correspondence on subject of said tax.

Also, to ask the Hon. Leader of the Government whether the visit of the Hon. E. P. Morris to the United States last January was official. If so, to state the nature of his mission and for all correspondence, instructions and minutes of Council relating to the same.

Also, to ask the Hon. Leader of the Government to lay on the table a copy of all correspondence and despatches in reference to the negotiations now in progress for an adjustment of all questions under the French Shore Treaty Acts.

On motion made the House adjourned until Adjourned. Monday next the 29th day of February at half-past Four o'clock P. M.

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 29th, 1904.

House meets.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

PRESENT:

Members present. The Honorable Sir Edward D. Shea,

President.

The Honorables George T. Rendell,
James Angel.
John Harris,
George Skelton,
Samuel Blandford,
George Knowling,
D. Joseph Greene,
James Baird,
John B. Ayre,
James S. Pitts,
Robert K. Bishop,
James D. Ryan,
John Anderson,
John Harvey,
Samuel Milley,

Minutes read.

The Minutes of February 25th were read.

Address of Thanks read first time. The Honorable Mr. Harvey from the Select Committee to prepare an Address in Reply to the Speech of His Excellency the Governor presented a Draft of the same which was received and read a first time, and

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

Question asked.

Pursuant to notice the Hon. Mr. Greene asked the Hon. Leader of the Government to lay on the table a copy of all correspondence between the Government of Newfoundland and the Colonial Office relating to the appointment of the Honorables James D. Ryan, John Anderson, John Harvey and Samuel Milley.

Also,—For a copy of the resignations of the Honorables James D. Ryan and John Anderson from their respective constituencies.

Also,—Whether it is the intention of the Government to introduce retaliatory legislation in consequence of the imposition by the United States of a poll tax on Newfoundland subjects entering that country and for copies of all correspondence on subject of said tax.

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Also,—To lay on the table a copy of all correspondence and despatches in reference to the negotiations now in progress for an adjustment of all questions under the French Shore Treaty Acts.

The Hon. Mr. Knowling, a member of the Reply. Executive Council, replied and laid upon the table a copy of the resignations of the Honorables James D. Ryan and John Anderson.

Notice of motion.

The Hon. Mr. Greene gives notice that he will on to-morrow ask the Hon. Leader of the Government to lay on the table of the House all correspondence relating to the arrangement whereby the telegraph business of this Colony, after the expiry of the Anglo-American Telegraph Company's Charter in April next, be under the control of the Government.

Adjourned.

On motion made the House adjourned until to-morrow, Tuesday, 1st day of March at half-past Four o'clock P. M.

#### TUESDAY, MARCH 1st, 1904.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

House meets.

#### PRESENT:

The Honorable SIR EDWARD D. SHEA,

Members present.

President.

The Honorables George T. Rendell,

James Angel,
John Harris,
George Skelton,
Samuel Blandford,
George Knowling,
D. Joseph Greene,
James Baird,
John B. Ayre,
James S. Pitts,
Robert K. Bishop,
James D. Ryan,
John Anderson,
John Harvey,
Samuel Milley.

The Minutes of Monday February 29th were Minutes read.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day and on motion of the Hon. Mr. Harvey the Address in Thanks read second time. Reply to the Speech of His Excellency the Governor was read a second time, and

Ordered—To be committed to-morrow.

Question asked.

Pursuant to notice the Hon. Mr. Greene asked the Honorable Leader of the Government to lay on the table of the House all correspondence relating to the arrangement whereby the telegraph business of this Colony, after the expiry of the Anglo-American Telegraph Company's Charter in April next, be under the control of the Government.

Reply.

The Hon. Mr. Knowling, a Member of the Executive Council, replied.

The Hon. Mr. Knowling laid upon the table the correspondence with reference to the tax imposed by the United States Government on Immigrants from Newfoundland, asked for by the Hon. Mr. Greene.

Notice of motion.

The Hon. Mr. Harvey gives notice that he will on to-morrow move the suspension of the 33rd Rule of this House as regards the Address in Reply to the Speech of His Excellency the Governor.

Adjourned.

On motion made the House adjourned until to-morrow, Wednesday, March 2nd at half-past Four o'clock P. M.

#### WEDNESDAY, MARCH 2nd, 1904.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

House meets.

#### PRESENT:

The Honourable Edward D. Shea,

President.

Members present.

The Honorables James Angel,

John Harris,
George Skelton,
Samuel Blandford,
George Knowling,
D. Joseph Greene,
James Baird,
John B. Ayre,
James S. Pitts,
Robert K. Bishop
James D. Ryan,
John Anderson,
John Harvey,
Samuel Milley.

The Minutes of Tuesday, March 1st, were Minutes read.

The Hon. the President informed the House that he had received the following message from His Excellency the Governor:—

Message from His Excellency the Governor.

(Sgd.) CAVENDISH BOYLE, Governor.

The Governor has the honor to communicate to the Honorable Legislative Council the appoint-

ment of the Commission 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 Honorable Executive Council, approved by the Governor on this day.

> At the Government House, St. John's, 1st March, 1904.

Certified copy of Minutes of Executive Council.

Certified copy of Minutes of the Honorable Executive Council approved by His Excellency the Governor on the 1st March, 1904.

Under the provisions of Section 4, Cap. I., 61 Vic., the following gentlemen to form the Commission of Internal Economy of the Legislature: Hon. E. D. Shea, Kt., President of the Legislative Council, Hon. John Harris, Hon. George Skelton, His Hon. the Speaker, Rt. Hon. Sir Robert Bond, K. C. M. G., Hon E. P. Morris, K. C., L. L. D., Hon. E. M. Jackman.

Certified true copy,

ARTHUR MEWS,

Deputy Colonial Secretary.

Committee on Address in Reply. Pursuant to the Order of the Day and on motion of the Hon. Mr. Harvey the House went into Committee on the Address in Reply to the Speech of His Excellency the Governor.

The Hon. Mr. Ayre in the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported the Address without Reported. Amendment.

The Hon. Mr. Harvey moved "That the Report be received."

Whereupon the Hon. Mr Greene moved in Motion of Amendment.

That the following words be added to the Address as paragraph 3. "We regret that under existing circumstances the Government has seen fit to advise the Imperial Government to make the recent appointments to this branch of the Legislature."

And the question on the amendment having been put there appeared for the motion:—

Contents (5): Non-Contents (9): Division.

Hons. Messrs. Greene, Hons. Messrs. Angel,

Blandford,

Baird, Ayre,

Bishop,

Harris,

Skelton,

Knowling,

Pitts,

Ryan,

Anderson,

Harvey,

Milley.

So it passed in the negative.

And the question on the original motion having been put there appeared:-

Division.

Contents (9):

Non-Contents (5):

Hons. Messrs. Angel, Hons. Messrs. Greene,

Harris,

Blandford,

Skelton,

Baird,

Knowling,

Ayre,

Pitts,

Bishop,

Ryan,

Anderson,

Harvey,

Milley.

So it passed in the affirmative, and

Ordered—That the Report be received.

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

Ordered—That the 33rd Rule of this House be suspended as regards the Address in Reply to the Speech of His Excellency the Governor.

Address of Thanks read third time and passed.

Ordered—That the said Address be engrossed and presented to His Excellency the Governor by a deputation of the whole House.

To be presented by Deputation of the Whole.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Harvey the said Address was then read a third time and passed and the Hon. the President signed the same.

#### The Address is as follows:-

To His Excellency Sir Cavendish Address of Boyle, Knight Commander of the Most Distinguished Order of St. Michael and St. George, Governor and Commander-in-Chief in and over the Island of Newfoundland and its Dependencies.

### MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY,—

We, the Legislative Council of Newfoundland, in Session convened, respectfully thank Your Excellency for the Gracious Speech with which you have been pleased to open the present Session of the Legislature.

We shall earnestly deliberate upon the several important measures, to which Your Excellency draws our attention, when they are placed before us for legislative action.

(Sgd.) E. D. SHEA,

President.

COUNCIL CHAMBER, 2nd March, 1904.

The Hon. the President informed the Council that His Excellency the Governor would receive the Address in Reply to His Excellency's Speech on to-morrow Thursday at a quarter to Eleven o'clock A. M.

Governor will receive Address of Thanks. Documents.

The Hon. Mr. Knowling, a member of the Executive Council by command of His Excellency the Governor, presented the following documents to the House:—

Report of the Department of Agriculture and Mines for the fiscal year ending 30th June, 1903, with the usual tabulated statements and accounts.

Ordered—To lie on the table.

Adjourned.

On motion made the House adjourned until to-morrow Thursday at a quarter past Ten o'clock A. M.

#### THURSDAY, MARCH 3rd, 1904.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

House meets.

#### PRESENT:

The Honorable SIR EDWARD D. SHEA,

Members present.

President.

The Honorables James Angel,

John Harris,
George Skelton,
George Knowling,
D. Joseph Greene,
James Baird,
James S. Pitts,
Robert K. Bishop,
James D. Ryan,
John Anderson,
John Harvey,
Samuel Milley.

