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

Third Session of the Twenty-Third General Assembly, 1915.

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

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

WHEREAS the General Assembly stands prorogued until Wednesday, the 7th day of October instant; and whereas I think fit to further prorogue the said General Assembly until Wednesday, the Fourth day of November next;

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

> Given under my Hand and Seal, at the Government House, St. John's, this 6th day of October, A.D. 1914.

> > By His Excellency's Command,

JOHN R. BENNETT,

Colonial Secretary.



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

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

WHEREAS the General Assembly stands prorogued until Wednesday, the 4th day of November instant; and whereas I think fit to further prorogue the said General Assembly until Wednesday, the Second day of December next;

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

> Given under my Hand and Seal, at the Government House, St. John's, this 3rd day of November, A.D., 1914.

> > By His Excellency's Command,

JOHN R. BENNETT,

Colonial Secretary.



W. E. DAVIDSON,
Governor.

[L.S.]

By His Excellency Sir Walter Edward Davidson, Knight, Commander of the Most Distinguished Order of St. Michael and St. George, Governor and Commander-in-Chiet, in and over the Island of Newfoundland and its Dependencies.

WHEREAS the General Assembly stands prorogued until Wednesday, the 2nd day of December next; and whereas I think fit to further prorogue the said General Assembly until Wednesday, the Thirtieth day of December next;

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

> Given under my Hand and Seal, at the Government House, St. John's, this 30th day of November, A.D. 1914.

> > By His Excellency's Command,
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> > JOHN R. BENNETT,
> >
> > Colonial Secretary.



W. E. DAVIDSON,
Governor.

[L.S.]

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

WHEREAS the General Assembly stands prorogued until Wednesday, the 30th day of December instant; and whereas I think fit to further prorogue the said General Assembly until Wednesday, the Twenty-Seventh day of January next;

I do, therefore, by this my Proclamation, further prorogue the said General Assembly until Wednesday, the Twenty-Seventh 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, St. John's, this 29th day of December, A.D. 1914.

> > By His Excellency's Command,

JOHN R. BENNETT, Colonial Secretary.



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

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

WHEREAS the General Assembly stands prorogued until Wednesday, the 27th day of January instant; and whereas I think fit to further prorogue the said General Assembly until Wednesday, the Third day of March next;

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

> Given under my Hand and Seal, at the Government House, St. John's, this 26th day of January, A.D. 1915.

> > By His Excellency's Command,

JOHN R. BENNETT,

Colonial Secretary.

Legislative Council of Newfoundland.

This session of the Twenty-Third General Assembly.

WEDNESDAY, April 7th, 1915.

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

The House met.

PRESENT:

The Honourable John Harris,

President.

The Honourables George Skelton, GEORGE KNOWLING, JAMES BAIRD, JOHN B. AYRE, ROBERT K. BISHOP, JAMES D. RYAN, JOHN ANDERSON, JOHN HARVEY, SAMUEL MILLEY, MICHAEL P. GIBBS, K.C., WILLIAM C. JOB, J. ALEXANDER ROBINSON, MARMADUKE G. WINTER, PATRICK T. McGrath, AUGUSTUS F. GOODRIDGE, JAMES RYAN, MICHAEL F. POWER, SYDNEY D. BLANDFORD, Minister of Agriculture and Mines. SALE FROM THE SALE SALE OF SALES

RICHARD A. SQUIRES,
Minister of Justice.



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

By His Excellency Sir Walter Edward Davidson, Knight, Commander of the Most Distinguished Order of St. Michael and St. George, Governor and Commander-in-Chiej, in and over the Island of Newfoundland and its Dependencies.

WHEREAS the General Assembly stands prorogued until Wednesday, the 3rd day of March instant; and whereas I think fit to further prorogue the said General Assembly until Wednesday, the Seventh day of April next;

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

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

> > By His Excellency's Command,

JOHN R. BENNETT,

Colonial Secretary.

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

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

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

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

The great War in which our Empire is engaged, and which, in order to provide for the Colony's participation therein, compelled your being convoked in Extraordinary Session last September, still continues. The progress of the struggle has been such thus far as to give Britons cause for pride in the achievements of the Naval and Military forces of the Empire, and in the splendid spirit of union and co-operation manifested towards the Mother Country by the Dominions beyond the Seas. Equally have these events been such as to establish beyond doubt that Victory will in time

crown the arms of Britain and her Allies, and secure to the world not alone a lasting peace, but a protection against the unscrupulous ambition of militarist cliques in countries which have defied the civilizing spirit of the present age.

Under the terms of the measure enacted by you at the Special Session, the enlistment of a force for military service abroad was proceeded with. It is a source of gratification to me, as it must be to you, that the response to the call for volunteers proved so large that the original number proposed was speedily doubled and now bids fair shortly to be trebled. Signal honour has been paid to the First Newfoundland Regiment by the Imperial authorities, and all accounts agree that the men who have gone forward are doing credit to themselves and their country; while it is almost needless to express the confident belief that when their period of training is completed, and they undertake active service, they will acquit themselves in a manner that will leave nothing to be desired.

Concurrently with the creation of this force, the enlargement of the Newfoundland Naval Reserve, which my Ministers engaged to increase from Six Hundred to One Thousand men, was carried on, and it is equally satisfactory to know that the number was duly enrolled, and additions to this body are still being made. In this branch of our fighting force the Colony has already paid a substantial toll in human life, through the loss of three of His Majesty's ships containing comple-

ments of our men, but the relatives of those who have given their lives in the defence of the Empire will have the satisfaction of knowing that the sympathy of their fellow-countrymen goes out to them in the fullest measure, and may well be proud that in the greatest crisis in the history of the British race, sons of the oldest Colony were found nobly doing their duty, and sacrificing life itself beside their brothers of the parent Land, and kindred Dominions.

You will be invited to consider a measure to provide financial assistance towards the maintenance of those who suffer partial or total disablement while on active service, or to the dependents of those who lose their lives while so engaged. To this measure I am sure you will give your most generous and sympathetic consideration.

It is gratifying to observe that private philanthropy has already been enlisted with highly beneficial results on behalf of those whose ordinary sources of income are impaired or cut off by the absence of their breadwinners at the front, and in this respect the generous contributions towards the Patriotic Fund attest anew the liberality of the people of Newfoundland, while the efforts of the Women's Patriotic Association on behalf of the sick and wounded in the War, and for the provision of comforts for our own forces, deserve equally favourable notice. Their zeal and self-sacrificing efforts will, I am satisfied, rank among the very best achieved by the women of any portion of the Empire.

The Colony, in common with the other portions of the Empire, has suffered in its Trade and Commerce, as the result of the War, but it is reassuring to remember that the fears entertained at the outbreak of hostilities as to the possible dislocation of our business enterprises and the marketing of our staple products have been dispelled and that during the past half year the prices realized for our codfish have been amongst the very best on record.

The unfavourable outlook of the Seal Fishery this year is to be regretted, but there is this cause for comparative satisfaction, that the escape of so many young seals will contribute to the conservation of this industry, so that while those engaged in the venture will lose the returns which it brings to them ordinarily, the potential wealth which the Seal Fishery represents will be much enhanced in later years.

In view of the demand for foodstuffs to which the War has given rise, the greatly diminished prosecution of the deep sea fisheries in large areas, within the War zone, and the withdrawal of great numbers of fishermen from their ordinary occupation, the prospect before our people for a profitable prosecution of the Cod and other fisheries of the Colony was never better, and there would seem to be, therefore, especially good ground for the belief that all those who will engage in fishing operations the present season will reap a liberal reward for the fruit of their labour. Mr. Speaker and Gentlemen of the Honourable House of Assembly:

The Revenue for the past fiscal year showed a deficit, the result of the depression which had been manifesting itself for some time previously in Newfoundland, as well as in other parts of the world. This condition of affairs was rendered more acute by the outbreak of war, and for the current fiscal year an even greater shortage is apprehended. Towards reducing this adverse balance my Ministers propose to utilize the Cash Reserve provided for such emergencies, and proposals will be submitted to you for dealing with the amount which will remain to be liquidated.

Estimates for the Public Service will be laid before you at an early date. In view of existing conditions they have been prepared to meet only indispensable requirements. I invite your consideration of them.

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

In July last His Royal Highness the Duke of Connaught paid his promised visit to the Colony. He called at Bay of Islands, Southern Labrador, Grand Falls and St. John's, and everywhere met with a most enthusiastic reception. In this City he took part in several important functions, and

his visit will long be remembered, and will, I trust, be but the forerunner of others which may follow in the not distant future from other members of the Royal Family.

As you are aware, a Royal Commission, appointed by His Majesty for the purpose of enquiring into and reporting upon the Natural Resources of the Self-governing Dominions, has been pursuing its investigations for the past three years, and during last season visited Newfoundland in pursuance of this task. The Commissioners held sittings in St. John's and took evidence in regard to our resources and industries, and also visited Bell Island, and the centres of the Paper Industry in the Exploits Valley. The report of the Commission has recently been issued, and I trust will prove not alone of interest but of profit to the Colony.

In response to a request to my Ministers that the Fishery Board of Scotland would place at their disposal the services of one of its experts to enquire into and report upon the fishery possibilities of the Colony, one of its Inspectors was despatched here in the early months of 1914, and spent some weeks amongst us closely observing our fishery methods and the habits of the various fishes that resort our shores. His report, a copy of which will be laid before you, will probably appeal strongly to those interested in the fishing industry, and may, I trust, form a basis for practical action at your hands.

As announced to you a year ago, Professor Wyndham R. Dunstan, the head of the Imperial Institute in London, was invited to undertake such an examination of the Colony's mineral wealth as was possible during such time as he could spend in the Colony, and he devoted several weeks to this mission last year, visiting different parts of the Island and studying the mineral formations. The intervention of the War has delayed his report thereon, but I am hopeful that it will be received in time to allow of its being submitted to you before the present session closes, and I feel confident it will prove of no small value in assisting all to arrive at an estimate of Newfoundland's possibilities as a mineral-producing country.

A year ago a Joint Committee of both branches of the Legislature undertook an investigation of Fishery problems of pressing importance, but being unable to complete the work before the session closed, the gentlemen composing it were appointed a Commission under the Great Seal to continue these labours and report at the present session. That report will be laid before you in due course, and you will be asked to give effect by enactments to the recommendations contained therein.

Under the authority of the Act passed at the Special Session, a Commission was appointed to enquire into and report upon the circumstances attending the death of members of the crew of the steamer "Newfoundland," and the loss of the steamer "Southern Cross" and her whole crew; the manner of prosecuting the Sealfishery and the

provisions made for conserving the health, comfort and safety of the persons engaged therein, so as to ascertain the causes which have contributed to the above disasters, and which may possibly contribute to the causing of others in the future, and to suggest such remedial measures as may be desirable to render similar disasters unlikely hereafter. That Commission, after an exhaustive enquiry, has made a very full report, which will be submitted to you, together with a measure designed to ensure greater safety to our people engaged in this occupation.

Negotiations are in progress between my Ministers and a Corporation which proposes to establish in this Island and on Labrador, an industry of exceptional magnitude involving the expenditure of many millions of dollars in the developing of our water powers and the utilizing of some of our valuable natural resources in the manufacture of a variety of commodities. The enterprise promises to be one affording new avenues of employment for great numbers of our people, and serving as an auxiliary for our staple industry. To this and other measures dealing with undertakings of lesser scope your early attention will be invited.

In leaving you now to your deliberations in a session which marks a unique period in the history of the Colony, and the Empire, fraught with momentous possibilities for our future, it is with special solicitude that I invoke Divine guidance for your labours.

The House of Assembly withdrew.

His Excellency retired.

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

On motion of the Honourable Mr. Harvey-

Ordered,—That a Select Committee be appointed to draft an Address to His Excellency the Governor in Reply to His Gracious Speech.

And-

Ordered,—That the Honourables Messrs. J. Harvey, P. T. McGrath, Dr. Skelton, J. D. Ryan, J. A. Robinson, be appointed a Committee for that purpose.

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

"W. E. DAVIDSON, Governor.

The Governor has the honour to communicate to the Honourable Legislative Council the appointment of the Commissioners of Internal Economy of the Legislature in accordance with the provisions of the Statute of 61 Victoria, cap. 1, as set forth in the accompanying certified copy of

a Minute of the Honourable Executive Council, approved by the Governor on the 5th instant.

Government House, St. John's, Newfoundland, 6th April, 1915."

"EXECUTIVE COUNCIL, Newfoundland.

Certified Copy of Minutes of the Honourable Executive Council approved by His Excellency the Governor on the 5th April, 1915.

Under the provisions of Section 4, cap. 1, 61 Vic., the following to be the Commission of Internal Economy of the Legislature, namely:—

The President of the Legislative Council; Hon. R. K. Bishop, Hon. P. T. McGrath, His Honour the Speaker, Rt. Honourable Sir Edward P. Morris, P.C., K.C.M.G., Hon. J. R. Bennett, Hon. C. H. Emerson, K.C.

Certified true copy.

(Sgd.) ARTHUR MEWS,

Dep. Col. Secretary."

The Honourable Mr. Bishop, a member of the Executive Council, laid upon the Table:

Report of Public Schools of Newfoundland under Church of England Boards for the year ended June 30th, 1914.

Report of His Excellency, Sir W. E. Davidon, K.C.M.G., Governor, Chairman of the Patriotic Association of Newfoundland, March 31st, 1915.

On motion made the House adjourned until Friday next, April 9th, at half-past four o'clock, p.m.

FRIDAY, April 9th, 1915.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

PRESENT:

The Honourable John Harris,

President.

The Honourables George Skelton, GEORGE KNOWLING, ROBERT K. BISHOP, JAMES D. RYAN, JOHN ANDERSON, JOHN HARVEY, SAMUEL MILLEY, MICHAEL P. GIBBS, K.C., WILLIAM C. JOB, J. ALEXANDER ROBINSON, MARMADUKE G. WINTER, PATRICK T. McGRATH, AUGUSTUS F. GOODRIDGE, JAMES RYAN, MICHAEL F. POWER, SYDNEY D. BLANDFORD, Minister of Agriculture and Mines. RICHARD A. SQUIRES, K.C., Minister of Justice.

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

The Honourable Mr. Harvey, from the Select

Committee appointed to prepare an Address in Reply to the Speech of His Excellency the Governor, reported a draft of the same, which was received and read a first time (short) and—

On motion of the Honourable Mr. Harvey, the said address was read a second time (at length) and

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

The Address is as follows: --

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

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY, --

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

JOHN HARRIS,

President.

Council Chamber, April 9, 1915."

The Honourable Mr. Bishop, a Member of the Executive Council, by command of His Excel-

lency the Governor, laid upon the Table the following documents:—

Fourth Interim Report of the Dominions Royal Commission Relating to Newfoundland.

Report of the Resident Physician of the St. John's Asylum for the Insane, for the year ending December 31st, 1914.

Report of the Examinations Conducted by the Council of Higher Education, Newfoundland, 1914.

