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BEGUN and holden at St. John's in the Province of Newfoundland on Wednesday, the nineteenth day of November, Anno Domini, Nineteen Hundred and Seventy-five, being in the Twenty-Fourth year of the reign of Her Majesty our Soverign Lady Elizabeth the Second, by the Grace of God of the United Kingdom, Canada and Her other Realms and Territories QUEEN, Head of the Commonwealth, Defender of the Faith.

Wednesday, November 19th 1975

His Honour, the Honourable Gordon A. Winter, Lieutenant-Governor of the Province of Newfoundland, by His Proclamation bearing date the Tenth day of November, A.D., 1975, having appointed Wednesday, the nineteenth day of November for the Meeting of the General Assembly for the despatch of business, the following are the names of the Members returned by the Receiving Officers for the Several Electoral Districts to represent the said Districts in the General Assembly.

Thomas G. Rideout, Esq. Luke Woodrow, Esq. Wilson E. Callan, Esq. George W. Cross, Esq. James C. Morgan, Esq. Roger Simmons, Esq. Patrick J. Canning, Esq. Rod Moores, Esq. John A. Nolan, Esq. Ian Strachan, Esq. Stephen J. Mulrooney, Esq. Charles J. Power, Esq. Earl W. Sinsor, Esq. C. J. Winsor, Esq. Harold A. Collins, Esq. T. Alexander Hickman, Esq. John H. Lundrigan, Esq. A. B. Peckford, Esq. D. Haig Young, Esq. C. W. Doody, Esq. Thomas C. Farrell, Esq. H. W. House, Esq. Frank Duff Moores, Esq. Robert Wells, Esq. Stephen A. Neary, Esq. Freeman White, Esq. J. G. Pousseau, Jr., Esq. H. Neil Windsor, Esq. Ray Winsor, Esq. Joseph Goudie, Esq. William G. Patterson, Esq. Jerome W. Dinn, Esq. James Hodder, Esq. Eric N. Dawe, Esq. William J. MacNeil, Esq. Edward Maynard, Esq. Hazel A. McIsaac, Esq. Anthony J. Murphy, Esq. William W. Marshall, Esq. Thomas V. Hickey, Esq. John A. Carter, Esq. John Collins, Esq. John C. Crosbie, Esg. Walter C. Carter, Esq.

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By virtue of a Commission under the Great Seal, to the Honourable Robert Stafford Furlong, Honourable Arthur S. Mifflin, Honourable Nathaniel S. Noel, Honourable Herbert B. Morgan and Honourable John W. Mahoney, Judges of the Supreme Court, which is as follows:

> ELIZABETH THE SECOND, by the Grace of God of the United Kingdom, Canada and Her Other Realms and Territories QUEEN, Head of the Commonwealth, Defender of the Faith.

(L.S.) Gordon A. Winter Lieutenant-Governor

T. Alexander Hickman Minister of Justice

TO ALL TO WHOM THESE PRESENTS SHALL COME

GREETING:

A PROCLAMATION

KNOW YE that we have appointed Honourable Robert Stafford Furlong, Chief Justice of Newfoundland, Honourable Arthur S. Mifflin, Chief Justice, Trial Division, Honourable Nathaniel S. Noel, Honourable Herbert B. Morgan and Honourable John W. Mahoney, Judges of the Supreme Court, to be Commissioners, they, or nay of them, to administer the Cath of Allegiance to the undermentioned persons elected each to serve for the District set below his name at the Thirty-Seventh General Assembly summoned and called together by our Lieutenant-Governor of Our Province of Newfoundland, to assemble and meet at St. John's on the nineteenth day of November, A.D., 1975: Thomas G. Rideout, Esq. Luke Woodrow, Esq. Wilson E. Callan, Esq. George W. Cross, Esq. James C. Morgan, Esq. Roger Simmons, Esq. Patrick J. Canning, Esq. Rod Moores, Esq. John A. Nolan, Esq. Ian Strachan, Esq. Stephen J. Mulrooney, Esq. Charles J. Power, Esq. Earl W. Winsor, Esq. C. J. Winsor, Esq. Harold A. collins, Esq. T. Alexander Hickman, Esq. John H. Lundrigan, Esq. A. B. Peckford, Esq. D. Haig Young, Esq. C. W. Doody, Esq. Thomas C. Farrell, Esq. H. W. House, Esq. Frank Duff Moores, Esq. Robert Wells, Esq. Stephen A. Neary, Esq. Freeman White, Esq. J. G. Rousseau, Jr., Esq. H. Neil Windsor, Esq. Ray Winsor, Esq. Joseph Goudie, Esq. William G. Patterson, Esq. Jerome W. Dinn, Esq. James Hodder, Esq. Eric N. Dawe, Esq. William J. MacNeil, Esq. Edward Maynard, Esq. Hazel A. McIsaac Anthony J. Murphy, Esq. William W. Marshall, Esq. Thomas V. Hickey, Esq. John A. Carter, Esq.

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AND WE grant to the said Commissioners, or any of them, full power and authority to perform the matters hereinbefore mentioned ratifying and confirming all whatsoever they, or any of them, shall do and perform in this behalf and whereof they, or any of them, shall make due return under their hands and seals unto Our Lieutenant-Governor of Our said Province with these Presents annexed.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF We have caused these Our Letters to be made Patent and the Great Seal of Newfoundland to be hereunto affixed.

> WITNESS: Our trusty and well-beloved the Honourable Gordon Arnaud Winter, Officer of Our Order of Canada, Lieutenant-Governor in and for Our Province of Newfoundland.

> > AT OUR GOVERNMENT HOUSE in Our City of St. John's this 10th. day of November in the year of Our Lord one thousand nine hundred and seventy-five and in the twenty-fourth year of Our Reign.

BY COMMAND: G. B. Malone (Sgd.) Deputy Minister of Provincial Affairs and Environment

Three of the said Commissioners came into the Assembly Chamber at eleven of the clock on the nineteenth day of November, Hugh F. Coady, Esquire, Clerk of the House of Assembly, as in duty bound attending.

The following Commission was read by the Clerk of the House:

Gordon A. Winter Lieutenant-Governor ELIZABETH THE SECOND, by the Grace of God of the United Kingdom, Canada and Her Other Realms and Territories QUEEN, Head of the Commonwealth, Defender of the Faith.

George B. Macaulay, for Minister of Justice. 7.

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HONOURABLE ROBERT STAFFORD FURLONG, Chief Justice of Newfoundland

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HONOURABLE ARTHUR S. MIFFLIN, Chief Justice, Trial Division

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HONOURABLE NATHANIEL S. NOEL

HONOURABLE HERBERT B. MORGAN

and

HONOURABLE JOHN W. MAHONEY Judges of the Supreme Court

greeting;

KNOW YOU that, confiding in your loyalty, fidelity and circumspection, We, by and with the advice of Our Executive Council for the Province of Newfoundland, have thought fit to constitute and appoint you or any of you to be Our Commissioners for the purpose of administering the Oath of Allegiance to the persons elected to be Members of our General Assembly for Newfoundland at the General Election held on the 16th. day of September, A.D., 1975, hereby granting unto you all the rights, powers and advantages which to the said office do or may lawfully appertain, and requiring you diligently to perform the duties thereof.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF We have caused these Our Letters to be made Patent and the Great Seal of Newfoundland to be hereunto affixed.

> WITNESS: Our trusty and well-beloved the Honourable Gordon Arnaud Winter, Officer of Our Order of Canada, Lieutenant-Governor in and for Our Province of Newfoundland.

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BY COMMAND: G. B. Malone Deputy Minister of Provincial Affairs & Environment The names of the Members returned for the several Districts and Divisions having been called over by the Clerk, they appeared with the exception of Anthony J. Murphy, Esquire, and John A. Carter, Esquire, and took and subscribed the Oath of Allegiance in the presence of the said Commissioners, as follows:

Thomas G. Rideout, Esq. Luke Woodrow, Esq. Wilson E. Callan, Esq. George W. Cross, Esq. James C. Morgan, Esq. Roger Simmons, Esq. Patrick J. Canning, Esq. Rod Moores, Esq. John A. Nolan, Esq. Ian Strachan, Esq. Stephen J. Mulrooney, Esq. Charles J. Power, Esq. Earl W. Winsor, Esq. C. J. Winsor, Esq. Harold A. Collins, Esq. T. Alexander Hickman, Esq. John H. Lundrigan, Esq. A. B. Peckford, Esq. D. Haig Young, Esq. C. W. Doody, Esq. Thomas C. Farrell, Esq. H. W. House, Esq. Frank Duff Moores, Esq. Robert Wells, Esq. Stephen A. Neary, Esq. Freeman White, Esq. J. G. Rousseau, Jr., Esq. H. Neil Windsor, Esq. Ray Winsor, Esq. Joseph Goudie, Esq. William G. Patterson, Esq. Jerome W. Dinn, Esq. James Hodder, Esq. Eric N. Dawe, Esq. William J. MacNeil, Esq. Edward Maynard, Esq. Hazel A. McIsaac William W. Marshall, Esq. Thomas V. Hickey, Esq. John Collins, Esq. John C. Crosbie, Esq. Walter C. Carter, Esq. Edward M. Roberts, Esq. Thomas Lush, Esq.

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The following Commission was then read by the Clerk of the House:

BY HIS HONOUR the Honourable Gordon Arnaud Winter, Officer of Our Order of Canada, Lieutenant-Governor in and for the Province of Newfoundland.

Gordon A. Winter Lieutenant-Governor

> George B. Macaulay, for Minister of Justice.

TO:

HONOURABLE ROBERT STAFFORD FURLONG, Chief Justice of Newfoundland

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HONOURABLE HERBERT B. MORGAN

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HONOURABLE JOHN W. MAHONEY Judges of the Supreme Court

GREETING:

A PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS I have deemed it expedient that the First Session of the Thirty-Seventh General Assembly of the Province of Newfoundland should be open for the despatch of business on Wednesday, the nineteenth day of November, A.D., 1975, whereof I have given notice in my Proclamation dated the 10th. day of November, A.D., 1975.

AND WHEREAS it is not convenient that the purposes for which I have called the said General Assembly together should be declared until the said day nor until the Members of the House of Assembly have proceeded to the choice of a Speaker, you, the said Honourable Robert Stafford Furlong, Honourable Arthur S. Mifflin, Honourable Nathaniel St. Noel, Honourable Herbert B. Morgan and Honourable John W. Mahoney, or any of you, are hereby authorized and directed to signify to the Members of the said House of Assembly on the nineteenth day of November, A.D., 1975, that it is my pleasure that they should proceed to the choice of some proper person to be their Speaker and present such person on the same day of my approbation.

> GIVEN under my Hand and Seal at the Government House, St. John's, this 10th day of November, A.D., 1975

BY HIS HONOUR'S COMMAND

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G. B. Malone Deputy Minister of Provincial Affairs and Environment.

The Honourable Robert Stafford Furlong, Chief Justice of Newfoundland, one of the said Commissioners, then said:

Members of the Honourable House of Assembly,

We have it in command from His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor to acquaint you that His Honour will, as soon as the Members of this House shall be sworn; declare that causes of his calling this Assembly, and, it being necessary that a Speaker of this House should be first chosen, it is his pleasure that you do proceed to the appointment of some proper person to be your Speaker; and that you present such person whom you shall so choose here today at three of the clock for His Honour's approbation.

And the said Judges having left the Assembly Chamber, the Honourable the Premier then addressed himself to the Clerk, who standing up, pointed to him and then sat down; moved, "that Gerald Ryan Ottenheimer, Esquire, Member for the District of Waterford-Kenmount, do take the Chair of the House as Speaker", which motion was seconded by the Honourable the Leader of the Opposition, Edward Roberts, Esquire, Member elected for the District of Strait of Belle Isle.

No other person being proposed as Speaker, Mr. Ottenheimer, was unanimously called by the House to the Chair, and was conducted to the Chair by the Members who proposed and seconded him.

The Honourable the Premier moved "that John Collins, Esquire, Member for the District of St. John's South, do take the Chair as Chairman of Committees and Deputy Speaker of the House", which motion was seconded by the Honourable the Leader of the Opposition, Edward Roberts, Esquire, Member elected for the District of Strait of Belle Isle.

No other person being proposed as Chairman of Committees and Deputy Speaker of the House, Mr. Collins was unanimously elected as Chairman of Committees and Deputy Speaker.

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The Honourable the Premier moved "that George Cross, Esquire, Member for the District of Bonavista North, do take the Chair of Deputy Chairman of Committees of the House", which motion was seconded by the Honourable the Leader of the Opposition, Edward Roberts, Esquire, Member elected for the District of Strait of Belle Isle.

No other person being proposed as Deputy Chairman of Committees, Mr. Cross was unanimously elected as Deputy Chairman of Committees.

The House then adjourned until three of the clock.

HUGH F.COADY Clerk of The House of Assembly

The House met at three of the clock pursuant to adjournment.

At three of the clock the Sergeant-at-Arms notified Mr. Speaker that His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, Honourable Gordon Arnaud Winter, had arrived, whereupon Mr. Speaker vacated the Chair.

The Sergeant-at-Arms preceded His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor to the Chair.

Whereupon the Lieutenant-Governor, having taken his seat, the Honourable the Premier addressed His Honour as follows:

May it please Your Honour, the House of Assembly agreeable to Your Honour's Command, have proceeded to the choice of a Speaker, and have elected Gerald Ryan Ottenheimer, Esquire, Member for the District of Waterford-Kenmount, to that office, and by their direction, I present him for the approbation of Your Honour.

His Honour was then pleased to reply:

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On behalf of Her Majesty I assure you of my sense of your efficiency and I do most fully approve and confirm you as the Speaker.

Whereupon Mr. Speaker addressed His Honour as follows:

Your Honour having approved of the choice of this House in constituting me its Speaker, it now becomes my duty in the name of the representatives of Her Majesty's Loyal subjects, the people of this Province, to claim respectfully of Your Honour their accustomed rights and privileges, especially that they shall have freedom from arrest during their attendance in Parliament and that I, as Speaker, may have full access to Your Honour's presence at all reasonable times, and that they have confirmed to them all their ancient rights and privileges which have been confirmed to them by Your Honour's Predecessors.

His Honour was pleased to reply:

On behalf of Her Majesty I do confirm this House in the enjoyment of all its ancient and undoubted rights and privileges.

His Honour was then pleased to open the Session with a Speech from the Throne as follows:

MR. SPEAKER AND MEMBERS OF THE HONOURABLE HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY:

I have the honour to welcome you to the First Session of the Thirty-Seventh General Assembly of the Province of Newfoundland.

Last August, through the courtesy of the Royal Canadian Navy I was enabled to further my travels in our Province. H.M.C.S. Algonquin took me on an official visit to the Governor of St. Pierre and thence to more than thirty towns and settlements along our South Coast. My wife and I received the warmest of welcomes wherever we went and I wish to acknowledge with gratitude the addresses of loyalty which were read to me by the Mayors and other officials who greeted me and to say that these have since been forwarded to Her Majesty, The Queen.

We are facing a challenge in the development of our Province, a challenge which must be met by this House of Assembly and the Government. The national and international climate is uncertain and we must strive valiantly to continue and advance the progress of the last four years.

It has been a difficult year for the Canadian economy. Inflation became a major disruptive force threatening our competitive position and weakening the purchasing power of fixed income groups in our society. It is now clear that we must deal with the causes of inflation, and not with its symptoms alone. The responsibility for inflation must be shared by labour, management and government and each group must be prepared to exercise self-discipline.

The Federal Government has proposed a program of national action and My Government has agreed in principle with the approach taken. The new policy established guidelines for prices and incomes and created machinery for administration and enforcement. My Government believes that these guidelines will be effective only if the major interest groups in the community cooperate fully.

When my Government first took office in 1972 its main priority was to introduce programs to meet the needs of our people. My Government recognized that the services available to our people were inadequate compared to the standards of other provinces. In many of our service areas, such as health and education, these disparities have almost disappeared. We have accomplished a great deal in health, education, recreation, highways and municipal services.

While my Government has made the improvement of public services a matter of high priority, it recognizes that a strong economic base is essential if the progress we have made is to be continued. My Government has taken decisive action to strengthen our economy in the knowledge that the continued economic growth of Newfoundland will depend upon the development and wise management of our natural and

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human resources. Resource management has therefore been a high priority and in the future will become even more important. I would like briefly to review the achievements made by My Government to date, and to outline some of the plans now being implemented.

My Government is making substantial progress in its commitment to ensure that a comprehensive range of health care is available to all the people of the Province.

Since 1972 the number of medical doctors has increased by 30 percent and an exciting new program which provides incentives to doctors to locate in isolated areas of the Province has been introduced. This represents the first step in developing a community oriented approach to the delivery of health care. Further steps in this new plan provide for the establishment of community health clinics and the expanding of the nursing role. The emphasis in future will be on preventative health measures.

In the past my Government has introduced a new incentive program to alleviate the shortage of dentists, especially in isolated areas. My Government is pleased to report that the Mobile Dental Clinic which was begun as a pilot project last Spring has been a tremendous success and plans are underway to expand the service.

My Government was concerned with the severe shortage of ambulance services throughout the Province, as well as the high cost to patients. Therefore My Government introduced a new Program, which encourages the establishment of ambulance services throughout the Province and ensures that costs are not prohibitive.

During the past year considerable progress was made on construction of the new hospitals at Twillingate and Carbonear, and the Extensions to Waterford Hospital and the Western Memorial Hospital in Corner Brook. Considerable progress was made toward completion of the Health Sciences Complex, and certain sections are now in operation. It is expected that when the Health Sciences Complex is completed in the Spring of 1977, it will rank with the finest teaching hospitals in Canada.

My Government is concerned that the practice of acupuncture be safe and ethical. You will be asked to consider legislation to ensure that only qualified persons will provide that service to our people.

Since 1972 My Government has provided expanded Social Services and endeavoured to place as many Social Assistance recipients as possible into jobs or vocational training. Phenomenal results have been achieved. Thirty eight hundred recipients have been placed in employment or training and the able-bodied Social Assistance caseload has been reduced dramatically. Another major step was to introduce a completely new Social Assistance program which provided adequate support for everyone in need of assistance.

My Government is satisfied that it has now laid a solid foundation for Social Services in this Province.

MR. SPEAKER AND MEMBERS OF THE HONOURABLE HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY:

We are in the midst of a most critical era in Labour Relations. My Government is continually seeking to promote industrial peace and harmony. A program has recently been started to upgrade and expand conciliation and mediation services for labour and management. We intend to increase our efforts in this direction and plan to institute a Consultative Service to provide, for management and labour, a forum for discussing and identifying emerging problems. My Government will continue to seek new measures to cope with the ever increasing difficulties in this field.

My Government has been distressed at the high rate of unemployment in this Province. Despite the numbers of unemployed it is disturbing that many jobs are unfilled because skilled men and women are not always able to take the available jobs. My Government is aware that in addition to provincial funds, substantial Federal funds are spent annually in training, retraining, counselling and job placement. My Government is not satisfied that vocational requirements are being served adequately under Federal-Provincial programs. In the coming months My Government intends to develop a definitive policy to ensure not only that adequate training and upgrading courses are available but also that there is Provincial involvement in counselling and job placement.

My Government continues to meet the educational challenges of the 70's.

A major effort in the education field has been the construction of a Regional College at Corner Brook as an extension of Memorial University. The College which opened in September now accomodates more than 400 students. It will offer the first two years of a University degree program and at the same time will be co-operating with other post-secondary institutions to serve students who are taking vocational or technological courses.

My Government is committed to amalgamating the major functions of the College of Trades and Technology and the Fisheries College and to extending the programs now offered. Legislation will be introduced in this Session to facilitate this amalgamation and to provide for a completely new facility in Post-Secondary Education. During the past four years, to meet the needs of a rapidly changing social order, My Government has placed considerable emphasis on Adult and Continuing Education. We are studying the broad question of adult education with a view to developing a community college concept which will provide a more comprehensive learning program as well as better use of facilities.

My Government has taken a major step forward by forming a Division of Adult Corrections, and for the first time will provide an Adult Probation Service.

My Government has been instrumental in expanding Legal Aid and, in 1975, placed it under the direction of the Newfoundland Legal Aid Commission.

The Supreme Court of Newfoundland in 1975 was radically altered with the setting up of a Court of Appeal and a Trial Division.

My Government has been considering reform of the present method of financing elections, and during this Session, legislation will be introduced to control spending on political campaigns, to require disclosure of contributions to political parties, and to provide for a measure of public funding of election costs.

MR. SPEAKER AND MEMBERS OF THE HONOURABLE HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY:

My Government recognizes the special problems faced by our senior citizens and will be placing greater emphasis on the important area of geriatric care, and, there will be continued emphasis upon rehabilitation of the mentally and physically handicapped. My Government has also embarked upon an investigation of the problems of alcohol and drug abuse and has established an Alcohol and Drug Directorate to advise Government on prevention, treatment and rehabilitation.

The needs of Newfoundland Youth have been foremost in our minds and my Government has formed a Youth Services Division to co-ordinate and initiate activities for youth. In particular the 4-H Program is thriving and the Young Voyageur Program last year made it possible for 400 young Newfoundlanders to travel to other provinces.

My Government has continued to expand its involvement in sport and recreation. Major exepnditures have been made under the Recreational Capital Grants Program to provide facilities throughout the Province. In this past year My Government has been involved in five hundred and forty (540) projects in three hundred and thirty-seven (337) communities. These projects cover the construction and upgrading of facilities from playgrounds to full scale arenas and heated indoor swimming pools.

My Government has already announced its intention to form a new Department of Consumer Affairs. A report will be received shortly as to how the Department should be organized, and the report will recommend courses of action to be taken by the new Department to benefit consumers. My Government has already introduced several new statutes which give greater consumer protection and in particular the Real Estate Trading Act will be amended to improve the degree of control over that industry.