The Minutes of Wednesday, March 2nd were Minutes read. read.

At a quarter to Eleven o'clock the Council proceeded to Government House with the Address in Reply to the Speech of His Excellency the Governor.

Council presents Address in Reply

At Eleven o'clock, the House having returned, the Hon. the President reported that His Excellency had been pleased to receive the said Address and return an answer thereto in the following words:—

Governor's Reply. 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.

GOVERNMENT HOUSE, St. John's, 3rd March, 1904.

Adjourned.

On motion made the House adjourned until to-morrow, Friday, March 4th at half-past Four o'clock P. M.

#### FRIDAY, MARCH 4th, 1904.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

House meets.

#### PRESENT:

The Honorable SIR EDWARD D. SHEA,

Members present.

President.

The Honorables George Skelton, SAMUEL BLANDFORD, GEORGE KNOWLING, D. Joseph Greene, JAMES S. PITTS, JAMES D. RYAN, JOHN ANDERSON, JOHN HARVEY, SAMUEL MILLEY.

The Minutes of Thursday, March 3rd were read.

The Hon. the President informed the Council Leave of ab-E. R. Bowring. that he had received the following communication from Government House:—

GOVERNMENT HOUSE, St. John's, Newfoundland, March 2nd, 1904.

SIR,—

I have the honor to acquaint you that His Excellency the Governor has granted leave of absence from the Colony to the Honorable E. R.

Bowring, member of the Legislative Council, for two months from the 5th February, 1904

> I have the Honor to be, Sir,

Your Obedient Servant,
GEORGE EDWARD RAM,

Private Secretary and A. D. C.

The Hon. SIR E. D. SHEA,

President Legislative Council.

Message from Assembly.

The Hon. the President informed the Council that he had received messages from the House of Assembly requesting concurrence in the Bills sent up entitled respectively:—

"An Act to continue for a further period 'The Newfoundland French Treaties Act,'" and

"An Act respecting Foreign Marriages."

French Treaties and Foreign Marriages Bills read first time. which said Bills, on motion of the Hon. Mr. Knowling, were severally read a first time, and

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

Report of Commission of Internal Economy presented. The Hon. Dr. Skelton presented to the House the following report of the Commission of Internal Economy of the Legislature.

#### REPORT OF INTERNAL ECONOMY COMMISSION.

The Commission of Internal Economy of the Legislature beg leave to present the following report in accordance with the provisions of Section 10, Chapter 1, 61 Victoria.

#### LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

The printing of the Journal has been allotted to the Evening Herald.

The printing of sessional papers has been alloted to J. W. McCoubrey.

The printing of the debates has been allotted to the Evening Telegram and the copying of the same to the Evening Herald, Hr. Grace Standard, Bay Roberts Outlook, and Twillingate Sun.

The reporters appointed are Messrs. R. Pitman, J. P. Gleeson, G. T. Carty and W. J. Higgins.

#### House of Assembly.

The printing of the Journal has been allotted to the Evening Telegram.

The printing of sessional papers has been alloted to the *Evening Telegram*.

The printing of the debates has been allotted to the Evening Telegram and the copying of the same to the Even-

ing Herald, Free Press, Hr. Grace Standard, Bay Roberts Outlook and Twillingate Sun.

The reporting staff appointed are Messrs. M. A. Devine, Supervisor, W. H. Martin, R. A. Squires, T. D. Carew, P. H. Collins., J. W. McGrath.

E. D. SHEA, Chairman.

Ordered,—To lie on the table.

Documents laid on Table. The Hon. Mr. Knowling, a member of the Executive Council, by command of His Excellency the Governor presented to the House the following documents:—

Report of the Newfoundland Savings Bank for the year ending 31st December, 1903.

Report of the Postal and Telegraph Department for the year ended 30th June, 1903.

Ordered'-To lie on the table.

Adjourned.

On motion made the House adjourned until Monday next, March 7th, at half-past Four o'clock P. M.

# MONDAY, MARCH 7th, 1904,

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

House meets.

#### PRESENT:

The Honourable Sir Edward D. Shea,

President.

Members

Present.

The Honorables John Harris,

George Skelton,
George Knowling,
D. Joseph Greene,
James Baird,
John B. Ayre,
James S. Pitts,
Robert K. Bishop
James D. Ryan,
John Harvey,
Samuel Milley.

The Minutes of Friday, March 4th, were Minutes read.

The Hon. the President informed the House Leave of absence to Hon. Samuel that he had received the following communication Blandford.

from Government House:—

GOVERNMENT HOUSE, St. John's, Newfoundland, 7th March, 1904.

SIR:

I have the honour, by direction of the Governor, to inform you that His Excellency has

granted to the Hon. Samuel Blandford leave of absence from his duties as a member of the Legislative Council during his approaching visit to the icefields.

I have the honour to be, Sir,

Your obedient servant,
GEORGE EDWARD RAM,

Private Secretary and A. D. C.

The Hon. Sir Edward Shea,

President Legislative Council,

Newfoundland French Treaties Bill read second time. Pursuant to the Order of the Day and on motion of the Hon. Mr. Knowling the Bill sent up entitled "An Act to continue for a further period 'The Newfoundland French Treaties Act'" was read a second time.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Knowling and with the unanimous consent of the House—

33rd Rule suspended.

Ordered,—That the 33rd Rule of the House be suspended with regard to the said Bill.

Committee on French Treaties Bill. On motion of the Hon Mr. Knowling the House went into a Committee on the said Bill.

The Hon. Mr. Baird in the Chair

After some time the House resumed.

Reported.

The Chairman reported the Bill without amendment.

Ordered,—That the Report be received.

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

time and passed.

Ordered,—To be sent to the House of Assem- Message to bly with message that this House had passed the same without amendment.

Assembly.

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

Foreign Marriages Bill read second time

Ordered,—To be committed to-morrow.

Hon. Mr. Greene gives notice that he will on Notice of motion. to-morrow ask the Hon. Leader of the Government to lay on the table of the House copies of all correspondence between the Rt. Hon. Colonial Secretary and all other parties in the year 1903 on the subject of Cold Storage (a) on the subject of the resolutions or on the Bill introduced last year; (b) copies of any proposed Bill, or amendments on the Bill introduced; (c) all correspondence, proposals or tenders made to the Government; and (d) all papers, letters and documents relating to the subject matter of Cold Storage. The same for the present year.

On motion made the House adjourned until Adjourned. Wednesday next, March 9th, at half-past Four o'clock, P. M.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 9th, 1904.

House meets.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

PRESENT:

Members present. The Honourable Sir-Edward D. Shea,

President,

The Honourables James Angel,
John Harris,
George Skelton,
George Knowling,
D. Joseph Greene,
John B. Ayre,
James S. Pitts,
James D. Ryan,
John Anderson,
John Harvey,
Samuel Milley,

Minutes read.

The Minutes of Monday, March 7th were read

Committee on Foreign Marriages Bill. Pursuant to the Order of the Day and on motion of the Hon. Mr. Knowling the House went into a Committee on the Bill sent up entitled "An Act respecting Foreign Marriages."

The Hon. Dr. Skelton in the chair.

After some time the House resumed.

Reported.

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 notice the Hon. Mr. Greene asked Question asked the Hon. Leader of the Government to lay on the table of the House copies of all correspondence between the Rt. Hon. the Colonial Secretary and all other parties in the year 1903 on the subject of Cold Storage (a) on the subject of the resolutions or on the Bill introduced last year; (b) copies of any proposed Bill or amendments on the Bill introduced; (c) all correspondence proposals or tenders made to the Government; and (d) all papers, letters and documents relating to the subject matter of Cold Storage. The same for the present year.

The Hon. Mr. Knowling replied.

Reply.

The Hon the President informed the Council Assembly. Message from Assembly. that he had received a message from the House of Assembly requesting concurrence in the Bills sent up entitled respectively:

- "An Act to further amend 56 Vic., Cap. II., entitled 'An Act to incorporate the Placentia Water Company;"
- "An Act to amend the law relating to the Preservation of Game;" and
- "An Act to amend 2 Edward VII, Chapter VI entitled 'An Act to regulate the Whaling Industry;"

which said Bills were severally read a first time, and

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

The House adjourned during pleasure.

The House resumed.

The Hon. Mr. Knowling laid on the table copy of Coastal Contract with Bowring Bros., Ltd.

Adjourned.

On motion made the House adjourned until to-morrow, Thursday, March 10th at half-past Four o'clock P. M.

### THURSDAY, MARCH 10th, 1904.

House meets.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

### PRESENT:

Members present. The Honourable Sir Edward D. Shea,

President.

The Honourables James Angel,
John Harris,
George Skelton,
George Knowling,
D. Joseph Greene,
James Baird,
James S. Pitts,
Robert K. Bishop,
James D. Ryan,
John Anderson,
John Harvey,
Samuel Milley.

Minutes read. The Minutes of Wednesday, March 9th, were read.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day and on motion of the Hon. Mr. Knowling the Bill sent up entitled "An Act respecting Foreign Marriages" was read a third time and passed and the Hon. the President signed the same.