Report of the Public Schools of Newfoundland, under Salvation Army Boards, for the year ended December 31st, 1914.

On motion made the House adjourned until Monday next, April 12th, at half-past four o'clock.

MONDAY, April 12th, 1915.

PRESENT:

The Honourable John Harris,

President.

The Honourable the President declared the House adjourned until to-morrow, Tuesday, April 13th, at half-past four o'clock, p.m., for want of a quorum.

TUESDAY, April 13th, 1915.

PRESENT:

The Honourable John Harris,

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President.

The Honourable the President declared the House adjourned until to-morrow, Wednesday, April 14th, at half-past four o'clock for want of a quorum.

WEDNESDAY April 14th, 1915.

The House met at half-past four o'clock, p.m., pursuant to adjournment.

PRESENT:

The Honourable John Harris,

President,

Minister of Justice.

The Honourables George Skelton,
George Knowling,
Robert K. Bishop,
J. D. Ryan,
John Harvey,
John Anderson,
Samuel Milley,
Marmaduke G. Winter,
Patrick T. McGrath,
Augustus F. Goodridge,
James Ryan,
Michael F. Power,
Sydney D. Blandford,
Minister of Agriculture and Mines.
Richard A. Squires,

The Minutes of Friday, April 9th inst., Monday, April 12th, inst., and Tuesday, April 13th, inst., were read.

The Honourable the President announced that His Excellency the Governor would receive

the Address in Reply at 12.30 p.m. on to-morrow, Thursday, April 15th, instant.

The Honourable the President informed the Council that he had received a message from the House of Assembly acquainting the Legislative Council that they had passed the Bill, entitled, "An Act Respecting Patents and Trade Marks," and requesting the concurrence of this House therein.

On motion of the Honourable Mr. Bishop the said Bill was read a first time and ordered to be read a second time to-morrow.

The Honourable Mr. Bishop presented to the House the following Report on the Internal Economy of the Legislature:—

APRIL 12th, 1915.

TO THE HONOURABLE THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL:

GENTLEMEN,—In accordance with the provisions of Section 10 of the Act 61 Victoria, Cap. 1, entitled, "An Act Relating to the Internal Economy of the Legislature," the Commission of Internal Economy beg to report that they have made the following arrangements for the reporting and publishing of the proceedings, and for the Miscellaneous printing of both Houses of the Legislature, as follows:

Mr. J. A. Winter has been appointed Supervisor of Reporting for the Legislative Council;

and Messrs. R. Janes, T. Foran and T. D. Carew, reporters.

Mr. B. E. S. Dunfield has been appointed Supervisor of Reporting, House of Assembly; and Messrs. R. T. McGrath, L. E. Emerson, M. J. Mulcahy, F. Emerson, J. Woods and L. R. Curtis, have been appointed reporters.

The publishing of the debates has been awarded to "The Daily News" and "The Evening Herald;" and the publication of a synopsis thereof to "The Free Press," "Trade Review," "Workman" and "Plaindealer" newspapers, St. John's; "Guardian," Bay Roberts; "Enterprise," Trinity; "Sun," Twillingate; "Miner," Bell Island; and "Western Star" Bay of Islands.

The publication of the Journal and the Sessional Papers of the Legislative Council has been awarded to The Daily News.

The publication of the Journal and the Sessional papers of the House of Assembly has been awarded to "The Evening Herald."

Respectfully submitted,

(Sgd.) JOHN HARRIS, Chairman.

(Sgd.) E. P. MORRIS, R. K. BISHOP, P. T. McGRATH, The second state of the se J. R. GOODISON, J. R. BENNETT, C. H. EMERSON.

On motion made the House adjourned until to-morrow, Thursday, April 15th, at 12.15 p.m.

THURSDAY, April 15th, 1915.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

PRESENT:

The Honourable JOHN HARRIS,

President.

The Honourables George Skelton,
Robert K. Bishop,
James D. Ryan,
John Anderson,
John Harvey,
Samuel Milley,
Marmaduke G. Winter,
Patrick T. McGrath,
Augustus F. Goodridge,
Philip Templeman,
Sydney D. Blandford,
Minister of Agriculture and Mines.

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

At half-past twelve o'clock the House proceeded to Government House with the Address in Reply to the Speech of His Excellency the Governor.

At a quarter to one o'clock, the House having returned, the Honourable the President reported that His Excellency had been pleased to receive

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

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

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

W. E. DAVIDSON,

Governor.

April 15, 1915."

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

TUESDAY, April 20th, 1915.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

PRESENT:

The Honourable John Harris,

President,

Minister of Justice.

The Honourables George Skelton, GEORGE KNOWLING, ROBERT K. BISHOP, JAMES D. RYAN, JOHN ANDERSON, JOHN HARVEY, SAMUEL MILLEY, MICHAEL P. GIBBS, K.C., WILLIAM C. JOB, J. ALEXANDER ROBINSON, MARMADUKE G. WINTER, PATRICK T. McGrath, AUGUSTUS F. GOODRIDGE, JAMES RYAN, PHILIP TEMPLEMAN, MICHAEL F. POWER, SYDNEY D. BLANDFORD, Minister of Agriculture and Mines. RICHARD A. SQUIRES, K.C.

The Minutes of Thursday, April 15th, were read,

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, and on motion of the Hon. Mr. Bishop, the Bill sent up, entitled, "An Act Respecting Patents and Trade Marks," was read a second time, and,

Ordered,—To be committed to-morrow.

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

MR. PRESIDENT:

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

J. R. GOODISON,

Speaker.

House of Assembly, April 16, 1915.

MR. PRESIDENT:

The House of Assembly acquaint the Legislative Council that they have passed the Bills, entitled respectively, "An Act to amend 4 George V., Cap. 17, entitled: 'An Act Respecting the Operation of Saw Mills,' "and "An Act Relating to the Sale of Codfish on the Labrador Coast," in which they request the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

J. R. GOODISON,

Speaker.

House of Assembly, April 20, 1915.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Bishop the Bills sent up entitled, respectively, "An Act Respecting the Naturalization of Aliens," and "An Act Relating to the Sale of Codfish on the Labrador Coast;"

Were severally read a first time, and

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

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Gibbs the Bill sent up, entitled, "An Act to Amend 4 George V., cap 17, entitled, 'An Act Respecting the Operation of Saw Mills," was read a first time, and

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

On motion made the House adjourned until to-morrow, Wednesday, April 21st, at half-past four o'clock, p.m.

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WEDNESDAY April 21st, 1915.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

PRESENT:

The Honourable John Harris,

President.

The Honourables George Skelton, GEORGE KNOWLING, ROBERT K. BISHOP, JAMES D. RYAN, JOHN ANDERSON, JOHN HARVEY, SAMUEL MILLEY, MICHAEL P. GIBBS, K.C., WILLIAM C. JOB, J. ALEXANDER ROBINSON, MARMADUKE G. WINTER, PATRICK T. McGrath, AUGUSTUS F. GOODRIDGE, JAMES RYAN, PHILIP TEMPLEMAN, SYDNEY D. BLANDFORD, Minister of Agriculture and Mines.

The Minutes of Tuesday, April the 20th, were read.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Bishop the following resolutions were unanimously adopted;

Resolved,—That the Council having learned with great sorrow of the very recent death of John Bray Ayre, hereby records its unfeigned regret for the sad occurrence. This event has deprived this body of a sagacious and sound Councillor, the business community of a progressive and prosperous merchant, and the whole Island of a friend.

The deceased gentleman was highly regarded in Church and Social Circles, and was one who ever contributed bountifully and in a sincere spirit, not only when public emergencies demanded philanthropic action, but every appeal for any deserving person or object met his ready and generous response;

Resolved,—That a Copy of this Resolution be transmitted to Mrs. Ayre, expressing the sympathy of the Council with her and the family of the late Hon. Mr. Ayre in their bereavement.

Resolved,—That the Council do now adjourn as a mark of respect and esteem for their late brother Member.

Then the House adjourned until Friday next, April 23rd, at half-past four o'clock, p.m.

FRIDAY, April 23rd, 1915.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

PRESENT:

The Honourable John Harris,

President.

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

The Minutes of Wednesday, April 21st, were read.

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

tion of the Hon. Mr. Bishop, the House went into Committee on the Bill sent up, entitled, "An Act Respecting Patents and Trade Marks."

The Hon. Mr. Milley in the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported the Bill without amendment.

Ordered,--That the Report be received, and

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

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

Ordered,-To be committed to-morrow.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Hon. Mr. Gibbs moved that the Bill sent up, entitled, "An Act Relating to the Sale of Codfish on the Labrador Coast," be now read a second time.

After some debate -

On motion of Hon. Mr. Gibbs---

Ordered,—That the debate on the said Bill be deferred until to-morrow.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Hon. Mr. Gibbs moved that the Bill sent up, entitled, "An Act to Amena 4 George V., cap. 17, entitled, 'An Act Respecting the Operation of Saw Mills,'" be now read a second time.

After some debate—

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

Ordered,—That the debate on the said Bill be deferred until to-morrow.

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

MR. PRESIDENT,---

The House of Assembly acquaint the Legislative Council that they have passed the Bill, entitled, "An Act to Amend the Customs Act, 1898," in which they request the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

JOHN R. GOODISON,

Speaker.

House of Assembly, April 21st, 1915.

MR. PRESIDENT,---

The House of Assembly acquaint the Legislative Council that they have passed the Bill, entitled, "An Act to Amend Act 5, George V., Session 1, cap. XI., entitled, 'An Act to Increase the Revenue by the Imposition of Certain Duties on

the Estates of Deceased Persons," in which they request the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

J. R. GOODISON,

Speaker.

House of Assembly, April 23rd, 1915.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Bishop, the Bills sent up, entitled, respectively, "An Act to Amend the Customs Act, 1898," and "An Act to Amend 5 George V., Session I, cap. XI., entitled, 'An Act to Increase the Revenue by the Imposition of Certain Duties on the Estates of Deceased Persons,'" were severally read a first time, and

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

The Hon. Mr. Bishop laid upon the table the following Reports:

Annual Report of the Registrar General of Births, Marriages and Deaths for the year ended December 31st, 1914.

Report of the Public Schools of Newfoundland under Church of England Boards for the year ended June 30th, 1914.

On motion made, the House adjourned until Monday next, April 26th, at half-past four o'clock, p.m.

MONDAY, April 26th, 1915.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

PRESENT:

The Honourable John Harris,

President.

The Honourables George Skelton, ROBERT K. BISHOP, JAMES D. RYAN, JOHN ANDERSON, JOHN HARVEY, SAMUEL MILL Y, MICHAEL P. GIBBS, K.C., WILLIAM C. JOB, J. ALEXANDER ROBINSON, MARMADUKE G. WINTER, PATRICK T. McGrath, AUGUSTUS F. GOODRIDGE, PHILIP TEMPLEMAN, MICHAEL F. POWER, SYDNEY D. BLANDFORD, Minister of Agriculture and Mines. RICHARD A. SQUIRES, K.C., Minister of Justice.

The Minutes of Friday, April 23rd., were read.

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

sent up entitled "An Act Respecting Patents and Trade Mark ", was read a third time, and passed, and the Honourable the President signed the same.

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

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

The Honourable Dr. Skelton in the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported the Bill without amendment.

Ordered,—That the Report be received—and—

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

Pursuant to the Order of the Day and on motion of the Honourable Mr. Gibbs the Bill sent up entitled "An Act Relating to the Sale of Codfish on the Labrador Coast", was read a second time—and—

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

On motion of the Honourable Mr. Bishop---

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Ordered---That the remaining matters on the Order of the Day be deferred until to-morrow.

On motion made the House adjourned until Thursday, next, April 29th., at half-past four o'clock p.m.

THURSDAY, April 29th., 1915.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

PRESENT:

The Honourable John Harris,

President.

Minister of Justice.

The Honourables GEORGE SKELTON, GEORGE KNOWLIMG, ROBERT K. BISHOP, JAMES D. RYAN, JOHN ANDERSON, JOHN HARVEY, SAMUEL MILLEY, MICHAEL P. GIBBS, K.C., WILLIAM C. JOB, J. ALEXANDER ROBINSON, MARMADUKE G. WINTER, PATRICK T. McGRATH, AUGUSTUS F. GOODRIDGE, JAMES RYAN, PHILIP TEMPLEMAN, SYDNEY D. BLANDFORD, Minister of Agriculture und Mines. RICHARD A. SQUIRES, K.C.,

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

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

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

On motion of the Honourable Mr. Gibbs---

Ordered,—That the Committee of the Whole on the Bill sent up entitled "An Act Relating to the Sale of Codfish on the Labrador Coast", on the Order of the Day, be deferred until to-morrow.

On motion of the Honourable Mr. Bishop---

Ordered,—That the second reading of the Bill'sent up entitled "An Act to amend 4 George V., Cap. 17, entitled 'An Act respecting the Operation of Saw Mills,' "on the Order of the Day, be deferred until to-morrow.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, and on motion of the Honourable Mr. Bishop, the Bill sent up entitled "An Act to amend the Customs Act, 1898," was read a second time—and—

Ordered,—To be committed to-morrow.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, and on motion of the Honourable Mr. Bishop, the Bill sent up entitled "An Act to amend the Act 5 George V., Sec. I., Cap. XI., entitled 'An Act to

Increase the Revenue by the Imposition of Certain Duties on the Estates of Deceased Persons, " was read a second time—and—

Ordered,--To be committed to-morrow.

The Honourable Mr. Bishop laid upon the Table the following Report:

Forty-fourth Annual Report of the Board of Managers and Superintendent of the Halifax School for the Blind.

On motion made the House adjourned until Tuesday next, May 4th., at half-past four o'clock p.m.

TUESDAY, May 4th., 1915.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

PRESENT:

The Honourable JOHN HARRIS,

President,

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

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

Ordered,—That the Committee of the Whole on the Bill sent up, entitled, "An Act Relating to the Sale of Codfish on the Labrador Coast," on the Order of the Day, be deferred until to-morrow.

On motion of the Honourable Mr. Gibbs,---

Ordered,—That the second reading of the Bill sent up, entitled, "An Act to amend 4 George V., Cap. 17, entitled, 'An Act Respecting the Operation of Saw Mills,'" on the Order of the Day, be deferred until to-morrow.

On motion of the Honourable Mr. Bishop-

Ordered,---That the Committee of the Whole on the Bill sent up, entitled, "An Act to amend 'The Customs Act, 1898,'" on the Order of the Day, be deferred until to-morrow.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, and on motion of the Honourable Mr. Bishop, the House went into Committee on the Bill sent up, entitled, "An Act to amend Act 5 Geo. V., Session 1, Cap. XI., entitled, 'An Act to Increase the Revenue by the Imposition of Certain Duties on the Estates of Deceased Persons.'"