A Mortgage Brokers Act will be introduced which will regulate that business and require mortgage brokers to make complete disclosure of all charges to customers.

The Automobile Dealers Act will be proclaimed on December 1, 1975. That Act provides for the registration of all automobile dealers, the establishment of trust accounts, and the mediation of disputes by a Registrar. Automobile dealers will be required to provide full disclosure as to the date of manufacture and, in the case of used vehicles, the name of the previous owner, and any previous damages to the vehicle.

My Government is also preparing a Trade Practices Act which will for the first time enable class actions to be taken in the courts by Government on behalf of groups of affectdd persons as a means of protecting consumers against unfair business practices.

The Landlord-Tenant Relations Division established in 1973 has acted on hundreds of complaints and inquiries, and the Tenancies Boards have heard more than 270 cases. The jurisdiction of these Boards may soon be extended to incorporate rent controls in accordance with the Anti-Inflation Program.

During the coming fiscal year My Government will continue its program of upgrading and paving main and trunk roads though the pace of the last three years will be reduced somewhat because of financial restraints. Road building and paving under the DREE Agreement will carry on and permit us to continue and complete the projects already approved and negotiations are progressing for a new highways agreement.

My Government will be placing even greater emphasis on highway safety and driver education and has set up a Highway Safety Advisory Board to conduct investigations, receive briefs and make recommendations to Government on all aspects of highway safety.

In February of this year, My Government established the Government Purchasing Agency to buy goods on behalf of all Government departments and agencies. This Agency will ensure equal access to Government business throughout the Province and particular care will be taken to ensure that locally produced materials are purchased whenever possible.

MR. SPEAKER AND MEMBERS OF THE HONOURABLE HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY:

My Government's municipal affairs policy is now under review in light of the report of The Royal Commission on Municipal Government. To this end full discussion will be held with municipalities to determine their reaction to the proposals contained in the report.

In the past three years building of new homes in this Province has reached record levels in contrast with declining housing starts in the rest of Canada. In Newfoundland 5000 homes are being built annually as compared to fewer than 4000 before 1972.

My Ministers are nonetheless aware, that despite these advances, too many of our people are poorly housed. My Government therefore intends a more intensified attack on the problem of housing for the poor and also to give relief to those of middle income.

My Government, with the aid of Federal loans and shared cost programs, will continue to increase its already heavy involvement in servicing building lots, in the construction of subsidized rental units and in the making of loans to those in rural areas. It will support the repair and remodelling of existing rural houses and will help to provide housing for those who can least afford it.

My Government is fully conscious of the Provincial role in housing. Whereas Federal assistance is important, it is only through Provincial initiative that many programs can be implemented. It is the Province that is most keenly aware of local differences and is most sensitive to the individual needs of our people and it is the Province that can most successfully blend contemporary concepts with our cultural traditions.

MR. SPEAKER AND MEMBERS OF THE HONOURABLE HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY:

The future of Newfoundland depends on its people and resources. My Government is confident that Newfoundland has the resources and that our people have the initiative to make this a very wealthy Province. With proper development we can enjoy a high standard of living without sacrificing our unique way of life. My Government is committed to an intensive program of resource development which will build a stronger economic base and will require an individual and collective commitment to work for the common good.

My Government will call upon the initiative of Newfoundlanders and will ask people from every walk of life to bring forward ideas and proposals for growth and development. Pilot projects will be initiated with groups and individuals, whereby these development opportunities will be realized. Special emphasis will be given to developing all aspects of the Handicraft industry. Every effort will be made to attain a high standard of quality in order to ensure continuity of markets, and the greatest return to the producer. Pilot projects will also be initiated to develop opportunities in fish farming. My Government will provide substantial assistance to enlarge the specialty food industry with particular emphasis on our berry crop and, realizing the importance of further processing involving cooking, freezing and canning, will devise special programs to encourage entrepreneurs in this field.

The Community Consolidation Program is now under review, and recommendations for a change of emphasis and direction will be brought forward during this Session.

My Government's Rural Development programs have been successful in creating some three thousand jobs in rural areas. These programs have been a motivating force in encouraging self-help. The programs will be made more responsive to the increasing involvement of our people in their economic development.

Overfishing continues to be the most serious problem facing the fishery. My Government has continued to press Ottawa for decisive action on fishery management. Failure of the Law of the Sea Conference to reach agreement on the extension of national management rights has been a disappointment. The 40 percent reduction of effort agreed to by members of ICNAF in September represents a measure of success, though our optimism with respect to this agreement must be tempered by our concern as to whether this reduction can successfully be monitored and enforced. My Government feels that the only long term solution to the dilemma of the fishing industry is a well-enforced system of national management.

My Government has strongly urged the Federal Government to change the Unemployment Insurance System as it affects our fishermen and we have made a number of strong representations to Ottawa on this matter.

Resource depletion has accentuated the great imbalance between our capacity to harvest and our capacity to process. The problem of inadequate landings is most acute on the East Coast and is reflected by unused plant capacity and high unemployment. Restoration of fish stocks will help to resolve this imbalance, but My Government is now pursuing a more immediate solution through joint ventures with large fishing interests in other countries. These joint ventures would permit agreements whereby fish catches would be landed and processed in Newfoundland, thereby providing full employment and guaranteed markets.

A major new thrust of My Government will be to formulate and implement regional plans for fisheries development. These plans will introduce catching methods and technology for underexploited species and will improve fish handling and holding facilities designed for specific regions. Such initiatives, co-ordinated on a Federal/Provincial basis, will create new opportunities for our fishery to diversify, increase employment in plants and generally bring more stability to the regional economy. The Food Herring Program successfully implemented on the Northwest Coast and Southern Labrador during the past season is an example of a regional strategy for the development of the herring resource in that area.

My Government fully recognizes the immediate need for improved quality, with special emphasis on the primary level. In order to develop such programs for eventual introduction in all regions of the Province, My Government will undertake a major pilot project to promote quality. A community will be selected and an intensive effort made in this community to eliminate outdated and unsatisfactory methods of fish handling. The project will become a major vehicle to test and develop adequate methods of transportation by way of containerization, icing or refrigeration, as may be required and My Government will encourage the provision of ice-making facilities in major fishing ports throughout the Province.

My Government will continue to recover lost or abandoned fishing gear. This program has already been highly successful in retrieving lost gill nets.

Knowing that many of our fishing boats are obsolete, My Government will take action to develop new designs for fishing vessels, based on regional needs. This will be done in co-operation with our expert fishermen and boat builders, to arrive at the best designs possible. My Government will also seek to obtain Federal co-operation to subsidize the conversion of boats for other fisheries.

In this coming year we propose to finalize agreements with the Federal Government, which will result in Provincial management of all Federally owned fish holding and handling facilities and their upgrading to inspection standards. As another positive step towards the development of regional strategies the current construction program for marine service centers will be expanded to provide a center in Southern Labrador and a second center for the Northwest Coast. It is hoped that the program will eventually lead to marine service centers in all major fishing regions of the Province.

My Government recognizes the need for a Fishing Gear Insurance program and negotiations towards a Federal-Provincial Gear Loss Insurance program are now proceeding with the Federal Government and the Maritime Provinces. Such a program would be jointly funded by the Federal Government, the Provinces and the fishermen.

The Fishing Industry Advisory Board will become fully operative in the new year and will be able to contribute to the rational settlement of disputes in the industry. My Government has amended the regulations of the Fisheries Loan Board to reduce the down payment required to purchase new engines, electronic equipment, and used fishing vessels. These amendments concur with the recommendations of the Select Committee on the Inshore Fishery and the membership of the Fisheries Loan Board will be increased to include fishermen.

MR. SPEAKER AND MEMBERS OF THE HONOURABLE HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY:

The past year has been difficult for our forest industries. World markets have been weak and the three large mills were forced to close for short periods. Prospects are good for the improvement of paper and lumber markets and My Government will continue to support and encourage these important resource industries.

Last year saw the introduction of a policy which required Government departments and agencies to use Newfoundland lumber. Graded lumber is now stamped to identify it as a Newfoundland product and we look forward to further marketing arrangements that will assure our sawmillers of a good market. My Government intends to promote centralized lumber yards for buying and selling lumber. These yards would upgrade lumber and work to raise quality and impose uniform standards. The yards will be strategically located and will promote the orderly growth of the industry by ensuring greater price stability and continuity of demand.

The forest management system introduced in the Thirty-Sixth General Assembly continues to make good progress. The first management plans have been received from the two major companies and My Government is presently reviewing these. Management plans have been prepared also for most of the Crown forest area, and intensive forest inventories are being completed. These formal plans, to be approved by Government, provide for maximum sustained use of our forests. My Government is confident that as this work is completed over the next few years, our forest industries will be more efficiently supplied with raw materials.

I am pleased to report that a spirit of co-operation exists between My Government and the paper companies and it is evidence that the new forest policy will bring long term benefits to this Province. Our Forest Access Road Program is continuing at a fast pace, bringing greater employment for construction workers and providing necessary access to Crown forests for woods contractors.

Last year saw a test of the new Forestry field organization. The forest fire hazard was more extreme than in 1961 when major fires devastated forest lands across the Province. My Government is happy to report that the new organization worked well. For the first time we had taken full responsibility for fire protection on all forest lands, including company limits, and losses were minimal despite the grave hazard. The spruce budworm continues to destroy coniferous forests in Eastern North America, and our forests have been hit hard. My Government has so far avoided the large expenditures necessary for chemical controls and has instead developed a program to build access roads to harvest infested forest stands.

Last year three pilot projects were begun to provide small garden plots for City residents who do not have access to suitable land. These projects were well-received and over 400 families participated. My Government is also pleased to report that this program is self-sustaining for the modest rental fees from the plot holders have been sufficient to cover direct operating costs.

Our livestock industries continue to expand toward self-sufficiency. Swine production and broiler production continue to increase and this year should see a substantial increase in production on the West Coast. My Government is now preparing a comprehensive Swine Raising Program which will be adopted this coming year, and we hope that the program will in a few years make the Province an exporter of disease -free breeding stock.

A similar program exists for sheep raising and a sheep breeding station was started last year. Carefully selected breeding stock willbe made available to sheep producers as the first move to re-establish sheep raising as an expanding and profitable enterprise for our farmers.

My Government began in the past year, a system of equipment banks for farmers. This program will be assessed next year in consultation with the farmers to assure its effectiveness.

An intensive survey of blueberry lands has been completed and My Government proposes to introduce a comprehensive management plan next year. Our blueberry production can be doubled under good management and the processing of these fruits into gournet foods must be done within the Province. Natural, wild fruits such as our blueberries, which are not subject to any chemical treatments, can and will command a premium price in a world market that is becoming more and more appreciative of uncontaminated foods of high quality.

The Province's vegetable producers encountered some difficulties last year in marketing their produce. My Government undertook a program to promote the use of locally grown produce, and the response of our people was encouraging. Our marketing and distribution system has been identified as one cause for high food costs and we plan to solve this problem by developing a processing and marketing system that will effectively place our own produce on the market. My Government will promote centralized storage facilities for agricultural products and will provide further support to the industry through its purchasing policy. The mining industry has made great strides in Newfoundland and Labrador and this progress has been due, in large measure, to My Government's new policies in all areas of mineral resource management. There is still a great deal to be done before we achieve all that we have set out to do, but the rapid growth in production, and the expansion of exploration activity have proven that the approach is correct. We have long expected additional mineral development in Labrador and it now appears that uranium deposits hold great promise for early development.

I am pleased to say that My Government will be introducing legislation to make labradorite the official mineral emblem of the Province.

Early in 1973 My Government adopted an interim policy which abolished the granting of mining concessions on the Island of Newfoundland. It also eliminated the practice of extending such agreements, and provided that subsequent acquisitions of mineral rights will be in accordance with the claiming provisions of The Crown Lands (Mines and Quarries) Act. As a result, 22,000 square miles, or approximately half the Island of Newfoundland has already been opened up to competitive exploration and the number of claims being staked is rising rapidly.

My Government will introduce new legislation to make permanent the successful new policy for mineral rights acquisition. The Mineral Act and The Quarry Materials Act will provide us with long overdue legislation on mineral land tenure.

In order to encourage the surrender of long term mineral rights to lands, on which little or no exploration work is being done, My Government is considering the introduction of a Mineral Acreage Tax Act.

Recognizing the need for a thorough examination of the Province's mineral revenue structure and the comparatively small return to the Treasury from that source My Government appointed a Royal Commission in 1974 to examine this area.With the valuable assistance provided by the Commission's Report the Mining and Mineral Rights Tax Act was passed in the last Session. That new legislation will result in a greatly increased return to the Province's Treasury and will nonetheless maintain a favourable tax climate for the industry.

My Government is placing high priority on protecting the health of, and insuring safe working conditions for, our 7000 miners. Additional steps are being taken to see that acceptable levels for such hazards as dust and radiation are appropriately defined and that all necessary facilities are installed in mining operations.

MR. SPEAKER AND MEMBERS OF THE HONOURABLE HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY:

In June 1974 My Government acquired effective ownership of the Churchill Falls (Labrador) Corporation through the purchase of Brinco's interest in CFICo. and at the same time acquired Brinco's water rights in Labrador. Since then major efforts abve been made to bring about the development of the Gull Island project on the Lower Churchill River. My Government is at present involved in negotiations for the financing of this project and a Ministerial Statement on the undertaking will be made in the near future.

Over the past five years, expenditures estimated at close to \$200 million have been made on exploration for oil and gas in the offshore areas of our Province. In 1974 Eastcan Exploration Limited made two highly significant discoveries of natural gas on the Labrador Continental Shelf. These discoveries were followed this year by two further wells in the Labrador area when significant evidence of Hydrocarbons was encountered during drilling. The hydrocarbon potential of this area will be further evaluated during the 1976 drilling season.

My Government has recently completed a thorough reassessment of the offshore resource potential and its possible monetary value to the Province. It is estimated that the offshore area contains some 40 trillion cubic feet of gas and 3.5 billion barrels of oil which will likely be discovered, produced and sold on a profitable basis. The probability of a commercial find being made within the next five years is estimated at 70 percent.

My Government is committed to the implementation of a proper resource management policy for oil and gas development which will ensure that in the exploration, development and production stages, there will be a maximum economic return to the Province. At the same time, My Government is anxious to ensure that these activities cause minimal social and economic disruption and fully protect the environment. Discussions have begun with representatives of the communities most likely to be affected by offshore development with a view to involving local residents in the planning.

These efforts of My Government will be futile if our moral and legal rights to develop our offshore oil and gas resources are denied. These rights are part of the Province's heritage and must be recognized by the Federal Government.

In the area of the pricing of petroleum products My Government has noted with concern the extremely heavy burden being placed on consumers by rapid increases in gasoline and heating oil prices. In addition, the action of some Canadian provinces in controlling prices has jeopardized the principle of equal petroleum prices in the country.

In response to these factors, it is My Government's intention to introduce legislation which will place petroleum product prices under Government control.

Complementary to the actions on price control, My Government intends to place increasing emphasis on the conservation of energy. Action will be taken in the public sector to ensure that energy conservation is practiced in all public buildings and behicles.

One of the most exciting areas for future development is the field of marine technology. The exploration for, and extraction of, resources in the Eastern Arctic and off the Coast of Newfoundland will require not only high expenditure but a high level of technological competence. We have only begun to develop efficient methods of extracting resources in Northern latitudes, in cold oceans where water depths are extreme and where ice and climatic conditions are rigorous. The Province of Newfoundland has committed itself to become a leader in technological advances to solve these problems.

My Government has created the Newfoundland Oceans Research and Development Corporation (NORDCO) in order to develop the technological competence which is required to overcome the physical barriers which impede development in these waters. NORDCO will undertake applied research projects related to exploration, development, transporation and processing of resources found in Northern waters and will encourage the growth of marine-oriented industry in Newfoundland.

An example of an industry of this type is the construction of concrete production platforms for offshore oil and gas wells. Newfoundland has the only harbours on the Eastern Seaboard of North America which are suitable to build these massive structures. My Government is convinced that, with proper preparation, these new opportunities in the field of marine industry will contribute greatly to the industrial growth of this Province.

In the field of Tourism, My Government has undertaken research projects to enable us to understand better our tourist potential and methods of attaining it. A Mobile Hospitality Training Program is now in progress and, for the past two years, a Hospitality Homes Program has encouraged private citizens to open their homes to tourists. The tourist industry is increasingly important to the Provincial economy and the number of non-resident tourists is growing rapidly. There has been increasing pressure on parks and camping facilities and there is a clear need for improvement to, and expansion of our present park system. In view of the need for new facilities and in recognition of high employment association with park construction My Government will be continuing its park expansion program.

My Government is aware of the general dissatisfaction with the issuing of big game licenses. As a first stem towards the resolution of this problem it is planned to expand and increase hunter safety training. It is planned to increase the number of instructors and to prepare range facilities to implement and accelerate the announced program of mandatory qualifying and testing of big game hunters. Hunting regulations as they apply to Northern Labrador will be reviewed to correct inequities for permanent residents of that area.

MR. SPEAKER AND MEMBERS OF THE HONOURABLE HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY:

The Federal Government has requested that the Province sign an agreement to participate in the proposed anti-inflation program. My Government intends to sign this agreement provided it is satisfied that the Federal system of price controls will operate effectively.

As part of the program to control inflation My Government will introduce legislation which will impose limits on increases of rents. Any in crease which cannot be justified by cost increases will not be allowed. This legislation will be complementary to the Federal legislation now before Parliament.

The Federal Government has proposed changes in policy to restrict the growth of public spending. My Government has agreed to the need to restrict government spending but has argued strenously against any curtailment of Federal spending which would reduct our rate of economic development. The rapid growth of our labour force makes it imperative that the rate ofjob creation in Newfoundland continue to increase in order to avoid increased unemployment. My Government has agreed to restrict its own spending in the social field and to exercise all reasonable economies.

My Government will be taking firm action to bring costs under tighter control. Firm leadership will be required if we are to reduce the rate of inflation and to achieve a high rate of growth at the same time.

The Key to the future lies in our people and our resources. We shall continue our program of manpower training to ensure that our people have the skills to participate in a growing economy. While My Government will be exercising restraint in spending, priority will be given to resource development and creating new jobs. My Government recognizes that unemployment remains the major problem in this Province and that the only solution is to encourage the growth of resource based industries.

MR. SPEAKER AND MEMBERS OF THE HONOURABLE HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY:

It has been four years since My Government took office. In that time it has faced and accomplished the imposition of order in our economic development; programs of sound management of our resources; of compassion and justice in our social policies; of realish in our finances and above all shown a determination to achieve rational development consistent with maintaining our quality of life.

To that end My Government is prepared to stand firm on the control of inflation, which includes control of Government spending and, where necessary, the control by legislation of excessive demands upon our economy.

My Government recognizes that for our Province to become strong and viable, people must be prepared to work hard to make sacrifices. There are no easy solutions and no hope of progress without a commitment. on the part of our people to force this Province ahead by individual and collective effort.

My Government will take all necessary steps, whether popular or unpopular, to achieve these ends, but Newfoundlanders must join with us in that commitment, for our progress is not the progress of a government but the progress of a Province. My Government has faith that Newfoundlanders will rise to the call of leadership, the call to work and the call to sacrifice. The acceptance of this challenge will determine our right to a sound and prosperous future. His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor then left the Assembly Chamber.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Honourable MR. Wells asked leave to introduce a Bill entitled, "An Act To Ratify, Confirm And Adopt Two Indentures Of Mortgages Governing The Repayment To The Government Of All Moneys Originally Advanced By Government For The Establishment And Operation Of A Mill At Hawke's Bay, Newfoundland, And To Make Provision Respecting Matters Connected Therewith".

On motion of the Honourable Mr. Wells and by leave of the House, the said Bill was introduced and read a first time.

On motion it was ordered that the said Bill be read a second time on tomorrow.

Mr. Speaker announced that His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor had been pleased to make a speech to the Members met in the General Assembly, and that for greater accuracy he had obtained a copy.

It was unanimously agreed that the Speech should be taken as read.

It was moved by Mr. Joe Goudie and seconded by Mr. Bill Patterson that an Address of Thanks be presented to His Honour in reply to the gracious Speech with which he had been pleased to open the present session of the Legislature and that a Select Committee be appointed to draft such Address In Reply.

It was ordered accordingly and the following Members were appointed to said Committee:

Mr. Joseph Goudie

Mr. William Patterson

Mr. Stephen Mulrooney

The Honourable Mr. Wells gave notice that he would on tomorrow ask leave to move the House into a Committee to consider of supply to be granted to Her Majesty. The Honourable Mr. Wells gave notice that he would on tomorrow ask leave to move the House into a Committee to consider ways and means of raising the supply to be granted to Her Majesty.

Mr. Roberts gave notice that he would on tomorrow move the following Resolution:

WHEREAS there is an increasing concern on the part of many of the citizens of Newfoundland and Labrador about the future of our Province;

AND WHEREAS there is an increasing concern about the rate of growth and development of Newfoundland and Labrador;

AND WHEREAS there is an increasing concern about the kind of growth and development which should be encouraged in Newfoundland and Labrador;

AND WHEREAS it is in the public interest that our citizens be afforded every opportunity to participate in the growth and development of Newfoundland and Labrador;

NOW BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED that a Select Committee be appointed to enquire into and report upon the prospects for Newfoundland and Labrador, including the prospects for economic growth and development and in particular a consideration of those types of development which are best suited to foster and to encourage the way of life most desired by the people of Newfoundland and Labrador;

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Committee have power to sit in and out of Session, to send for papers and other documents, and generally to exercise the powers which may be conferred upon Commissioners under the Public Enquiries Act, Chapter 314 of the Revised Statutes of Newfoundland 1970;

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Committee be authorized to sit from place to place throughout Newfoundland and Labrador.