Foreign Marriages Bill third time and passed.

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

Message to Assembly.

The House was adjourned during pleasure.

The House resumed.

At a quarter to Five o'clock P.M., His Excel- Governor arrives lency the Governor Sir Cavendish Boyle, K. C. M. G., having arrived at the Council Chamber and being seated on the Throne the Hon. the President directed the Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod to proceed to the House of Assembly and inform the Speaker and Members thereof that it is His Excellency's will and pleasure that they forthwith attend at the Bar of this House; and they being bly attend Councome thereto His Excellency was pleased to give his assent to the Bill, entitled

Chamber.

"An Act to continue for a further period Bill assented to 'The Newfoundland French Treaties Act.'"

The House of Assembly having withdrawn,

Governor retires.

His Excellency retired.

Notice of motion.

The Hon. Mr. Bishop gives notice that he will on to-morrow ask the Hon. Leader of the Government to lay upon the table

Copy of all applications for licenses under the Whaling Act and dates thereof; the names of persons to whom licenses have been issued and the dates thereof; the names of persons, if any, who have not paid their license fee in accordance with the Act; and the names of persons, if any, for whom applications are kept in abeyance.

Adjourned.

On motion made the House adjourned until to-morrow, Friday, March 11th, at half-past Four o'clock P. M.

# FRIDAY, MARCH 11th, 1904.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

House meets.

#### PRESENT:

The Honourable SIR EDWARD D. SHEA, Members present. President.

The Honourables James Angel, JOHN HARRIS, GEORGE SKELTON, GEORGE KNOWLING, D. Joseph Greene, JAMES BAIRD, JAMES S. PITTS, ROBERT K. BISHOP, JAMES D. RYAN, JOHN ANDERSON. JOHN HARVEY, SAMUEL MILLEY.

Minutes read. The Minutes of Thursday, March 10th were read.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day and on Company Bill motion of the Hon. Mr. Pitts the Bill sent up entitled "An Act to further amend 56 Vic., Cap II. entitled 'An Act to Incorporate the Placentia Water Company'" was read a second time and

Placentia Water read second time

Ordered,—To be committed to-morrow.

Whaling Industry Bill read second time. Pursuant to the Order of the Day and on motion of the Hon. Mr. Ryan the Bill sent up entitled "An Act to amend 2 Edward VII, Cap. XI entitled 'An Act to regulate the Whaling Industry" was read a second time and

Ordered,—To be committed to-morrow.

Preservation of Game Bill read second time.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day and on motion of the Hon. Mr. Harris the Bill sent up entitled "An Act to amend the law relating to the Preservation of Game" was read a second time and

Ordered,—To be committed to-morrow.

Question asked

Pursuant to notice the Hon. Mr. Bishop asked the Hon. Leader of the Government to lay upon the table copy of all applications for licenses under the Whaling Act and dates thereof; the names of parties to whom licenses have been issued and the dates thereof; the names of persons, if any, who have not paid their license fees in accordance with the Act; and the names of persons, if any, for whom applications are kept in abeyance.

Documents laid on table.

The Hon. Mr. Knowling laid on the table:-

Applications for Whaling Licenses.

The Hon. Mr. Knowling by command of His Excellency the Governor laid on the table:—

Annual Statement of the Imperial Life Assurance Company of Canada, 1903.

Annual Statement of the Standard Life As-Documents (Continued.) surauce Company, 1902.

Annual Statement of the Equitable Life Assurance Society of the United States, 1903.

On motion made the House adjourned until Adjourned. Monday next, March 14th, at half-past Four o'clock P. M.

# MONDAY, MARCH 14th, 1904.

House meets.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

### PRESENT:

The Honourable Sir Edward D. Shea, President. Members President.

The Honourables James Angel,
John Harris,
George Skelton,
George Knowling,
John B. Ayre,
James S. Pitts,
Robert K. Bishop,
James D. Ryan,
John Anderson,
John Harvey,
Samuel Milley.

Minutes read.

The Minutes of Friday, March 11th were read.

Committee on Placentia Water Company Bill. Pursuant to the Order of the Day and on motion of the Hon. Mr. Pitts the House went into Committee on the Bill sent up entitled "An Act to further amend 56 Vic. Cap. II, entitled 'An Act to incorporate the Placentia Water Company.'"

The Hon. Mr. Angel in the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

Reported.

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. Ryan:

Ordered,—That the Bill sent up entitled 'An Act to amend 2 Edward VII, Chapter XI entitled An Act to regulate the Whaling Industry,"' be deferred until to-morrow.

Committee on Preservation of Game Bill. Pursuant to the Order of the Day and on motion of the Hon. Mr. Harris the House went into Committee on the Bill sent up entitled "An Act to amend the law relating to the Preservation of Game."

The Hon. Mr. Pitts in the chair.

After some time the House resumed.

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

Ordered,—That the Report be received.

The Hon. Mr. Knowling, a member of the Message from His Excellency the Governor.

Executive Counil presented the following message the Governor.

from His Excellency the Governor:—

CAVENDISH BOYLE,

Governor,—

The Governor has the honour and the very great pleasure of informing the Hon. the Legislative Council of Newfoundland that he has received authority to express to the Council the satisfaction with which His Majesty's Government have learned that the French Treaties Act has been renewed by the Legislature.

GOVERNMENT HOUSE,
St. John's,
March 11th, 1904.

Ordered,—To lie on the table.

On motion made the House adjourned until Adjourned. Friday next, March 18th at half-past Four o'clock P. M.

FRIDAY, MARCH 18th, 1904.

House meets.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

PRESENT:

Members present. The Honourable Sir Edward D. Shea,

President.

The Honourables George T. Rendell,

James Angel,
John Harris,
George Skelton,
George Knowling,
D. Joseph Greene,
James Baird,
John B. Ayre,
James S. Pitts,
Robert K. Bishop,
James D. Ryan,
John Anderson,
John Harvey,
Samuel Milley.

Minutes read.

The Minutes of Monday, March 14th were read.

Placentia Water Company Bill read third time and passed. Pursuant to the Order of the Day and on motion of the Hon. Mr. Pitts the Bill sent up entitled "An Act to further amend 56 Vic., Cap. 11. entitled 'An Act to incorporate the Placentia Water Company," was 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 same without amendment.

Message to Assembly.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Ryan—

Ordered,—That the Bill sent up entitled "An Act to amend 2 Edward VII, Chapter XI entitled 'An Act to regulate the Whaling Industry,'" be deferred until to-morrow.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day and on motion of the Hon. Mr. Harris the House went into Committee on the Bill sent up entitled "An Act to amend the law relating to the Preservation of Game."

Game Bill.

The Hon. Mr. Pitts in the chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported the Bill with some Reported. amendments.

Ordered,—That the Report be received and

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

The Hon Mr. Knowling by command of His Documents laid Excellency the Governor laid on the table the following documents:—

Documents (Continued.) Annual Report of the Newfoundland Department of Fisheries for the year 1903.

Report of the Geological Survey of Newfoundland for the year 1903.

Annual Statement of Canada Life Assurance Co. of Toronto, 1903.

Annual Statement of Confederation Life Association of Toronto, 1903.

Annual Statement of Mutual Life Assurance Co. of Canada, 1903.

The Hon. Mr. Knowling laid on the table correspondence re Cold Storage asked for by the Hon. Mr. Greene.

Adjourned.

On motion made the House adjourned until Tuesday next, March 22nd, at half-past Four o'clock, P. M.

# TUESDAY, MARCH 22nd, 1904.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

House meets.

# PRESENT:

The Honourable SIR EDWARD D. SHEA, Members present. President.

The Honourables George T. Rendell,

JAMES ANGEL, JOHN HARRIS, GEORGE SKELTON, GEORGE KNOWLING, JAMES BAIRD, JOHN B. AYRE, JAMES S. PITTS, ROBERT K. BISHOP, JAMES D. RYAN, JOHN ANDERSON, JOHN HARVEY, SAMUEL MILLEY.

Minutes read. The Minutes of Friday, March 18th were read.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day and on Preservation of Game Bill read motion of the Hon. Mr. Harris the Bill sent up en- passed. titled "An Act to amend the law relating to the Preservation of Game," as amended, was read a third time and passed and the Hon. the President signed the same.

third time and

Message to Assembly.

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

Amendments.

The amendments are as follows:-

Strike out Section 1 and insert the following:

(1) No person shall hunt, wound, kill take, sell, purchase or give away or have in his possession any ptarmigan or willow grouse, (commonly called partridge) or any other kind of grouse or partridge or the eggs of any such birds within this Colony until the 15th day of September 1905, and between the 12th day of January and the 15th day of September in each subsequent year under a penalty of not less than \$25 nor exceeding \$100 or in default of payment of imprisonment not exceeding three months: Provided that in any such subsequent year it shall not be held unlawful to sell, barter, purchase, receive, give away or have possession of such birds where the party, against whom a complaint is made, shall prove that the said birds were killed between the 15th day of September and the 12th day of January next succeeding: Provided further that any person who shall actually have in his possession at or upon the 12th day of January aforesaid any ptarmigan or willow grouse shall be allowed to offer for sale such ptarmigan or willow grouse until the 22nd day of January in any such subsequent year.