The Honourable Mr. Anderson in the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

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

Ordered,---That the Report be received,

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

MR. PRESIDENT:

The House of Assembly acquaint the Legislative Council that they have passed the Bills entitled, respectively, "An Act Respecting the Seal Fishery," and "An Act to Regulate the Employment of Men Engaged in Logging," in which they request the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

J. R. GOODISON,

Speaker.

House of Assembly, April 30th, 1915.

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

Ordered,—To be read a second time tomorrow.

On motion of the Honourable Mr. Gibbs the Bill sent up, entitled, "An Act to Regulate the Employment of Men Engaged in Logging," was read a first time, and

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

The Honourable the President informed the House that he had received a communication from

Mrs. Ayre, thanking the Council for their kind Resolutions of Condolence upon the death of her late husband, the Hon. John B. Ayre.

The Honourable Mr. Bishop laid on the Table the following Report:

First Annual Report of the International Grenfell Association, 1914.

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

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THURSDAY, May 6th, 1915.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

PRESENT:

The Honourable John Harris,

President.

Minister of Justice.

The Honourables James Angel, GEORGE SKELTON, GEORGE KNOWLING, ROBERT K. BISHOP, JAMES D. RYAN, JOHN ANDERSON, JOHN HARVEY, SAMUEL MILLEY, MICHAEL P. GIBBS, K.C., WILLIAM C. JOB, J. ALEXANDER ROBINSON, MARMADUKE G. WINTER, PATRICK T. McGRATH, AUGUSTUS F. GOODRIDGE, JAMES RYAN, SYDNEY D. BLANDFORD, Minister of Agriculture and Mines. RICHARD A. SQUIRES, K.C.,

The Minutes of Tuesday, May 4th, were read.

On motion of the Honourable Mr. Gibbs-

Ordered,—That the Committee of the Whole on the Bill sent up, entitled, "An Act Relating to the Sale of Codfish on the Labrador," on the Order of the Day, be deferred until to-morrow.

On motion of the Honourable Mr. Gibbs----

Ordered,—That the second reading of the Bill sent up, entitled, "An Act to amend 4 George V., Cap. 17, entitled, 'An Act Respecting the Operation of Saw Mills,'" on the Order of the Day, be deferred until to-morrow.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, and on motion of the Honourable Mr. Bishop, the House went into Committee on the Bill sent up, entitled, "An Act to amend 'The Customs Act, 1898.'"

The Honourable Mr. Angel in the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

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

Ordered,---That the Report be received.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, and on motion of the Honourable Mr. Bishop, the House went into Committee on the Bill sent up, entitled, "An Act to amend Act 5 George V., Session 1, Cap. XI., entitled, 'An Act to Increase the Revenue by the Imposition of Certain Duties on the Estates of Deceased Persons.'"

The Honourable Dr. Skelton in the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported the Bill without amendment.

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

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

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

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

On motion of the Honourable Mr. Gibbs----

Ordered,—That the second reading of the Bill sent up, entitled, "An Act to Regulate the Employment of Men Engaged in Logging," on the Order of the Day, be deferred until to-morrow.

The Honourable Mr. Harvey presented a petition from the Anglo-Newfoundland Development Company, Limited, in relation to the Bill now before the House, entitled, "An Act to Regulate the Employment of Men Engaged in Logging."

The Honourable Mr. Harvey also presented a petition from Albert E. Reed & Company (Newfoundland), Limited, in relation to the said Bill.

The Honourable Mr. Harvey gives notice that he will on to-morrow ask the Honourable Repre-

sentative of the Government to lay on the Table of this House particulars of the payments received to date under the provisions of the Saw Mills Act, 1914.

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

MR. PRESIDENT:

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

J. R. GOODISON,

Speaker.

House of Assembly, May 5th, 1915.

On motion of the Honourable Mr. Bishop, the Bill sent up, entitled, "An Act Respecting the Administration of Local Affairs," was read a first time, and

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

The Honourable Mr. Bishop, a member of the Executive Council, by command of His Excellency the Governor, laid on the Table the following Report:

Report of the Postmaster General for year ended June, 30th, 1914.

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

FRIDAY, May 7th, 1915.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

PRESENT:

The Honourable John Harris,

President,

The Honourables George Skelton,

GEORGE KNOWLING, ROBERT K. BISHOP, JAMES D. RYAN, JOHN ANDERSON, JOHN HARVEY, MICHAEL P. GIBBS, K.C., WILLIAM C. JOB, J. ALEXANDER ROBINSON, MARMADUKE G. WINTER, PATRICK T. McGrath, AUGUSTUS F. GOODRIDGE, JAMES RYAN, SYDNEY D. BLANDFORD, Minister of Agriculture and Mines. RICHARD A. SQUIRES, K.C., Minister of Justice.

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

Pursuant to notice, the Hon. Mr. Harvey asked the Hon. Representative of the Government to lay on the Table of this House particulars of the payments received to date under the provisions of the Saw Mills Act, 1914.

The Hon. Attorney General, in the absence of the Hon. Mr. Bishop, replied that the papers were in the course of preparation, and would be laid on the Table this evening.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, and on motion of the Hon. Mr. Gibbs, in the absence of the Hon. Mr. Bishop, the Bill sent up, entitled, "An Act to amend Act 5 George V., Session 1, Cap. XI., entitled, 'An Act to Increase the Revenue by the Imposition of Certain Duties on the Estates of Deceased Persons,'" 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 said Bill without amendment.

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

Ordered,--That the Committee of the Whole on the Bill sent up, entitled, "An Act Relating to the Sale of Codfish on the Labrador Coast," on the Order of the Day, be deferred until to-morrow.

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

Ordered,—That the second reading of the Bill sent up, entitled, "An Act to amend 4 George V., Cap. 17, entitled, 'An Act Respecting the Opera-

tion of Saw Mills," on the Order of the Day, be deferred until to-morrow.

On motion of the Hon Mr. Gibbs, in the absence of the Hon. Mr. Bishop:

Ordered,---That the Committee of the Whole on the Bill sent up, entitled, "An Act to amend 'The Customs Act, 1898,'" on the Order of the Day, be deferred until to-morrow.

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

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

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported that the Committee recommend that the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee of this House to consider and report upon the said Bill.

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

Ordered,—That the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee of this House to consider the said Bill and report thereon, and

Ordered,—That the Committee consist of the Hons. Messrs. Job, Winter, Harvey, McGrath and Gibbs.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Harvey the peti-

tions of the Anglo-Newfoundland Development Co., Lid., and the Albert E. Reed & Company (Newfoundland), Limited, in relation to the Bill, entitled, "An Act to Regulate the Employment of Men Engaged in Logging," were read.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Hon. Mr. Gibbs moved that the Bill sent up, entitled, "An Act to Regulate the Employment of Men Engaged in Logging," be now read a second time.

Whereupon the Hon. Mr. Bishop moved in amendment:

"That the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee to consider and report thereon."

The Hon. Mr. Gibbs moved:

"That the debate on the second reading of the said Bill, and the amendment thereto, be put off until to-morrow," and

Ordered, ---- Accordingly.

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

Ordered,--That the second reading of the Bill sent up, entitled, "An Act Respecting the Administration of Local Affairs," be deferred until to-morrow.

The Honourable Mr. Bishop laid on the Table particulars of the payments received to date under the provisions of the Saw Mills Act, 1914, asked for by the Hon. Mr. Harvey.

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

MONDAY, May 10th, 1915.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

PRESENT:

The Honourable John Harris,

President,

Minister of Justice.

The Honourables George Skelton, GEORGE KNOWLING, ROBERT K. BISHOP, JAMES D. RYAN, JOHN ANDERSON, JOHN HARVEY, SAMUEL MILLEY, MICHAEL P. GIBBS, K.C., WILLIAM C. JOB, J. ALEXANDER ROBINSON, MARMADUKE G. WINTER, PATRICK T. McGrath, Augustus F. Goodridge, JAMES RYAN, PHILIP TEMPLEMAN, SYDNEY D. BLANDFORD, Minister of Agriculture and Mines. RICHARD A. SQUIRES, K.C.,

The Minutes of Friday, May 7th, were read. On motion of the Hon, Mr. Gibbs---

Ordered,—That the Committee of the Whole on the Bill sent up, entitled, "An Act relating to the Sale of Codfish on the Labrador Coast," on the Order of the Day, be deferred until to-morrow.

On motion of the Honourable Mr. Gibbs---

Ordered,—That the second reading of the Bill sent up, entitled, "An Act to Amend 4 George V., Cap. 17, entitled, 'An Act Respecting the Operation of Saw Mills,'" on the Order of the Day, be deferred until to-morrow.

On motion of Hon. Mr. Bishop---

Ordered,—That the Committee of the Whole on the Bill sent up, entitled, "An Act to amend 'The Customs Act, 1898,'" on the Order of the Day be deferred until to-morrow.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, and on motion of the Honourable Mr. Gibbs, the Bill sent up, entitled, "An Act to Regulate the Employment of Men Engaged in Logging" was read a second time.

The Honourable Mr. Gibbs moved-

"That the said Bill be referred to a Committee of the Whole House on to-morrow."

Whereupon the Honourable Mr. Bishop moved in amendment:

"That the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee to consider and report thereon."

And the question on the amendment having been put there appeared;

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Harvey,
Robinson,
Winter,
McGrath,
Goodridge,
James Ryan,
Templeman,
Blandford,
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Skelton,
Knowling,
J. D. Ryan,
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Job.

It was resolved in the affirmative, and

Ordered, --- Accordingly; and

Ordered,---That the Select Committee consist of the Honourables Messrs. Bishop, Knowling, Harvey, Anderson and Winter.

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

Ordered, -To be committed to-morrow.

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

MR. PRESIDENT:

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

titled, "An Act Respecting the General Hospital," in which they request the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

JOHN R. GOODISON,

Speaker.

House of Assembly, May 10th, 1915.

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

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

The Honourable Mr. Bishop laid on the Table a copy of code telegram to Governor-General of Canada (sent 25th March, 1915):

"Have been informed that Norwegian sealing steamers which cleared from Canadian port of North Sydney to prosecute Seal Fishery in the Gulf of St. Lawrence and vicinity, intend remaining till June. If this is so, destruction of old seals by the guns of these ships will have a very detrimental effect upon the future of this fishery, as not alone will they capture large numbers of old seals, but will also injure large numbers which will afterwards perish. Law of Newfoundland prohibits killing of seals after May 1st. Would recommend that your Government enforce same in connection with the Norwegian steamers.

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TUESDAY, May 11th, 1915.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

PRESENT:

The Honourable John Harris,

President,

Minister of Justice.

The Honourables GEORGE SKELTON, GEORGE KNOWLING, ROBERT K. BISHOP, JAMES D. RYAN, JOHN ANDERSON, JOHN HARVEY, SAMUEL MILLEY, MICHAEL P. GIBBS, K.C., WILLIAM C. JOB, J. ALEXANDER ROBINSON, MARMADUKE G. WINTER, PATRICK T. McGrath, AUGUSTUS F. GOODRIDGE, JAMES RYAN, PHILIP TEMPLEMAN, THE RESERVE SYDNEY D. BLANDFORD, Minister of Agriculture and Mines. RICHARD A. SQUIRES, K.C.

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

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, and on motion of the Honourable Mr. Gibbs, the House went Committee on the Bill sent up, entitled, "An Act Relating to the Sale of Codfish on the Labrador Coast."

The Honourable Mr. J. D. Ryan in the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

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

Ordered,---That the Report be received.

On motion of the Honourable Mr. Bishop-

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

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

MR. PRESIDENT,---

The House of Assembly acquaint the Legislative Council that they have passed the Bill, entitled, "An Act to amend 5 George V., Session 1, Cap. 10, entitled, 'An Act Respecting Stamp Duties,'" in which they request the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

J. R. GOODISON,

Speaker.

House of Assembly, May 11th, 1915.

On motion of the Honourable Mr. Bishop the Bill sent up, entitled, "An Act to amend 5 George V., Session 1, Cap. 10, entitled, 'An Act Respecting Stamp Duties,'" was read a first time, and

Ordered,—To be read a second time tomorrow.

The Honourable the President nominated the Honourable Mr. J. D. Ryan, in place of the Honourable Mr. Bishop, upon the Select Committee on the Bill, entitled, "An Act to Regulate the Employment of Men Engaged in Logging."

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

Report of the Newfoundland Agricultural Board for the year ended December 31st, 1914.

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

WEDNESDAY, May 12th, 1915.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

PRESENT:

The Honourable JOHN HARRIS,

President,

Minister of Justice.

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

Pursuant to Order of the Day, and on motion of the Honourable Mr. Gibbs, the House went into

Committee on the Bill sent up, entitled, "An Act Relating to the Sale of Codfish on the Labrador Coast."

The Honourable Mr. J. D. Ryan in the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

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

Ordered,---That the Report be received.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, and on motion of the Honourable Mr. Gibbs, the Bill sent up, entitled, "An Act to amend 4 George V., Cap. 17, entitled, 'An Act Respecting the Operation of Saw Mills,'" was read a second time, and

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

On motion of the Honourable Mr. Bishop the Order of the Day, in reference to the Bill, entitled, "An Act to amend 'The Customs Act, 1898,'" was deferred until to-morrow.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, and on motion of the Honourable Mr. Bishop, the House went into Committee on the Bill sent up, entitled, "An Act Respecting the Administration of Local Affairs."

The Honourable Mr. Milley in the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported the Bill without amendment.

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

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

On motion of the Honourable Mr. Bishop the Order of the Day, with regard to the Bill, entitled, "An Act Respecting the General Hospital," was deferred until to-morrow.

On motion of the Honourable Mr. Bishop the Order of the Day, in relation to the Bill, entitled, "An Act to amend 5 George V., Session 1, entitled, 'An Act Respecting Stamp Duties,'" was deferred until to-morrow.

The Honourable the President informed the Council that he had received a message from the House of Assembly requesting the concurrence of the Legislative Council in the Bill sent up, entitled, "An Act Respecting the Establishment of a Permanent Marine Disasters' Fund."

On motion of the Honourable Mr. Bishop, the Bill sent up, entitled, "An Act Respecting the Establishment of a Permanent Marine Disasters' Fund," was read a first time, and

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

The Honourable Mr. Bishop, by command of

His Excellency the Governor, laid upon the Table—

Report of the Public Schools of Newfoundland under Methodist Boards for the year ended December 31st, 1914.

On motion made the House adjourned until to-morrow, Thursday, May 13th, at four o'clock, p.m.

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THURSDAY, May 13th, 1915.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

PRESENT:

The Honourable John Harris,

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President.

Minister of Justice.

The Honourables George Skelton, GEORGE KNOWLING, ROBERT K. BISHOP, JAMES D. RYAN, JOHN ANDERSON, JOHN HARVEY, SAMUEL MILLEY, MICHAEL P. GIBBS, K.C., WILLIAM C. JOB, J. ALEXANDER ROBINSON, MARMADUKE G. WINTER, PATRICK T. McGrath, AUGUSTUS F. GOODRIDGE, JAMES RYAN, PHILIP TEMPLEMAN, MICHAEL F. POWER, SYDNEY D. BLANDFORD, Minister of Agriculture and Mines. RICHARD A. SQUIRES, K.C.,

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

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, and on motion of the Honourable Mr. Gibbs, the Bill sent up, entitled, "An Act Respecting the Administration of Local Affairs," was read a third time and passed, and the Honourable the President signed the same.