Mr. Nolan gave notice that he would on tomorrow move the following Resolution:

WHEREAS the cost of living in Newfoundland and Labrador continues to rise;

AND WHEREAS the cost of living is a matter of growing concern and importance to the citizens of Newfoundland and Labrador;

AND WHEREAS eight of the ten recommendations made by the Food Prices Review Board in their Report "Food Prices in Newfoundland: Comparison with Mainland Regions" submitted in November 1974 require action by the Government of the Province;

NOW BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED that this House directs and requires the Government immediately to implement those recommendations of the Report that fall within the jurisdiction of the Province.

Mr. Neary gave notice that he would on tomorrow move the following Resolution:

WHEREAS the Province of Newfoundland & Labrador leads Canada in the percentage of its citizens who are jobless each year;

AND WHEREAS some employers have brought in skilled workers from other provinces and other countries to supply their labour needs;

AND WHEREAS graduates of our trades training programs still remain unemployed;

AND WHEREAS some employers refuse to hire graduates of provincial training programs because of their lack of experience;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that this House set up a Select Committee to study all vocational, technical and acadaemic training in this Province to determine whether the skills, knowledge and attitudes they produce are real qualifications for employment; whether it is possible to integrate into all institutional training programs on job experience; and whether it would be in the interest of the people of this Province to set up a "Productivity Council" comprising representatives of Labour and Management from both public and private sectors, with the purpose of increasing per capita productivity in Newfoundland and Labrador to parity with that of the mainland provinces.

The Honourable the Minister of Mines & Energy gave notice that he would on tomorrow ask leave to introduce a Bill entitled, "An Act To Adopt A Mineral Emblem For The Province". Mr. White gave notice that he would on tomorrow move the following Resolution:

WHEREAS the Report of the Royal Commission on Municipal Government in Newfoundland and Labrador (The Whalen Commission) was presented to the Government in September 1974, some fourteen months ago;

AND WHEREAS municipal councils throughout Newfoundland and Labrador are anxious to know the policy of the Government with respect to the recommendations made by the Commission in their Report;

AND WHEREAS the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing has requested that municipal councils and members of the public at large offer their advice and suggestions with respect to the Report and its recommendations;

NOW BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED that a Select Committee be appointed to review the Report and its recommendations, to receive briefs and other representations with respect thereto from municipal councils and the public at large and to recommend legislative and administrative proposals for the consideration of the Government and the House;

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Committee have power to sit in and out of session, to send for papers and other documents, and generally to exercise the powers which may be conferred upon Commissioners under the Public Enquiries Act, Chapter 314 of the Revised Statutes of Newfoundland 1970;

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Committee be authorized to sit from place to place throughout Newfoundland and Labrador.

Mr. Rowe gave notice that he would on tomorrow move the following Resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED that this House reaffirms that Newfoundland and Labrador owns, and possesses jurisdiction in respect of, the resources of the seabed, including minerals and hydrocarbons, in the area extending to the edge of the Continental Shelf and margin adjacent to Newfoundland and Labrador or to a limit extending two hundred miles from the inner limit of the Canadian Territorial Sea, whichever is the greater; AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this House directs the Government to try to achieve recognition by the Government of Canada of Newfoundland and Labrador's ownership and jurisdiction by negotiations in the first instance.

Mr. Power gave notice that he would on tomorrow move the following Resolution:

WHEREAS the responsibility for the implementation of an income support program for fishermen is the responsibility of the Federal Government;

AND WHEREAS the Federal Government has been indicating during the past three years that such a program would be implemented;

AND WHEREAS under the present Unemployment Insurance scheme a fisherman with eight (8) weeks of contributions only receives seven (7) weeks of benefit, while eight (8) weeks of contributions from other means of employment entitles the claimant to up to forty-four (44) weeks of benefits;

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED that this Legislature urge the Federal Government to immediately implement an income support program for fishermen to replace the existing Unemployment Insurance scheme.

Captain Winsor gave notice that he would on tomorrow move the following Resolution:

WHEREAS the cost of fishing gear of all types used by fishermen in the Inshore Fishery is rising constantly;

AND WHEREAS to obtain or replace gear places a very heavy financial burden on the fishermen;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Government of Newfoundland and Labrador take steps to set up a Gear Bank in order that fishermen may purchase gear at wholesale rather than retail prices.

Mr. Lush gave notice that he would on tomorrow move the following Resolution:

WHEREAS the collection of school assessments have a default rate ranging from a minimum of 3% to a maximum of 73%; AND WHEREAS such a default rate indicates that many of our people are unwilling to pay school assessments, thereby causing additional administrative costs to school boards and numerous notices and court cases;

AND WHEREAS the rates and methods of school taxation vary from a minimum poll tax of \$20.00 to a maximum poll tax of \$75.00 or from a minimum property tax of 2.8 mils to a maximum of 5.5 mils;

AND WHEREAS school assessments and school taxes are not based on the principle of the ability of an individual to pay;

AND WHEREAS the present methods of financing primary, elementary and secondary education result in duplication of administrative services and costs;

AND WHEREAS school tax authorities encroach on municipal tax sources;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT THIS House direct the Government to abolish school assessments and school taxes immediately;

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this House supports the principle that the equivalent amount of revenue, to the school boards, should be provided for out of the general revenue of the Province.

On motion the remaining Orders of the Day were deferred.

It was moved and seconded that when the House rises it adjourn until tomorrow, Monday, November 24th at three of the clock.

On motion the House then adjourned accordingly.

HUGH F. COADY Clerk of The House of Assembly

Monday, November 25th 1975

Be it known that at 12:00 o'clock there appeared before the Honourable Robert Stafford Furlong, Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of Newfoundland, Anthony J. Murphy, Member returned for the District of St. John's Centre, and John Carter, Member returned for the District of St. John's North, who took and subscribed the Oath of Allegiance in the presence of the Law Clerk of the House of Assembly.

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RONALD G. PENNEY Law Clerk

Monday, November 24th 1975

The House met at three of the clock pursuant to adjournment.

The Honourable the Speaker ruled that the Notice of Motion moved by the Honourable the Member for Terra Nova in the previous day's sitting was in order.

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> The Honourable the Minister of Finance moved that Mr. Speaker leave the Chair and that the House resolve itself into a Committee of Ways and Means and in so doing delivered the Budget Speech.

On motion it was ordered that the debate on the said Motion be adjourned until tomorrow.

The Honourable the Minister of Finance gave notice that he would on tomorrow ask this House To Resolve Itself Into A Committee Of The Whole To Consider A Certain Resolution Relating To The Imposition Of A Tax On Certain Retail Purchases.

The Honourable the Minister of Finannee gave notice that he would on tomorrow Ask This House To Resolve Itself Into A Committee Of The Whole To Consider A Certain Resolution Relating To The Imposition Of A Tax On The Income Of Individuals.

It was moved and seconded that when the House rises it adjourn until tomorrow, Tuesday, November 25th at three of the clock.

On motion the House then adjourned accordingly.

Tuesday, November 25th 1975

The House met at three of the clock pursuant to adjournment.

The Honourable the Member for Burgeo-Bay D'Espoir presented a Petition from residents of Harbour Breton re the provision of a Dental Clinic.

The Honourable the Minister of Finance tabled Summary Of Special Warrants and Special Warrants under the following dates: July 8th 1975, July 16th 1975, October 8th 1975 and November 10th 1975.

The Honourable the Premier, seconded by the Honourable the Leader of the Opposition, moved that an expression of condolence be forwarded to the family of the late Dr. James McGrath.

The debate on the Budget was commenced and on motion the debate was adjourned for further debate on tomorrow.

It was moved and seconded that when the House rises it adjourn until tomorrow, Wednesday, November 26th at three of the clock.

On motion the House then adjourned accordingly.

Wednesday, November 26th 1975

The House met at three of the clock pursuant to adjournment.

On motion of the Honourable the Premier, seconded by the Honourable the Leader of The Opposition, it was resolved that congratulations be extended to the Most Reverend R. L. Seaborn on his elevation to the post of Lord Archbishop of Newfoundland and on his appointment as Metropolitan of the Ecclesiastical Province of Canada.

The Honourable the Member for Port au Port presented a Petition from residents of The Local Improvement District of Port au Port West, Aguathuna and Felix Cove re municipal government.

Pursuant to order and on motion the following Resolution was debated:

RESOLVED that a Select Committee be appointed to enquire into and report upon the prospects for Newfoundland and Labrador, including the prospects for economic growth and development and in particular a consideration of those types of development which are best suited to foster and to encourage the way of life most desired by the people of Newfoundland and Labrador;

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Committee have power to sit in and out of Session, to send for papers and other documents, and generally to exercise the powers which may be conferred upon Commissioners under the Public Enquiries Act, Chapter 314 of the Revised Statutes of Newfoundland, 1970;

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Committee be authorized to sit from place to place throughout Newfoundland and Labrador.

The debate on the Resolution was continued and on motion the debate was adjourned for further debate on tomorrow.

It being six of the clock, Mr. Speaker left the Chair until tomorrow, Thursday, November 27th at, three of the clock.

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HUGH F. COADY Clerk of The House of Assembly

Thursday, November 27th 1975

The House met at three of the clock pursuant to adjournment.

The Honourable the Minister of Municipal Affairs & Housing made a statement re the dismissal of councillors of Halfway Point – Benoit's Cove, John's Beach and Frenchman's Cove and the appointment of a Commission of Administration for that Municipality.

The Honourable the Minister of Forestry & Agriculture made a statement re wood supply in the Conne River - Bay D'Espoir area.

The Honourable the Minister of Health tabled the Annual Report for the year ended March 31, 1975 of the Newfoundland Medical Care Commission.

The debate on the Budget Speech was continued and on motion the debate was adjourned for further debate on tomorrow.

At five-thirty of the clock, pursuant to Standing Order 31, certain questions raised by Honourable Members were debated, following which, pursuant to Standing Order 31, Mr. Speaker put the question that the House do now adjourn.

The motion was carried and the House adjourned accordingly until tomorrow, Friday, November 28th at three of the clock.

HUGH F. COADY Clerk of The House of Assembly

Friday, November 28th 1975

The House met at three of the clock pursuant to adjournment.

The Honourable the Minister of Mines and Energy made a Statement re the Course of Action Proposed by Government With Regard To The Development of the Gull Island Hydro Electric Project.

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Mr. Woodrow gave notice that he would on tomorrow move the following Resolution:

RESOLVED that the House of Assembly ask the Federal Government to reinstate at the end of the calendar year, 1975, the \$500.00 grant to those people who build a home for the first time and that the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing bring this to the Government in Ottawa as soon as possible.

The Honourable the Minister of Mines and Energy gave notice that he would on tomorrow move the following Resolution:

RESOLVED that the Members of this Honourable House of Assembly approve the steps taken to date by the Government of Newfoundland and Labrador and the Newfoundland and Labrador Hydro Corporation in connection with the development of the Gull Island Hydro site, and the development of an inter- connection between Gull Island and the Churchill Falls hydro site, the development and construction of transmission lines from L abrador to the Island of Newfoundland by way of a tunnel under the Straits of Belle Isle and work in connection therewith so that Labrador hydro power can be available for the entire Province; all as detailed in a Ministerial statement made to the Honourable House of Assembly by the Honourable the Minister of Mines and Energy on November 28th 1975 and this Honourable House of Assembly approves the plans announced by the Government of Newfoundland and Labrador for the phased continuation of the project during 1976.

Pursuant to order and on motion the debate on the Budget was continued and on motion the debate was adjourned for further debate on tomorrow.

It was moved and seconded that when the House rises it adjourn until tomorrow, Monday, December 1, 1975, at three of the clock.

On motion the House then adjourned accordingly.

Monday, December 1st 1975

The House met at three of the clock pursuant to adjournment.

The Honourable the Minister of Finance tabled a list of Demand Loans and Treasury Bills Issued under Sections 44 and 45 of the Financial Administration Act, 1973.

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The debate on the Amendment to the Motion which commenced the Budget debate was continued and on motion the debate was adjourned for further debate on tomorrow.

It was moved and seconded that when the House rises it adjourn until tomorrow, Tuesday, December 2nd at three of the clock.

On motion the House then adjourned accordingly.

Tuesday, December 2nd 1975

The House met at three of the clock pursuant to adjournment.

The debate on the Amendment to the Motion which commenced the Budget debate was continued.

The Honourable the Member for Twillingate, seconded by the Honourable the Member for Bellevue, moved the following Sub-Amendment - That the following words be added to the Amendment:

"And deplores the inordinate swelling of the Public Debt of recent years and urges the Government to limit severely for the foreseeable future the amount by which the Debt is increased".

The debate on the Sub-Amendment was commenced.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair at six of the clock.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair at eight of the clock.

The debate on the Sub-Amendment was continued and on motion the debate was adjourned for further debate on tomorrow.

It was moved and seconded that when the House rises it adjourn until timorrow, Wednesday, December 3rd at three of the clock.

On motion the House then adjourned accordingly.

Wednesday, December 3, 1975

The House met at three of the clock pursuant to adjournment.

The Honourable the Premier, seconded by the Honourable the Leader of the Opposition, moved that the House extend its congratulations to the Right Reverend Mark Genge on his election as Bishop of the Anglican Diocese of Central Newfoundland.

The Honourable the Premier, seconded by the Honourable the Leader of the Opposition, moved that the House extend its congratulations to the Honourable the Member for Twillingate and his Wife on the occasion of their Silver Wedding Anniversary.

The Honourable the Minister of Provincial Affairs & Environment made a Statement concerning consumer affairs.

The Honourable the Minister of Finance gave notice that he would on tomorrow ask leave to introduce a Bill entitled, "An Act To Ratify, Confirm And Adopt An Agreement Entered Into Between The Government, Wabanex Energy Corporation Limited And Power Corporation Of Canada Limited With Respect To The Conduct Of A Survey Into The Feasibility Of Using The Disused Iron Ore Mines At Bell Island For Hydrocarbon Storage And, If Feasible, To Lease Land And Pertinents Therefor, And To Make Statutory Provisions Respecting Matters Connected Therewith".

The Honourable Mr. Wells gave notice that he would on tomorrow move the following Resolution:

RESOLVED that the House of Assembly commence each sitting with a prayer, preferably the "Lord's Prayer" and that all Honourable Members be invited to recite the prayer together.

Pursuant to order and on motion the following Resolution was debated:

RESOLVED that a Select Committee be appointed to enquire into and to report upon the prospects for Newfoundland and Labrador, including the prospects for economic growth and development and in particular a consideration of those types of development which are best suited to foster and to encourage the way of life most desired by the people of Newfoundland and Labrador; AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Committee have power to sit in and out of Session, to send for papers and other documents, and generally to exercise the powers which may be conferred upon Commissioners under the Public Enquiries Act, Chapter 314 of The Revised Statutes of Newfoundland, 1970;

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AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Committee be authorized to sit from place to place throughout Newfoundland and Labrador.

On motion the debate was adjourned for further debate on tomorrow.

It being six of the clock Mr. Speaker left the Chair until tomorrow, Thursday, December 4th at three of the clock.

Thursday, December 4th 1975

The House met at three of the clock pursuant to adjournment.

The Honourable the Minister of Fisheries made a Statement re the salt fish processing facility at Baine Harbour.

The Honourable the Minister of Justice gave notice that he would on tomorrow ask leave to introduce the following Bills:

- A Bill "An Act To Provide For The Restructuring Of The Anglican Diocese Of Newfoundland".
- A Bill "An Act Further To Amend The Summary Jurisdiction Act".

The Honourable the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing gave notice that he would on tomorrow ask leave to introduce a Bill entitled, "An Act To Empower The St. John's Municipal Council To Raise A Loan For Municipal Purposes By The Issue Of Bonds".

The Honourable the Minister of Finance tabled The Second Annual Report of The Newfoundland Liquor Licensing Board, April 1, 1974-March 31, 1975.

The debate on the Sub-amendment to the motion which commenced the Budget Debate, moved by the Honourable the Member for Twillingate, was continued and concluded.

Mr. Speaker put the question. The House divided. There appeared in favour of the Motion:

The Honourable Mr. Smallwood, Mr. Dawe, Mr. Callan.

Against: The Honourable the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, The Honourable the Minister of Transportation & Communications, The Honourable the Minister of Tourism, The Honourable the Minister of Manpower & Industrial Relations, The Honourable the Minister of Health, The Honourable the Minister of Social Services, The Honourable the Minister of Provincial Affairs & Environment, The Honourable the Minister of Justice, The Honourable the Minister of Mines & Energy, The Honourable the Minister of Finance, The Honourable Mr. Wells, The Honourable the Minister of Industrial and Rural Development, The Honourable the Minister of Fisheries, The Honourable the Minister of Public Works & Services, The Honourable the Minister of Forestry & Agriculture, The Honourable the Minister of Education, Mr. Cross, Mr. Power, Mr. Young, Mr. Goudie, Mr. N. Winsor, Mr. Dinn, Mr. Patterson, Mr. Carter, Mr. Woodrow, Dr. R. Winsor, Mr. Marshall, The Honourable The Leader of the Opposition, Mr. Hodder, Mrs. MacIsaac, Mr. Canning, Mr. Rowe, Mr. Simmons, Mr. White, Mr. C. J. Winsor, Mr. Flight, Mr. Mulrooney, Mr. Rideout, Mr. Nolan, Mr. McNeil, Mr. Neary.

Mr. Speaker declared the Motion lost.

The debate on the Amendment to the Motion which commenced the Budget debate was continued and on motion the debate was adjourned for further debate on tomorrow.

At five-thirty of the clock, pursuant to Standing Order 31, certain questions raised by Honourable Members were debated, following which, pursuant to Standing Order 31, Mr. Speaker put the question that the House do now adjourn.

The motion was carried and the House adjourned accordingly until tomorrow, Friday, December 5th, at three of the clock.

Firday, December 5th 1975

The House met at three of the clock pursuant to adjournment.

The Honourable the Minister of Municipal Affairs & Housing made a Statement re the Apartment Vacancy Rate in St. John's.

The Honourable the Minister of Finance tabled the following:

The Second Annual Report Of The Newfoundland Liquor Corporation for the fiscal year 1974-75.

Financial Statements, December 31, 1974, Newfoundland Municipal Financing Corporation, St. John's.

Financial Statements, March 31, 1975, Newfoundland Municipal Financing Corporation, St. John's.

The Honourable the Minister of Transportation & Communications gave notice that he would on tomorrow ask leave to introduce a Bill entitled, "An Act Further To Amend The Highway Traffic Act".

The Honourable the Minister of Justice gave notice that he would on tomorrow ask leave to introduce a Bill entitled, "An Act To Amend The Minimum Wage Act".

The Honourable the Minister of Social Services gave notice that he would on tomorrow ask leave to introduce a Bill entitled, "An Act Respecting Family Allowances".

Pursuant to order and on motion the following Bills were introduced and read a first time:

A Bill "An Act To Adopt A Mineral Emblem For The Province".

A Bill "An Act To Ratify, Confirm And Adopt An Agreement Entered Into Between The Government, Wabanex Energy Corporation Limited And Power Corporation Of Canada Limited With Respect To The Conduct Of A Survey Into The Feasibility Of Using The Disused Iron Ore Mines At Bell Island For Hydrocarbon Storage And, If Feasible, To Lease Land and Pertinents Therefor, and To Make Statutory Provisions Respecting Matters Connected Therewith".

- A Bill "An Act To Provide For The Restructuring Of The Anglican Diocese of Newfoundland".
- A Bill "An Act Further To Amend The Summary Jurisdiction Act".
- A Bill "An Act To Empower The St. John's Municipal Council To Raise A Loan For Municipal Purposes By The Issue Of Bonds".

Pursuant to order and on motion the House resolved itself into a Committee of The Whole To Consider certain Resolutions:

> Mr. Speaker left the Chair. .Dr. Collins took the Chair of Committee. Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman from the Committee reported that they had considered the matters to them referred, had made some progress and asked leave to sit again.

On motion the report of the Committee was received and adopted and on motion it was ordered the Committee have leave to sit again on tomorrow.

It was moved and seconded that when the House rises it adjourn until tomorrow, Monday, December 8th at three of the clock.

On motion the House then adjourned accordingly.

Monday, December 8th 1975

The House met at three of the clock pursuant to adjournment.

The Honourable the Minister of Tourism made a Statement re the voyage of the Scooner, Norma and Gladys.

Pursuant to order and on motion the following Bills were introduced and read a first time:

A Bill "An Act Further To Amend The Highway Traffic Act".

A Bill "An Act To Amend The Minimum Wage Act".

A Bill "An Act Respecting Family Allowances".

On motion it was ordered the said Bills be read a second time on tomorrow.

Pursuant to order and on motion the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole to consider certain Resolutions:

Mr. Speaker left the Chair. Dr. Collins took the Chair of Committee. Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman from the Committee reported that they had considered the matters to them referred and had passed certain Resolutions and recommended that Bills be introduced to give effect to the same.

On motion the report of the Committee was received and adopted and the said Resolutions were read a first and second time.

On motion the following Bills were introduced and read a first time:

A Bill "An Act Further To Amend The Retail Sales Tax Act, 1972".

A Bill "An Act Further To Amend The Income Tax Act".

On motion it was ordered the said Bills be read a second time presently.

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Pursuant to order and on motion the following Bills were read a second time:

A Bill "An Act Further To Amend The Retail Sales Tax Act, 1972".

A Bill "An Act Further To Amend The Income Tax Act".

On motion it was ordered the said Bills be referred to a Committee of the Whole House presently.

Pursuant to order and on motion the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole to consider certain Bills:

Mr. Speaker left the Chair. Dr. Collins took the Chair of Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman from the Committee reported that they had considered the matters to them referred and had passed the following Bills without amendment:

A Bill "An Act Further To Amend The Retail Sales Tax Act, 1972".

A Bill "An Act Further To Amend The Income Tax Act".

On motion it was ordered the said Bills be read a third time presently.

Pursuant to order and on motion the following Bills were read a third time and passed:

A Bill "An Act Further To Amend The Retail Sales Tax Act, 1972".