Insert as Section 2 the following:—

(2) Sections 1 and 3 of Chapter 144 of the Consolidated Statutes (Second Series) entitled "Of the Preservation of Game" are hereby repealed.

Pulsuant to the Order of the Day and on Committee on Whaling Indu motion of the Hon. Mr. Ryan the House went into Committee on the Bill sent up entitled "An Act to amend 2 Edward VII Chapter XI entitled "An Act to regulate the Whaling Industry"

Whaling Industry Bill.

The Hon. Dr. Skelton in the chair.

After some time the House resumed.

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

reported.

Ordered,—That the Report be received.

The Hon the Pr sident informed the Council Message from Assembly. that he had received a message from the House of Assembly requesting concurrence in the Bill sent up entitled "An Act repecting the establishment of Cold Storage Factories and Houses" which said Bill,

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Knowling was Cold Storage Bill read first read a first time and

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

On motion made the House adjourned until Adjourned. Friday next, March 25th, at half-past Four o'clock P. M.

# FRIDAY, MARCH 25th, 1904.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

House meets.

#### PRESENT:

The Honourable SIR EDWARD D. SHEA,

present.

President.

The Honourables George T. Rendell,

JAMES ANGEL, JOHN HARRIS, GEORGE SKELTON, GEORGE KNOWLING, D. Joseph Greene, JAMES BAIRD, JOHN B. AYRE, JAMES S. PITTS, ROBERT K. BISHOP. JAMES D. RYAN, JOHN ANDERSON, JOHN HARVEY, SAMUEL MILLEY,

Minutes read. The Minutes of Tuesday, March 22nd were read.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day and on Whaling Indusmotion of the Hon. Mr. Ryan the House went into Committee on the Bill sent up entitled "An Act to amend 2 Edward VII, Chapter XI entitled 'An Act to regulate the Whaling Industry.'"

Committee on try Bill.

The Hon. Dr. Skelton in the chair.

After some time the House resumed.

Reported. 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.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day and on Bill read second motion of the Hon. Mr. Knowling the Bill sent up entitled "An Act respecting the establishment of Cold Storage Factories and Houses," was read a second time and

Cold Storage

Ordered,—To be committed to-morrow.

The Hon. the President informed the Council Assembly. that he had received a message from the House of Assembly requesting concurrence in the amendments made by the House of Assembly in and upon the amendments made by the Legislative Council in and upon the Bill sent up entitled "An Act to amend the law relating to the Preservation of Game"—

which said amendments on motion of the Hon. Mr. Harris were read a first time and

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

Adjourned.

On motion made the House adjourned until Monday next, March 28th, at half-past Four o'clock P. M.

# MONDAY, MARCH 28th, 1904,

House meets.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

### PRESENT:

Members present. The Honourable Sir Edward D. Shea,

President.

The Honorables John Harris,
George Skelton,
George Knowling,
D. Joseph Greene,
James Baird,
John B. Ayre,
James S. Pitts,
Robert K. Bishop
James D. Ryan,
John Anderson,
John Harvey,
Samuel Milley.

Minntes read.

The Minutes of Friday, March 25th, were read.

Whaling Industry Bill read third Pursuant to the Order of the Day and on time and passed, motion of the Hon. Mr. Ryan the Bill sent up en-

titled "An Act to amend 2 Edward VII, Cap. XI entitled 'An Act to regulate the Whaling Industry"' as amended, was read a third time and passed and the Hon. the President signed the same.

Ordered,—To be sent to the House of Assem- Message to Assembly. bly with message that this House had passed the same with some amendments and requesting concurrence therein.

The amendments are as follows:—

Amendments.

Section 1, 3rd line.—After the word "instance" insert the words "of any person."

Section 2, 3rd and 4th lines.—Strike out the words "into marketable products."

Same Section, 5th line.—After the word "products" srike out the words "as fully and completely as such carcases and offal are now being manufactured at or in connection with the several factories now in operation."

Strike out the 3rd Section of the Bill.

Re-number Section 4 as Section 3.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day and on motion of the Hon. Mr. Knowling the House went cold storage Bill. into Committee on the Bill sent up entitled "An Act respecting the establishment of Cold Storage Factories and Houses."

The Hon. Mr. Ayre inthe chair.

After some time the House resumed.

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

Ordered,—That the Report be received.

Amendments on Preservation of Game Bill read second time. Pursuant to the Order of the Day and on motion of the Hon. Mr. Harris the amendments made by the House of Assembly in and upon the amendments made by the Legislative Council in and upon the Bill sent up entitled "An Act to amend the Law relating to the Preservation of Game" were read a second time and

Ordered,—To be committed to-morrow.

Adjourned.

On motion made the House adjourned until to-morrow, Tuesday, March 29th at half-past Four o'clock P. M.

# TUESDAY, MARCH 29th, 1904.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

House meets.

#### PRESENT:

The Honourable SIR EDWARD D. SHEA,

Members

President.

The Honourables George T. Rendell,

JAMES ANGEL, JOHN HARRIS, GEORGE SKELTON, GEORGE KNOWLING, D. Joseph Greene, JAMES BAIRD, JOHN B. AYRE, James S. Pitts, ROBERT K. BISHOP, JAMES D. RYAN, JOHN ANDERSON, JOHN HARVEY, SAMUEL MILLEY.

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

Pursuant to the Order of the Day and on Committee on Cold Storage motion of the Hon. Mr. Knowling the House went into Committee on the Bill sent up entitled "An Act respecting the establishment of Cold Storage Factories and Houses.."

The Hon. Mr. Ayre in the chair.

After some time the House resumed.

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

Ordered,—That the Report be received.

Adjourned.

On motion made the House adjourned until Tuesday, next, April 5th at half-past Four o'clock P. M.

### TUESDAY, APRIL 5th, 1904.

House meets.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

#### PRESENT:

Members present. The Honourable Sir Edward D. Shea,

President.

The Honourables George T. Rendell,

James Angel,
John Harris,
George Skelton,
George Knowling,
D. Joseph Greene,
James Baird,
John B. Ayre,
James S. Pitts,
Robert K. Bishop,
James D. Ryan,
John Anderson,
John Harvey,
Samuel Milley.

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

Pursuant to the Order of the Day and on motion of the Hon. Mr. Knowling the House went into Committee on the Bill sent up entitled "An Act respecting the establishment of Cold Storage Factories and Houses."

Committee on Cold Storage Bill.

The Hon. Mr. Ayre in the chair.

After some time the House resumed.

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

Ordered,—That the Report be received.

The Hon. Mr. Greene gives notice that he Notice of motion. will on to-morrow introduce a Bill "To amend the law relating to the Internal Economy of the Legislature."

The Hon. Mr. Greene gives notice that he will on to-morrow ask the Hon. the Leader of the Government to lay on the table of this House all correspondence between the Imperial Government and the Government of Newfoundland and between the Government and the Messrs. Bowrings on the subject of the recent Coastal Contract received or sent subsequent to 16th March last.

The Hon. Mr. Anderson gives notice that he will on to-morrow bring in a Bill respecting the Qualifications of Engineers.

Documents laid on table.

The Hon Mr. Knowling, a member of the Executive Council, by command of His Excellency the Governor laid on the table the following documents:—

Annual Statement of Mutual Life Insurance Company of New York, 1903.

Annual Statement of the Sun Life Assurance Company of Canada, 1903.

Annual Statement of the New York Life Insurance Company, 1903.

Annual Statement of the Manufacturer's Life Insurance of Canada, 1903.

Adjourned.

On motion made the House adjourned until to-morrow, Wednesday April 6th at half-past Four o'clock P. M.

# WEDNESDAY, APRIL 6th, 1904.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

House meets

#### PRESENT:

Members present

The Honourable SIR EDWARD D. SHEA, President.

The Honourables George T. Rendell,

JAMES ANGEL, JOHN HARRIS, GEORGE SKELTON, GEORGE KNOWLING, D. Joseph Greene, JAMES BAIRD, JOHN B. AYRE, JAMES S. PITTS, ROBERT K. BISHOP, JAMES D. RYAN, JOHN ANDERSON, JOHN HARVEY, SAMUEL MILLEY.

The Minutes of Tuesday, April 5th were Minutes read. read.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day and on Cold Storage motion of the Hon. Mr. Knowling the House went into Committee on the Bill sent up entitled "An Act respecting the establishment of Cold Storage Factories and Houses."

The Hon. Mr. Ayre in the chair.

After some time the House resumed.

Reported.

The Chairman reported the Bill with some amendments.

The Hon. Mr. Knowling moved-

"That the Report be received."

Amendments.