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

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, and on motion of the Honourable Mr. Gibbs, the House went into Committee on the Bill sent up, entitled, "An Act Relating to the Sale of Codfish on the Labrador Coast."

The Honourable Mr. J. D. Ryan in the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

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

Ordered,--That the Report be received.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, and on motion of the Honourable Mr. Gibbs, the House went into Committee on the Bill sent up, entitled, "An Act to amend 4 George V., Cap. 17, entitled, 'An Act Respecting the Operation of Saw Mills.'"

'The Honourable Dr. Skelton in the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

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

Ordered,—That the Report be received.

On motion of the Honourable Mr. Bishop, the Order of the Day, with reference to the Bill, entitled, "An Act to amend 'The Customs Act, 1898,'" was deferred until to-morrow.

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

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

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, and on motion of the Honourable Mr. Bishop, the Bill sent up, entitled, "An Act to amend 5 George V., Sess. 1, Cap. 10, entitled, 'An Act Respecting Stamp Duties,'" was read a second time, and

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

Pursuant to the Order of the Day and on motion of the Honourable Mr. Robinson, the Bill sent up, entitled, "An Act Respecting the Establishment of a Permanent Marine Disasters Fund," was read a second time, and

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

The Honourable 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 to amend the Act 5, George V., Session 1, Cap. 10, entitled, 'An Act Respecting Municipal Affairs,' and for Other Purposes in Connection with the St. John's Municipal Council."

On motion of the Honourable Mr. Anderson, the Bill sent up, entitled, "An Act to amend the Act 5, George V., Session 1, Cap. 10, entitled, 'An Act Respecting Municipal Affairs,' and for Other Purposes in Connection with the St. John's Municipal Council," was read a first time, and

Ordered,—To be read a second time to-

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

FRIDAY, May 14th., 1915.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

PRESENT:

The Honourable JOHN HARRIS,

President.

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

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

Pursuant to the Order of the Day and on motion of the Honourable Mr. Gibbs, the House went into Committee on the Bill sent up entitled, "An Act relating to the Sale of Codfish on the Labrador Coast."

The Honourable Mr. J. D. Ryan in the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported progress and asked leave to sit again.

Ordered,-That the Report le received.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day and on motion of the Honourable Mr. Gibbs, the House went into Committee on the Bill sent up entitled, "An Act to amend 4, George V., Cap. 17, entitled, 'An Act respecting the operation of Saw Mills'."

The Honourable Dr. Skelton in the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

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

Ordered,--That the Report be received.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day and on motion of the Honourable Mr. Bishop, the House went into Committee on the Bill sent up entitled, "An Act to amend 'The Customs Act, 1898.'"

The Honourable Mr. Milley in the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported the Bill with an amendment.

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 motion of the Honourable Mr. Bishop, the House went into Committee on the Bill sent up entitled, "An Act Respecting the General Hospital."

The Honourable Mr. Job in the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

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

Ordered, -- That the Report be received.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day and on motion of the Honourable Mr. Bishop, the House went into Committee on the Bill sent up entitled, "An Act to amend 5 George V., Session 1., Cap. 10., entitled 'An Act Respecting Stamp Duties.'"

The Honourable Mr. Harvey in the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported the Bill without amendment,

Ordered,—That the Report be received—and—

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

On motion of the Honourable Mr. Robinson-

Ordered,—That the Order of the Day with reference to the Bill entitled "An Act Respecting the Establishment of a Permanent Marine Disasters Fund," be deferred until to-morrow.

On motion of the Honourable Mr. Bishop---

Ordered,—That the Order of the Day with reference to the Bill entitled "An Act to amend the Act 5 George V., Session 1, Cap. 10, entitled, 'An Act respecting Municipal Affairs' and for other purposes in connection with the St. John's Municipal Council," be deferred until to-morrow.

On motion made the House adjourned until Monday next, May 17th, at four o'clock p.m.

MONDAY, May 17th, 1915.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

PRESENT:

The Honourable John Harris,

President.

Minister of Justice.

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

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

On motion of the Honourable Mr. Bishop, the Order of the Day for the third reading of the Bill sent up entitled "An Act to amend The Customs Act, 1898" was discharged and the Bill re-committed to a Committee of the Whole House.

The Honourable Mr. McGrath in the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported the Bill with a further amendment.

Ordered,--That the Report be received.

On motion of the Honourable Mr. Bishop, with the concurrence of the House, the said Bill as amended was read a third time and passed, and the Honourable the President signed the same.

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

The amendment is as follows:

Insert as section 2, the following:---

"2. It shall be lawful for the owners of a steamer premises, which is also a sufferance warehouse, situate in the Port of St. John's, upon or over which goods are discharged from any ship arriving from any port, to charge wharfage upon said goods at current rates, when the Port of St. John's

is their final destination under the contract of carriage."

Pursuant to the Order of the Day and on motion of the Honourable Mr. Bishop, the Bill sent up entitled "An Act to amend 5 George V., Sess. I., Cap. 10., entitled 'An Act Respecting Stamp Duties,'" was read a third time and passed, and the Honourable the President signed the same.

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

Pursuant to the Order of the Day and on motion of the Honourable Mr. Gibbs, the House went into Committee on the Bill sent up entitled "An Act Relating to the Sale of Codfish on the Labrador Coast."

The Honourable Mr. J. D. Ryan in the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

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

Ordered,---That the Report be received.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, and on motion of the Honourable Mr. Blandford, the House went into Committee on the Bill sent up entitled "An Act to amend 4 George V., Cap. 17, entitled 'An Act Respecting the Operation of Saw Mills.'"

The Honourable Dr. Skelton in the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported the Bill with some amendments.

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

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

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

The Honourable Mr. Job in the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

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

Ordered,-That the Report be received.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, and on motion of the Honourable Mr. Robinson, the House went into Committee on the Bill sent up entitled "An Act Respecting the Establishment of a Permanent Marine Disasters Fund."

The Honourable Mr. Blandford in the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

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

Ordered,--That the Report be received.

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

TUESDAY, May 18th, 1915.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

PRESENT:

The Honourable John Harris,

President.

Minister of Justice.

The Honourables George Skelton, GEORGE KNOWLING, ROBERT K. BISHOP, JAMES D. RYAN, JOHN ANDERSON, JOHN HARVEY, SAMUEL MILLEY, MICHAEL P. GIBBS, K.C., WILLIAM C. JOB, J. ALEXANDER ROBINSON, MARMADUKE G. WINTER, PATRICK T. McGRATH, AUGUSTUS F. GOODRIDGE, JAMES RYAN, PHILIP TEMPLEMAN, JOHN J. MURPHY, SYDNEY D. BLANDFORD, Minister of Agriculture and Mines. RICHARD A. SQUIRES, K.C.,

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

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, and on

motion of the Honourable Mr. Gibbs, the Bill sent up entitled, "An Act to amend 4 George V., Cap. 17., entitled, 'An Act Respecting the Operation of Saw Mills,' "as amended, was read a third time and passed, and the Honourable the President signed the same.

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

The amendments are as follows:

- nords:—But any person actually engaged in the construction of any boat or vessel may be permitted to have such quantity of lumber as may be bona fide required for such actual construction sawn or manufactured in a saw mill and such sawing or manufacture shall not be a violation of the provisions of this Act.
- 2.--In Section 2 strike out the word twelve and substitute eighteen.

3.-Add as new Section 1--

(1) Section 1 of the Act 4, George 5, Cap. 17, entitled "An Act respecting the operation of Saw Mills" is hereby amended by the addition of the following sub-section:—(h) The quantity of timber which a licensee under this section shall be permitted to manufacture

in staves or heading for making barrels for fishery requirements or for the making of shingles, lobster laths or lobster boxes shall not exceed a total of 50,000 feet board measure in any one year."

4.--Add as new Section 2---

(2) Section 2 of the said Act is hereby amended by striking out from said section the following words "On what is known as the three mile limit."

5.--Add as new Section 3---

(3) Section 3 of the said Act is hereby amended by striking out the words "2000 herring barrel staves shall equal 1000 feet board measure" and substituting therefor the following "2000 barrel staves shall equal 1000 board measure."

6.--Renumber Sections 1 and 2 as Sections 4 and 5.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, and on motion of the Honourable Mr. Gibbs, the House went into Committee on the Bill sent up entitled, "An Act Relating to the Sale of Codfish on the Labrador Coast."

The Honourable Mr. J. D. Ryan in the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported the Bill with some amendments.

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

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

On motion of the Honourable Mr Bishop, the consideration of the Bill sent up entitled, "An Act Respecting the General Hospital" was deferred until to-morrow.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, and on motion of the Honourable Mr. Robinson, the House went into Committee on the Bill sent up entitled, "An Act Respecting the Establishment of a Permanent Marine Disasters Fund."

The Honourable Mr. Blandford in the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported the Bill with some amendments.

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

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

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, and on motion of the Honourable Mr. Bishop, the Bill sent up entitled, "An Act to amend the Act 5, George V., Session 1., Cap. 10., entitled, 'An Act Respecting Municipal Affairs and for other purposes in connection with The St. John's Municipal Council,' "was read a second time---and---

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

The Honourable Mr. Harvey, from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill sent up entitled, "An Act to Regulate the Employment of Men engaged in Logging," presented a Report, which was received and read--and--

Ordered,---To lie on the Table.

Ordered,---That the said Bill, as amended, be printed.

The Report is as follows :---

"The Select Committee appointed by Your Honourable House to consider the Bill sent up entitled, "An Act to Regulate the Employment of Men Engaged in Logging," beg to report that they have had under deliberation the matter to them referred; and as a result thereof present the annexed amendments to the said Bill.

Respectfully submitted,

(Sgd.) JOHN HARVEY, Chairman J. D. RYAN, JOHN ANDERSON, M. G. WINTER.

Committee Room,
Legislative Council,
May 18, 1915."

"AMENDMENTS

Of Select Committee on Bill sent up entitled "An Act to Regulate the Employment of Men Engaged in Logging."

- "Insert as Section 1., the following:
 - "In this Bill the employer shall be held to mean the individual or company which engages or pays the workmen concerned. Loggers shall be held to mean men engaged in the physical work of cutting, hauling, driving, piling, and handling of trees and their conveyance to a mill or other Factory and cooks and helpers engaged in maintaining the Camps and the logging operations in the woods."
- "Insert as Section 2, the following:
 - "2. The Minister of Agriculture and Mines shall appoint one or more Inspectors whose duty it shall be to see that the provisions of this Act are observed and enforced."
- "Re-number the Sections from 1 to 12 both inclusive, as Sections, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, and 14, respectively, and the Sections from 14 to 17, both inclusive, as Sections 15, 16, 17, and 18, respectively.
 - "In Section 1., at the commencement thereof,

insert the words, 'In the absence of any special agreement.'"

- "In section 2, in the first line after the word 'cash,' insert the words, 'or cheque or negotiable order."
- "Same section, 2nd and 3rd lines---after the word 'employment,' strike out the words 'on the day on which' and insert in lieu thereof the words 'within twenty-four hours of time when.'"
- "Same section, 3rd line, after the word 'timeslip' insert the words 'and ticket as provided in section 3.'

In section 4, at the commencement thereof, strike out the words 'on every second Saturday' and insert in lieu thereof the words 'not later than every alternate Tuesday.'

- "Same section, same line, after the word 'employer' insert the words 'or his agent.'
- "Same section, 2nd line, after the word 'the' strike out the words 'past two' and insert in lieu thereof the words 'previous two weeks up to and including the previous Saturday.'

In the 5th section, after the word 'Inspector,' at the end of the section, insert the words: 'Provided that this shall not be obligatory in extreme sections or in connection with temporary camps.'

"In the 6th section, after the word 'of' in the

4th line, strike out the word 'September' and insert in lieu thereof the word 'July.'

- "In the 7th section, 4th line, strike out the word 'July' and insert in lieu thereof the word 'April.'
- "Same section, 6th line, after the word 'not' strike out the words 'less than' and insert in lieu thereof the word 'exceeding.'
- "Same section, 7th line, strike out the words and figures 'nor more than \$500."
- "Same section, at the end thereof, after the word 'offence,' insert the following words and figures 'Provided that no more than \$25.00 shall be payable as penalty for breach of this section upon any one day.'
- "In the 10th section, 1st line, strike out the word 'roofed' and insert in lieu thereof the words 'lined or ceiled.'
- "Same section, 2nd line, before the word board' insert the words paper or."
- "Same section, same line, after the said word board' insert the words on the inside of walls and roof and shall be,' and after the said word board' strike out the words 'sheathed with felt and otherwise.'
- "Same section, 3rd line, after the word 'condition,' strike out the words, 'the sides of the sleeping compartment shall be lined with sheathing

paper or board or other material approved by the Government Inspector."

"Same section, 6th line, after the word 'board,' at the end thereof, insert the words, 'or logs cut flat on the face.' It shall be the duty of the Inspector to report immediately to the Minister of Agriculture and Mines upon any unsuitable camps inspected by him and the said Minister shall call the attention of the person or company responsible who shall forthwith cause the said camps to conform with this section.'"

"Eleventh section, 4th line, after the word 'employees,' strike out the words, 'no charge shall be made the loggers for medical services of the doctor so supplied, unless such employers own and operate a hospital at headquarters, in which case.'"

"Strike out the 13th section."

"In the 16th section, 2nd and 3rd lines, after the word 'not,' strike out the words and figures, 'less than \$25.00 nor more than,' and insert in lieu thereof the word 'exceeding.'"

"Same section, 4th and 5th lines, strike out the words, 'nor less than thirty days.'"

"In the 17th section, 2nd and 3rd lines, after the word 'Inspector,' strike out the words, 'or by the agent representing the loggers.'"

"Same section, 7th line, after the word 'Inspector,' strike out the words, 'or the agent representing the loggers.'"

"Strike out the 18th section of the Bill."

On motion of the Honourable Mr. Harvey,---

Ordered,-That the House be put in Committee on the Bill sent up, entitled, "An Act to Regulate the Employment of Men Engaged in Logging," on to-morrow.

On motion made, the House adjourned until Thursday next, May 20th, at four o'clock, p.m.

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THURSDAY, May 20th, 1915.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

PRESENT:

The Honourable John Harris,

President.

Minister of Justice.