A Bill "An Act Further To Amend The Income Tax Act".

On motion it was ordered that the said Bills be printed being entitled as above and that they be submitted to His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor for His Assent. It was moved and seconded that when the House rises it adjourn until tomorrow, Tuesday, December 9th at three of the clock.

On motion the House then adjourned accordingly.

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Tuesday, December 9th 1975

The House met at three of the clock pursuant to adjournment.

The debate on the amendment to the Motion which commenced the Budget debate was continued.

At six of the clock Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair at eight of the clock.

The debate on the aforesaid amendment was continued and on motion the debate was adjourned for further debate on tomorrow.

It was moved and seconded that when the House rises it adjourn until tomorrow, Wednesday, December 10th at three of the clock.

On motion the House then adjourned accordingly.

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Wednesday, December 10th 1975

The House met at three of the clock pursuant to adjournment.

The Honourable the Minister of Municipal Affairs & Housing made a Statement concerning the Point au Bay Water System Project.

The Honourable the Minister of Provincial Affairs and Environment tabled the following Regulations:

The Automobile Dealers Regulations, 1975.

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The Trust and Loan Companies Regulations, 1975.

Pursuant to order and on motion the following Resolution was debated:

RESOLVED that a Select Committee be appointed to enquire into and to report upon the prospects for Newfoundland and Labrador, including the prospects for economic growth and development and in particular a consideration of those types of development which are best sutied to foster and to encourage the way of life most desired by the people of Newfoundland and Labrador;

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Committee have power to sit in and out of Session, to send for papers and other documents and generally to exercise the powers which may be conferred upon Commissioners under the Public Enquiries Act, Chapter 314 of The Revised Statutes of Newfoundland, 1970;

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Committee be authorized to sit from place to place throughout Newfoundland and Labrador.

On motion the debate was adjourned for further debate on tomorrow.

It being six of the clock Mr. Speaker left the Chair until tomorrow, Thursday, December 11th at three of the clock.

Thursday, December 11th 1975

The House met at three of the clock pursuant to adjournment.

Pursuant to order and on motion second reading of a Bill entitled, "An Act Further To Amend The Minimum Wage Act", was debated.

At five-thirty of the clock, pursuant to Standing Order 31, certain questions raised by Honourable Members were debated, following which, pursuant to Standing Order 31, Mr. Speaker put the question that the House do now adjourn.

The motion was carried and the House adjourned accordingly until tomorrow, Friday, December 12th at three of the clock.

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Friday, December 12th 1975

The House met at three of the clock pursuant to adjournment.

The Honourable the Minister of Provincial Affairs and Environment made a Statement re the Government's policy concerning the mailing of Charge Accounts and the charging of interest as a result of the postal strike.

The Honourable the Minister of Forestry and Agriculture gave notice that he would on tomorrow ask leave to introduce a Bill entitled, "An Act To Repeal The Newfoundland Agricultural Marketing Act".

Pursuant to order and on motion the Bill entitled, "An Act Further To Amend The Minimum Wage Act", was read a second time and on motion it was ordered the said Bill be referred to a Committee of the Whole House on tomorrow.

Pursuant to order and on motion the debate on the Amendment to the Motion which commenced the Budget debate was continued and concluded.

Mr. Speaker put the question. The House divided.

There appeared in favour of the Amendment: The Honourable the Leader of the Opposition, Mr. Hodder, Mr. Canning, Mr. White, Mr. C. J. Winsor, Mr. Flight, Mr. Lush, Mr. Mulrooney, Mr. Nolan, Mr. Neary.

Against: The Honourable the Premier, The Honourable the Minister of Tourism, The Honourable the Minister of Manpower and Industrial Relations, The Honourable the Minister of Health, The Honourable the Minister of Social Services, The Honourable the Minister of Provincial Affairs & Environment, The Honourable Mr. Wells, The Honourable the Minister of Industrial & Rural Development, The Honourable the Minister of Fisheries, The Honourable the Minister of Forestry & Agriculture, The Honourable the Minister of Education, Dr. Collins, Mr. Cross, Mr. Power, Mr. Young, Mr. Goudie, Mr. N. Winsor, Mr. Dinn, Mr. Patterson, Mr. Carter, Mr. Woodrow, Dr. R. Windsor, Mr. Marshall, The Honourable Mr. Smallwood, Mr. Dawe, Mr. Callan, Mr. Moores.

Mr. Speaker declared the Motion lost.

It was moved and seconded that when the House rises it adjourn until tomorrow, Monday, December 15th at three of the clock.

On motion the House then adjourned accordingly.

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Monday, December 15th 1975

The House met at three of the clock pursuant to adjournment.

The Honourable the Minister of Finance made a Statement concerning the Province's success in the arrangement of two bond issues.

The Honourable the Minister of Finance tabled the following Regulations:

The Tobacco Tax (Amendments) Regulations, 1975. The Gasoline Tax (Amendments) Regulations, 1975. The Insurance Premiums Tax (Amendments), 1975. The Horse Racing (Regulations and Tax) (Amendments) Regulations, 1975. The Fuel Oil Tax (Amendments) Regulations, 1975. The Retail Sales Tax (Amendments) Regulations, 1975.

The Honourable Mr. Wells gave notice that he would on tomorrow ask leave to introduce a Bill entitled, "An Act To Provide Retiring Allowances On A Contributory Basis To Persons Who Have Served As Members Of The House Of Assembly".

Pursuant to order and on motion the Bill, "An Act To Repeal The Newfoundland Agricultural Marketing Act", was introduced and read a first time.

On motion it was ordered the said Bill be read a second time on tomorrow.

Pursuant to order and on motion the debate on the Budget was continued and on motion the debate was adjourned for further debate on tomorrow.

It was moved and seconded that when the House rises it adjourn until tomorrow, Tuesday, December 16th at three of the clock.

On motion the House then adjourned accordingly.

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Tuesday, December 16th, 1975

The House met at three of the clock pursuant to adjournment.

The Honourable the Minister of Manpower and Industrial Relations made a Statement concerning the proposed incorporation of the Town of Buchans.

The Honourable the Minister of Hunicipal Affairs and Housing gave notice that he would on tomorrow ask leave to introduce a Bill entitled: "An Act Further to Amend the City of St. John's Act."

Pursuant to order and on motion of the Honourable the Minister of Mines and Energy, the following Resolution was debated:

RESOLVED that the Members of this Honourable House of Assembly approve the steps taken to date by the Government of Hewfoundland and Labrador and the Newfoundland and Labrador Hydro Corporation in connection with the development of the Gull Island Hydro site, and the development of an inter-connection between Gull Island and the Churchill Falls hydro site, the development and construction of transmission lines from Labrador to the Island of Newfoundland by way of a tunnel under the Strait of Belle Isle and work in connection therewith so that Labrador hydro power can be available for the entire Province; all as detailed in a Ministerial statement made to the Honourable House of Assembly by the Honourable the Minister of Mines and Energy on November 28th, 1975 and this Honourable House of Assembly approves the plans announced by the Government of Newfoundland and Labrador for the phased continuation of the project during 1976.

On motion the debate was adjourned for further debate on tomorrow.

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Wednesday, December 17th, 1975

The House met at three of the clock pursuant to adjournment.

The Honourable the Minister of Mines and Energy rose to a point of personal privilege concerning an item in the St. John's Evening Telegram of December 16th, 1975, concerning the cost of the Lower Churchill River hydro project.

Mr. Neary rose to a point of personal privilege concerning items in the St. John's Evening Telegram of December 16th, 1975 and on a C.B.C. television programme of December 16th, 1975.

Pursuant to order the following Resolution was debated:

RESOLVED that the Members of this Honourable House of Assembly approve the steps taken to date by the Government of Newfoundland and Labrador and the Newfoundland and Labrador Hydro Corporation in connection with the development of the Gull Island Hydro site, and the development of an inter-connection between Gull Island and the Churchill Falls hydro site, the development and construction of transmission lines from Labrador to the Island of Newfoundland by way of a tunnel under the Strait of Belle Isle and work in connection therewith so that Labrador hydro power can be available for the entire Province; all as detailed in a Ministerial statement made to the Honourable House of Assembly by the Honourable the Minister of Mines and Energy on November 28th, 1975 and this Honourable House of Assembly approves the plans announced by the Government of Newfoundland and Labrador for the phased continuation of the project during 1976.

On motion the debate was adjourned for further debate on tomorrow.

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Thursday, December 18th, 1975

The House met at three of the clock pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Rowe rose to a point of privilege relating to an item that appeared in the St. John's Daily News of December 18th, 1975.

The Honourable the Minister of Education tabled the following:

The Schools Act (Teachers' Salaries) Regulations, 1975;

The Schools Act (Transportation of Pupils) Regulations, 1975;

The Confederation Scholarships (Amendment) Regulations, 1975;

The School Boards (Allocation of Moneys) Regulations, 1975;

The School Boards (Allocation of Moneys) (Amendment) Regulations, 1975;

Schools Act (Transportation of Pupils) (Amendment)
Regulations, 1975;

The Schools Act (Teachers' Salaries) Regulations, 1975.

The Honourable the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing gave notice that he would on tomorrow ask leave to introduce a Bill entitled, "An Act to Amend the Assessment Act."

Pursuant to order and on motion the following Bill was read a second time: "An Act to Empower The St. John's Municipal Council To Raise A Loan For Municipal Purposes By The Issue of Bonds." On motion it was ordered that the said Bill be referred to a Committee of the Whole House presently by leave.

Pursuant to order and on motion the following Bill was introduced and read a first time: "An Act Further To Amend The City of St. John's Act." On motion and by leave the said Bill was read a second time and it was ordered by leave that the said Bill be referred to a Committee of the Whole House presently. Pursuant to order and on motion the following Bills were read a second time:

- A Bill "An Act Further To Amend The Summary Jurisdiction Act."
- A Bill "An Act Further To Amend The Highway Traffic Act."
- A Bill "An Act To Provide For The Restructuring Of The Anglican Diocese of Newfoundland."
- A Bill "An Act To Ratify, Confirm and Adopt An Agreement Entered Into Between The Government, Wabanex Energy Corporation Limited And Power Corporation Of Canada Limited With Respect To The Conduct Of A Survey Into The Feasibility Of Using The Disused Iron Ore Mines At Bell Island For Hydrocarbon Storage And, If Feasible, To Lease Land And Pertinents Therefor, And To Make Statutory Provisions Respecting Matters Connected Therewith."

On motion it was ordered that the said Bills be referred to a Committee of the Whole House presently.

On motion it was ordered that the House resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole to consider certain Bills. Mr. Speaker left the Chair, Dr. Collins took the Chair of Committee. Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair. The Chairman from the Committee reported that they had considered the matters to them referred and had passed the following Bills with some amendment:

- A Bill "An Act Further To Amend The Highway Traffic Act."
- A Bill "An Act To Provide For The Restructuring Of The Anglican Diocese of Newfoundland."

On motion the report of the Committee was received and adopted and the said amendments having been read a first and second time, it was ordered by leave that the said Bills be read a third time presently.

The Chairman from the Committee further reported that the Committee had considered the matters to them referred and had passed the following Bills without amendment: A Bill "An Act Further To Amend The Highway Traffic Act".

- A Bill "An Act To Provide For The Restructuring Of The Anglican Diocese Of Newfoundland".
- A Bill "An Act Further To Amend The Minimum Wage Act".
- A Bill "An Act To Empower The St. John's Municipal Council To Raise A Loan For Municipal Purposes By The Issue Of Bonds".
- A Bill "An Act Further To Amend The City Of St. John's Act".
- A Bill "An Act Further To Amend The Summary Jurisdiction Act".
- A Bill "An Act To Ratify, Confirm And Adopt An Agreement Entered Into Between The Government, Wabanex Energy Corporation Of Canada Limited With Respect To The Conduct Of A Survey Into The Feasibility Of Using The Disused Iron Ore Mines At Bell Island For Hydrocarbon Storage And, If Feasible, To Lease Land And Pertinents Therefor, And To Make Statutory Provisions Respecting Matters Connected Therewith".

On motion it was ordered that the said Bills be read a third time presently, by leave.

Pursuant to order and on motion the following Bills were read a third time and passed:

- A Bill "An Act Further To Amend The Highway Traffic Act".
- A Bill "An Act To Provide For The Restructuring Of The Anglican Diocese of Newfoundland".
- A Bill "An Act Further To Amend The Minimum Wage Act".
- A Bill "An Act To Empower The St. John's Municipal Council To Raise A Loan For Municipal Purposes By The Issue Of Bonds".
- A Bill "An Act Further To Amend The City Of St. John's Act".
- A Bill "An Act Further To Amend The Summary Jurisdiction Act".

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A Bill "An Act To Ratify, Confirm And Adopt An Agreement Entered Into Between The Government, Wabanex Energy Corporation Limited And Power Corporation Of Canada Limited With Respect To The Conduct Of A Survey Into The Feasibility Of Using The Disused Iron Ore Mines At Bell Island For Hydrocarbon Storage And, If Feasible, To Lease Land And Pertinents Therefor, And To Make Statutory Provisions Respecting Matters Connected Therewith."

On motion it was ordered that the said Bills be printed, being titled as above and that they be submitted to His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor for his assent.

It was moved and seconded that when the House rises it adjourn until tomorrow, Friday, December 19th, at three o'clock.

On motion, the House then adjourned accordingly.

Friday, December 19th 1975

The House met at three of the clock pursuant to adjournment.

The Honourable the Minister of Industrial & Rural Development made a Statement re the Burgeo Fish Plant.

The Honourable the Minister of Mines & Energy noted the death of Sir Val Duncan and moved that a message of condolence be sent to his family, which motion was concurred in by the Honourable the Member for Trinity-Bay de Verde.

The Honourable the Minister of Education made a Statement re the Marking of Public Examinations.

The Honourable the Minister of Mines & Energy made a Statement re the Federal Government's Anti Inflation Program.

The Honourable the Minister of Finance tabled a Summary of Special Warrant.

The Honourable the Minister of Mines & Energy tabled Financial Reports of Labrador Linerboard Limited as of March 31, 1974.

Pursuant to order and on motion a Bill entitled, "An Act Further To Amend The Assessment Act", was introduced and read a first time. On motion it was ordered the said Bill be read a second time presently by leave.

Pursuant to order and on motion the said Bill was read a second time and on motion it was ordered the said Bill be referred to a Committee of the Whole House presently.

Pursuant to order and on motion the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole to consider a certain Bill:

> Mr. Speaker left the Chair. Dr. Collins took the Chair of Committee. Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman of the Committee reported that they had considered the matter to them referred and had passed a Bill entitled, "An Act Further To Amend The Assessment Act", without amendment.

On motion the report of the Committee was received and adopted and on motion it was ordered the said Bill be read a third time presently. Pursuant to order and on motion the Bill entitled, "An Act Further To Amend The Assessment Act", was read a third time and passed.

On motion it was ordered the said Bill be printed being entitled as above and be submitted to His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor for His Assent.

Pursuant to order and on motion the debate on the Motion standing on the Order Paper in the name of the Honourable the Minister of Mines & Energy was continued.

The Sergeant-at-Arms announced the arrival of His Honour The Lieutenant-Governor.

His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor took the Chair.

Mr. Speaker addressed His Honour as follows:

"May it please your Honour, the General Assembly of the Province has, at its present Session, passed certain Bills to which, in the name and on behalf of the General Assembly, I respectfully request your Honour's Assent".

Whereupon the Clerk read the Bills entitled:

- A Bill "An Act Further To Amend The Retail Sales Tax Act, 1972".
- A Bill "An Act Further To Amend The Income Tax Act".
- A Bill "An Act To Ratify, Confirm And Adopt An Agreement Entered Into Between The Government, Wabanex Energy Corporation Limited And Power Corporation Of Canada Limited With Respect To The Conduct Of A Survey Into The Feasibility Of Using The Disused Iron Ore Mines At Bell Island For Hydrocarbon Storage And, If Feasible, To Lease Land And Pertinents Therefor, And To Make Statutory Provisions Respecting Matters Connected Therewith".
- A Bill "An Act To Empower The St. John's Municipal Council To Raise A Loan For Municipal Purposes By The Issue Of Bonds".
- A Bill "An Act To Provide For The Restructuring Of The Anglican Diocese Of Newfoundland".

A Bill "An Act Further To Amend The Summary Jurisdiction Act".

A Bill "An Act Further To Amend The Minimum Wage Act".

A Bill "An Act Further To Amend The Highway Traffic Act".

A Bill "An Act Further To Amend The City Of St. John's Act".

A Bill "An Act Further To Amend The Assessment Act".

His Honour then said: "In Her Majesty's Name, I assent to these Bills".

His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor then left the Assembly Chamber.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The debate on the aforesaid Motion was continued and on motion the debate was adjourned for further debate on tomorrow.

It was moved and seconded that when the House rises it adjourn until tomorrow, Monday, December 22nd at three of the clock.

On motion the House then adjourned accordingly.

Monday, December 22nd 1975

The House met at three of the clock pursuant to adjournment.

Pursuant to order and on motion the debate on the Motion standing in the name of the Honourable the Minister of Mines and Energy was continued.

The Honourable the Member for Trinity-Bay de Verde, seconded by the Honourable the Member for Terra Nova, moved the following Amendment: "That all the words after 1975 be deleted".

Mr. Speaker put the question. The House divided.

There appeared in favour of the Amendment: Mr. Carter, Mr. Marshall, The Honourable the Leader of the Opposition, Mr. Rowe, Mr. White, Mr. C. J. Winsor, Mr. Lush, Mr. Nolan.

Against: The Honourable the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, The Honourable the Minister of Tourism, The Honourable the Minister of Manpower & Industrial Relations, The Honourable the Minister of Health, The Honourable the Minister of Social Services, The Honourable the Minister of Provincial Affairs & Environment, The Honourable the Minister of Justice, The Honourable the Minister of Mines & Energy, The Honourable Mr. Wells, The Honourable the Minister of Finance, The Honourable the Minister of Industrial & Rural Development, The Honourable the Minister of Fisheries, The Honourable the Minister of Forestry & Agriculture, The Honourable the Minister of Education, Dr. Collins, Mr. Cross, Mr. Power, Mr. Young, Mr. Goudie, Mr. N. Winsor, Mr. Dinn, Mr. Patterson, Dr. R. Windsor, Mr. Dawe, Mr. Callan, Mr. Moores, Mr. Neary.

Mr. Speaker declared the Amendment lost.

The debate on the aforesaid Motion was continued.

Mr. Speaker put the question. The House divided.

There appeared in favour of the Motion: The Honourable the Minister of Municipal Affairs & Housing, The Honourable the Minister of Tourism, The Honourable the Minister of Manpower & Industrial Relations, The Honourable the Minister of Health, The Honourable the

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Minister of Social Services, The Honourable the Minister of Provincial Affairs & Environment, The Honourable the Minister of Justice, The Honourable the Minister of Mines & Energy, The Honourable Mr. Wells, The Honourable the Minister of Finance, The Honourable the Minister of Industrial & Rural Development, The Honourable the Minister of Fisheries, The Honourable the Minister of Forestry & Agriculture, The Honourable the Minister of Education, Dr. Collins, Mr. Cross, Mr. Power, Mr. Young, Mr. N. Winsor, Mr. Dinn, Mr. Patterson, Dr. R. Windsor, Mr. Dawe.

Against: Mr. Carter, Mr. Marshall, The Honourable the Leader of the Opposition, Mr. Rowe, Mr. White, Mr. Lush, Capt. E. Winsor, Mr. Nolan, Mr. Callan, Mr. Moores.

Mr. Speaker declared the Motion carried.

On motion of the Honourable Mr. Wells, the following Resolution was passed:

"RESOLVED that when this House adjourns that it stand adjourned until Thursday, March 4th 1976 at three of the clock, provided always that if it appears to the satisfaction of Mr. Speaker, or in his absence, the Chairman of Committees, after consultation with Her Majesty's Government that the public interest requires that the House should meet at an earlier date, Mr. Speaker or the Chairman of Committees, as the case may be, may give notice that he is so satisfied and thereupon the House shall meet at the time stated by such notice and shall transact its business as if it had been duly adjourned to that time".

On motion the remaining orders of the day were deferred.

The House then adjourned accordingly.

Thursday, March 4th 1976

The House met at three of the clock pursuant to adjournment.

The following Members presented Petitions from various districts respecting the cost of hydro-electricity:

The Honourable the Member for Lapoile, The Honourable the Member for Terra Nova, The Honourable the Member for Windsor-Buchans, The Honourable the Member for Lewisporte, The Honourable the Member for Stephenville, The Honourable the Member for Port au Port, The Honourable the Member for Conception Bay South, The Honourable the Member for Bay of Islands, The Honourable the Member for Baie-Verte - White Bay, The Honourable the Member for Carbonear, on behalf of the Honourable the Member for Bellevue, and the Honourable the Member for Fortune-Hermitage.

At five-thirty of the clock, pursuant to Standing Order 31, a certain question raised by an Honourable Member was debated, following which, pursuant to Standing Order 31, Mr. Speaker put the question that the House do now adjourn.

The Motion was carried and the House adjourned accordingly until tomorrow, Friday, March 5th at three of the clock.

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Friday, March 5th 1976

The House met at three of the clock pursuant to adjournment.

The Honourable the Leader of the Opposition presented a Petition from various districts respecting the cost of hydroelectricity.

The Honourable the Member for LaPoile presented a Petition from Harbour La Cou concerning the construction of a breakwater.

The Honourable the Member for Ferryland presented a Petition from communities in the Ferryland District respecting the cost of hydro-electricity.

The Honourable the Member for Fogo presented a Petition from various communities in Fogo District respecting the building of a new Elementary School in Gander Bay and the upgrading of educational facilities throughout the Gander Bay North school system.

The Honourable the Member for Lewisporte presented a Petition from Horwood pertaining to the upgrading of facilities in the Gander Bay North school system.