Whereupon the Hon. Mr. Bishop moved in amendment, the following:—

"In the Schedule, Section 2, 8th line—Strike out the words from "notifying the Government" down to the word "expend" on the 10th line and insert instead thereof the words "the date of the passing of the necessary legislation confirming this agreement."

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

Division.

Contents (5):

Non-Contents (9):

Hons. Messrs. Bishop,

Hons. Messrs. Knowling,

Rendell, Greene,

Harris,

Angel,

Baird,

Skelton,

Daira,

Pitts,

Ayre.

Ryan,

Anderson,

Harvey,

Milley.

So it passed in the negative.

Then the Hon. Mr. Baird moved in amend- Amendment. ment the following:—

In the Schedule, Section 4, 10th line—Strike out the words from "it being" down to the word "person" in the 15th line.

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

Contents (5): Non-Contents (9):

Division.

Hons. Messrs. Baird,

Hons. Messrs. Knowling,

Rendell,

Angel,

Greene,

Harris,

Ayre,

Skelton,

Pitts,

Bishop.

Ryan,

Anderson,

Harvey,

Milley.

So it passed in the negative.

Then the Hon. Mr Greene moved in amend- Amendment ment, the following:-

"In the Schedule, Section 5, 18th line—After the word "same" insert the words "the Company agreeing to re-assign and re-convey to the Government the land or lands granted to them for the purpose of erecting such house or houses."

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

Division.

Contents (5):

Non-Contents (9):

Hons. Messrs. Greene,

Hons. Messrs. Knowling,

Rendell, Baird,

Angel,

Ayre,

Harris, Skelton,

Bishop.

Pitts,

Ryan,

Anderson,

Harvey,

Milley.

So it passed in the negative.

Amendment.

Then the Hon. Mr. Bishop moved in amendment the following:—

In the Schedule,—Section 6, Sub-section (c), Sub-section (a)—Strike out sub-section (a) and insert in lieu thereof the words "At least one hundred thousand dollars of said amount shall be expended in the purchase of fresh codfish which shall be exported in Cold Storage."

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

Division.

Contents (6):

Non-Contents(8):

Hons. Messrs. Bishop, Hons. Messrs. Knowling,

Rendell, Greene,

Angel,

Harris,

Baird,

Skelton,

Ayre,

Pitts,

Harvey.

Ryan,

Anderson,

Milley.

So it passed in the negative.

Amendment.

Then the Hon. Mr. Greene moved in amendment the following:—

In the Schedule, Section 9, on the 5th line— Strike out the word "installation" and insert in lieu thereof the word "introduction."

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

Contents (5):

Non-Contents (9):

Division.

Hons. Messrs. Greene, Hons. Messrs. Knowling,

Rendell,

Baird,

Ayre,

Bishop.

Angel,

Harris,

Skelton,

Pitts,

Ryan,

Anderson,

Harvey,

Milley,

So it passed in the negative.

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

Ordered,—That the Report be received and

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

Pursuant to notice the Hon. Mr. Greene, Internal Ecc omy Bill r introduced a "Bill to amend the law relating to first time.

the Internal Economy of the Legislature," which was read a first time and

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

Question asked.

Pursuant to notice the Hon. Mr. Greene asked the Hon. Leader of the Government to lay on the table of this House all correspondence between the Imperial Government and the Government of Newfoundland, and between the Government and the Messrs. Bowrings on the subject of the recent Coastal Contract, received or sent subsequent to 16th March last.

Reply.

The Hon Mr. Knowling replied.

Qualification of Engineers Bill read first time. Pursuant to notice the Hon. Mr. Anderson brought in a Bill respecting the qualifications of Engineers, which said Bill was read a first time and

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

Notice of motion.

The Hon. Mr. Knowling gives notice that he will on to-morrow move the suspension of the 33rd Rule of this House as regards all bills, addresses and other business now before or to come before this House for the remainder of the session.

Adjourned.

On motion made the House adjourned untito-morrow, Thursday, April 7th at half-past Four o'clock P. M.

# THURSDAY, APRIL 7th, 1904.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

House meets

#### PRESENT:

The Honourable Sir Edward D. Shea,

President,

Members

present.

The Honourables James Angel,
John Harris,
George Skelton,
George Knowling,
D. Joseph Greene,
James Baird,
John B. Ayre,
James S. Pitts,
Robert K. Bishop,
James D. Ryan,
John Anderson,
John Harvey,
Samuel Milley,

The Minutes of Wednesday, April 6th were Minntes read.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day and on motion of the Hon. Mr. Knowling the Bill sent np entitled "An Act respecting the establishment of Cold Storage Factories and Houses," as amended, was read a third time and passed and the Hon. the President signed the same.

Cold Storage Bill read third time and passed. Message to Assembly.

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

Amendments.

The amendments are as follows:-

Section 4 of the Bill, 4th line—After the word "from" insert the word "direct."

Insert as new Section 5 the following:-

5. The word "supplies" in this Act and the Schedule shall be held to include only such materials as are necessary for and used in any process of refrigeration.

Committee on Amendments on Preservation of Game Bill. Pursuant to the Order of the Day and on motion of the Hon. Mr. Harris the House went into Committee on the amendments made by the House of Assembly in and upon the amendments made by the Legislative Council in and upon the Bill sent up entitled "An Act relating to the Preservation of Game."

The Hon. Mr. Angel in the chair.

After some time the House resumed.

Reported.

The Chairman reported the amendments without amendment.

Ordered—That the Report be received.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Hon. Mr. Greene moved that the "Bill to amend the

law relating to the Internal Economy of the Legislature" be now read a second time.

Whereupon the Hon. Dr. Skelton moved in Amendments. amendment "that the Bill be read this day six months."

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

Contents (6):

Non-Contents (7):

Division.

Hons. Messrs. Skelton, Hons. Messrs. Greene,

Knowling,

Angel,

Pitts,

Harris,

Ryan,

Baird,

Anderson,

Ayre,

Milley.

Bishop.

Harvey,

So it passed in the negative.

And the question on the original motion having been put it passed in the affirmative on a similar division and

Ordered—Accordingly.

The said Bill was then read a second time and

Ordered,—To be committed to-morrow.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day and on Qualification of motion of the Hon. Mr. Anderson the "Bill respecting the Qualifications of Engineers" was read a second time and

read second time

Ordered,—To be committed to-morrow.

Pursuant to notice and on motion of the Hon. Mr. Knowling:

33rd Rule suspended.

Ordered,—That the 33rd Rule of this House be suspended as regards all bills, addresses and other business now before or to come before this House for the remainder of the session.

Message from Assembly.

The Hon. the President informed the Council that he had received a message from the House of Assembly requesting concurrence in the Bills sent up entitled respectively:—

"An Act to amend the Revenue Act, 1901, and

"An Act to Prohibit the Immigration of Chinese Persons into this Colony and for other purposes"

which said Bills were severally read a first time and

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

Message from Assembly.

The Hon. the President informed the Council that he had received a message feom the Honse of Assembly requesting concurrence in the amendments sent up on the amendments made by the Legislative Council on the Bill entitled "An Act to amend 2 Edward VII, Chapter XI entitled 'An Act to regulate the Whaling Industry'" which said amendments were read a first and second time and

Ordered,—To be committed to-morrow.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Greene in the absence of the Hon. Mr. Harris—

Ordered,—That the amendments made by the House of Assembly upon the amendments made by the Legislative Council upon the Bill sent up entitled "An Act to amend the law relating to the Preservation of Game" be read a third time tomorrow.

On motion made the House adjourned until Adjourned. to-morrow, Friday, April 8th at half-past Four o'clock P. M.

# FRIDAY, APRIL 8th, 1904.

House meets.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

## PRESENT:

Members present. The Honourable Sir Edward D. Shea,

President.

The Honourables James Angel,

John Harris,
George Skelton,
George Knowling,
D. Joseph Greene,
James Baird,
John B. Ayre,
James S. Pitts,
Robert K. Bishop,
James D. Ryan,
John Anderson,
John Harvey,
Samuel Milley.

Minutes read.

The Minutes of Thursday, April 7th were read-

Amendments on Preservation of Game Bill read third time and passed. Pursuant to the Order of the Day and on motion of the Hon. Mr. Harris the amendments made by the House of Assembly in and upon the amendments made by the Legislative Council in and upon the Bill sent up entitled "An Act to amend the law relating to the Preservation of Game" were read a third time and passed and the Hon. the President signed the same.

Ordered,—To be sent to the House of Assem- Message to Assembly. bly with message that this House had passed the said amendments without amendment.

Pursuant to the Order of the day and on Internal Econmotion of the Hon. Mr. Greene the House went into Committee on the Bill "To amend the law relating to the Internal Economy of the Legislature."

omy Bill.

The Hon. Mr. Angel in the chair.

After some time the House resumed.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day and on committee on motion of the Hon. Mr. Anderson the House went into Committee on the Bill "Respecting the Qualifications of Engineers."

Engineers Bill.

The Hon. Dr. Skelton in the chair.

After some time the House resumed.

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

Ordered,—That the Report be received.