The Honourables George Skelton, GEORGE KNOWLING, ROBERT K. BISHOP, JAMES D. RYAN, JOHN ANDERSON, JOHN HARVEY, A STATE OF STREET SAMUEL MILLEY, WILLIAM C. JOB, J. ALEXANDER ROBINSON, MARMADUKE G. WINTER, PATRICK T. McGrath, AUGUSTUS F. GOODRIDGE, The second supplied to the court of the cour JAMES RYAN, PHILIP TEMPLEMAN, JOHN J. MURPHY, MICHAEL F. POWER, SYDNEY D. BLANDFORD, Minister of Agriculture and Mines. RICHARD A. SQUIRES, K.C.,

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

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Honourable ourable Mr. Job, in the absence of the Honourable Mr. Gibbs, moved

"That the Bill sent up, entitled, 'An Act Relating to the Sale of Codfish on the Labrador Coast,' as amended, be now read a third time."

Whereupon the Honourable Mr. Harvey moved in amendment-

"That the said Bill be now recommitted to a Committee of the whole House to reconsider the 6th section of the said Bill."

Whereupon the Honourable Mr. Blandford moved in amendment upon the amendment—

"That the said Bill be recommitted to a Committee of the whole House to reconsider the whole Bill."

Whereupon the Honourable Mr. Job withdrew his original motion, and moved in amendment upon the amendment—

"That the consideration of the said Bill be deferred until to-morrow."

And the question on the amendment upon the amendment upon the amendment having been put—

It was resolved in the affirmative, and

Ordered,—That the consideration of the said Bill be deferred until to-morrow. Pursuant to the Order of the Day, and on motion of the Honourable Mr. Robinson, the Bill sent up, entitled, "An Act Respecting the Establishment of a Permanent Marine Disasters Fund," as amended, was read a third time and passed, and the Honourable the President signed the same.

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

The amendments are as follows:

Strike out section 7 of the Bill and insert in lieu thereof the following:

"7. The Committee may invest its funds in such investments as trustees may be authorized by law to invest trust funds, and further, may deposit its funds in any bank authorized by law to do business in the Colony either in the usual course of business or under any special arrangement the Committee may make with any such bank."

"Section 10, first line, after the word 'fisher-man,' insert the words, 'or seaman.'"

Same Section, 4th line, after the word 'fisher-man,' insert the words, 'or seaman.'"

"Same Section, 5th line, after the word 'fisherman,' insert the words, 'or seaman.'" "Same Section, 8th line, after the word 'fisherman's,' insert the words, 'or seaman's.'"

On motion of the Honourable Mr. Bishop the consideration of the Bill sent up, entitled, "An Act Respecting the General Hospital," was deferred until to-morrow.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, and on motion of the Honourable Mr. Bishop, the House went into Committee on the Bill sent up, entitled, "An Act to amend the Act 5 George V., Session 1, Cap. 10, entitled 'An Act Respecting Municipal Affairs, and for Other Purposes in Connection with the St. John's Municipal Council.'"

The Honourable Dr. Skelton in the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

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

Ordered,--- That the Report be received.

On motion of the Honourable Mr. Bishop---

Ordered,—That the consideration of the Bill sent up, entitled, "An Act to Regulate the Employment of Men Engaged in Logging" be deferred until to-morrow.

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

MR. PRESIDENT,---

The House of Assembly acquaint the Legislative Council that they have passed the amendments sent down by the Legislative Council in and upon the Bill sent up, entitled, "An Act to amend the Customs Act, 1898," without amendment.

J. R. GOODISON,

Speaker.

House of Assembly, May 19th, 1915.

MR. PRESIDENT:

The House of Assembly acquaint the Legislative Council that they have passed the amendments sent down in and upon the Bill sent up, entitled, "An Act to amend 4 George V., Cap. 17, entitled, 'An Act Respecting the Operation of Saw Mills,'" without amendment.

JOHN R. GOODISON,

Speaker.

House of Assembly, May 20th, 1915.

The Honourable 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 to Incorporate the Patriotic Fund."

On motion of the Honourable Mr. Bishop, the Bill sent up, entitled, "An Act to Incorporate the Patriotic Fund," was read a first time, and

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

The Honourable Mr. Bishop laid upon the Table Report of the Newfoundland Savings Bank for the year ending December 31st, 1914.

On motion made the House adjourned until to-morrow, Friday, May 21st, at four o'clock, p.m.

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FRIDAY, May 21st., 1915.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

PRESENT:

The Honourable John Harris,

President,

The Honourables GEORGE SKELTON, GEORGE KNOWLING, ROBERT K. BISHOP, JAMES D. RYAN, JOHN ANDERSON, JOHN HARVEY, SAMUEL MILLEY, WILLIAM C. JOB, J. ALEXANDER ROBINSON, MARMADUKE G. WINTER, PATRICK T. McGRATH, AUGUSTUS F. GOODRIDGE, JAMES RYAN, PHILIP TEMPLEMAN, JOHN J. MURPHY, SYDNEY D. BLANDFORD, Minister of Agriculture and Mines.

The Minutes of Thursday, May 20th, were read.

On motion of the Honourable Mr. Bishop, in the absence of the Honourable Mr. Gibbs,

Ordered,-That the consideration of the third

reading of the Bill entitled "An Act Relating to the Sale of Codfish on the Labrador Coast," and the Honourable Mr. Harvey's amendments thereon, be deferred until a later hour of the evening.

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

The Honourable Mr. Job in the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported the Bill with some amendments.

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

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

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, and on motion of the Honourable Mr. Bishop, the House went into Committee on the Bill sent up entitled, "An Act to amend the Act 5, George V., Session 1, Cap. 10., entitled 'An Act Respecting Municipal Affairs and for other purposes in connection with the St. John's Municipal Council.'

The Honourable Dr. Skelton in the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

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

Ordered,--That the Report be received.

On motion of the Honourable Mr. Bishop, in the absence of the Honourable Mr. Gibbs, the consideration of the Bill sent up entitled, "An Act to Regulate the Employment of Men engaged in Logging," was deferred until to-morrow.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, and on motion of the Honourable Mr. Bishop, the Bill sent up entitled "An Act to Incorporate the Patriotic Fund," was read a second time—and—

Ordered,-To be committed to-morrow.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Honourable ourable Mr. Job in the absence of the Honourable Mr. Gibbs, moved—

"That the Bill sent up entitled, "An Act relating to the Sale of Codfish on the Labrador Coast," as amended, be now read a third time."

Whereupon the Honourable Mr. Harvey moved in amendment:

"That the said Bill be now re-committed to a Committee of the Whole House to reconsider the 6th. Section of the said Bill."

After some discussion thereon----

The Honourable Mr. Harvey withdrew the 'said amendment.

The said Bill, as amended, was then read a

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

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

The amendments are as follows:

Strike out Section 2 of the Bill and insert in lieu thereof the following:—

"(2) On or before the first Monday in July in each year the Labrador Fish Exporters shall appoint one person, the members of the House of Assembly who sit for outport districts another person, to be selected between the months of January and June, both inclusive, in such manner as the House may direct, the two so chosen a third, and the three so appointed shall constitute the Board. A meeting of Labrador Fish Exporters of which a full month's notice shall be given, shall be convened by the Minister of Marine and Fisheries in St. John's, not later than the 30th. day of June in each year, when the appointment of the aforesaid representative shall be made by a majority vote of those present."

Section 5-Last line thereof; strike out the word "October," and insert in lieu thereof the word "November."

Strike out Section 7, and insert in lieu thereof the following: "7—The application aforesaid to the Court may be made on motion, or to a Judge in Chambers on Summons. There shall be published in The Royal Gazette at least one week before the hearing of any such application a notice giving the time and place at which said application shall be heard and a copy of the said notice, or if the application be by summons, a copy of the said summons shall be served upon each member of the Board created under Section two and three of the Act. Each member of the said Board and any other person interested in said application shall be entitled to be represented at the hearing by counsel, but no costs shall in any event be allowed to any person."

Section 9---1st. line---after the word "there-of," strike out the words, "and the Board."

Same Section—9th. line—after the word "shall," strike out the word "not."

Same Section—10th. line-after the word "to," strike out the word "any."

Same Section—at the end thereof—add the words, "at the discretion of the Court or Judge."

On motion made the House adjourned until Tuesday next, May 25th., at four o'clock p.m.

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TUESDAY, May 25th, 1915.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

PRESENT:

The Honourable John Harris,

President,

The Honourables George Skelton, GEORGE KNOWLING, ROBERT K. BISHOP, JAMES D. RYAN, JOHN ANDERSON, JOHN HARVEY, SAMUEL MILLEY, MICHAEL P. GIBBS, K.C., WILLIAM C. JOB, J. ALEXANDER ROBINSON, MARMADUKE G. WINTER, PATRICK T. McGRATH, AUGUSTUS F. GOODRIDGE, PHILIP TEMPLEMAN, MICHAEL F. POWER, SYDNEY D. BLANDFORD,

The Minutes of Friday, May 21st, 1915, were read.

Minister of Agriculture and Mines.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, and on motion of the Honourable Mr. Bishop, the Bill sent up, entitled, "An Act Respecting the General Hospital," as amended, was read a third time and passed, and the Honourable the President signed the same.

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

The amendments are as follows:

"roth Section, 4th line, after the word 'instructions,' insert the following words: 'in respect of all medical and surgical work.'"

"Same Section, 7th line, strike out the words: in respect of all medical and surgical work."

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, and on motion of the Honourable Mr. Bishop, the House went into Committee on the Bill sent up, entitled, "An Act to amend 5 George V., Session 1, Cap. 10, entitled, 'An Act Respecting Municipal Affairs and for Other Purposes in Connection with the St. John's Municipal Council."

The Honourable Dr. Skelton in the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported the Bill with some amendments.

Ordered,--That the Report be received, and

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

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, and on motion of the Honourable Mr. Gibbs, the House went into Committee on the Bill sent up, entitled, "An Act to Regulate the Employment of Men Engaged in Logging."

The Honourable Mr. Milley in the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported the Bill with some amendments.

Ordered,--That the Report be received, and

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

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, and on motion of the Honourable Mr. Bishop, the House went into Committee on the Bill sent up, entitled, "An Act to Incorporate the Patriotic Fund."

The Honourable Mr. Winter in the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported the Bill without amendment.

Ordered,--That the Report be received, and

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

The Honourable 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 Respecting the Bank Fishery," "An Act Respecting Certain Retiring Allowances," and "An Act Confirming an Agreement Between the Government and the Newfoundland-American Packing Company;"

Which said Bills, on motion of the Honourable Mr. Bishop, were severally read a first time, and

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

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

MR. PRESIDENT:

The House of Assembly acquaint the Legislative Council that they have passed the amendments sent down in and upon the Bill sent up, entitled, "An Act Respecting the Establishment of a Permanent Marine Disasters Fund" without amendment.

J. R. GOODISON,

Speaker.

House of Assembly, May 25th, 1915.

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

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WEDNESDAY, May 26th, 1915.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

PRESENT:

The Honourable JOHN HARRIS,

President.

Minister of Justice.

The Honourables George Skelton,
George Knowling,
Robert K. Bishop,
James D. Ryan,
John Anderson,
John Harvey,
Samuel Milley,
William C. Job,
J. Alexander Robinson,
Marmaduke G. Winter,
Patrick T. McGrath,
Augustus F. Goodridge,
Philip Templeman,
Richard A Squires, K.C.,

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

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, and on motion of the Honourable Mr. Bishop, the Bill sent up, entitled, "An Act to amend the Act 5 George V., Session 1, Cap. 10, entitled, 'An Act Respecting Municipal Affairs, and for Other Purposes in Connection with the St. John's Municipal

Council,' "as amended, was read a third time and passed, and the Honourable the President signed the same.

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

The amendments are as follows:----

- "Section 1, sub-section 1, strike out the word and figures, 'December, 1915,' and insert in lieu thereof the word and figures 'June, 1916.'"
- "Same section, same sub-section, 3rd and 4th lines, strike out the words 'so that,' and insert in lieu thereof the word 'and.'"
- "Same section, same sub-section, 5th line, strike out the word 'January' and insert in lieu thereof the word 'July.'"
- "Same section, sub-section (2), 3rd line, strike out the word 'January' and insert in lieu thereof the word 'July.'"
- "Section 10, 1st line, strike out the figures '136,' and insert in lieu thereof the figures '137.'"

Section 11, 3rd line, after the word 'Colony,' insert the words 'for one year.'"

"Same section, at the end thereof, add the words, 'Provided that this section shall not apply when it shall have been proved to the satisfaction

of the Council that such contract was bona fide concluded, and signed prior to the passing of this Act.'"

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, and on motion of the Honourable Mr. Bishop, the Bill sent up, entitled, "An Act to Regulate the Employment of Men Engaged in Logging," as amended, was read a third time and passed, and the Honourable the President signed the same.

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

The amendments are as follows:---

Insert as section I the following:

"In this Act the employer shall be held to mean the individual or Company which engages or pays the workmen concerned. Loggers shall be held to mean men engaged in the physical work of cutting, hauling, driving, piling and handling of trees and their conveyance to a mill or factory, or to a shipping port; and cooks and helpers engaged in maintaining the camps and the logging operations in the woods."

Insert as section 2 the following :---

"2. The Minister of Agriculture and Mines shall appoint one or more Inspectors whose duty it shall be to see that the provisions of this Act are observed and enforced."

"Re-number the sections from 1 to 12, both inclusive, as sections 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13 and 14 respectively, and the sections 14 to 17, both inclusive, as sections 15, 16, 17 and 18, respectively."

"In section 2, re-numbered as section 4, in the 1st line, after the word 'cash,' insert the words 'or cheque.'"

"Same section, 2nd and 3rd lines, after the word 'employment,' strike out the words, 'on the day on which,' and insert in lieu thereof the words, 'within twenty-four hours of time when.'"

"Same section, 3rd line, after the word time-slip,' insert the words, 'and ticket as provided in section 3,' re-numbered as section 5.'"

"In section 4, renumbered as section 6, at the commencement thereof, strike out the words, 'on every second Saturday,' and insert in lieu thereof the words, 'not later than every alternate Tuesday.'"

"Same section, same line, after the word 'employer,' insert the words, 'or his agent.'"

"Same section, 2nd line, after the word 'the,' strike out the words 'past two,' and insert in lieu thereof the words 'previous two weeks up to and including the previous Saturday.'"

"In the 5th section, re-numbered as section 7, after the word 'inspector,' at the end of the section, add the words, 'provided that this shall not

be obligatory in extreme sections, or in connection with temporary camps."

"In the 6th section, re-numbered as section 8, after the word 'of,' in the 4th line, strike out the word 'September,' and insert in lieu thereof the word 'July.'"

"In the 7th section, re-numbered as section 9, 4th line, strike out the word 'July,' and insert in lieu thereof the word 'April.'"

"Same section, 6th line, after the word 'penalty,' strike out the word 'of.'"

"Same section, 6th line, after the word 'not,' strike out the words 'less than,' and insert in lieu thereof the word 'exceeding.'"

"Same section, 7th line, strike out the words and figures, 'nor more than \$500.'"

"Same section, at the end thereof, after the word 'offence,' insert the following words and figures, 'Provided that no more than \$25.00 shall be payable as penalty for breach of this section upon any one day."