The Honourable the Member for Burgeo-Bay D'Espoir presented a Petition from residents of that district respecting the cost of hydro-electricity.

The Honourable the Minister of Finance tabled the Annual Report 1975 of Newfoundland and Labrador Computer Services Limited and Lieutenant Governor's Special Warrants as required by the Financial Administration Act.

The Honourable the Minister of Provincial Affairs & Environment tabled Regulations under the provisions of The Automobile Insurance Act.

The Honourable the Minister of Forestry & Agriculture tabled Orders And Regulations (Part II) of The Natural Products Marketing Act. The Honourable the Minister of Justice gave notice that he would on tomorrow move the following Resolution:

WHEREAS the wreck of the longliner "San Juan" on or about the 24th day of February, 1976, off the East Coast of Newfoundland resulting in the loss of life of the two men on board that ill-fated ship has once again clearly indicated the need for adequate Air, Sea Rescue Services in Newfoundland;

AND WHEREAS it is in the public interest there be a Judicial Inquiry into the loss of the "San Juan";

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that this House urges the Government of Canada and/or the Minister of Transport of Canada, to immediately appoint a Judicial inquiry into the wreck of the longliner "San Juan and that the Terms of Reference of such Inquiry be sufficiently broad to enable the Judge so appointed to inquire into the loss at sea in January of two men out of St. John's, Newfoundland, and two men out of Morton's Harbour, Newfoundland, and to inquire as well into the procedures of Air, Sea, Search and Rescue operations in Newfoundland; <u>AND FURTHER</u> the Government of Canada be urged to establish an adequate Air, Sea, Search and Rescue in the Province of Newfoundland without delay.

The Honourable the Minister of Justice gave notice that he would on tomorrow ask leave to introduce the following Bills:

A Bill "An Act To Amend The Newfoundland And Labrador Amateur Sports Federation, Act, 1972".

A Bill "An Act Further To Amend The Quieting of Titles Act".

The Honourable the Leader of the Opposition asked unanimous consent of the House to introduce the following Motion:

"RESOLVED THAT this House reaffirms its belief in the desirability of the seal hunt and the methods by which it is carried out by landsmen in particular;

AND this House deplores the threatened acts by members of the Greenpeace Foundation of Vancouver, British Columbia, who have threatened to attempt to disrupt the 1976 seal hunt;

AND this House in the strongest possible terms urges the Government of Canada to take all steps within their power to prevent any disruption of the lawful activities of those engaged in the seal hunt;

AND FURTHER this House urges in the strongest possible terms that the Minister of Justice for the Province take the necessary and appropriate steps to ensure that the rights of those lawfully engaged in the seal hunt are fully protected."

With agreement of the House, Mr. Speaker announced that he would put the question of unanimous consent later in the sitting.

The Honourable the Minister of Social Services gave notice that he would on tomorrow ask leave to introduce a Bill entitled, "An Act Further To Amend The Child Welfare Act, 1972".

The Honourable the Minister of Health gave notice that he would on tomorrow ask leave to introduce the following Bills:

- A Bill "An Act Further To Amend The Pharmaceutical Association Act".
- A Bill "An Act Further To Amend The Medical Act".

The Honourable the Minister of Forestry & Agriculture gave notice that he would on tomorrow ask leave to introduce the following Bills:

A Bill "An Act Further To Amend The Crown Lands Act".

A Bill "An Act To Amend The Development Areas (Lands) Act".

The debate on The Address In Reply was commenced.

The Honourable the Leader of The Opposition moved the following Amendment:

That all words after 'That' be struck out and replaced with the following:

"This House reaffirms its faith in the future of Newfoundland and Labrador, and calls upon the Ministry to present to the House and to the people of Newfoundland and Labrador a detailed and specific outline of their goals for the development of this Province and the means by which they plan to achieve them".

The Amendment was debated and on motion the debate was adjourned for further debate on tomorrow.

The putting of the Resolution presented earlier in the sitting by the Honourable the Leader of The Opposition was given unanimous consent, it being agreed that the Resolution take the following form:

"RESOLVED THAT this House reaffirms its belief in the desirability of the seal hunt and the methods by which it is carried out by landsmen in particular;

AND this House deplores the threatened acts by members of the Greenpeace Foundation of Vancouver, British Columbia, who have threatened to attempt to disrupt the 1976 seal hunt;

AND this House in the strongest possible terms urges the Government of Canada to take all steps within their power to prevent any disruption of the lawful activities of those engaged in the seal hunt;

AND FURTHER this House urges the appropriate authorities to take the necessary and proper steps to ensure that the rights of those lawfully engaged in the seal hunt are fully protected."

Mr. Speaker put the question. The Motion was carried.

It was moved and seconded that when the House rises it adjourn until tomorrow, Monday, March 8th, at three of the clock. On motion the House then adjourned accordingly.

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Monday, March 8th 1976

The House met at three of the clock pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. John Carter, the Honourable Member for St. John's North, rose to a Point of Privilege concerning his allowance as a Member of the House of Assembly and forwarded a cheque to the Clerk.

The Honourable Mr. Wells noted the death of the late R. W. Shepherd, a former Clerk of the House of Assembly and moved that a letter of condolence be sent to Mr. Shepherd's family. This was supported by other Honourable Members and unanimously concurred in.

The Honourable Mr. Wells extended congratulations to Mr. Marshall, the Member for St. John's East, on his appointment as Chancellor of the Anglican Diocese of Central Newfoundland. This was supported by other Honourable Members and unanimously concurred in.

The Honourable the Leader of the Opposition presented Petitions from various districts relating to the proposed increase in the price of electricity.

The Honourable the Member for LaPoile presented Petitions from various districts relating to the proposed increase in the price of electricity.

The Honourable the Member for Port au Port presented a Petition from Port au Port West, Aguathuna and Felix Cove residents concerning the structure of municipal government.

The Honourable the Member for Terra Nova presented a Petition from residents of Port Blandford and Terra Nova re the proposed increase in the price of electricity.

The Honourable the Member for Bellevue presented a Petition from various districts relating to the proposed increase in the price of electricity.

The Honourable the Member for Burgeo-Bay D'Espoir presented a Petition from various districts relating to the proposed increase in the price of electricity.

The Honourable the Minister of Mines & Energy tabled a document relating to the Federal-Provincial Energy Ministers' Conference - Newfoundland Action on Energy Conservation.

Pursuant to order and on motion the following Bills were introduced and read a first time:

- A Bill "An Act To Provide Retiring Allowances On A Contributory Basis To Persons Who Have Served As Members Of The House Of Assembly".
- A Bill "An Act To Amend The Newfoundland And Labrador Amateur Sports Federation Act, 1972".
- A Bill "An Act Further To Amend The Quieting Of Titles Act".
- A Bill "An Act Further To Amend The Child Welfare Act, 1972".
- A Bill "An Act Further To Amend The Medical Act".
- A Bill "An Act To Amend The Pharmaceutical Association Act".
- A Bill "An Act To Amend The Crown Lands Act".
- A Bill "An Act To Amend The Development Areas (Lands) Act".

On motion it was ordered the said Bills be read a second time on tomorrow.

The debate on the Amendment to the Address In Reply moved by the Honourable the Leader of The Opposition was continued and on motion the debate was adjourned for further debate on tomorrow.

It was moved and seconded that when the House rises it adjourn until tomorrow, Tuesday, March 9th at three of the clock.

On motion the House then adjourned accordingly.

HUGH F. COADY

Clerk of The House of Assembly

Tuesday, March 9th 1976

The House met at three of the clock pursuant to adjournment.

The Honourable the Minister of Municipal Affairs & Housing made a Statement re municipal government in the communities of Summerford and the Local improvement District of Port au Port West-Aguathuna-Felix Cove.

The Honourable the Member for Lapoile presented a Petition from residents of Cape Ray re the construction of a haulout and a slipway.

The Honourable the Member for Lewisporte presented a Petition from residents of Lewisporte re Canadian National services.

The Honourable the Member for Lapoile presented a Petition from residents of Seal Cove re the proposed increase in electricity rates.

The Honourable the Minister of Mines & Energy tabled the following:

Annual Report 1974 (Supplement) Newfoundland and Labrador Hydro.

A brochure prepared by Newfoundland & Labrador Hydro.

Public Accounts, Province of Newfoundland For Year Ended March 31, 1975.

Report Of The Auditor General To The House Of Assembly For The Financial Year Ended March 31, 1975.

The Honourable the Minister of Justice tabled the following:

The Securities (Amendment) Regulations, 1975;

The Annual Report To The Lieutenant-Governor As Required By The Criminal Code Of Canada Section 178.22 (Protection Of Privacy Act). The debate on the Amendment to The Address In Reply moved by the Honourable the Leader of the Opposition was continued and on motion the debate was adjourned for further debate on tomorrow.

It was moved and seconded that when the House rises it adjourn until tomorrow, Wednesday, March 10th at three of the clock.

On motion the House then adjourned accordingly.

Wednesday, March 10th 1976

The House met at three of the clock pursuant to adjournment.

The Honourable the Minister of Tourism made a Statement respecting complementary hunting licenses.

The Honourable the Leader of the Opposition presented a Petition from employees at the Come By Chance Oil Refinery respecting their termination of employment.

The Honourable the Member for Lapoile presented three Petitions from residents of Harbour LaCou, Rose Blanche and Mouse Island respecting alcohol as represented in television programs.

Pursuant to order and on motion the following Resolution was debated:

RESOLVED that a Select Committee be appointed to enquire into and report upon the prospects for Newfoundland and Labrador, including the prospects for economic growth and development and in particular a consideration of those types of development which are best suited to foster and to encourage the way of life most desired by the people of Newfoundland and Labrador;

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Committee have power to sit in and out of Session, to send for papers and other documents and generally to exercise the powers which may be conferred upon Commissioners under the Public Enquiries Act, Chapter 314 of The Revised Statutes of Newfoundland, 1970;

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Committee be authorized to sit from place to place throughout Newfoundland and Labrador.

It being six of the clock Mr. Speaker left the Chair until tomorrow, Thursday, March 11th at three of the clock.

Thursday, March 11th 1976

The House met at three of the clock pursuant to adjournment.

The Honourable the Member for Lapoile presented a Petition from residents of Carbonear respecting Hydro Electricity.

The Honourable the Member for Conception Bay South presented a Petition from his district respecting alcohol as represented in television programs.

The Honourable the Member for Naskaupi presented a Petition from residents of Happy Valley and North West River respecting the proposed increase in electricity rates.

The Honourable the Member for Bellevue presented a Petition from residents of Markland respecting the road from the Markland Hospital to the end of the Markland settlement.

The Honourable the Member for Bay of Islands presented a Petition from the community of York Harbour respecting the quality of television receiption in the area.

The Honourable Mr. Wells gave notice that he would on tomorrow ask leave to introduce the following Motion:

"That a Committee be appointed pursuant to Standing Order 84 to prepare and report lists of members to compose the various Standing Committees of the House."

. The debate on the Amendment to the Address In Reply moved by the Honourable the Leader of The Opposition was continued and on motion the debate was adjourned for further debate on tomorrow.

At five-thirty of the clock, pursuant to Standing Order 31, certain questions raised by Honourable Members were debated, following which, pursuant to Standing Order 31, Mr. Speaker put the question that the House do now adjourn.

The motion was carried and the House adjourned accordingly until tomorrow, Friday, March 12th at three of the clock.

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Friday, March 12th 1976

The House met at three of the clock pursuant to adjournment.

The Honourable the Minister of Forestry & Agriculture made a Statement re a financial assistance program for the Saw Mill Industry.

The Honourable the Minister of Mines & Energy made a Statement re electricity rates.

The Honourable the Leader of the Opposition presented a Petition re electricity rates. from Guarnet & Pouch Cove

The Honourable the Minister of Social Services presented a Petition re the Clarenville Hospital from various doctors in the Clarenville region.

The debate on the Amendment to the Address In Reply moved by the Honourable the Leader of the Opposition was continued and on motion the debate was adjourned for further debate on tomorrow.

It was moved and seconded that when the House rises it adjourn until tomorrow, Tuesday, March 16th at three of the clock.

On motion the House then adjourned accordingly.

Tuesday, M arch 16th 1976

The House met at three of the clock pursuant to adjournment.

The Honourable the Premier made a Statement concerning the rescue of the crew of the Fishing Patrol Vessel, Cape Freels.

The Honourable the Premier made a Statement congratulating the Jack MacDuff Rink on their winning of the Canadian Men's Curling Championship.

The Honourable the Premier, seconded by the Honourable the Leader of the Opposition, moved a message of condolence to the family of the late Captain Uriah Strickland.

The Honourable the Minister of Manpower & Industrial Relations made a Statement re the request for an Industrial Enquiry into Labour-Management relations in the Churchill Falls area.

The Honourable the Minister of Manpower & Industrial Relations made a Statement re the Appointment of a Human Rights Commission to investigate allegations of discrimination in employment made by three residents of Labrador City.

The Honourable the Minister of Forestry & Agriculture made a Statement re the presence of rabies in animals in Labrador and the measures being taken to control the situation.

The Honourable the Member for Lapoile presented a Petition from Lapoile District re freight train service.

The Honourable the Member for Burgeo-Bay D'Espoir presented a Petition from Burgeo re Snowmobile Regulations.

The Honourable the Member for Burin-Placentia presented several Petitions re electricity rates. No hist of Communuty available

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The Honourable Mr. Wells tabled the Annual Report of the Department of Rehabilitation and Recreation for the Year ended March 31, 1975.

The Honourable the Minister of Justice tabled the Legal Aid Regulations.

The Honourable the Minister of Justice gave notice that he would on tomorrow ask leave to introduce the following Bills:

- A Bill "An Act To Amend The Wills Act".
- A Bill "An Act To Amend The Women's Patriotic Trust Fund
- A Bill "An Act To Enable Extra-Provincial Custody Orders To Be Enforced In The Province Of Newfoundland".

The debate on the Amendment to the Address In Reply proposed by the Honourable the Leader of the Opposition was continued.

The Honourable the Member for Twillingate, seconded by the Honourable the Member for Carbonear, moved the following sub-amendment:

That the following words be added to the Amendment, "And deplores the failure of the parties represented in this House to set forth succinctly for this House's and the people's understanding their respective basic policies for the solving of the principle public problems of the Province".

The debate on the sub-amendment was commenced and on motion the debate was adjourned for further debate on tomorrow.

It was moved and seconded that when the House rises it adjourn until tomorrow, Wednesday, March 17th at three of the clock.

On motion the House then adjourned accordingly.

Wednesday, March 17th 1976

The House met at three of the clock pursuant to adjournment.

The Honourable the Member for Lapoile presented a Petition from residents in the Lapoile District re proposed snowmobile regulations.

The Honourable Mr. Wells presented a Petition from the Districts of Kilbride, St. John's South, Waterford-Kenmount and Mount Pearl re restrictions on land use.

The Honourable the Member for Baie Verte-White Bay presented a Petition from various districts re the proposed increase in electricity rates.

The Honourable the Member for Windsor-Buchans presented a Petition from Badger re the proposed increase in electricity rates.

The Honourable the Member for Trinity-Bay de Verde presented a Petition from New Perlican re the proposed increase in electricity rates.

Pursuant to order and on motion the following Resolution was debated: THAT a Select Committee be appointed to enquire into and to report upon the prospects for Newfoundland and Labrador, including the prospects for economic growth and development which are best suited to foster and to encourage the way of life most desired by the people of Newfoundland and Labrador;

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Committee have power to sit in and out of Session, to send for papers and other documents, and generally to exercise the powers which may be conferred upon Commissioners under the Public Enquiries Act, Chapter 314 of The Revised Statutes of Newfoundland, 1970;

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Committee be authorized to sit from place to place throughout Newfoundland and Labrador.

The debate on the Notion was continued and on motion the debate was adjourned for further debate on tomorrow.

It being six of the clock Mr. Speaker left the Chair until tomorrow, Thursday, March 18th at three of the clock.

Thursday, March 18th 1976

The House met at three of the clock pursuant to adjournment.

The Honourable the Forestry & Agriculture made a Statement re storm damage to a Government tree nursery.

The Honourable the Minister of Forestry & Agriculture made a Statement re the leasing of agricultural land.

The Honourable Mr. Wells rose to a point of Personal Privilege concerning an item in the St. John's Evening Telegram of March 18th 1976.

The Honourable the Member for Lapoile presented a Petition from Pouch Cove re the proposed increase in electricity rates.

The Honourable the Minister of Forestry & Agriculture tabled the Department of Public Works and Services (College of Fisheries, Navagation, Marine Engineering and Electronics Parking) Regulations, 1975.

The Honourable Mr. Wells, seconded by the Honourable the Premier, moved that the Honourable the Member for Harbour Grace be appointed Deputy Chairman of Committees.

The Resolution was debated.

At six of the clock Mr. Speaker left the Chair. Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair at eight of the clock.

The debate on the appointment of a Deputy Chairman of Committees was continued.

Mr. Speaker put the motion. The House divided.

There appeared in favour of the Motion: The Honourable the Premier, The Honourable the Minister of Municipal Affairs & Housing, The Honourable the Minister of Transportation & Communications, The Honourable the Minister of Tourism, The Honourable the Minister of Manpower & Industrial Relations, The Honourable the Minister of Health, The Honourable the Minister of Provincial Affairs and Environment, The Honourable the Minister of Justice, The Honourable the Minister of Mines & Energy, The Honourable Mr. Wells, The Honourable the Minister of Finance, The Honourable the Minister of Industrial & Rural Development, The Honourable the Minister of Fisheries, The Honourable the Minister of Forestry & Agriculture, The Honourable the Minister of Education, Mr. Power, Mr. Goudie, Mr. Dinn, Mr. Patterson, Mr. Carter, Mr. Woodrow, Dr. R. Windsor, The Honourable Mr. Smallwood, Mr. Moores.

Against: The Honourable the Leader of the Opposition, Mr. Hodder, Mr. Canning, Mr. Rowe, Mr. Simmons, Mr. White, Mr. C. J. Winsor, Mr. Flight, Mr. Rideout, Mr. Nolan.

Mr. Speaker declared the Motion carried.

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It was moved and seconded that when the House rises it adjourn until today, March 19th at three-thirty of the clock.

On motion the House then adjourned accordingly.

HUGH F. COADY Clerk of The House of Assembly

The House met at three of the clock pursuant to adjournment.

The Honourable the Minister of Manpower & Industrial Relations made a Statement respecting conciliation talks between the Churchill Falls Corporation and IBEW Local 2351.

The Honourable the Premier, seconded by the Honourable the Member for Twillingate, extended congratulations to the Honourable Mr. Wells on his appointment as Chancellor of the Anglican Diocese of Newfoundland and Labrador.

The Honourable the Minister of Mines & Energy made a Statement respecting plans for Brinco in relation to the Michelin & Kitz uranium deposits in Labrador.

The Honourable the Member for Lapoile presented a Petition from residents of Rodney Street, St. John's, respecting electricity rates.

The Honourable the Minister of Manpower & Industrial Relations tabled the following:

Report of the matters transacted by the Minister of Manpower & Industrial Relations during 1975 under the provisions of the:

Labour Relations Act Public Service (Collective Bargaining) Act Newfoundland Teachers (Collective Bargaining) Act;

Report of Newfoundland Labour Relations Board for the year 1975;

Report of the Minimum Wage Board for the year 1975.

The Honourable the Minister of Provincial Affairs & Environment tabled The Automobile Dealers (Amendment) Regulations, 1976.

The Honourable Mr. Wells gave notice that he would on tomorrow move the following Resolution:

WHEREAS the Oil Refinery at Come By Chance, being a private undertaking, has been declared bankrupt and is in the process of being closed AND WHEREAS the debt owed by the refinery to the Government of Newfoundland is approximately \$41,000,000.00;

AND WHEREAS the closure of the refinery has had a serious effect upon employment in the Come by Chance area and it is desirable that the people of the Province have the fullest knowledge of past events and future prospects for the refinery THEREFORE be it resolved that this House debate the closing of the refinery so that Government may have the opinions and assistance of Honourable Members, in its efforts to bring about its reopening.

The Honourable the Minister of Forestry & Agriculture gave notice that he would on tomorrow ask leave to introduce a Bill entitled, "An Act Respecting The Keeping Of Dogs".

The debate on the Sub-Amendment to The Address In Reply was continued and on motion the debate was adjourned for further debate on tomorrow.

It was moved and seconded that when the House rises it adjourn until tomorrow, Monday, March 22nd at three of the clock.

On motion the House then adjourned accordingly.

Monday, March 22nd 1976

The House met at three of the clock pursuant to adjournment.

The Honourable the Minister of Forestry & Agriculture made a Statement re labour relations at Churchill Falls.

The Honourable the Member for Trinity-Bay de Verde presented a Petition from that District re the reconstruction of the Fish Plant at Old Perlican.

The Honourable the Member for the Straits of Belle Isle presented a Petition from that district re the proposed re-routing of the highway in the Cooks Harbour area.

Pursuant to order and on motion the House resolved itself into a Committee of Ways and Means.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair. Dr. Collins took the Chair of Committee. Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman from the Committee reported that they had considered thematters to them referred, reported progress and asked leave to sit again.

On motion the report of the Committee was received and adopted and on motion it was ordered the Committee have leave to sit again on tomorrow.

The debate on the Sub-Amendment, moved by the Honourable the Member for Twillingate, to the Address In Reply was continued and on motion the debate was adjourned for further debate on tomorrow.

It was moved and seconded that when the House rises it adjourn until tomorrow, Tuesday, March 23rd at three of the clock.

Tuesday, March 23, 1976

The House met at three of the clock pursuant to adjournment.

The Honourable the Minister of Forestry & Agriculture made a Statement re labour relations at Churchill Falls.

The Honourable the Member for Fogo presented a Petition from Musgrave Harbour re the proposed increase in electricity rates.