Adjourned On motion made the House adjourned until Monday next, April 11th at half-past Four o'clock P. M.

# MONDAY, APRIL 11th, 1904.

House meets.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Members present.

## PRESENT:

The Honourable Sir Edward D. Shea,

President.

The Honourables George T. Rendell,

James Angel,
John Harris,
George Skelton,
George Knowling,
D. Joseph Greene,
James Baird,
John B. Ayre,
James S. Pitts,
Robert K. Bishop,
James D. Ryan,
John Anderson,
John Harvey,
Samuel Milley.

Minutes read.

The Minutes of Friday, April 8th, were read.

Committee on Qualification of Engineers Bill. Pursuant to the Order of the Day and on motion of the Hon. Mr. Anderson the House went into Committee on Bill "Respecting the Qualifications of Engineers."

The Hon. Dr. Skelton in the chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported the Bill with some Reported. amendments.

Ordered,—That the report be received.

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

Ordered,—That the Bill do now pass and be Engineers Bill entitled "An Act Respecting the Qualifications of and passed."

Engineers."

The Hon the President signed the same.

Ordered,—To be sent to the House of Assembly. Assembly with message requesting their concurrence therein.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day and on Revenue Bill motion of the Hon. Mr. Knowling the Bill sent up entitled "An Act to amend the Revenue Act, 1901" was read a second time and

Ordered,—To be committed presently.

The Hon. Mr. Harris in the chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported the Bill without Reported. amendment.

Ordered,—That the Report be received.

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

Revenue Bill read third time and passed.

Message to Assembly.

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

Committee on amendment on Whaling Industry Bill. Pursuant to the Order of the Day and on motion of the Hon. Mr. Ryan the House went into Committee on the amendment made by the House of Assembly in and upon the amendments made by the Legislative Council in and upon the Bill sent up entitled "An Act to amend 2nd Edward VII, Chapter XI, entitled 'An Act to regulate the Whaling Industry."

The Hon. Mr. Baird in the chair.

After some time the House resumed.

Reported.

The Chairman reported the said amendment without amendment.

Ordered,—That the Report be received.

Amendment read third time and passed.

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

Message to Assembly.

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

Chinese Immigration Bill read second time. Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Hon. Mr. Anderson moved that the Bill sent up entitled "An Act to prohibit the Immigration of Chinese Persons into the Colony and for other purposes" be now read a second time.

Whereupon the Hon. Mr. Baird moved in Amendment. amendment

"That the Bill be read this day six months."

And the question on the amendment having been put it was passed in the affirmative and

Ordered,—Accordingly.

The Hon. the President informed the Council Messages from Assembly? that he had received a message from the House of Assembly concurring in the amendments made by the Legislative Council in and upon the Bill sent up entitled "An Act respecting the establishment of Cold Storage Factories and Houses."

The Hon. the President also informed the Council that he had received a message from the House of Assembly requesting concurrence in the Bills sent up 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 Thirtieth day of June One Thousand Nine Hundred and Four and the Thirtieth day of June One Thousand Nine Hundred and Five and for other purposes relating to the Public Service."

"An Act for raising by loan a sum of money by the sale of Debenture Bonds of this Colony," and

"An Act for raising a sum of money by loan upon the Credit of the Colony."

Public Service Bill read first time. On motion of the Hon. Mr. Knowling 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 Thirtieth day of June One Thousand Nine Hundred and Four and the Thirtieth day of June One Thousand Nine Hundred and Five and for other purposes relating to the Public Service" was read a first time and

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

Loan Bill read first and second time. On motion of the Hon. Mr. Knowling the Bill sent up entitled "An Act for raising a sum of money by loan on the Credit of the Colony" was read a first and second time and

Ordered,—To be committed presently.

The Hon. Mr. Angel in the chair.

After some time the House resumed.

Reported.

The Chairman reported the Bill without amendment.

Ordered,-That the Report be received

Loan Bill read third time and passed. 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 Assembly. With message that this House had passed the same without amendment.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Knowling the Bill sent up entitled "An Act for raising by loan a sum of money by the sale of Debenture Bonds of this Colony" was read a first and second time and

Debenture Loan Bill read first and second time.

Ordered,—To be committed presently.

The Hon. Mr. Ayre in the chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported the Bill without Reported. amendment.

Ordered,—That the Report be received.

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

Debenture Loan Bill read third time and passed.

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

On motion made the House adjourned until Adjourned. Thursday next, April 14th, at half-past Four o'clock P. M.

THURSDAY, APRIL 14th, 1904.

House meets.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

PRESENT:

Members present. The Honourable Sir Edward D. Shea,

President.

The Honourables George T. Rendell,

James Angel,
John Harris,
George Skelton,
George Knowling,
D. Joseph Greene,
James Baird,
John B. Ayre,
James S. Pitts,
Robert K. Bishop,
James D. Ryan,
John Anderson,
John Harvey,
Samuel Milley.

Minutes read.

The Minutes of Monday, April 11th, were read.

Public Service Bill read second time. Pursuant to the Order of the Day and on motion of the Hon. Mr. Knowling 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 Thirtieth day of June One Thou-

sand Nine Hundred and Four and the Thirtieth day of June, One Thousand Nine Hundred and Five and for other purposes relating to the Public Service" was read a second time and

Ordered,—To be committed presently.

The Hon. Dr. Skelton in the chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported the Bill without Reported. 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 Assem- Message to bly with message that this House had passed the same without amendment.

The Hon. the President informed the Conncil that he hid received messages from the House of Assembly requesting concurrence in the Bills sent up entitle respectively:

- "An Act respecting the Supreme Court."
- "An Let to amend Chapter 105 of the Consolidated Satutes 2nd Series entitled 'Of Life Insurance Companies."

"An Act to amend the law relating to Trade Unions."

Supreme Court Bill read first and second time. On motion of the Hon. Mr. Milley the Bill sent up entitled "An Act respecting the Supreme Court" was read a first and second time and

Ordered,—To be committed to-morrow,

Life Insurance Companies Bill read first time. On motion of the Hon Mr. Pitts the Bll sent up entitled "An Act to amend Chapter 105 of the Consolidated Statutes, 2nd Series, entitled 'Of Life Insurance Companies," was read a first time and

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

Trade Union Bill read first time.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Anderson the Bill sent up entitled "An Act to amend the law relating to Trade Unions" was read a first time and

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

Adjourned.

On motion made the House adjourned until to-morrow, Friday, April 15th at half-past Four o'clock P. M.

## FRIDAY, APRIL 15th, 1904.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

House meets.

## PRESENT:

The Honourable Sir Edward D. Shea,

President. Members

Present.

The Honourables George T. Rendell,

James Angel,
John Harris,
George Skelton,
George Knowling,
D. Joseph Greene,
John B. Ayre,
James S. Pitts,
Robert K. Bishop,
James D. Ryan,
John Anderson,
John Harvey,
Samuel Milley.

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

Pursuant to the Order of the Day and on Supreme Court motion of the Hon. Mr. Knowling the House went into Committee on the Bill sent up entitled "An Act respecting the Supreme Court."

The Hon. Mr. Pitts in the chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported the Bill with an am- Reported. endment.

Ordered,—That the Report be received.

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

Message to Assembly.

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

Amendment

The amendment is as follows:—

Section 45, 1st line—Strike out the words "the master-in-ordinary" and substitute the words "a master" in lieu thereof.

Life Insurance Companies Bill read second time Pursuant to the Order of the Day and on motion of the Hon. Mr. Pitts the Bill sent up entitled "An Act to amend Chapter 105 of Consolidated Statutes, Second Series, entitled 'Of Life Insurance Companies'" was read a second time and

Ordered,—To be committed presently.

The Hon. Mr. Anderson in the chair.

After some time the House resumed.

Reported.

The Chairman reported the Bill with an 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.

Life Insurance Companies Bill read third time and passed.

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

The amendment is as follows:—

In the Schedule—After the words "number \*\*mendments. and amount of Policies issued during the year" insert the words "Total amount of Insurances in force."

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Hon. Bill read second Mr. Anderson moved that the Bill sent up entitled "An Act to amend the law relating to Trade Unions" be now read a second time.

time.

And the question on the motion having been put there appeared:—

Contents (2): Non-Contents (11): Hons. Messrs. Anderson, Hons. Messrs Rendell, Division.

Greene.

Angel, Harris,

Skelton,

Knowling,

Ayre,

Pitts,

Bishop,

Ryan,

Harvey,

Milley.

So it passed in the negative, and

Ordered,—Accordingly.

Messages from Assembly.

The Hon. the President informed the Council that he had received a message from the House of Assembly concurring in the Bill sent up entitled "An Act respecting the Qualifications of Engineers."

The Hon. the President also informed the Council that he had received a message from the House of Assembly requesting concurrence in the Bill sent up entitled "An Act respecting Mineral Land;"

Mineral Land Bill read first time

which said Bill, on motion of the Hon. Mr. Knowling, was read a first time and

Ordered,—To be read a second time on Monday next.

Adjourned.