"In the 10th section, re-numbered as section 12, 1st line, strike out the word 'roofed,' and insert in lieu thereof the words, 'lined or ceiled.'"

"Same section, 2nd line, before the word board,' insert the words, 'paper or.'"

"Same section, same line, after the said word

'board' insert the words 'on the inside of walls and roof and shall be,' and after the said word 'board' strike out the words 'sheathed with felt and otherwise.'"

"Same section, 3rd line, after the word 'condition,' strike out the words 'the sides of the sleeping compartment shall be lined with sheathing paper or board or other material approved by the Government Inspector.'"

"Same section, 6th line, after the word 'board,' at the end thereof, insert the words 'or logs cut flat on the face.' It shall be the duty of the Inspector to report immediately to the Minister of Agriculture and Mines upon any unsuitable camps inspected by him and the said Minister shall call the attention of the person or company responsible who shall forthwith cause the said camps to conform with this section."

"Eleventh section, 4th line, after the word 'employees' strike out the words 'no charge shall be made the loggers for medical services of the Doctor, so supplied unless such employers own and operate a Hospital at Headquarters in which case."

"12th section, 2nd line, strike out the words to an agent representing the loggers also."

"In the 16th section, 2nd line, strike out the word 'if.'"

"In the same section, 2nd and 3rd lines, after

the word 'not' strike out the words and figures 'less than \$25.00 nor more than' and insert in lieu thereof the word 'exceeding.'"

- "Same section, 4th and 5th lines, strike out the words 'nor less than thirty days."
- "In the 17th section, 2nd and 3rd lines, after the word 'inspector' strike out the words 'or by the agent representing the loggers."
- "Same section, 7th line, after the word inspector's trike out the words or the agent representing the loggers."
 - "Strike out the 18th section of the Bill."

The order of the day being read for the third reading of the Bill sent up, entitled "An Act to Incorporate the Patriotic Fund," the Honourable Mr. Bishop moved that the said Bill be recommitted to a Committee of the Whole House, and

Ordered,---Accordingly.

The Honourable Mr. Winter in the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported the Bill with an amendment.

Ordered,—That the Report be received.

On motion of the Honourable Mr. Bishop, with the unanimous consent of the House, the said Bill, as amended, was then read a third time and

passed, and the Honourable the President signed the same.

Ordered,---To be sent to the House of Assembly with message that this House had passed the said Bill with an amendment in which they request their concurrence.

The amendment is as follows:

"Section 2—8th and 9th lines—after the name 'Eric Bowring, Esq.,' insert the names 'Captain H. A. Timewell and Captain A. Montgomerie.'"

Pursuant to the Order of the Day and on motion of the Honourable Mr. Bishop, the Bills sent up, entitled respectively: "An Act Respecting the Bank Fishery," "An Act Respecting Certain Retiring Allowances," and "An Act Confirming an Agreement between the Government and the Newfoundland-American Packing Company, were severally read a second time—and—

Ordered,-To be severally committed tomorrow.

The Honourable 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 Respecting the Grand Bank Water Company," and "An Act for the Confirmation of a Contract with the Newfoundland Products Corporation, Limited."

Also the following message:

MR. PRESIDENT,--

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

J. R. GOODISON,

Speaker.

House of Assembly, May 26th, 1915.

On motion of the Honourable Mr. Robinson the Bill sent up entitled "An Act Respecting the Grand Bank Water Company," was read a first time—and—

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

On motion of the Honourable the Attorney General the Bill sent up entitled "An Act for the Confirmation of a Contract with the Newfoundland Products Corporation Limited" was read a first time--and--

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

The Honourable Mr. Anderson gives notice that he will on to-morrow ask leave to present a Petition from the American-Newfoundland Pulp and Lumber Company who claim to own property and rights in this Colony which will be injuriously affected by the passage of the Bill to confirm an agreement between the Government and the

THURSDAY, May 27th, 1915.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

PRESENT:

The Honourable John Harris,

President.

The Honourables George Skelton, GEORGE KNOWLING, ROBERT K. BISHOP, JAMES D. RYAN, JOHN ANDERSON, JOHN HARVEY, SAMUEL MILLEY, WILLIAM C. JOB, J. ALEXANDER ROBINSON, MARMADUKE G. WINTER, PATRICK T. McGrath, AUGUSTUS F. GOODRIDGE, PHILIP TEMPLEMAN, SYDNEY D. BLANDFORD, Minister of Agriculture and Mines. RICHARD A. SQUIRES, K.C., Minister of Justice.

The Minutes of Wendesday, May 26th, were read.

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

The Honourable Mr. Anderson in the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported the Bill with some amendments.

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

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

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, and on motion of the Honourable Mr. Bishop, the House went into Committee on the Bill sent up, entitled, "An Act Respecting Certain Retiring Allowances."

The Honourable Mr. Templeman in the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported the Bill without amendment.

Ordered,-That the Report be received, and

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

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, and on motion of the Honourable Mr. Bishop, the House went into Committee on the Bill sent up, entitled, "An Act Confirming an Agreement Between the Government and the Newfoundland-American Packing Company."

The Honourable Mr. Robinson in the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported the Bill without amendment.

Ordered,-That the Report be received, and

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

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, and on motion of the Honourable Mr. Robinson, the Bill sent up entitled, "An Act Respecting the Grand Bank Water Company" was read a second time, and

Ordered,—To be committed to-morrow.

On motion of the Honourable Mr. Bishop---

Ordered,—That the consideration of the Bill sent up, entitled, "An Act for the Confirmation of a Contract with the Newfoundland Products Corporation, Limited," be deferred until to-morrow.

The Honourable Mr. Anderson asked leave to withdraw his Notice of Motion relating to the presenting of a petition from The American-Newfoundland Pulp and Lumber Company, and

Ordered, --- Accordingly.

The Honourable Mr. Job, from the Select Committee appointed on the Bill sent up, entitled, "An Act Respecting the Seal Fishery," presented a Report of the same, which was received and read, and

Ordered,--To lie on the Table.

The Report is as follows:----

"The Select Committee appointed by Your Honourable House to consider the Bill, entitled, "An Act Respecting the Seal Fishery," beg to report that they have had under deliberation the matter to them referred, and as the result of their deliberations, present the annexed amendments to the said Bill.

Respectfully submitted,

(Sgd.) W. C. JOB, Chairman; JOHN HARVEY, M. G. WINTER, P. T. McGRATH.

Committee Room,
Legislative Council,
27th May, 1915."

On motion of the Honourable Mr. Anderson, the petition from The Thetis Steamship Company, Limited, and other Steamship Companies engaged in the prosecution of the Seal Fishery in relation to the Bill sent up, entitled, "An Act Respecting the Seal Fishery," was read.

On motion of the Honourable Mr. Bishop--

Ordered,—That the House be put into Committee on the Bill sent up, entitled, "An Act Respecting the Seal Fishery," on to-morrow.

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

MR. PRESIDENT:

The House of Assembly acquaint the Legislative Council that they have appointed a Select Committee consisting of Mr. Coaker, Mr. Kent, Mr. Lloyd, Hon Mr. Emerson, Mr. Higgins, Mr. Moulton and Mr. Clapp; and request the Legislative Council to appoint a Committee from their body to confer relating to the amendments of the Legislative Council in and upon the Bill sent up, entitled, "An Act to Regulate the Employment of Men Engaged in Logging."

J. R. GOODISON,

Speaker.

House of Assembly, May 27th, 1915.

MR. PRESIDENT:

The House of Assembly acquaint the Legislative Council that they have passed the amendments sent down in and upon the Bill sent up, entitled, respectively, "An Act to Incorporate the Patriotic Fund," and "An Act to amend the Act 5, George V., Session 1, Cap. 10, entitled, 'An

Act Respecting Municipal Affairs, and for Other Purposes in Connection with the St. John's Municipal Council," without amendment.

J. R. GOODISON,

Speaker.

House of Assembly, May 27th, 1915.

MR. PRESIDENT:

The House of Assembly acquaint the Legislative Council that they have passed the Bills entitled respectively, "An Act to amend and Continue in Force for a Further Period the Act 5, Géorge V., Session 1, Cap. 4, entitled "An Act Respecting a Volunteer Force in this Colony;" and "An Act Respecting the Prohibition of the Importation, Manufacture and Sale of Intoxicating Liquors;" in which they request the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

J. R. GOODISON,

Speaker.

House of Assembly, May 27th, 1915.

On motion of the Honourable Mr. Harvey--

Ordered,—That a select Committee of this House be appointed to co-operate with the Select Committee of the House of Assembly in relation to the amendments of the Legislative Council upon the Bill sent up entitled "An Act to Regulate the Employment of Men Engaged in Logging:" and

that the Honourable Messrs. J. D. Ryan, J. Anderson, J. Harvey, M. G. Winter, W. C. Job, P. T. McGrath and John J. Murphy to be a Committee for that purpose—and—

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

On motion of the Honourable Mr. Bishop the Bills sent up entitled respectively "An Act Respecting the Prohibition of the Importation, Manufacture and Sale of Intoxicating Liquors" and--

"An Act to amend and continue in force for a further period the Act 5, George V., Session 1, Cap. 4, entitled "An Act Respecting a Volunteer Force in this Colony" were severally read a first time—and—

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

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

FRIDAY, May 28th, 1915.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

PRESENT:

The Honourable John Harris,

President,

The Honourables George Skelton, GEORGE KNOWLING, ROBERT K. BISHOP, JAMES D. RYAN, JOHN ANDERSON, JOHN HARVEY, SAMUEL MILLEY, WILLIAM C. JOB, J. ALEXANDER ROBINSON, MARMADUKE G. WINTER, PATRICK T. McGRATH, AUGUSTUS F. GOODRIDGE, JAMES RYAN, PHILIP TEMPLEMAN, SYDNEY D. BLANDFORD, Minister of Agriculture and Mines. RICHARD A. SQUIRES, K.C., Minister of Justice.

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

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, and on

FRIDAY, May 28th, 1915.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

PRESENT:

The Honourable John Harris,

President,

The Honourables George Skelton,

GEORGE KNOWLING, ROBERT K. BISHOP, JAMES D. RYAN, JOHN ANDERSON, JOHN HARVEY, SAMUEL MILLEY, WILLIAM C. JOB, J. ALEXANDER ROBINSON, MARMADUKE G. WINTER, PATRICK T. McGRATH, AUGUSTUS F. GOODRIDGE, JAMES RYAN, PHILIP TEMPLEMAN, SYDNEY D. BLANDFORD, Minister of Agriculture and Mines. RICHARD A. SQUIRES, K.C., Minister of Justice.

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

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, and on

motion of the Honourable Mr. Bishop, the Bill sent up, entitled, "An Act Respecting the Bank Fishery," as amended, was read a third time and passed, and the Honourable the President signed the same.

Ordered,---To be sent to the House of Assembly, with message that this House had passed the said Bill with some amendments, in which they request their concurrence.

The amendments are as follows:

"Section 2, 4th line, after the word 'same,' insert the words, 'in good condition.'"

"Insert as new section 3 the following:

'3. This Act shall come into operation on the first day of January, 1916."

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, and on motion of the Honourable Mr. Bishop, the Bills sent up, entitled, respectively, "An Act Respecting Certain Retiring Allowances," and "An Act for the Confirmation of a Contract with the Newfoundland-American Packing Company, Incorporated;"

Were severally read a third time and passed, and the Honourable the President signed the same.

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

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, and on motion of the Honourable Mr. Robinson, the House went into Committee on the Bill sent up, entitled, "An Act Respecting the Grand Bank Water Company."

The Honourable Mr. Milley in the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported the Bill without amendment.

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

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

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Honourable Mr. Bishop moved "That the Bill sent up, entitled, 'An Act for the Confirmation of a Contract with the Newfoundland Products Corporation, Limited,'" be now read a second time;

And the House having divided thereon---

There appeared:

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Job,
Robinson,
Winter,
McGrath,
Goodridge,

Hons. Messrs. Templeman,
Blandford,
Squires,

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Hons. Messrs. J. D. Ryan,
James Ryan,

So it passed in the affirmative, 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 motion of the Honourable Mr. Bishop, the Bills sent up entitled respectively, "An Act respecting the Prohibition of the Importation, Manufacture, and Sale of Intoxicating Liquors"; and "An Act to amend and continue in force for a further period the Act 5 George V. Session 1, Cap. 14, entitled "An Act Respecting a Volunteer Force in this Colony,;" were severally read a second time, and

Ordered,—To be severally committed tomorrow.

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

The Honourable Mr. Milley in the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

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

Ordered,---That the Report be received.

The Honourable the President informed the Council that owing to the illness of the Honourable Mr. Murphy who had been appointed upon the Select Committee of this House to act in conjunction with that of the House of Assembly upon the subject of the amendments made by the Council upon the Bill sent up entitled "An Act to Regulate the Employment of men Engaged in Logging," he had appointed the Honourable Mr. Bishop in his stead.

On motion of the Honourable Mr. Harvey.

Ordered,---That a Message be sent to the House of Assembly requesting them to be pleased to substitute the name of the Honourable Mr. Bishop in place of the Honourable Mr. Murphy upon said Committee.

The Honourable Mr. Bishop gives notice that he will on to-morrow move the Suspension of the 33rd Rule, and all other Rules of this House, as regards all Bills, Addresses and other matters now before, or to come before the House for the remainder of the Session.

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

SATURDAY, May 29th, 1915.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

PRESENT:

The Honourable John Harris,

President,

The Honourables George Skelton, GEORGE KNOWLING, ROBERT K. BISHOP, JAMES D. RYAN, JOHN ANDERSON, JOHN HARVEY, SAMUEL MILLEY, WILLIAM C. JOB, J. ALEXANDER ROBINSON, MARMADUKE G. WINTER, PATRICK T. McGrath, AUGUSTUS F. GOODRIDGE, JAMES RYAN, PHILIP TEMPLEMAN, SYDNEY D. BLANDFORD, Minister of Agriculture and Mines. RICHARD A. SQUIRES, K.C., Minister of Justice.

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

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

Ordered,---That the 33rd Rule and all other

Rules of the House as regards Bills, Addresses, and other matters now before, or to come before this House for the remainder of the Session be suspended.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day and on motion of the Honourable Mr. Robinson, the Bill sent up entitled "An Act Respecting the Grand Bank Water Company," was read a third time and passed, and the Honourable the President signed the same.

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

Pursuant to the Order of the Day and on motion of the Honourable Attorney General the House went into Committee on the Bill sent up, entitled "An Act for the Confirmation of a Contract with the Newfoundland Products Corporation, Limited."

The Honourable Mr. Milley in the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported the Bill with some amendments.

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

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

Pursuant to Order of the Day and on motion of the Honourable Mr. Bishop, the House went into Committee on the Bill sent up, entitled "An Act Respecting the Prohibition of the Importation, Manufacture and Sale of Intoxicating Liquors."