The Honourable the Member for Trinity-Bay de Verde presented a Petition from Green's Harbour re the proposed snowmobile regulations.

The Honourable the Member for Terra Nova presented a Petition from that District re roads. \checkmark

The Honourable the Member for Port au Port presented a Petition from that District re the proposed snowmobile regulations.

The Honourable the Minister of Finance gave notice that he would on tomorrow move the House into a Committee to consider Ways and Means of raising the Supply to be granted to Her Majesty.

The Honourable the Minister of Finance gave notice that he would on tomorrow move the House into a Committee to consider of Supply to be granted to Her Majesty.

The Honourable the Minister of Finance gave notice that he would on tomorrow move the House into a Committee to consider of Interim Supply to be granted to Her Majesty.

The Honourable the Minister of Finance gave notice that he would on tomorrow move the House into a Committee to consider of Supplementary Supply to be granted to Her Majesty.

Pursuant to order and on motion the following Resolution was debated: Be it resolved that this House debate the closing of the refinery so that Government may have the opinions and assistance of Honourable Members, in its efforts to bring about its reopening.

On motion it was ordered that the debate be adjourned for further debate on tomorrow.

It was moved and seconded that when the House rises it adjourn until tomorrow, Wednesday, March 24th, at three of the clock.

On motion the House then adjourned accordingly.

Wednesday, March 24th 1976

The House met at three of the clock pursuant to adjournment.

The Honourable the Minister of Finance rose to a Point of Privilege regarding an item in the St. John's Daily News of March 24th 1976.

The Honourable the Member for Terra Nova presented a Petition re the display of the consumption of alcoholic beverages on television.

The Honourable the Member for Harbour Grace presented a Petition from Upper Island Cove re sewage system.

The Honourable the Member for Stephenville presented a Petition from West Coast districts on the proposed snowmobile regulations.

The Honourable the Minister of Justice gave notice that he would on tomorrow ask leave to introduce the following Bills:

A Bill "An Act To Amend The Prisons Act".

A Bill "An Act To Amend The Evidence Act".

Pursuant to order and on motion the following Resolution was debated:

- That a Select Committee be appointed to enquire into and to report upon the prospects for Newfoundland and Labrador, including the prospects for economic growth and development and in particular a consideration of those types of development which are best suited to foster and to encourage the way of life most desired by the people of Newfoundland and Labrador;

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Committee have power to sit in and out of Session, to send for papers and other documents, and generally to exercise the powers which may be conferred upon Commissioners under the Public Enquiries Act, Chapter 314 of The Revised Statutes of Newfoundland, 1970;

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Committee be authorized to sit from place to place throughout Newfoundland and Labrador.

The debate on the Resolution was continued and on motion the debate was adjourned for further debate on tomorrow.

It being six of the clock Mr. Speaker left the Chair until tomorrow, Thursday, March 25th at three of the clock.

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The House met at three of the clock pursuant to adjournment.

The Honourable the Minister of Rural and Industrial Development made a Statement re the Fish Plant Construction at Burgeo.

The Honourable the Minister of Tourism made a Statement re the Norma and Gladys.

The Honourable the Member for Lapoile presented a Petition from residents of St. Phillips re hydro electricity.

The Honourable the Member for Bellevue presented a Petition from residents of North West Brook concerning improvements necessary for the safety of the residents of that community.

The Honourable the Minister of Justice tabled the Financial Statements for the year ending March 31, 1974 of the Department of the Auditor General.

The Honourable Mr. Wells, by consent of the House, moved that the House sit daily at the following times for the remainder of this Session or until further ordered:

 Monday
 2:p.m. - 6:p.m.

 Tuesday
 2:p.m. - 6:p.m. and 8:p.m.-11:p.m.

 Wednesday
 3:p.m. - 6:p.m.

 Thursday
 2:p.m. - 6:p.m. and 8:p.m.-11:p.m.

 Friday
 10:a.m. - 1:p.m.

The aforesaid Motion was debated. Mr. Speaker put the question. The motion was carried unanimously.

Pursuant to order and on motion the following Resolution moved by the Honourable Mr. Wells was debated: "That this House debate the closing of the refinery so that Government may have the opinions and assistance of Honourable Members, in its efforts to bring about its reopening."

The debate on the Resolution continued and on motion the debate was adjourned for further debate on tomorrow.

At five thirty of the clock, pursuant to Standing Order 31, certain questions raised by Honourable Members were debated, following which, pursuant to Standing Order 31, Mr. Speaker put the question that the House do now adjourn.

The motion was carried and the House adjourned accordingly until tomorrow, Friday, March 26th at three of the clock.

Friday, March 26th 1976

The House met at three of the clock pursuant to adjournment.

The Honourable the Minister of Finance moved that Mr. Speaker leave the Chair and that the House resolve itself into Committee of Ways and Means and in doing so delivered the Budget Speech.

On motion it was ordered that the debate on the aforesaid Motion be adjourned until tomorrow.

The Honourable the Minister of Finance informed the House that he had received a Message from His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor. The said Message was read to the House by Mr. Speaker as follows:

The Honourable the Minister of Finance

I, the Lieutenant Governor of the Province of Newfoundland, transmit Estimates required for the Public Service of the Province for the year ending the 31st March, 1977, in the aggregate of Eight Hundred and Eighty-Eight Million, Nine Hundred and Ninety-Three Thousand, Two Hundred Dollars (\$888,993,200) and, in accordance with the provisions of the British North America Act of 1867, as amended, I recommend these Estimates to the House of Assembly.

(Sgd.)	Gordon A. Winter
	Lieutenant-Governor

25th March 1976

On motion of the Honourable the Minister of Finance, it was ordered that the Message, together with the Estimates, be referred to the Committee of Supply.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Young took the Chair of Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman of the Committee reported that they had considered the matters to them referred, had made some progress, and asked leave to sit again on tomorrow.

On motion the report of the Committee was received and adopted and on motion it was ordered that the Committee have leave to sit again on tomorrow. The Honourable the Minister of Finance gave notice that he would on tomorrow ask leave to move the House into a Committee of the Whole to consider certain resolutions relating to the imposition of a tax on the income of corporations.

The Honourable the Minister of Finance gave notice that he would on tomorrow ask leave to move the House into a Committee of the Whole to consider certain Resolutions relating to the imposition of a tax on individuals who purchase gasoline at retail sales.

It was moved and seconded that when the House rises it adjourn until tomorrow, Monday, March 29th at two of the clock.

On motion the House then adjourned accordingly.

Monday, March 29th 1976

The House met at three of the clock pursuant to adjournment.

The Honourable the Member for Lapoile presented a Petition from various residents in Newfoundland re hydro electricity.

The Honourable the Member for Terra Nova presented a Petition from residents of St. Chads regarding the upgrading of roads in the area.

The Honourable the Minister of Finance tabled The Mining and Mineral Rights Tax Regulations, 1976.

Pursuant to order and on motion the following Resolution, moved by the Honourable Mr. Wells, was debated: "That this House debate the closing of the refinery so that Government may have the opinions and assistance of Honourable Members, in its efforts to bring about its reopening".

The debate on the Resolution was continued and on motion the debate was adjourned for further debate on tomorrow.

Pursuant to order and on motion the House resolved itself into a Committee of Supply:

Mr. Speaker left the Chair. Mr. Young took the Chair of Committee. Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Honourable the Minister of Finance informed the House that he had received a Message from His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor. The said Message was read to the House by Mr. Speaker as follows:

The Honourable the Minister of Finance

I, the Lieutenant-Governor of the Province of Newfoundland, transmit Estimates of sums required for the Public Service of the Province for the year ending the 31st March, 1977, by way if Interim Supply, and in accordance with the provisions of the British North America Act of 1867, as amended, I recommend these Estimates to the House of Assembly.

Sgd.	Gordon A. Winter
-	Lieutenant-Governor

March 25th 1976

On motion of the Honourable the Minister of Finance, the House resolved itself into Committee of the Whole to consider certain Resolutions for granting Interim Supply to Her Majesty:

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Young took the Chair of Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman of the Committee reported that they had considered the matters to them referred, had made some progress and asked leave tosit again.

On motion the report of the Committee was received and adopted and on motion it was ordered the Committee have leave to sit again on tomorrow.

It was moved and seconded that when the House rises it adjourn until tomorrow, Tuesday, March 30th at two of the clock.

On motion the House then adjourned accordingly.

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HUGH F. COADY Clerk of The House of Assembly

Tuesday, March 30th 1976

The House met at two of the clock pursuant to adjournment.

The Honourable the Member for Bellevue presented a Petition from residents of Norman's Cove, Long Cove and Chapel Arm re the proposed snowmobile regulations.

The Honourable the Member for Trinity-Bay de Verde presented a Petition from Heart's Content residents re a new Senior Citizens Home.

The Honourable the Member for Burgeo-Bay d'Espoir presented a Petition from residents of Ramea re the display of the consumption of alcoholic beverages and the showing of violence on television.

Pursuant to order and on motion the following Bills were introduced and read a first time:

A Bill "An Act To Amend The Wills Act".

- A Bill "An Act To Enable Extra-Provincial Custody Orders To Be Enforced In The Province Of Newfoundland".
- A Bill "An Act To Amend The Women's Patriotic Trust Fund".

A Bill "An Act Respecting The Keeping Of Dogs".

A Bill "An Act To Amend The Prisons Act".

A Bill "An Act To Amend The Evidence Act".

On motion it was ordered the said Bills be read a second time on tomorrow.

Pursuant to order and on motion the House resolved itself into a Committee of Supply:

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Young took the Chair of Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

At six of the clock Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair at eight of the clock.

The Chairman of the Committee reported that they had considered the matters to them referred, had made some progress and asked leave to sit again.

On motion the report of the Committee was received and adopted and on motion it was ordered the Committee have leave to sit again on tomorrow.

It was moved and seconded that when the House rises it adjourn until tomorrow, Wednesday, March 31st at three of the clock.

On motion the House then adjourned accordingly.

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HUGH F. COADY Clerk of The House of Assembly

Wednesday, March 31st 1976

The House met at three of the clock pursuant to adjournment.

The Honourable the Member for Lapoile rose on a point of Privilege to the House and congratulated the Honourable Mr. Smallwood on the occasion of the Anniversary of Newfoundland's entry into Confederation.

The Honourable the Minister of Municipal Affairs & Housing made a Statement re Government's policy concerning subsidized housing.

The Honourable the Minister of Rural and Industrial Development made two statements; one concerning Rural Development Loans and the Rural Development Authority and one regarding cooperation between Newfoundland and Canadian Commercial Attachès overseas.

The Honourable the Member for The Straits of Belle Isle presented a Petition from Southern Labrador re proposed tunnel for the Straits of Belle Isle.

The Honourable the Minister of Social Services presented a Petition from the Clarenville area re Hospital Construction.

The Honourable the Member for Terra Nova presented a Petition from Cannings Cove re roads.

Pursuant to order and on motion the following resolution was debated: That a Select Committee be appointed to enquire into and to report upon the prospects for Newfoundland and Labrador, including the prospects for economic growth and development and in particular a consideration of those types of development which are best suited to foster and to encourage the way of life most desired by the people of Newfoundland and Labrador;

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Committee have power to sit in and out of Session, to send for papers and other documents, and generally to exercise the powers which may be conferred upon Commissioners under the PUblic Enquiries Act, Chapter 314 of The Revised Statutes of Newfoundland, 1970;

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AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Committee be authorized to sit from place to place throughout Newfoundland and Labrador.

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The debate on the Resolution continued and on motion the debate was adjourned for further debate on tomorrow.

It being six of the clock Mr. Speaker left the Chair until tomorrow, Thursday, April 1st at two of the clock.

Thursday, April 1st 1976

The House met at two of the clock pursuant to adjournment.

The Honourable the Minister of Manpower & Industrial Relations made a Statement re Manpower Training.

The Honourable the Minister of Education made a Statement re the Insurance of Schools.

The following Members presented Petitions from various districts concerning the proposed increase in electricity rates: The Honourable the Member for Bay of Islands, The Honourable the Member for Burgeo-Bay d'Espoir, The Honourable the Member for Conception Bay South, The Honourable the Member for Lewisporte, The Honourable the Member for Burin-Placentia, The Honourable the Member for Fogo, The Honourable the Member for Port au Port, the Honourable the Member for St. George's, the Honourable the Member for Fortune-Hermitage, The Honourable the Member for Stephenville, The Honourable the Member for Trinity-Bay de Verde, The Honourable the Leader of the Opposition.

Pursuant to order and on motion the House resolved itself into a Committee of Supply:

Mr. Speaker left the Chair. Mr. Young took the Chair of Committee. Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman of the Committee reported that they had considered the matters to them referred, had made some progress and asked leave to sit again.

On motion the report of the Committee was received and adopted and on motion it was ordered the Committee have leave to sit again presently.

At five-thirty of the clock, pursuant to Standing Order 31, certain questions raised by Honourable Members were debated, following which, pursuant to Standing Order 31, Mr. Speaker put the question that the House do now adjourn.

The motion was defeated. Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair at eight of the clock.

Pursuant to order and on motion the House resolved itself into Committee of Supply:

Mr. Speaker left the Chair. Mr. Young took the Chair of Committee. Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman of the Committee reported that they had considered the matters to them referred and had passed a certain Resolution for the granting of Interim Supply to Her Majesty and recommended that a Bill be introduced to give effect to the same.

The said Resolution having been read a first and second time, it was moved and seconded that the House concur with the Committee therein and the said Resolution was agreed to.

Pursuant to order and on motion the following Bill was introduced and read a first, second and third time and passed:

A Bill "An Act For Granting To Her Majesty Certain Sums Of Money For Defraying Certain Expenses Of The PUblic Service For The Financial Year Ending The Thirty-First Day Of March One Thousand Nine Hundred And Seventy-Seven And For Other Purposes Relating To The Public Service".

On motion the report was received and adopted and it was ordered that the said Bill be printed, being entitled as above, and that it be submitted to His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor for His Assent.

On motion it was ordered that the said Committee have leave to sit again on tomorrow.

It was moved and seconded that when the House rises it adjourn until tomorrow, Friday, April 2nd at 10 of the clock in the forenoon.

On motion the House then adjourned accordingly.

Friday, April 2nd 1976

The House met at ten of the clock pursuant to adjournment.

The Honourable the Minister of Health made a Statement re a Program of Immunization Against Swine Influenza.

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The Honourable the Minister of Mines & Energy rose to a Point of Personal Privilege regarding an item in the St. John's Daily News of Friday, April 2nd 1976.

The Honourable the Minister of Mines & Energy made a Statement re the cost of upgrading the Prince Philip Parkway.

Pursuant to order and on motion the following Resolution was debated: BE IT RESOLVED that this House debate the closing of the refinery so that Government may have the opinions and assistance of Honourable Members, in its efforts to bring about its reopening.

On motion the debate was adjourned for further debate on tomorrow.

The Sergeant-at-Arms announced the arrival of his Honour the Lieutenant-Governor.

His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor took the Chair.

Mr. Speaker addressed His Honour as follows: "It is my agreeable duty on benalf of Her Majesty's dutiful and loyal Subjects, Her Faithful Commons In Newfoundland, to present to Your Honour a Bill for the appropriation of Interim Supply granted in the Present Session".

Whereupon the Clerk read the Bill entitled:

A Bill "An Act For Granting To Her Majesty Certain Sums Of Money For Defraying Certain Expenses Of The Public Service For The Financial Year Ending The Thirty-First Day Of March One Thousand Nine Hundred And Seventy-Seven And For Other PUrposes Relating To The Public Service".

His Honour then said, "In Her Majesty's Name, I thank Her Loyal Subjects, I accept their benevolence, and assent to this Bill".

His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor then left the Assembly Chamber.

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It was moved and seconded that when the House rises it adjourn until tomorrow, Monday, April 5th at two of the clock.

On motion the House then adjourned accordingly.

Monday, April 5th 1976

The House met at two of the clock pursuant to adjournment.

The Honourable Mr. Wells rose to a Point of Privilege respecting a statement made by the Honourable the Member for Lapoile.

The Honourable the Minister of Forestry and Agriculture made two Statements; one concerning Government's intention to grant a local preference to suppliers of local products on tender to the Government and one concerning payments relating to the land-clearing bonuses and the Capital Assistance Programme instituted by Government.

The Honourable the Member for Lapoile presented a Petition from residents of Isle-aux-Morts concerning employment in the Fish-Plant in that community.

The Honourable the Member for Bellevue presented a Petition from residents of Hillview, Hatchet Cove and St. Jones Within re road.

The Honourable the Minister of Social Services tabled the Annual Report of the Department of Social Services for the year ended March 31, 1975.

Pursuant to order and on motion the House resolved itself into a Committee of Supply:

Mr. Speaker left the Chair. Dr. Collins took the Chair of Committee. Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman of the Committee reported that they had considered the matters to them referred, had made some progress and asked leave to sit again.

On motion the report of the Committee was received and adopted and on motion it was ordered the Committee have leave to sit again on tomorrow.

It was moved and seconded that when the House rises it adjourn until tomorrow, Tuesday, April 6th at two of the clock.

On motion the House then adjourned accordingly.

Tuesday, April 6th 1976

The House met at two of the clock pursuant to adjournment.

The Honourable the Minister of Tourism made a Statement concerning the Norma and Gladys.

The Honourable the Member for Bellevue presented a Petition from North Harbour re road.

Pursuant to order and on motion the House resolved itself into a Committee of Supply:

Mr. Speaker left the Chair. Dr. Collins took the Chair of Committee. Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

At six of the clock Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair at eight of the clock.

The Chairman of the Committee reported that they had considered the matters to them referred, had made some progress and asked leave to sit again.

On motion the report of the Committee was received and adopted and on motion it was ordered the Committee have leave to sit again on tomorrow.

It was moved and seconded that when the House rises it adjourn until tomorrow, Wednesday, March 7th at three of the clock.

On motion the House then adjourned accordingly.

Wednesday, April 7th 1976

The House met at three of the clock pursuant to adjournment.

The Honourable the Member for Trinity-Bay de Verde rose to a Point of Privilege regarding an item in the St. John's Daily News of Wednesday, April 7, 1976.

The Honourable the Minister of Tourism rose to a Point of Privilege regarding an item in the St. John's Evening Telegram of Tuesday, April 6, 1976.

The Honourable the Leader of the Opposition presented a Petition from residents of Exploits requesting a by-election.

The Honourable the Member for Naskaupi presented a Petition from communities in Labrador regarding electrical services and rates.

The Honourable the Member for Windsor-Buchans presented a Petition from Badger re school busses.

Pursuant to order and on motion the following Resolution was debated:

"That a Select Committee be appointed to enquire into and to report upon the prospects for Newfoundland and Labrador, including the prospects for economic growth and development and in particular a consideration of those types of development which are best suited to foster and to encourage the way of life most desired by the people of Newfoundland and Labrador; AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Committee have power to sit in and out of Session, to send for papers and other documents, and generally to exercise the powers which may be conferred upon Commissioners under the Public Enquiries Act, Chapter 314 of The Revised Statutes of Newfoundland, 1970; AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Committee be authorized to sit from place to place throughout Newfoundland and Labrador".

The debate on the Resolution continued and at six of the clock it was ordered on motion the House adjourn until Thursday, April 8th at two of the clock.

> HUGH F. COADY Clerk of The House of Assembly

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Thursday, April 8th 1976

The House met at two of the clock pursuant to adjournment.

The Honourable the Minister of Fisheries made a Statement re the leasing of vessles to fishermen.

The Honourable the Member for St. George's presented a Petition from St. George's and Stephenville Crossing re the proposed snow-mobile regulations.

The Honourable the Member for Bellevue presented a Petition from Garden Cove re road.

Pursuant to order and on motion the House resolved itself into a Committee of Supply:

Mr. Speaker left the Chair. Dr. Collins took the Chair of Committee. Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman of the Committee reported that they had considered the matters to them referred, had made some progress and asked leave to sit again.

On motion the report of the Committee was received and adopted and on motion it was ordered the Committee have leave to sit again presently.

At five-thirty of the clock, pursuant to Standing Order 31, a certain question raised by an Honourable Member was debated, following which, pursuant to Standing Order 31, Mr. Speaker put the question that the House do now adjourn.

The motion was defeated. At five-forty of the clock Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair at eight of the clock.

Pursuant to order and on motion the House resolved itsele into a Committee of Supply:

Mr. Speaker left the Chair. Dr. Collins took the Chair of Committee. Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair. The Chairman of the Committee reported that they had considered the matters to them referred, had passed items of current expenditure under the following Heading:

XI - Mines and Energy, all items without amendment.

had made further progress and asked leave to sit again.

On motion the report of the Committee was received and adopted and on motion it was ordered the Committee have leave to sit again on tomorrow.

It was moved and seconded that when the House rises it adjourn until tomorrow, Friday, April 9th at ten of the clock in the forenoon.

On motion the House then adjourned accordingly.

Friday, April 9th 1976

The House met at ten of the clock pursuant to adjournment.

The Honourable the Minister of Fisheries made a Statement re the increase in bounties of small fishing boats.

The Honourable the Minister of Education made a Statement re the High School Drama Festival.

The Honourable the Minister of Tourism made a Statement re Caribou Hunting Regulations as they relate to Labrador.

The Honourable the Minister of Manpower & Industrial Relations made a Statement re the Composition of a Human Rights Commission to Investigate Complaints from Labrador West.

The Honourable the Minister of Education made a Statement re Sabbatical Leave for Teachers.

The Honourable the Minister of Mines & Energy made a Statement re An Exhibition of Historical Objects.

The Honourable the Minister of Manpower & Industrial Relations tabled The Annual Report of The Workmen's Compensation Board for the Year Ending March 31, 1976.

Pursuant to order and on motion the Honourable Mr. Wells moved the Following: That a Committee be appointed pursuant to Standing Order 84 (a) to prepare and report Lists of Members to compose the various Standing Committees of the House – and that the following Honourable Members make up the Committee:

The Honourable the Minister of Municipal Affairs & Housing, The Honourable the Member for Mount Pearl. The Honourable the Member for Trinity-Bay de Verde. The Honourable the Member for Pleasantville. The Honourable the Member for Carbonear.