On motion made the House adjourned until Monday next, April 18th, at half-past Four o'clock P. M.

# MONDAY, APRIL 18th, 1904.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

House meets

#### PRESENT:

The Honourable Sir Edward D. Shea,

President,

Members

Present.

The Honourables James Angel,
John Harris,
George Skelton,
George Knowling,
D. Joseph Greene,
James Baird,
John B. Ayre,
James S. Pitts,
Robert K. Bishop,
James D. Ryan,
John Anderson,
John Harvey,
Samuel Milley,

The Minutes of Friday, April 15th were read. Minutes read.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day and on motion of the Hon. Mr. Knowling the Bill sent up entitled "An Act respecting certain Mineral Lands" was read a second time and

Mineral Lands Bill read second time.

Ordered,—To be committed presently.

The Hon. Mr. Angel in the chair.

After some time the House resumed.

Reported.

The Chairman reported the Bill without amendment.

Ordered,—That the Report be received.

Mineral Lands Bill read third time and passed.

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

Message to Assembly. Ordered.—To be sent to the House of Assemwith message that this House had passed the same without amendment.

Petition tabled.

The Hon. Mr. Baird laid on the table a Petition from Robert Gillespie Reid and Thomas G. Shaughnessey of Montreal, in the Dominion of Canada, on the subject of a Contract for Coastal Steam Service made between the Government of Newfoundland and Bowring Brothers, Limited, and praying that the Honourable Legislative Council may not ratify the same.

Petition read

The said Petition was then read.

Messages from Assembly.

The Hon. the President informed the Council that he had received a message from the House of Assembly concurring in the amendments made by the Legislative Council in and upon the Bills sent up entitled respectively:—

- "An Act respecting the Supreme Court," and
- "An Act to amend Chapter 105 of the Consolidated Statutes, Second Series, entitled "Of Life Insurance Companies."

The Hon. the President informed the Council that he had received a message from the House of Assembly requesting concurrence in the Bill sent up entitled "An Act relating to the Postal and Telegraphic Services of the Colony."

The Hon. Mr. Knowling laid on the table certain correspondence asked for by the Hon. Mr. Greene relating to the Coastal Contract between the Government and Bowring Brothers, Limited.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Knowling the graph Service Bill sent up entitled "An Act relating to the Postal and Telegraphic Services of the Colony," was read a first time and

Postal and Teletime.

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

On motion made the House adjourned until Adjourned to-morrow, Tuesday, April 19th at half-past Four o'clock P. M.

# TUESDAY, APRIL 19th, 1904.

House meets.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Members present.

## PRESENT:

The Honourable Sir Edward D. Shea,

President.

The Honourables George T. Rendell,

John Harris,

George Skelton,

George Knowling,

D. Joseph Greene,

James Baird.

JAMES BAIRD,
JOHN B. AYRE,
JAMES S. PITTS,
ROBERT K. BISHOP,
LAWES D. Press

James D. Ryan, John Anderson, John Harvey,

SAMUEL MILLEY.

Minutes read.

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

Postal and Telegraphic Service Bill read second time. Pursuant to the Order of the Day and on motion of the Hon. Mr. Knowling the Bill sent up entitled "An Act relating to the Postal and Telegraphic Services of the Colony" was read a second time and

Ordered,—To be committed presently.

The Hon. Dr. Skelton in the chair.

After some time the House resumed.

Reported. 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.

Postal and Telegraphic Bill read third time and passed.

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

Assembly.

The Hon. the President informed the Council Assembly. Message from Assembly. that he had received a message from the House of Assembly requesting concurrence in the Bills sent up entitled respectively:-

"An Act to amend the Customs Act, 1898" and

"An Act to provide for the Transportation of Timber over Streams and Lakes and for other purposes in connection with Crown Lands."

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Knowling the Bill sent up entitled "An Act to amend the Customs Act, 1898" was read a first and second time and

Customs Bill second time.

Ordered,—To be committed presently.

The Hon. Mr. Ayre in the chair.

After some time the House resumed.

Reported.

The Chairman reported the Bill without amendment.

Ordered,—That the Report be received.

Customs Bill read third time and passed.

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

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

Timber and Crown Lands Bill read first time.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Knowling the Bill sent up entitled "An Act to provide for the Transportation of Timber over Streams and Lakes and for other purposes in connection with Crown Lands" was read a first time and

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

Message from Assembly.

The Hon. the President informed the Council that he had received a message from the House of Assembly requesting concurrence in the Bill sent up entitled "An Act respecting the Coastal Steam Mail Service," which said Bill on motion of the Hon. Mr. Knowling was read a first time and

Mail ServiceBill read first time.

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

Adjourned

On motion made the House adjourned until Thursday next, April 21st at half-past Four o'clock P. M.

## THURSDAY, APRIL 21st, 1904.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

House meets

#### PRESENT:

The Honourable Sir Edward D. Shea,

President. Members

Present.

The Honourables George T. Rendell,

James Angel,
John Harris,
George Skelton,
George Knowling,
D. Joseph Greene,
James Baird,
John B. Ayre,
James S. Pitts,
Robert K. Bishop,
James D. Ryan,
John Anderson,
John Harvey,
Samuel Milley.

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

The Hon. Mr. Baird laid on the table a Petition from the Reid Newfoundland Company praying the Honourable Legislative Council to refuse its ratification to the Contract for Coastal Steam Service made between the Government and Bowring Bros., Limited.

Timber and Crown Lands Bill read second time. Pursuant to the Order of the Day and on motion of the Hon. Mr. Knowling the Bill sent up entitled "An Act to provide for the Transportation of Timber over Streams and Lakes and for other purposes in connection with Crown Lands" was read a second time and

Ordered,—To be committed presently.

The Hon. Mr. Baird in the chair.

After some time the House resumed.

Reported.

The Chairman reported the Bill without amendment.

Ordered,—That the Report be received.

Timber and Crown Lands Bill read third time and passed. The said Bill was then read a third time and passed and the Hon. the President signed the same.

Message to Assembly.

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

Mail Service Bill read second time Pursuant to the Order of the Day and on motion of the Hon. Mr. Knowling the Bill sent up entitled "An Act respecting Coastal Mail Service" was read a second time and

Ordered,—To be committed presently.

The Hon. Mr. Harris in the chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported the Bill without Reported. amendment.

Ordered,—That the Report be received

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

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

The Hon. Mr. Knowling, a member of the Correspondence Executive Council, by command of His Excellency the Governor laid on the table correspondence on the subject of the Convention entered into between the Imperial Government and the Republic of France relating to the settlement of questions on Treaty Coast.

On motion made the House adjourned until Adjourned. Monday next, April 25th, at half-past Four o'clock P. M.

# MONDAY, APRIL 25th, 1904.

House meets

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

## PRESENT:

The Honourable SIR EDWARD D. SHEA,

The Honourables Groper T Revort

The Honourables George T. Rendell,
John Harris,
George Skelton,
George Knowling,
D. Joseph Greene,
James Baird,
John B. Ayre,
James S. Pitts,
Robert K. Bishop,
James D. Ryan,
John Anderson,
John Harvey,
Samuel Milley.

The Minutes of Thursday, April 21st were read.

The Hon. the President informed the Council that he had received a message from the House of Assemby requesting concurrence in the Bills sent up entitled respectively "An Act to amend the Deer Preservation Act, 1902" and

"An Act to incorporate the Royal Trust Company."

Members present. On motion of the Hon. Mr. Knowling the Bill sent up entitled "An Act to amend the Deer Preservation Act, 1902" was read a first time and

Deer Preservation Bill read first time.

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

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Greene the Bill sent up entitled "An Act to incorporate the Royal Trust Company" was read a first time and

Trust Company Bill read first time.

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

On motion made the House adjourned until Adjourned. Wednesday next, April 27th at half-past Four o'clock P. M.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 27th, 1904.

House meets.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Members present.

# PRESENT:

The Honourable George T. Rendell, senior member present, Presiding.

The Honourables James Angel,

John Harris,
George Skelton,
George Knowling,
D. Joseph Greene,
James Baird,
John B. Ayre,
James S. Pitts,
Robert K. Bishop,
James D. Ryan,
John Anderson,
John Harvey,
Samuel Milley.

Minutes read.

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

Deer Preservation Bill read second time. Pursuant to the Order of the Day and on motion of the Hon. Mr. Knowling the Bill sent up entitled "An Act to amend the Deer Preservation Act, 1902" was read a second time and

Ordered,—To be committed presently.

The Hon. Mr. Harris in the chair.

After some time the House resumed.

Reported. 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. Presiding Member signed the same.

third time and

Ordered,—To be sent to the House of As- Message to Assembly. sembly with message that this House had passed the same with some amendments and requesting concurrence therein.

The amendments are as follows:—

Amendments.

In Section 1 of the Bill—Strike out in the first line the words "for the purpose of sale" and in the second and third lines the words "or who shall offer for sale the flesh of caribou so put up in cans, tins or other packages."