The Honourable Mr. Winter in the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

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

Ordered,--That the Report be received.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day and on motion of the Honourable Mr. Bishop, the House went into Committee on the Bill sent up entitled "An Act Respecting a Volunteer Force in this Colony."

The Honourable Mr. Job in the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported the Bill without amendment.

Ordered, -That the Report be received.

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

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

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

The Honourable Mr. Milley in the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported the Bill with some amendments.

Ordered,--That the Report be received.

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

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

The Amendments are as follows:

Section 1, 6th line. After the word "any" insert the word "Captain."

Same section. 7th line. After the words "master-watch" insert the words "or other officer."

Same Section, 8th line. Strike out the words "to land."

Same section, 13th line. After the word "same" insert the words "and to forfeiture of

his Certificate of Competency during the pleasure of the Court."

Section 2, 3rd line. After the word "steamer" strike out the word "those by whom," and insert in lieu thereof the words "whose crew."

Same section, 5th line. After the word "to" strike out the words "the owners of."

Section 3. At the end thereof. Add the following words: "Unless it is shown to the satisfaction of the Minister of Marine and Fisheries that such medical practitioner cannot be procured on reasonable terms."

Section 4. At the end thereof. Add the following words: "Provided that such officer can be obtained in the Port of St. John's."

Strike out sections 5, 6 and 7 of the Bill and insert in lieu thereof the following, as sections 5 and 6 respectively:

- "5. It shall be lawful for the Governor-in Council to make arrangements with any insurance company or other body for the issuing of policies of insurance to cover loss or injury occurring to men engaged in the seal fishery during the period of such fishery. The premiums upon such policies shall be paid annually in the manner hereinafter set forth."
- "6. If such arrangement is made the Colonial Secretary shall on or before the 1st day of

December in each year send notice to the owners of all sealing steamers about to prosecute the seal fishery in the following Spring, that such arrangement has been made and that such policies are about to be issued.

It shall be lawful for every owner of a steamer, upon receiving such notice, to collect from every man who signs on for the sealing voyage, the sum of \$1.25. The men shall pay such \$1.25 at the time they sign articles for the sealing voyage, and such sum may be recovered from such men by the owners as a debt due them.

Every owner or agent of a steamer shall be liable to pay for \$1.25 for every man engaged in the seal fishery on board the steamer or steamers of which he is the owner, after receiving the notice above, provided in each year, as a contribution to such premium for such insurance policy.

The total sums collected from the men, with the sum of \$1.25 per man, above provided for, to be paid by the owners shall be paid to the Collector of Customs at the time such steamer or steamers clear for such fishery, and it shall be lawful for the Collector of Customs to refuse a clearance until such sums, and all of them, are paid to him."

Section 8, 1st line. Strike out the word "every" and insert the words "whenever any of the crew of a."

Same section, 1st and 2nd lines. Strike out the words "whenever any of her crew."

Same section, 5th line. After the word "received" insert the words "from the captain."

Same section, 5th line. Strike out the word "of" and insert in lieu thereof the words "not exceeding."

Same section, 6th line. After the word "any" strike out the word "person" and insert in lieu thereof the words "member of the crew."

Same section, 9th line. After the word "fired" insert the words "at reasonable intervals."

Same section, 10th line. Strike out the word "either" and insert in lieu thereof the word "or."

Same section, same line. Strike out the word "of" and insert in lieu thereof the words "not exceeding."

Same section, 11th line. After the word "any" strike out the word "person," and insert in lieu thereof the words "member of the crew."

9th section, 1st line. After the word "officer" insert the words "in charge of," and strike out the words "on board" in 2nd line of same section.

Strike out the 10th section of the Bill.

11th section, 2nd line. After the word "and" strike out the word, figures and letters "April

13th," and insert in lieu thereof the word, figures and letters "May 2nd.,"

Same section, 3rd line. Strike out the word "of" and insert the words "not exceeding."

Same section, same line. Strike out the figures "5000" and insert in lieu thereof the figures "500."

Same section, 4th line. Strike out the words "owner of" and insert in lieu thereof the words "offender in."

Same section, at the end thereof, add the words "All such hood seals shall be confiscated and the proceeds thereof shall go to the Marine Disaster Fund."

"of" and insert in lieu thereof the words "not exceeding."

12th section, 4th line, strike out the figures "5000," and insert in lieu thereof the figures "4000."

13th section, 1st line, after the word "no" insert the words "crew of any."

Same section, same line, after the word "shall," strike out the words, "have on board," and insert in lieu thereof the words, "use on any day."

13th section, 2nd line, strike out the word "of" and insert in lieu thereof the words "not exceeding."

Same section, 3rd line, after the word "the" strike out the word "owner" and insert in lieu thereof the words, "master or officer in charge."

14th section, 4th line, after the word "shall," insert the words, "subject to the approval of the Governor in Council."

Same section, 10th line, after the word "penalty," strike out the word "of," and insert in lieu thereof the words, "not exceeding."

Same section, same line, strike out the figures "5000," and insert in lieu thereof the figures "500."

16th section, 8th line, strike out the figures "10," and insert in lieu thereof the figures "15."

Re-number sections 8, 9, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15 and 16, as sections "7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13 and 14," respectively.

On motion made the House adjourned until Monday next, May 31st, at half-past four o'clock, p.m.

MONDAY, May 31st., 1915.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

PRESENT:

The Honourable JOHN HARRIS,

President.

Minister of Justice.

The Honourables GEORGE SKELTON, GEORGE KNOWLING, ROBERT K. BISHOP, JAMES D. RYAN, JOHN ANDERSON, JOHN HARVEY, SAMUEL MILLEY, WILLIAM C. JOB, J. ALEXANDER ROBINSON, MARMADUKE G. WINTER, PATRICK T. McGrath, JAMES RYAN, PHILIP TEMPLEMAN, JOHN J. MURPHY, SYDNEY D. BLANDFORD, Minister of Agriculture and Mines. RICHARD A. SQUIRES, K.C.,

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

On motion of the Honourable Mr. Bishop the consideration of the Bill sent up entitled, "An Act

for the confirmation of a contract with the Newfoundland Products Corporation, Limited," was deferred until to-morrow.

On motion of the Honourable Mr. Bishop, the consideration of the Bill sent up entitled, "An Act Respecting the Prohibition of the Importation, Manufacture and Sale of Intoxicating Liquors," was deferred until to-morrow.

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

Mr. President:

The House of Assembly acquaint the Legislative Council that they have passed the Bills entitled respectively, "An Act further to amend the Revenue Act, 1905," and "An Act to amend 4 George V., Cap. 6, entitled, 'An Act Respecting the Newfoundland Railway and Train Ferry Syndicate, Ltd.,'"; in which they request the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

J. R. GOODISON,

Speaker.

House of Assembly, May 31st., 1915.

On motion of the Honourable Mr. Bishop the Bill sent up entitled, "An Act Respecting the Newfoundland Railway and Train Ferry Syndicate, Limited," was read a first time and second time—and—

Ordered,-To be committed presently.

The Honourable Mr. Job in the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported the Bill without amendment.

Ordered, --- That the Report be received.

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

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

On motion of the Honourable Mr. Bishop, the Bill sent up entitled, "An Act further to amend The Revenue Act, 1905," was read a first and second time—and—

Ordered,-To be committed to-morrow.

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

MR. PRESIDENT:

The House of Assembly acquaint the Legislative Council that they have passed the amendments made by the Legislative Council in and up-

on the Bill sent up entitled, "An Act Respecting the Bank Fishery," without amendment.

J. R. GOODISON,

Speaker.

House of Assembly, May 31st., 1915.

MR. PRESIDENT:

The House of Assembly acquaint the Legislative Council that they have passed the Bills entitled, respectively, "An Act to amend the Law Respecting the Exportation of Timber," "An Act Respecting Proceedings Against the Crown by Petition of Rights," "An Act for Granting to His Majesty Certain Sums of Money for Defraying Certain Expenses of the Public Service, for the Financial Years Ending Respectively, the 30th day of June, 1915, and the 30th day of June, 1916, and for Other Purposes relating to the Public Service," "An Act for Raising a Sum of Money by Loan for the Extension of the Railway System of the Colony," "An Act for Raising a Sum of Money by Loan for the Public Service of the Colony," and "An Act to Provide for a Temporary Loan for Public Purposes," in which they request the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

J. R. GOODISON,

Speaker.

House of Assembly, May 31st, 1915.

On motion of the Honourable Mr. Bishop, the

Bill sent up, entitled, "An Act for Raising a Sum of Money by Loan for the Extension of the Railway System of the Colony," was read a first and second time, and

Ordered,---To be committed presently.

The Honourable Mr. Milley in the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported the Bill without amendment.

Ordered,—That the Report be received.

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

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

On motion of the Honourable Mr. Bishop the Bill sent up, entitled, "An Act for Raising a Sum of Money by Loan for the Public Service of the Colony," was read a first and second time, and

Ordered, --- To be committed presently.

The Honourable Mr. Blandford in the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported the Bill without amendment.

Ordered,—That the Report be received.

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

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

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, and on motion of the Honourable Mr. Bishop, the Bill sent up, entitled, "An Act to Provide for a Temporary Loan for Public Purposes," was read a first and second time, and

Ordered,-To be committed presently.

The Honourble Mr. McGrath in the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported the Bill without amendment.

Ordered,---That the Report be received.

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

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

On motion of the Honourable Mr. Bishop, the Bills sent up, entitled, respectively, "An Act to

amend the Law Respecting the Exportation of Timber," and "An Act Respecting Proceedings Against the Crown;"

Were severally read a first time, and

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

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

"Resolved,—That the Legislative Council records with deep regret the death of the Honourable James Baird, late Member of this House, whose decease has deprived the Council of an excellent Member, and the community of an esteemed citizen; and one who held a high place in the public, social, commercial, and industrial life of the Colony.

"Resolved,—That the Council sincerely sympathizes with the family of the Honourable James Baird in their bereavement; and that a copy of these Resolutions be transmitted to them in token of the sympathy of this House."

On motion made the House adjourned until to-morrow, June first, at half-past four o'clock, p.m.

TUESDAY, June 1st, 1915.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

PRESENT:

The Honourable John Harris,

President.

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

The Minutes of Monday, May 31st were read.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Honourable the Attorney General moved that the Bill sent up entitled "An Act for the Confirmation of a Contract with the Newfoundland Products Corporation, Limited" be now read a third time.

Thereupon the Honourable J. D. Ryan moved in amendment "That the said Bill be read this day six months."

The Honourable Attorney General withdrew his motion and moved in amendment upon the amendment, "That the Debate on the said Bill be deferred until to-morrow."

And the question on the amendment upon the amendment having been put.

It passed in the affirmative, and,

Ordered,---That the debate on the said Bill be deferred until to-morrow.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day and on motion of the Honourable Mr. Bishop the House went into Committee on the Bill sent up entitled "An Act Respecting the Prohibition of the Importation, Manufacture, and Sale of Intoxicating Liquors."

The Honourable Mr. Winter in the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported the Bill with some amendments.

Ordered,--That the Report be received.

The said Bill was then read a third time and

passed and the Honourable the President signed the same.

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

Pursuant to order and on motion of Honourable Mr. Bishop, the House went into Committee on the Bill sent up entitled "An Act further to amend The Revenue Act, 1905."

The Honourable Mr. Milley in the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported the Bill without amendment.

Ordered,-That the Report be received.

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

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

On motion of the Honourable Mr. Bishop,

Ordered,—That the consideration of the Bill entitled "An Act to amend the Law Respecting the Exportation of Timber," be deferred until to morrow.

On motion of the Honourable Mr. Gibbs,

Ordered,—That the consideration of the Bill entitled "An Act respecting Proceedings Against the Crown," be deferred until to-morrow.

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

MR. PRESIDENT,---

The House of Assembly acquaint the Legislative Council that the Select Committee to whom was referred the amendments made by the Legislative Council in and upon the Bill sent up entitled "An Act Relating to the Sale of Codfish on the Labrador Coast," have reported as follows:—

The amendments referred to "fish exporters" and "outport members" of the House, but contain no definition of such terms. They provide for certain action by such outport members under the direction of the House, and the House has no authority to direct. They would create partisan political differences in relation to a matter which should not be treated in a partisan manner.

The provision for the appointment of members of the Board by the Supreme Court or a judge thereof is stricken out of the Bill, by the effect of one amendment.

The proposed Board is by another amendment deprived of all power to summon and examine

witnesses on oath, and so left without the means of acquiring necessary information.

The provision that fees and expenses may be allowed witnesses will tend to make the work of the Board of course expensive; there is no provision for imposing the costs on any person; if it be intended that it shall be borne by the Consolidated Revenue Fund, this House is the only one which can originate such a proposition.

For these and other reasons Your Committee are of opinion that the proposed amendments would destroy the usefulness of the proposed measure.

J. R. GOODISON,

Speaker.

House of Assembly, May 31st, 1915.

MR. PRESIDENT:

The House of Assembly acquaint the Legislative Council that they have passed the Bill, entitled, "An Act to Incorporate the Newfoundland Master Builders Association," in which they request the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

J. R. GOODISON,

Speaker.

House of Assembly, June 1st, 1915.

On motion of the Honourable Mr. Winter--

Ordered,—That the message from the House of Assembly in relation to the Council's amendments upon the Bill, entitled, "An Act Relating to the Sale of Codfish on the Labrador Coast," lie on the Table until to-morrow.

On motion of the Honourable Mr. Gibbs the Bill sent up, entitled, "An Act to Incorporate the Newfoundland Master Builders Association" was read a first time, and

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

On motion of the Honourable Mr. Bishop, the Bill sent up, entitled, "An Act for Granting to His Majesty Certain Sums of Money for Defraying Certain Expenses of the Public Service for the Financial Years ending Respectively the Thirtieth Day of June, One Thousand Nine Hundred and Fifteen, and the Thirtieth Day of June, One Thousand Nine Hundred and Sixteen, and for Other Purposes Relating to the Public Service," was read a first and second time, and

Ordered,---To be committed presently.

The Honourable Mr. McGrath in the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported the Bill without amendment.

Ordered,---That the Report be received.

The said Bill was then read a third time and

passed, and the Honourable the President signed the same.

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

On motion made the House adjourned until to-morrow, Wednesday, June 2nd, at three o'clock, p.m.

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WEDNESDAY, June 2nd., 1915.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

PRESENT:

The Honourable JOHN HARRIS,

President.

Minister of Justice.

The Honourables George Skelton, GEORGE KNOWLING, Y YES THE RESIDENCE OF THE PARTY OF THE PART ROBERT K. BISHOP, JAMES D. RYAN, JOHN ANDERSON, JOHN HARVEY, SAMUEL MILLEY, MICHAEL P. GIBBS, K.C., WILLIAM C. JOB, J. ALEXANDER ROBINSON, MARMADUKE G. WINTER, PATRICK T. McGrath, AUGUSTUS F. GOODRIDGE, JAMES RYAN, PHILIP TEMPLEMAN, MICHAEL F. POWER, SYDNEY D. BLANDFORD, Minister of Agriculture and Mines. RICHARD A. SQUIRES, K.C.