The motion was debated. Mr. Speaker put the question. The motion was carried.

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Pursuant to order and on motion the House resolved itself into a Committee of Supply:

Mr. Speaker left the Chair. Dr. Collins took the Chair of Committee. Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman of the Committee reported that they had considered the matters to them referred, had made some progress and asked leave to sit again.

On motion the report of the Committee was received and adopted and on motion it was ordered the Committee have leave to sit again presently.

Pursuant to order and on motion the House resolved itself into a Committee of Supply:

Mr. Speaker left the Chair. Dr. Collins took the Chair of Committee. Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman of the Committee reported that they had considered the matters to them referred, had made some progress and asked leave to sit again.

On motion the report of the Committee was received and adopted and on motion it was ordered the Committee have leave to sit again on tomorrow.

It was moved and seconded that when the House rises it adjourn until tomorrow, Monday, April 12th at two of the clock.

On motion the House then adjourned accordingly.

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Monday, April 12th 1976

The House met at two of the clock pursuant to adjournment.

The Honourable the Premier made a Statement re Patriation of the Constitution of Westminister.

The Honourable the Minister of Justice gave notice that he would on tomorrow ask leave to introduce the following Bills:

- A Bill "An Act Respecting The Adoption Of The Uniform Interprovincial Subpoena In This Province".
- A Bill "An Act To Establish The Newfoundland and Labrador Youth Commission".

A Bill "An Act To Amend The District Courts Act".

The Honourable the Minister of Justice, on behalf of the Honourable the Minister of Municipal Affairs & Housing gave notice that he would on tomorrow ask leave to introduce the following Bills:

A Bill "An Act To Amend The Community Councils Act, 1972".

A Bill "An Act To Amend The Local Government (Elections) Act".

Pursuant to order and on motion the House resolved itself into a Committee of Supply:

Mr. Speaker left the Chair. Dr. Collins took the Chair of Committee. Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman of the Committee reported that they had considered the matters to them referred, had made some progress and asked leave to sit again.

On motion the report of the Committee was received and adopted and on motion it was ordered the Committee have leave to sit again presently.

At six of the clock Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair at eight of the clock.

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Pursuant to order and on motion the House resolved itself into a Committee of Supply:

Mr. Speaker left the Chair. Dr. Collins took the Chair of Committee. Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman of the Committee reported that they had considered the matters to them referred, had made some progress and asked leave to sit again.

On motion the report of the Committee was received and adopted and on motion it was ordered the Committee have leave to sit again on tomorrow.

It was moved and seconded that when the House rises it adjourn until tomorrow, Tuesday, April 13th at two of the clock.

On motion the House then adjourned accordingly.

Tuesday, April 13th 1976

The House met at two of the clock pursuant to adjournment.

The Honourable the Minister of Mines & Energy made a Statement re a yearly grant to be made available to the Labrador Resources Advisory Council.

The Honourable the Member for Fortune-Hermitage presented a Petition from residents of Belloram respecting television reception in that area.

The Honourable the Member for Burgeo-Bay d'Espoir presented a Petition from tenants at Kenny's Park Apartments re the proposed rental increase.

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The Honourable the Member for Transportation & Communications presented a Petition from residents of Bonavista South re a community pasture.

Pursuant to order and on motion the following Bills were introduced and read a first time:

- A Bill "An Act Respecting The Adoption Of The Uniform Interprovincial Subpoena In This Province".
- A Bill "An Act To Establish The Newfoundland And Labrador Youth Commission".
- A Bill "An Act To Amend The Local Government (Elections) Act".

A Bill "An Act To Amend The District Courts Act".

A Bill "An Act To Amend The Community Councils Act, 1972".

On motion it was ordered the said Bills be read a second time on tomorrow.

Pursuant to order and on motion the House resolved itself into a Committee of Supply:

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Mr. Speaker left the Chair. Dr. Collins took the Chair of Committee. Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman of the Committee reported that they had considered the matters to them referred, had passed items of current expenditure under the following Heading:

XVI - Rural Development, all items without amendment

had made further progress and asked leave to sit again.

On motion the report of the Committee was received and adopted and on motion it was ordered the Committee have leave to sit again on tomorrow.

Pursuant to order and on motion the following Bills were read a second time:

A Bill "An Act To Amend The Women's Patriotic Trust Fund".

A Bill "An Act To Amend The Prisons Act".

A Bill "An Act To Amend The Evidence Act".

On motion it was ordered the said Bills be referred to a Committee of The Whole House on tomorrow.

It was moved and seconded that when the House rises it adjourn until tomorrow, Tuesday, April 27th at two of the clock.

On motion the House then adjourned accordingly.

Tuesday, April 27th 1976

The House met at two of the clock pursuant to adjournment.

Pursuant to order and on motion the House resolved itself into a Committee of Supply:

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Young took the Chair of Committee.

The Chairman of the Committee reported that they had considered the matters to them referred, had passed items of current expenditure under the following Heading:

> VIII - Social Services, all items without amendment

had made further progress and asked leave to sit again.

On motion the report of the Committee was received and adopted and on motion it was ordered the Committee have leave to sit again on tomorrow.

It was moved and seconded that when the House rises it adjourn until tomorrow, Wednesday, April 28th at three of the clock.

On motion the House then adjourned accordingly.

Wednesday, April 28th 1976

The House met at three of the clock pursuant to adjournment.

The Honourable the Leader of The Opposition presented a Petition from residents of The Straits of Belle Isle re road.

The Honourable the Member for Naskaupi presented a Petition from residents of that district and coastal Labrador re coastal boat service.

The Honourable the Member for St. John's north presented a Petition from residents of that district opposing the granting of a lounge license. $(STOCK \cup OOB's)$

The Honourable the Minister of Justice gave notice that he would on tomorrow ask leave to introduce the following Bills:

A Bill "An'Act To Amend The Registration Of Deeds Act".

A Bill "An Act Respecting Queen's Counsel And Precedence At The Bar".

The Honourable the Minister of Finance gave notice that he would on tomorrow ask leave to introduce a Bill entitled, "An Act To Authorize The Province To Undertake, Organize And Manage Lottery Schemes".

The Honourable the Minister of Finance gave notice that he would on tomorrow ask leave to move the House into a Committee of the Whole to Consider Certain Resolutions Relating to the Guarantee of the Repayment of Bonds or Debentures Issued by and the Guarantee of the Repayment of Loans made to certain Local Authorities.

The Honourable the Minister of Finance gave notice that he would on tomorrow ask leave to Move the House Into A Committee Of The Whole To Consider Certain Resolutions In Relation To The Granting Of Supplementary Supply To Her Majesty For The Financial Year Ending The Thirty-First Day Of March One Thousand Nine Hundred And Seventy-Six.

The Honourable the Minister of Transportation and Communications gave notice that he would on tomorrow ask leave to introduce a Bill entitled, "An Act To Amend The Department Of Transportation And Communications Act". The Honourable the Minister of Tourism gave notice that he would on tomorrow ask leave to introduce a Bill entitled, "An Act To Adopt A Flag For The Province Of Newfoundland".

It being six of the clock Mr. Speaker left the Chair until tomorrow, Thursday, April 29th at two of the clock.

On motion the House then adjourned accordingly.

Thursday, April 29th 1976

The House met at two of the clock pursuant to adjournment.

The Honourable the Member for Lewisporte presented two Petitions; one from residents of Birchy Cove and one from residents of Campbellton, both respecting hydro-electricity.

The Honourable the Minister of Manpower and Industrial Relations gave notice that he would on tomorrow ask leave to introduce a Bill entitled, "An Act To Amend The Workmen's Compensation Act".

The Honourable the Minister of Justice gave notice that he would on tomorrow ask leave to introduce a Bill entitled, "An Act For The Avoidance of Uncertainty Concerning Certain Judgements Issuing Out Of The Supreme Court Of Newfoundland".

The Honourable the Minister of Justice, on behalf of the Honourable the Minister of Finance, gave notice that he would on tomorrow ask leave to introduce a Bill entitled, "An Act To Amend The Liquor Corporation Act".

The Honourable the Minsiter of Mines and Energy gave notice that he would on tomorrow ask leave to introduce the following Bills:

- A Bill "An Act Respecting The Acquisition Of Rights To Minerals In The Province".
- A Bill "An Act Respecting The Acquisition Of Rights To Quarry Minerals Within The Province".
- A Bill "An Act To Amend The Mining And Mineral Rights Tax Act".

Pursuant to order and on motion the following Bills were introduced and read a first time:

- A Bill "An Act To Amend The Registration Of Deeds Act".
- A Bill "An Act Respecting Queen's Counsel And Precedence At The Bar".
- A Bill "An Act To Authorize The Province To Undertake, Organize and Manage Lottery Schemes".

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On motion it was ordered the said Bills be read a second time on tomorrow.

Pursuant to order and on motion the House resolved itself into a Committee of Supply:

Mr. Speaker left the Chair. Dr. Collins took the Chair of Committee. Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman of the Committee reported that they had considered the matters to them referred, had made some progress and asked leave to sit again.

On motion the report of the Committee was received and adopted and on motion itwas ordered the Committee have leave to sit again presently.

At five-thirty of the clock, pursuant ot Standing Order 31, certain questions raised by Honourable Members were debated, following which, pursuant to Standing Order 31, Mr. Speaker put the question that the House do now adjourn.

The motion was defeated. At six of the clock Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair at eight of the clock.

Pursuant to order and on motion the House resolved itself into a Committee of Supply:

Mr. Speaker left the Chair. Dr. Collins took the Chair of Committee. Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman of the Committee reported that they had considered the matters to them referred, had made further progress and asked leave to sit again.

On motion the report of the Committee was received and adopted and on motion it was ordered the Committee have leave to sit again on tomorrow.

It was moved and seconded that when the House rises it adjourn until tomorrow, Friday, April 30th at ten of the clock in the forenoon. On motion the House then adjourned accordingly.

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Friday, April 30th 1976

The House met at ten of the clock pursuant to adjournment.

The Honourable the Minister of Manpower & Industrial Relations made a Statement re Consultative Service in Labour-Management Relations.

The Honourable the Minister of Tourism made a Statement re Big Game Licensing System -1976.

The Honourable the Minister of Forestry and Agriculture made a Statement re the Garden Allotment Program.

The Honourable the Member for Mount Scio presented a Petition from Airport Heights re municipal services.

The Honourable the Member for Lewisporte presented a Petition from Comfort Cove and Newstead re water system.

Pursuant to order and on motion the following Bills were introduced and read a first time:

- A Bill "An Act To Amend The Department Of Transportation And Communications Act".
- A Bill "An Act To Adopt A Flag For The Province Of Newfoundland".
- A Bill "An Act To Amend The Workmen's Compensation Act".
- A Bill "An Act For The Avoidance Of Uncertainty Concerning Certain Judgements Issuing Out Of The Supreme Court Of Newfoundland".
- A Bill "An Act To Amend The Liquor Corporation Act".
- A Bill "An Act Respecting The Acquisition Of Rights To Minerals In The Province".
- A Bill "An Act Respecting The Acquisition Of Rights To Quarry Materials Within The Province".

A Bill "An Act To Amend The Mining And Mineral Rights Tax Act".

On motion it was ordered the said Bills be read a second time on tomorrow.

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Pursuant to order and on motion the House resolved itself into a Committee of Supply:

Mr. Speaker left the Chair. Dr. Collins took the Chair of Committee. Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman of the Committee reported that they had considered the matters to them referred, had made some progress and asked leave to sit again.

On motion the report of the Committee was received and adopted and on motion it was ordered the Committee have leave to sit again on tomorrow.

It was moved and seconded that when the House rises it adjourn until tomorrow, Monday, May 3rd at two of the clock.

On motion the House then adjourned accordingly.

Monday, May 3rd 1976

The House met at two of the clock pursuant to adjournment.

The Honourable Mr. Wells noted the death of Magistrate Howard Strong and moved that a tribute be paid to his memory. This was seconded by the Honourable the Member for Trinity-Bay de Verde and unanimously agreed to.

Pursuant to order and on motion the House resolved itself into a Committee of Supply:

Mr. Speaker left the Chair. Dr. Collins took the Chair of Committee. Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman of the Committee reported that they had considered the matters to them referred, had made some progress and asked leave to sit again.

On motion the report of the Committee was received and adopted and on motion it was ordered the Committee have leave to sit again on tomorrow.

It was moved and seconded that when the House rises it adjourn until tomorrow, Tuesday, May 4th at two of the clock.

On motion the House then adjourned accordingly.

Tuesday, May 4th 1976

The House met at two of the clock pursuant to adjournment.

The Honourable the Minister of Fisheries presented a Petition from residents of Branch and Port Lance respecting the North Harbour-Branch road.

The Honourable the Member for St. John's East presented a Petition from residents in various districts respecting War Veterans' Pensions.

Pursuant to order and on motion the House resolved itself into a Committee of Supply:

Mr. Speaker left the Chair. Dr. Collins took the Chair of Committee. Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman of the Committee reported that they had considered the matters to them referred, had passed items of current expenditure under the following Heading:

VI - Education, all items without amendment

had made further progress and asked leave to sit again.

On motion the report of the Committee was received and adopted and on motion it was ordered the Committee have leave to sit again on tomorrow.

It was moved and seconded that when the House rises it adjourn until tomorrow, Wednesday, May 5th at three of the clock.

On motion the House then adjourned accordingly.

Wednesday, May 5th 1976

The House met at two of the clock pursuant to adjournment.

The Honourable the Minister of Provincial Affairs & Environment made a Statement re an Anti-Litter Campaign to be conducted by the Department of Provincial Affairs & Environment.

The Honourable the Minister of Tourism made a Statement re The Development of Parks in Labrador.

The Honourable the Member for Burin-Placentia West gave notice that he would on tomorrow ask leave to move the following Motion:

WHEREAS the fishing industry of Newfoundland and Labrador is one of the Province's main industries, employing more people than any other;

AND WHEREAS most districts in the Province depend directly or indirectly on the fishery for an economic foundation;

AND WHEREAS this House confines debate on the estimates to a maximum of seventy-five hours;

AND WHEREAS over two-thirds of the alloted time period has been used to debate the Estimates of only five of the twenty departments of Government that require funds;

AND WHEREAS it is now evident that the current rate of progress will not provide sufficient time for a detailed and proper examination of the Estimates of the Department of Fisheries;

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED that this House allow an extension to the time limit specifically to provide for unlimited debate on the Estimates of the Department of Fisheries.

Pursuant to order and on motion the following Resolution was debated:

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED that a Select Committee be appointed to enquire into and to report upon the prospects for Newfoundland and Labrador, including the prospects for economic growth and development and in particular a consideration of those types of development which are best suited to foster and to encourage the way of life most desired by the people of Newfoundland and Labrador;

AND BE IT FURTHERRESOLVED that the Committee have power to sit in and out of Session, to send for papers and other documents, and generally to exercise the powers which may be conferred upon Commissioners under the PUblic Enquiries Act, Chapter 314 of The Revised Statutes of Newfoundland, 1970;

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Committee be authorized to sit from place to place throughout Newfoundland and Labrador.

The debate on the aforesaid Resolution continued and on motion the debate was adjourned for further debate on tomorrow.

It being six of the clock, Mr. Speaker left the Chair until tomorrow, Thursday, May 6th at two of the clock.

On motion the House then adjourned accordingly.

Thursday, May 6th 1976

The House met at two of the clock pursuant to adjournment.

The Honourable the Member for Trinity-Bay de Verde presented two Petitions; one from residents of Hants Harbour re swimming facilities, and one from residents of New H arbour re road.

The Honourable the Minister of Fisheries presented a Petition from Colinet re road.

Pursuant to order and on motion the House resolved itself into a Committee of Supply:

Mr. Speaker left the Chair. Dr. Collins took the Chair of Committee. Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman of the Committee reported that they had considered the matters to them referred, had made some progress and asked leave to sit again.

On motion the report of the Committee was received and adopted and on motion it was ordered the Committee have leave to sit again presently.

At five-thirty of the clock, pursuant to Standing Order 31, certain questions raised by Honourable Members were debated, following which, pursuant to Standing Order 31, Mr. Speaker put the question that the House do now adjourn.

The motion was defeated. At six of the clock Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair at eight of the clock.

Pursuant to order and on motion the House resolved itself into a Committee of Supply:

Mr. Speaker left the Chair. Dr. Collins took the Chair of Committee Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair. The Chairman of the Committee reported that they had considered the matters to them referred, had made some progress and asked leave to sit again.

On motion the report of the Committee was received and adopted and on motion it was ordered the Committee have leave to sit again on tomorrow.

It was moved and seconded that when the House rises it adjourn until tomorrow, Friday, May 7th at ten of the clock in the forenoon.

Friday, May 7th 1976

The House met at ten of the clock pursuant to adjournment.

The Honourable the Leader of The Opposition, seconded by the Honourable Mr. Wells, moved that the House extend congratulations to Mr. Clyde Wells on his appointment as Chancellor of the Anglican Diocese of Western Newfoundland.

The Honourable the Minister of Tourism made a Statement re the proposed amendment to Section 19 of the Wildlife Act.

The Honourable the Minister of Municipal Affairs & Housing gave notice that he would on tomorrow ask leave to introduce a Bill entitled, "An Act To Amend The City Of Corner Brook Act".

The Honourable the Minister of Health gave notice that he would on tomorrow ask leave to introduce a Bill entitled, "An Act To Amend The Solemnization Of Marriage Act, 1974".

The Honourable the Minister of Provincial Affairs & Environment gave notice that he would on tomorrow ask leave to introduce a Bill entitled, "An Act To Register Mortgage Brokers And To Control The Amount Of Bonuses To Be Charged By Mortgage Brokers".

The Honourable the Minister of Justice gave notice that he would on tomorrow ask leave to introduce a Bill entitled, "An Act To Amend The Companies Act".

Pursuant to order and on motion the House resolved itself into a Committee of Supply:

Mr. Speaker left the Chair. Dr. Collins took the Chair of Committee. Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman of the Committee reported that they had considered the matters to them referred, had made some progress and asked leave to sit again.

On motion the report of the Committee was received and adopted and on motion it was ordered the Committee have leave to sit again on tomorrow. It was moved and seconded that when the House rises it adjourn until tomorrow, Monday, May 10th at two of the clock.

On motion the House then adjourned accordingly.

Monday, May 10th 1976

The House met at two of the clock pursuant to adjournment.

Pursuant to order and on motion the House resolved itself into a Committee of Supply:

Mr. Speaker left the Chair. Dr. Collins took the Chair of Committee. Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman of the Committee reported that they had considered the matters to them referred, had passed items of current expenditure under the following Heading:

X - Health, all items with some amendment

had made further progress and asked leave to sit again.

On motion the report of the Committee was received and adopted and on motion it was ordered the Committee have leave to sit again on tomorrow.

It was moved and seconded that when the House rises it adjourn until tomorrow, Tuesday, May 11th at two of the clock.

On motion the House then adjourned accordingly.

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Tuesday, May 11th 1976

The House met at two of the clock pursuant to adjournment.

The Honourable the Member for Baie Verte presented two Petitions from Woodstock; one re road and one re telephone service.

The Honourable the Member for Placentia presented a Petition from Fair Haven re telephone service.

The Honourable the Member for St. George's presented a Petition from residents of the Codroy Valley re Slaughtering facilities.

Pursuant to order and on motion the House resolved itself into a Committee of Supply:

Mr. Speaker left the Chair. Dr. Collins took the Chair of Committee. Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman from the Committee reported that they had considered the matters to them referred, had made some progress and asked leave to sit again.

On motion the report of the Committee was received and adopted and on motion it was ordered the Committee have leave to sit again presently.

Mr. Speaker informed the House that he had received the Special Report No. 1 from the Parliamentary Commissioner (Ombudsman) dated May 11th. 1976.

Pursuant to order and on motion the House resolved itself into a Committee of Supply:

Mr. Speaker left the Chair. Dr. Collins took the Chair of Committee. Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman of the Committee reported that they had considered the matters to them referred and had passed items of expenditure under the following Headings:

Fisheries XIV ----I Consolidated Fund Services -ΙI Legislative -I۷ Finance -V Manpower & Industrial Relations IΧ Rehabilitation and Recreation •••• XII Forestry & Agriculture XIII Tourism -Industrial Development X۷ -XVII **Transportation & Communications** ----XIX Municipal Affairs & Housing -XX Consumer Affairs & Environment -

all items without amendment.

III - Executive Council VII - Justice XVIII - Public Works & Services

all items with some amendment and asked leave to sit again.

On motion the report of the Committee was received and adopted and on motion it was ordered the Committee have leave to sit again on tomorrow.

It was moved and seconded that when the House rises it adjourn until tomorrow, Wednesday, May 12th at three of the clock.

On motion the House then adjourned accordingly.

Wednesday, May 12th 1976

The House met at three of the clock pursuant to adjournment.

The Honourable the Member for Naskaupi presented a Petition from residents of Labrador re a senior citizens home.

The Honourable the Member for Conception Bay South presented a Petition from residents of Paradise re insurance rates for mobile home owners.

The Honourable the Minister of Finance gave notice that he would on tomorrow ask leave To Move The House Into a Committee Of The Whole To Consider A Resolution In Relation To The Raising Of Loans On The Credit Of The Province.

Pursuant to order and on motion the following Resolution was debated:

BE IT RESOLVED that a Select Committee be appointed to enquire into and to report upon the prospects for Newfoundland and Labrador, including the prospects for economic growth and development and in particular a consideration of those types of development which are best suited to foster and to encourage the way of life most desired by the people of Newfoundland and Labrador;

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Committee have power to sit in and out of Session, to send for papers and other documents, and generally to exercise the powers which may be conferred upon Commissioners under the PUblic Enquiries Act, Chapter 314 of The Revised Statutes of Newfoundland, 1970;

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Committee be authorized to sit from place to place throughout Newfoundland and Labrador.