Pursuant to the Order of the Day and on Trust Company Bill read second motion of the Hon. Mr. Greene the Bill sent up entitled "An Act to incorporate the Royal Trust Company" was read a second time and

time.

Ordered,—To be committed presently.

The Hon. Mr. Ayre in the chair.

After some time the House resumed.

Reported.

The Chairman reported the Bill without amendment.

Ordered,—That the Report be received.

Trust Company Bill read third time and passed. The said Bill was then read a third time and passed and the Hon. the Presiding Member signed the same.

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

The Hon. the Presiding Member informed the Council that it is the intention of His Excellency the Governor to prorogue the present session of the Legislature on to-morrow, Thursday, at Three o'clock P. M.

Adjourned.

On motion made the House adjourned until to-morrow, Thursday, April 28th, at a quarter past Two o'clock P. M.

# THURSDAY, APRIL 28th, 1904.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

House meets.

#### PRESENT:

The Honourable SIR EDWARD D. SHEA, President. Members present.

The Honourables George T. Rendell,

JAMES ANGEL, JOHN HARRIS, GEORGE SKELTON, GEORGE KNOWLING, D. Joseph Greene, JAMES BAIRD, ROBERT K. BISHOP, JAMES D. RYAN, JOHN ANDERSON, JOHN HARVEY, SAMUEL MILLEY.

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

The Hon. the President informed the Council Messages from that he had received a message from the House of Assembly concurring in the amendments made by the Legislative Council in and upon the Bill sent up entitled "An Act to amend the Deer Preservation Act, 1902."

Assembly,

The Hon. the President also informed the Council that he had received the following message from the House of Assembly:—

## MR. PRESIDENT:

The House of Assembly acquaints the Legislative Council that it has passed the accompanying Address to His Excellency the Governor and requests the concurrence of the Council therewith.

L. O'B. FURLONG,

Speaker.

House of Assembly,
April 28th, 1904.

Address to H. E. Sir C. Boyle.

To His Excellency Sir Cavendish Boyle, Knight Commander of the Most Distinguished Order of St. Michael and St. George, Governor and Commander-in-Chief in and over the Island of Newfoundland and its Dependencies.

# MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY:

We, His Majesty's dutiful and loyal subjects and members of both Branches of the Legislature in session convened, beg to convey to Your Excellency an expression of our great regret that Newfoundland is about to lose your valuable services as His Majesty's Representative.

The relations which have obtained between Your Excellency and this Community have been such as we should most earnestly desire to see continued. We have recognized in you a Governor holding in high appreciation the principles of the

Constitution in their application to public affairs. You have moreover evinced a deep interest in the resources of the Colony, in its commercial and industrial progress and in the avocations of its people and have identified yourself with educational advancement and charitable endeavour, when the encouraging word and helpful hand seem needed to speed these beneficient works.

While thanking Your Excellency for the anxious desire you have thus manifested to promote the well-being of all classes of His Majesty's subjects in Newfoundland, we trust that the blessing of Divine Providence may attend you in the new sphere of duty to which His Majesty has been graciously pleased to appoint you.

The said Address, on motion of the Hon. Mr. Ryan, was read a first and second time and adopted and

Address read first and second time.

Ordered,—That the said Address do now pass Address passed. and the Hon. the President signed the same.

Ordered,—To be sent to the House of Message to Assembly. Assembly with message that the Legislative Council concurs in the said Address.

The House then took recess.

At Three o'clock P.M. His Excellency the Governor arrives at Council Governor, Sir Cavendish Boyle, K.C.M.G., having arrived at the Council Chamber and being seated

Chamber.

on the Throne the Hon. the President directed the Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod to proceed to the House of Assembly and inform the Speaker and members thereof that it is His Excellency's will and pleasure that they forthwith attend at the Bar of this House; and they being come thereto His Honor the Speaker read the following Address to His Excellency:—

Members of Assembly attend at Council Chamber.

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The Hon. the President then presented the said Address to His Excellency.

His Excellency the Governor then made the following gracious Reply:—

Mr. President and Honourable Gentlemen of the Governor's Legislative Council:

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

I am at once deeply touched and highly gratified by the receipt of your address, and whilst I cannot but feel sure that your valuation of any efforts which I have been privileged to make towards the advancement of the well-being of this people is far too high, I sincerely and gratefully appreciate the honor which you have done me and

Governor's Reply. (Continued.) those gracious and much valued expressions of your confidence.

Our relations from the out-et of my service amongst you and with you have ever been to me a source of unqualified satisfaction, and I acknowledge with sincere gratitude the consideration and support which you have ever extended me.

In obedience to the King's command it is my duty to continue my service under His Majesty in another part of his Empire, and in thus leaving you I feel that ties, not alone of cordiality in their official bearing, but of true friendship, are about to be severed, and that this must be so is a matter of unequalled regret to me.

In bidding you farewell, however, there is the solacing conviction that a condition of general prosperity obtains throughout the most Ancient Dependency of Britain's Crown, whilst recent events of high and historic importance point to yet brighter prospects for the loyal subjects of King Edward the Peacemaker in His Newfoundland.

I shall ever pray that under God's guardianship the advancement and welfare of the dwellers of the land I have learned to love so well, the friends from whom I am so soon to part may continue and endure.

His Excellency was pleased to give his assent of the following Bills:—

An Act for Granting to His Majesty certain Bills assented to. sums of money towards defraying certain expenses of the Public Service for the financial years ending respectively the 30th day of June, 1904, the 30th day of June, 1905, and for other purposes connected with the Public Service.

An Act to amend the Revenue Act, 1901.

An Act for raising a sum of money on Loan for the Public Service of the Colony.

An Act for raising a sum of money by the Sale of Debenture Bonds of the Colony.

An Act respecting the establishment of Cold Storage Factories and Houses.

An Act respecting Foreign Marriages.

An Act to further amend 56 Victoria, Cap. II., entitled "An Act to Incorporate the Placentia Water Company."

An Act to amend 2nd Edward VII., Cap. XI., entitled "An Act to regulate the Whaling Industry."

An Act to amend the law relating to the Preservation of Game.

An Act to amend "The Customs Act, 1898."

An Act respecting Coastal Steam Mail Service.

Bills assented to, (Continued.) An Act to Incorporate "The Royal Trust Company."

An Act to amend Chapter 105 of the Consolidated Statutes (2nd Series) entitled "Of Life Insurance Companies."

An Act relating to the Postal and Telegraphic Services of the Colony.

An Act respecting the Qualification of Engineers.

An Act respecting certain Mineral Lands.

An Act to provide for the Transportation of Timber over Streams and Lakes and for other purposes in connection with Crown Lands.

An Act to amend "The Deer Preservation Act 1902."

An Act respecting the Supreme Court.

After which His Excellency was pleased to deliver the following speech:—

Governor's Speech.

- Mr. President and Honourable Gentlemen of the Legislative Council:
- Mr. Speaker and Gentlemen of the Honourable House of Assembly:

In now relieving you from further attendance here I have to thank you for the diligence with which you have applied yourselves to the business Governor's speech, of this session. It has been one of more than ordinary interest and importance and I feel sure that you may retire from it with a feeling of confidence that your labors will be productive of substantial advantage to the community.

(Continued.)

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

I thank you for the Supplies you have granted for the Public Service. The best efforts of my Ministers will be directed to secure in respect to the various appropriations a judicious and economical expenditure.

The very large reductions that you have made in taxation and the measure to which I have just assented, which has for its object the establishment of an export trade in fresh fish of all kinds, will confer great benefit upon the poorer classes. I rejoice to believe that in thus simultaneously reducing the cost of living and opening up this new industry to our fishermen you have laid the foundation upon which a wider prosperity will be maintained.

Mr. President and Honourable Gentlemen of the Legislative Council:

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

I join most heartily in the general rejoicing

Governor's Speech, (Continued.)

consequent upon the settlement of the Treaty Shore Question, as well as in the feeling of thankfulness to His Majesty the King and to His Majesty's Government which I am sure that you and those you represent entertain for the satisfactory termination of a long outstanding grievance and embarrassment. I commend the spirit of patriotism and loyalty to the person and throne of His Majesty the King, which the patience and forbearance of this people under a most trying condition of circumstances have so clearly manifested; and I sincerely hope that under the new conditions that will immediately appertain in this Colony greater advancement and happiness will ensue.

As I address for the last time the Legislature of this Colony, I desire to give expression to the great pleasure I have experienced in being associated with you in promoting the well-being and advancement of the people. When I leave here in a few weeks to assume new duties in the service of His Majesty I shall carry with me the most agreeable memories of this Ancient Dependency and its loyal inhabitants, as well as a lasting interest in all that concerns your welfare.

In now bidding you farewell I fervently hope that under God's blessing your highest aspiration may be realized.

Prorogation.

The Hon. the President then said,—It is His Excellency the Governor's will and pleasure that

this General Assembly be prorogued until Thurs-DAY the FOURTEENTH day of July next then and here to be holden and this General Assembly stands prorogued accordingly.

HUGH H. CARTER, Clerk to the Legislative Council.

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