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

On motion of the Honourable Mr. Winter-

Ordered,—That the following message be sent to the House of Assembly in reply to their message of the 31st. May, with reference to the Council's amendments upon the Bill entitled, "An Act Relating to the Sale of Codfish on the Labrador Coast":

" MR. SPEAKER:

The Legislative Council beg to acquaint the House of Assembly that they have had under consideration the message of the Honourable the House of Assembly in relation to certain amendments made by the Conncil in and upon the Bill sent to the Council entitled, "An Act relating to the Sale of codfish on the Labrador Coast," and in reply thereto beg to state as follows:—

- (1) Labrador fish exporters are a well known and recognized body of business men in this country and the term or phrase "Labrador Fish Exporters" is they submit a sufficient definition. The phrase in the amendment, "The members of the House of Assembly who sit for outport districts," defines clearly all members of the House of Assembly who represent districts in the House of Assembly other than those who represent the Districts of St. John's East and West.
- (2) The Council regret that they cannot agree with the contention that the effect of one amendment takes away the power of the Supreme Court

or a Judge thereof to appoint members of the Board.

(3) The Council submits that it is not necessary to give the Board power to summon and examine witnesses on oath, all facts necessary to enable the Board to fix a fair and reasonable price for fish shipped off the Labrador Coast when no price is agreed upon, can be obtained. To give a Board constituted as it will be, power to examine books of account, business dealings and other like transactions connected with the sale of Labrador codfish would not be conducive to the successful carrying on of trade and business and is invidious and objectionable.

The Council has no objection to rescinding the amendment in relation to fees and expenses.

For the reasons stated the Council is of opinion that the amendments made to the Bill do not destroy the usefulness of the proposed measure, but are in many respects recommendations similar to those of the Commissioners on Fishery matters.

JOHN HARRIS,

President.

Council Chamber, 2nd. June, 1915."

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Honourable Attorney General moved:

"That the Bill sent up entitled 'An Act for the confirmation of a contract with the Newfoundland Products Corporation, Limited,' as amended, be now read a third time."

Whereupon the Honourable J. D. Ryan moved in amendment:

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

And the question on the amendment having been put---

It passed in the negative.

And the question on the original motion having been put—

It passed in the affirmative---and--Ordered,---Accordingly.

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

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

The amendments are as follows:

"Section 17. Third line. Strike out the word "temporary."

Same Section. Fifth line. After the word "boats" insert the words "with freight or otherwise."

Same Section. At the end thereof. Add the words "and for such purposes to use the company's log sluices."

Add as Section 20 the following:

"20. The grant of water powers herein shall not in any way prevent the public use of the waters for domestic purposes or in any factory or workshop for steam power or any other purpose, except for the direct production of power"

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

Ordered,---To be committed presently.

The Honourable Mr. J. D. Ryan in the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported progress and asked leave to sit again, later in the evening.

Ordered,--That the report be received.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day and on motion of the Honourable Mr. Gibbs the Bill sent up entitled, "An Act respecting proceedings Against the Crown," was read a second time—and—

Ordered,-To be committed presently.

The Honourable Mr. Milley in the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported the Bill without amendment.

Ordered,---That the Report be received.

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

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

Pursuant to the Order of the Day and on motion of the Honourable Mr. Gibbs, the Bill sent up entitled, "An Act to Incorporate the Newfoundland Master Builders' Association," was read a second time—and—

Ordered,---To be committed presently.

The Honourable Dr. Skelton in the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported the Bill without amendment.

Ordered,-- That the Report be received.

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

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

On motion of the Honourable Mr. Bishop the House went into Committee on the Bill sent up entitled "An Act to amend the Law Respecting the Exportation of Timber."

The Honourable Mr. Milley in the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported the Bill with some amendments.

Ordered,—That the Report be received.

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

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

The amendments are as follows:

Section 3, 4th line. Strike out the words "passing of this Act" and insert in lieu thereof the words and figures "first day of September, 1915."

Same section, 7th line. Strike out the words "passing of this Act" and insert in lieu thereof

the words and figures "first day of September, 1915."

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

MR. PRESIDENT:

The House of Assembly acquaint the Legislative Council that they have passed the amendments sent down in and upon the Bill sent up entitled "An Act for the confirmation of a Contract with the Newfoundland Products Corporation, Limited," with an amendment in which they request the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

J. R. GOODISON,

Speaker.

House of Assembly, June 2nd, 1915.

On motion of the Honourable Attorney General the amendment made by the House of Assembly upon the amendments made by the Legislative Council in and upon the Bill sent up entitled "An Act for the Confirmation of a Contract with the Newfoundland Products Corporation, Limited," was read a first and second time, and

Ordered,---That the said amendment do now pass, and

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

On motion made the House adjourned until Friday next, June 4th, at three o'clock, p.m.

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FRIDAY, June 4th, 1915.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

PRESENT:

The Honourable John Harris,

President,

The Honourables George Skelton,

GEORGE KNOWLING,

ROBERT K. BISHOP,

JAMES D. RYAN,

JOHN ANDERSON,

JOHN HARVEY,

SAMUEL MILLEY,

MICHAEL P. GIBBS, K.C.,

WILLIAM C. JOB,

J. ALEXANDER ROBINSON,

MARMADUKE G. WINTER,

PATRICK T. McGRATH,

AUGUSTUS F. GOODRIDGE,

JAMES RYAN,

PHILIP TEMPLEMAN,

JOHN J. MURPHY,

MICHAEL F. POWER,

SYDNEY D. BLANDFORD,

Minister of Agriculture and Mines.

RICHARD A. SQUIRES, K.C.,

Minister of Justice.

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

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

MR. PRESIDENT:

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

J. R. GOODISON,

Speaker.

House of Assembly, June 2nd, 1915.

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

Ordered,--To be committed presently.

The Honourable Mr. Milley in the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

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

Ordered,---That the Report be received.

On motion of the Honourable Mr. Job---

Ordered,—That a Select Committee be appointed upon the amendments made by the House of Assembly upon the amendments made by the Legislative Council in and upon the Bill sent up, entitled, "An Act Respecting the Seal Fishery," and that a message be sent to the House of Assembly requesting them to appoint a Committee of their Body to confer with the Committee of this House upon the said amendments; and that the Committee have power to sit out of Session and to report at the next Session of the Legislature, and

Ordered,—That the Select Committee of this House consist of the Honourables John Harvey, M. P. Gibbs, K.C., W. C. Job, M. G. Winter and P. T. McGrath.

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

MR. PRESIDENT:

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

J. R. GOODISON,

Speaker.

House of Assembly, June 4th, 1915.

The Honourable the President informed the

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

MR. PRESIDENT:

The House of Assembly acquant the Legislative Council that they have appointed a Select Committee consisting of the Minister of Marine and Fisheries, Messrs. Coaker, Moulton, Winsor, Young, Jennings, and Honourable Minister of Finance to confer with the Select Committee from the Legislative Council respecting "An Act respecting the Seal Fishery," but the House of Assembly has no authority to direct the Committee to sit out of Session.

J. R. GOODISON,

Speaker.

House of Assembly, June 4th, 1915.

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

MR. PRESIDENT:

The House of Assembly acquaint the Legislative Council that they have passed the amendments made by the Legislative Council in and upon the Bill sent up entitled "An Act to Regulate the Employment of Men engaged in Logging" with some amendments in which they request the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

J. R. GOODISON,

Speaker.

House of Assembly, June 4th, 1915.

On motion of the Honourable Mr. Gibbs the amendments made by the House of Assembly in and upon the amendments made by the Legislative Council in and upon the Bill sent up entitled "An Act to Regulate the Employment of Men engaged in Logging" were read a first and second time, and

Ordered,-To be committed presently.

The Honourable Mr. Blandford in the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported the amendments, with an amendment.

Ordered,---That the Report be received.

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

Ordered,—To be sent to the House of Assembly with message that this House had passed the said amendments with an amendment in which they request their concurrence.

The amendments are as follows:

Strike out section 7 of the Bill renumbered as Section 9 and the Council's and Assembly's amendments thereon and insert in lieu thereof the following:

"9. After making proper enquiry a schedule of food to be supplied to loggers while engaged in

logging operations shall be prepared by the Minister of Agriculture and Mines and published in the Royal Gazette not later than the 1st. of April, in each year, and the food so prescribed shall be supplied by employers to the loggers working for them under a penalty not exceeding \$500.00 for each offence: Provided that not more than one penalty shall be payable as penalty for breach of this Section upon any one day in any one camp."

On motion of the Honourable Mr. Bishop the House went into Committee on the amendments made by the House of Assembly on the amendments made by the Legislative Council in and upon the Bill sent up entitled, "An Act respecting the Seal Fishery."

The Honourable Mr. Anderson in the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Honourable the President informed the Council that it is the intention of His Excellency the Governor to prorogue the present session of the Legislature on to-morrow, Saturday, June 5th., at three o'clock p.m.

On motion made the House adjourned until to-morrow, Saturday, June 5th., at half-past two o'clock p.m.

SATURDAY, June 5th, 1915.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

PRESENT:

The Honourable John Harris,

. President,

The Honourables George Skelton, GEORGE KNOWLING, ROBERT K. BISHOP, JAMES D. RYAN, JOHN ANDERSON, JOHN HARVEY, SAMUEL MILLEY, MICHAEL P. GIBBS, K.C., WILLIAM C. JOB, J. ALEXANDER ROBINSON, MARMADUKE G. WINTER, PATRICK T. McGRATH, AUGUSTUS F. GOODRIDGE, JAMES RYAN, PHILIP TEMPLEMAN, JOHN J. MURPHY, MICHAEL F. POWER,

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

The Honourable Mr. Bishop laid upon the Table Report of the Public Schools of Newfoundland under Roman Catholic Boards for the year ended 31st December, 1915.

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

MR. PRESIDENT:

The House of Assembly acquaint the Legislative Council that they have passed the amendments made by the Legislative Council in and upon the Bill sent up, entitled, "An Act to Regulate the Employment of Men Engaged in Logging," without amendment.

J. R. GOODISON,

Speaker.

House of Assembly, June 5th, 1915."

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

"It is His Excellency's pleasure they attend him immediately in this House;"

Who, being come thereto with their Speaker,

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

- 1. An Act to amend 5 George V, Session 1, Cap. XI, entitled, "An Act to Increase the Revenue by the Imposition of Certain Duties on the Estates of Deceased Persons."
- 2. An Act to amend 5 George V, Session 1, Cap. X, entitled, "An Act Respecting Stamp Duties."
 - 3. An Act to amend the Customs Act, 1898.
- 4. An Act Respecting Certain Retiring Allowances.
- 5. An Act for raising a Sum of Money by Loan for the Extension of the Railway System of the Colony.
- 6. An Act for Raising a Sum of Money by Loan for the Public Service of the Colony.
- 7. An Act to provide for a Temporary Loan for Public Purposes.
- 8. An Act further to amend the Revenue Act, 1905.
- 9. An Act for Granting to His Majesty certain sums of money for defraying certain expenses of the Public Service, for the financial years ending respectively the 30th. day of June, 1915, and the 30th. day of June, 1916, and for other purposes relating to the Public Service.

- 10. An Act for the confirmation of a contract with the Newfoundland American Packing Company, Incorporated.
- 11. An Act to amend and continue in force for a further period the Act 5, George V, Session 1, Cap. 4, entitled, "An Act Respecting a Volunteer Force in this Colony."
- 12. An Act to amend 4 George V, entitled, "An Act Respecting the Newfoundland Railway and Train Ferry Syndicate, Limited."
- 13. An Act for the confirmation of a contract with The Newfoundland Products Corporation, Limited.
- 14. An Act to amend the law respecting the Exportation of Timber.
- 15. An Act respecting the Grand Bank Fishery.
- 16. An Act respecting Patents and Trade Marks.
- 17. An Act respecting the Naturalization of Aliens.
- 18. An Act respecting the Administration of Local Affairs,

- 19. An Act to amend 4 George V, Cap. 17, entitled, "An Act Respecting the Operation of Saw Mills."
 - 20. An Act respecting the General Hospital.
- 21. An Act respecting the establishment of a permanent Marine Disasters' Fund.
 - 22. An Act to incorporate the Patriotic Fund.
- 23. An Act to amend the Act 5, George V., Session 1, Cap. 10, entitled, "An Act Respecting Municipal Affairs," and for other purposes in connection with the St. John's Municipal Council.
- 24. An Act respecting the Grand Bank Water Company.
- 25. An Act to incorporate the Newfoundland Builders' Association.
- 26. An Act respecting proceedings against the Crown.
- 27. An Act respecting the Prohibition of the Importation, Manufacture and Sale of Intoxicating Liquors.
- 28. An Act to regulate the Employment of Men engaged in Logging.

After which His Excellency was pleased to speak as follows:

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

In relieving you from your sessional duties, rendered unusually arduous by the lateness of the season, and the consequent interference with your personal affairs, I desire to thank you, in the first place, for the spirit in which you have responded to the call to perform your legislative functions at a necessarily inconvenient period, and, in the second place, for the unanimity that has marked your deliberations in all matters of Imperial interest.

I also warmly thank you for the measures you have taken to ensure the Colony's participation with the rest of the Empire in the great war which is calling forth all the resources of the British race for the maintenance of the world's freedom and the advancement of civilisation. I earnestly trust that the Colony's contingents towards the naval and military strength of the Empire, will prove effective in proportion to the numbers engaged, as they will serve to make manifest the desire of the whole people of Newfoundland to ensure an early and successful termination of this great struggle through an honorable and lasting peace dictated by the allied nations.

The provision you have made for pensions and allowances for those of our men on active service by sea or land who may suffer disablement and for the dependents of those who may fall in defence of the flag, is highly creditable to you and testifies to the praiseworthy spirit in which every aspect of this overpowering problem is dealt with by the Legislature and people of this Colony.

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

I thank you for the appropriations you have made for carrying on the Public Service, and for meeting the obligations which the war has brought upon the Colony. The money so provided will be expended with special regard to economy in view of the trying circumstances which confront us and the world at large.

Mr. President and Honourable Gentlemen of the Legislative Council:

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

The Bill which you have passed providing for the establishment on the West Coast and on the Labrador of industrial enterprise of exceptional magnitude will, I trust, result in the early initiation of those undertakings and the providing of further means whereby great numbers of our people may secure permanent and remunerative employment and the Colony a further addition to an enhanced and lasting prosperity. In bidding you farewell I earnestly pray that the appalling conflict, now raging in the Old World, may be brought to a speedy and honourable issue and that our country, with the blessings of Peace, may then renew the conditions of material well-being which were its portion for many years past.

The Honourable the President then said:

"It is His Excellency the Governor's Will and Pleasure that this General Assembly be prorogued until Wednesday, the fourteenth day of 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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