The debate on the Resolution continued and on motion the debate was adjourned for further debate on tomorrow.

It being six of the clock Mr. Speaker left the Chair until tomorrow, Thursday, May 13th at two of the clock.

On motion the House then adjourned accordingly.

Thursday, May 13th 1976

The House met at two of the clock pursuant to adjournment.

The Honourable the Minister of Forestry & Agriculture made a Statement re Forest Fire Protection Facilities, 1976, Department of Forestry & Agriculture.

The Honourable the Minister of Mines & Energy tabled The Annual Report 1975 of Newfoundland and Labrador Hydro.

Pursuant to order and on motion the debate on the Budget was continued.

At five-thirty of the clock, pursuant to Standing Order 31, certain questions raised by Honourable Members were debated, following which, pursuant to Standing Order 31, Mr. Speaker put the question that the House do now adjourn.

The motion was defeated. At six of the clock Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair at eight of the clock.

Pursuant to order and on motion the debate on the Budget was continued.

The Honourable the Member for Burgeo-Bay d'Espoir, seconded by the Honourable the Member for Trinity-Bay de Verde, moved the following Amendment:

That the Motion be amended "by striking out all the words after "that" and substitute therefor the following: "This House regrets the failure of the Government to disclose completely and fully the present financial situation of the Province of Newfoundland and Labrador and the Government thereof".

The debate on the Amendment was commenced and on motion the debate was adjourned for further debate on tomorrow.

It was moved and seconded that when the House rises it adjourn until tomorrow, Friday, May 14th at ten of the clock in the forenoon.

On motion the House then adjourned accordingly.

Friday, May 14th 1976

The House met at ten of the clock pursuant to adjournment.

The Honourable the Minister of Finance tabled a copy of an Agreement between Fishery Products Limited and the Government of Newfoundland.

Pursuant to order and on motion the debate on the Amendment to the Budget was continued.

The Honourable the Member for St. John's North, seconded by the Honourable the Member for Mount Scio, introduced the following subamendment: That the following words be added to the Amendment- "But realizing the difficult situtation facing the Province and in view of the complexity of the situation, absolves the Government from all blame".

The debate on the sub-amendment was commenced and on motion the debate was adjourned for further debate on tomorrow.

It was moved and seconded that when the House rises it adjourn until tomorrow, Monday, May 17th at two of the clock.

On motion the House then adjourned accordingly.

Monday, May 17th 1976

The House met at two of the clock pursuant to adjournment.

The Honourable the Minister of Mines and Energy paid tribute to the memory of the late Mrs. A. E. Hickman. This was concurred in by other honourable members.

The Honourable the Minister of Municipal Affairs & Housing made a Statement re Home Warranty Insurance.

The Honourable the Member for Port au Port presented a Petition from residents of Three Rock Cove and Mainland re road.

Pursuant to order and on motion the following Bills were introduced and read a first time:

A Bill "An Act To Amend The City Of Corner Brook Act".

A Bill "An Act To Amend The Solemnization Of Marriage Act, 1974".

A Bill "An Act To Register Mortgage Brokers And To Control The Amount Of Bonuses To Be Charged By Mortgage Brokers".

A Bill "An Act To Amend The Companies Act".

On motion it was ordered the said Bills be read a second time on tomorrow.

The debate on the Sub-amendment to the Budget was continued and on motion the debate was adjourned for further debate on tomorrow.

It was moved and seconded that when the House rises it adjourn until tomorrow, Tuesday, May 18th at two of the clock.

On motion the House then adjourned accordingly.

Tuesday, May 18th 1976

The House met at two of the clock pursuant to adjournment.

The Honourable the Member for the Straits of Belle Isle presented a Petition from residents of that area re need for medical facilities.

The Honourable the Minister of Manpower & Industrial Relations presented a Petition from St. Barbe re medical facilities.

The Honourable the Member for Eagle River presented a Petition from Black Tickle re the provision of a retail grocery store for the area.

The Honourable the Minister of Municipal Affairs & Housing gave notice that he would on tomorrow ask leave to introduce a Bill entitled: "An Act To Amend The Urban And Rural Planning Act".

The Honourable the Minister of Health gave notice that he would on tomorrow ask leave to introduce a Bill entitled: "An Act Further To Amend The Newfoundland Medical Care Insurance Act".

Pursuant to order and on motion the debate on the Sub-amendment to the Budget was continued and concluded.

Mr. Speaker put the question. The House divided.

There appeared in favour of the motion: The Honourable the Leader of the Opposition, Mr. Strachan, Mr. Canning, Mr. Rowe, Mr. Simmons, Mr. White, Mr. C. J. Flight, Mr. Lush, Mr. Rideout, Capt. Earl Winsor, Mr. McNeill, Mr. Neary, The Honourable Mr. Smallwood, Mr. Callan, Mr. Moores.

Against: The Honourable the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, The Honourable the Minister of Manpower & Industrial Relations, The Honourable the Minister of Social Services, The Honourable the Minister of Justice, The Honourable the Minister of Mines & Energy, The Honourable Mr. Wells, The Honourable the Minister of Finance, The Honourable the Minister of Industrial & Rural Development, The Honourable the Minister of Fisheries, The Honourable the Minister of Public Works & Services, The Honourable the Minister of Forestry and Agriculture, The Honourable the Minister of Education, Dr. Collins, Mr. Young, Mr. Goudie, Mr. N. Winsor, Mr. Dinn, Mr. Patterson, Mr. Carter, Dr. R. Windsor, Mr. Marshall.

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Mr. Speaker declared the Motion lost.

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Pursuant to order and on motion the debate on the Amendment to the Budget was continued.

At six of the clock Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair at eight of the clock.

Pursuant to order and on motion the debate on the Amendment to the Budget was continued and on motion the debate was adjourned for further debate on tomorrow.

It was moved and seconded that when the House rises it adjourn until tomorrow, Wednesday, May 19th at three of the clock.

On motion the House then adjourned accordingly.

Wednesday, May 19th 1976

The House met at three of the clock pursuant to adjournment.

The Honourable the Minister of Fisheries made a Statement respecting tenders for a fish handling facility at Musgrave Harbour.

The Honourable the Minister of Social Services made a Statement respecting Child Abuse in Newfoundland.

The Honourable the Leader of the Opposition presented a Petition from employees of Metropolitan Security and Eastern Canada Towing Co. respecting termination pay at the Come By Chance Oil Refinery.

The Honourable the Member for Naskaupi presented a Petition from residents of Northwest River and Goose Bay re Road.

The Honourable Mr. Wells presented a Petition from Residents of the Goulds re the proposed incinerator for the Shoal Bay Road.

The Honourable the Member for Naskaupi presented a Petition from residents of Happy Valley/Goose Bay re the proposed relocation of medical facilities.

The Honourable the Minister of Justice gave notice that he would on tomorrow ask leave to introduce the following Bills:

A Bill "An Act To Amend The PUblic Utilities Act".

A Bill "An Act Respecting The Retirement Of Magistrates".

The Honourable the Minister of Forestry & Agriculture gave notice that he would on tomorrow ask leave to introduce a Bill entitled, "An Act To Amend The Livestock (Community Sales) Act".

Pursuant to order and on motion the following Resolution was debated:

BE IT RESOLVED that a Select Committee be appointed to enquire into and to report upon the prospects for Newfoundland and Labrador, including the prospects for economic growth and development and in particular a consideration of those types of development which are best suited to foster and to encourage the way of life most desired by the people of Newfoundland and Labrador;

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Committee have power to sit in and out of Session, to send for papers and other documents, and generally to exercise the powers which may be conferred upon Commissioners under the Public Enquiries Act, Chapter 314 of The Revised Statutes of Newfoundland, 1970;

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Committee be authorized to sit from place to place throughout Newfoundland and Labrador.

The debate on the Resolution was continued and on motion the debate was adjourned for further debate on tomorrow.

It being six of the clock Mr. Speaker left the Chair until tomorrow, Thursday, May 20th at two of the clock.

On motion the House then adjourned accordingly.

HUGH F. COADY Clerk of The House of Assembly

Thursday, May 20th 1976

The House met at two of the clock pursuant to adjournment.

The Honourable Mr. Wells moved that the House adjourn for one hour and on motion Mr. Speaker left the Chair until three of the clock.

At three of the clock Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Honourable the Premier made a Statement respecting energy negotiations with the Province of Quebec.

The Honourable the Minister of Forestry & Agriculture made a Statement respecting the signing of an agreement with Price (Nfld.) with respect to timber rights to the Mooney Block on the Great Northern Peninsula.

The Honourable the Minister of Finance gave notice that he would on tomorrow ask leave to introduce a Bill entitled, "An Act To Ratify, Confirm And Adopt An Agreement Made Between The Government And The Government Of Canada Respecting Price and Income Controls.

Pursuant to Standing Order 23, the Honourable the Member for Lapoile presented a motion for the adjournment of the House to discuss a matter of urgent public importance, namely the situation that has arisen between Newfoundland and Labrador and the Province of Quebec in connection with the recall and purchase of power from Quebec Hydro and developed at the Upper Churchill.

Pursuant to order and on motion the debate on the above motion was commenced.

At five-thirty of the clock pursuant to Standing Order 31, certain questions rasied by honourable members were debated, following which, pursuant to Standing Order 31, Mr. Speaker put the question that the House do now adjourn.

The motion was defeated.

At six of the clock Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair at eight of the clock.

Pursuant to order and on motion the debate on the adjournment motion proposed by the Honourable the Member for Lapoile was continued.

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At eleven of the clock Mr. Speaker left the Chair until tomorrow, Friday, May 21st at ten of the clock in the forenoon.

HUGH F. COADY Clerk of The House of Assembly

Friday, May 21st 1976

The House met at ten of the clock pursuant to adjournment.

The Honourable the Minister of Municipal Affairs & Housing made a Statement re the incorporation of the Town of Buchans.

The Honourable the Member for Baie Verte-White Bay presented a Petition from Seal Cove re road.

The Honourable the Minister of Justice gave notice that he would on tomorrow ask leave to introduce a Bill entitled, "An Act To Remove Anomalies And Errors In The Statute Law".

The Honourable the Minister of Health gave notice that he would on tomorrow ask leave to introduce a Bill entitled, "An Act Respecting The Newfoundland Optometric Association And Governing The Practice of Optometry In The Province".

The Honourable the Minister of Municipal Affairs & Housing by leave presented a report of the nominating committee presenting the names of members appointed to the following committees:

Public Accounts Committee-	Roger Simmons, Chairman Neil Winsor Jerome Dinn William Patterson Ramon Winsor Freeman White Rod Moores
<u>Standing Orders Committee</u> -	Robert Wells , Chairman Alex Hickman Jerome Dinn Edward Roberts Wilson Callan

Pursuant to order and on motion the following Bills were introduced and read a first time:

A Bill "An Act Further To Amend The Newfoundland Medical Care Insurance Act".

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A Bill "An Act To Amend The Urban And Rural Planning Act".

A Bill "An Act To Amend The PUblic Utilities Act".

A Bill "An Act Respecting The Retirement Of Magistrates".

A Bill "An Act To Amend The Livestock (Community Sales) Act".

A Bill "An Act To Ratify, Confirm And Adopt An Agreement Made Between The Government And The Government of Canada Respecting Price And Income Controls".

On motion it was ordered the said Bills be read a second time on tomorrow.

The debate on the Amendment to the Budget was continued and concluded.

Mr. Speaker put the question. The House divided.

There appeared in favour of the motion: The Honourable the Leader of the Opposition, Mr. Hodder, Mr. Strachan, Mr. Canning, Mr. Rowe, Mr. Simmons, Mr. White, Mr. C. J. Winsor, Mr. Lush, Mr. Rideout, Mr. Nolan, Mr. McNeil, Mr. Neary.

Against: The Honourable the Premier, The Honourable the Minister of Municipal Affairs & Housing, The Honourable the Minister of Tourism, The Honourable the Minister of M anpower & Industrial Relations, The Honourable the Minister of Health, The Honourable the Minister of Social Services, The Honourable the Minister of Justice, The Honourable the Minister of Mines & Energy, The Honourable Mr. Wells, The Honourable the Minister of Finance, The Honourable the Minister of Industrial & Rural Development, The Honourable the Minister of Fisheries, The Honourable the Minister of Public Works & Services, The Honourable the Minister of Forestry & Agriculture, Mr. Young, Mr. Goudie, Mr. N. Winsor, Mr. Dinn, Mr. Patterson, Mr. Carter, Mr. Woodrow, Dr. R. Windsor, Mr. Marshall, The Honourable Mr. Smallwood, Mr. Callan, Mr. Moores.

Mr. Speaker declared the motion lost.

The debate on the Budget was continued and on motion the debate was adjourned for further debate on tomorrow.

It was moved and seconded that when the House rises it adjourn until tomorrow, Tuesday, May 25th at two of the clock.

On motion the House then adjourned accordingly.

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HUGH F. COADY Clerk of The House of Assembly

Tuesday, May 25th 1976

The House met at two of the clock pursuant to adjournment.

The Honourable the Minister of Fisheries made a Statement re community stages.

The Honourable the Minister of Industrial & Rural Development made a Statement re the Rural Development Authority.

Pursuant to order and on motion the debate on the Budget was continued.

At six of the clock Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair at eight of the clock.

The debate on the Budget was continued and concluded.

Mr. Speaker put the question that he do now leave the Chair and that the House resolve itself into a Committee of Ways and Means.

The House divided. There appeared in favour of the Motion:

The Honourable the Premier, The Honourable the Minister of Municipal Affairs & Housing, The Honourable the Minister of Transportation and Communications, The Honourable the Minister of Tourism, The Honourable the Minister of Manpower & Industrial Relations, The Honourable the Minister of Health, The Honourable the Minister of Social Services, The Honourable the Minister of Justice, The Honourable the Minister of Mines & Energy, The Honourable Mr. Wells, The Honourable the Minister of Finance, The Honourable the Minister of Industrial & Rural Development, The Honourable the Minister of Fisheries, The Honourable the Minister of Forestry & Agriculture, The Honourable the Minister of Education, Mr. Young, Mr. Goudie, Mr. N. Winsor, Mr. Dinn, Mr. Carter, Mr. Woodrow, Dr. R. Windsor, Mr. Marshall.

Against: The Honourable the Leader of The Opposition, Mr. Hodder, Mrs. MacIsaac, Mr. Strachan, Mr. Canning, Mr. Rowe, Mr. Simmons, Mr. White, Mr. Flight, Mr. Lush, Mr. Rideout, Mr. McNeil, Mr. Callan.

Mr. Speaker declared the Motion carried.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Young took the Chair of Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman of the Committee reported that they had considered the matters to them referred, had made some progress and asked leave to sit again.

On motion the report of the Committee was received and adopted and on motion it was ordered the Committee have leave to sit again presently.

The Honourable the Minister of Finance announced that he had received a Message from His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor which Message was read to the House by Mr. Speaker as follows:

"I, the Lieutenant-Governor of the Province of Newfoundland, transmit estimates of sums required for the public service of the Province for the year ending 31st day of March, 1977 by way of further supply and in accordance with the provisions of the British North America Act of 1867, as amended, I recommend these estimates to the House of Assembly".

> Sgd. GORDON A. WINTER Lieutenant-Governor

May 12, 1976

On motion it was ordered that the Message, together with the amended estimates, be referred to the Committee of Supply.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair. Mr. Young took the Chair of Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman of the Committee reported that they had considered the matters to themreferred and had passed amended estimates of Supply totalling \$755,133,200 in addition to the initial sum of \$134,500,000 previously authorized and asked leave to sit again.

On motion the report of the Committee was received and adopted and on motion it was ordered that the Committee have leave to sit again presently. Pursuant to order and on motion the House resolved itself into a Committee of Ways and Means to consider a certain Resolution:

> Mr. Speaker left the Chair. Mr. Young took the Chair of Committee. Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman of the Committee reported that they had considered the matter to them referred, and had passed a certain Resolution for the granting of Supply to Her Majesty and recommended that a Bill be introduced to give effect to the same.

It was moved and seconded that the House concur with the Committee therein, and the said Resolution was agreed to.

On motion of the Honourable the Minister of Finance, the Bill entitled, "An Act For Granting To Her Majesty Certain Sums Of Money For Defraying Certain Expenses Of The Public Service For The Financial Year Ending The Thirty-First Day Of March One Thousand Nine Hundred And Seventy-Seven And For Other Purposes Relating To The Public Service", was introduced and read a first, second and third time and passed and it was ordered that the said Bill be printed, being entitled as above and that it be submitted to His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor for His Assent.

By leave of the House, the Honourable Mr. Wells moved that the report of the Committee commending the appointment of certain members of the House to comprise the Public Accounts Committee and the Committee on Standing Orders be concurred in.

Mr. Speaker put the question. The Motion was carried.

The debate on the Sub-amendment to the Address In Reply presented by the Honourable the Member for Twillingate, was continued and concluded.

Mr. Speaker put the question. The sub-amendment was lost.

The debate on the Amendment to The Address In Reply proposed by the Honourable the Leader of The Opposition was continued and on motion the debate was adjourned for further debate on tomorrow.

It was moved and seconded that when the House rises it adjourn until tomorrow, Wednesday, May 26th at three of the clock.

On motion the House then adjourned accordingly.

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> HUGH F. COADY Clerk of The House of Assembly

Wednesday, May 26th 1976

The House met at three of the clock pursuant to adjournment.

The Honourable the Minister of Tourism made a Statement re the maintenance of law and order in Provincial Parks.

The Honourable the Member for Mount Pearl, on behalf of the Honourable the Premier, presented petitions from residents of Great Harbour Deep and Roddickton re the Operation of the Fish Plant at Bide Arm.

The Honourable the Member for Placentia presented a Petition from residents of Fair Haven re roaming animals in that Community.

The Honourable the Minister of Finance presented a Petition from residents of Healey's Pond Road, Conception Harbour, re road.

The Honourable the Minister of Finance gave notice that he would on tomorrow ask leave to introduce the following Bills:

A Bill "An Act Further to Amend The Newfoundland Industrial Development Corporation Act".

A Bill "An Act Further To Amend The Newfoundland Municipal Financing Corporation Act".

The Honourable the Minister of Justice gave notice that he would on tomorrow ask leave to introduce a Bill entitled, "An Act To Strengthen Security Measures In Respect Of Private Property".

Pursuant to order and on motion the debate on the following Resolution was continued and concluded:

Be It Resolved that a Select Committee be appointed to enquire into and to report upon the prospects for Newfoundland and Labrador, including the prospects for economic growth and development and in particular a consideration of those types of development which are best suited to foster and to encourage the way of life most desired by the people of Newfoundland and Labrador;

And Be It Further Resolved that the Committee have power to sit

in and out of Session, to send for papers and other documents, and generally to exercise the powers which may be conferred upon Commissioners under the Public Enquiries Act, Chapter 314 of The Revised Statutes of Newfoundland, 1970;

And Be It Further Resolved that the Committee be authorized to sit from place to place throughout Newfoundland and Labrador.

Mr. Speaker put the question. The Resolution was defeated on division.

Pursuant to order and on motion the following Resolution proposed by the Honourable the Member for Conception Bay South was debated:

WHEREAS the cost of living in Newfoundland and Labrador continues to rise;

AND WHEREAS the cost of living is a matter of growing concern and importance to the citizens of Newfoundland and Labrador;

AND WHEREAS eight out of the ten recommendations made by the Food Prices Review Board in their Report, "Food Prices in Newfoundland: Comparison with Mainland Regions", submitted in November 1974 require action by the Government of the Province;

NOW BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED that this House directs and requires the Government immediately to implement those recommendations of the Report that fall within the jurisdiction of the Province.

The debate on the Resolution was continued and on motion the debate was adjourned for further debate on tomorrow.

It being six of the clock Mr. Speaker left the Chair until tomorrow, Thursday, May 27th at two of the clock.

HUGH F. COADY Clerk of The House of Assembly

Thursday, May 27th 1976

The House met at two of the clock pursuant to adjournment.

The Honourable the Premier made two Statements; one concerning the Labrador Development Corporation and one respecting certain changes in the Public Service in the Department of Rehabilitation and Recreation and the Department of Consumer Affairs & Environment.

The Honourable the Premier gave notice that he would on tomorrow ask leave to introduce a Bill entitled, "An Act To Style The Department of Provincial Affairs And Environment As The Department of Consumer Affairs & Environment".

The Honourable the Minister of Finance gave notice that he would on tomorrow ask leave to introduce a Bill entitled, "An Act To Amend The Liquor Control Act, 1973".

The Honourable the Minister of Mines & Energy gave notice that he would on tomorrow ask leave to introduce the following Bills:

A Bill "An Act Further To Amend The Agreement Ratified, Confirmed And Adopted By And Set Forth In The Schedule To The Commodore Mining Company Limited (Agreement) Act, 1968, And To Make Certain Statutory Provisions Relating To That Agreement".

A Bill "An Act To Amend The Stephenville Linerboard Mill (Agreement) Act, 1972".

The Honourable the Minister of Education gave notice that he would on tomorrow ask leave to introduce a Bill entitled, "An Act To Amend The Local School Tax Act".

The Honourable the Minister of Manpower & Industrial Relations gave notice that he would on tomorrow ask leave to introduce the following Bills:

A Bill "An Act Respecting Labour Relations In The Province".

A Bill "An Act To Control The Relationship Between Employers And Employees Within The Province And To Provide Uniform Minimum Standards Of Conditions Of Employment".

The Honourable the Minister of Forestry & Agriculture gave notice that he would on tomorrow ask leave to introduce a Bill entitled, "An Act To Amend The Forest Fires Act".

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The Honourable the Minister of Justice, on behalf of the Honourable the Minister of Provincial Affairs & Environment gave notice that he would on tomorrow ask leave to introduce a Bill entitled, "An Act To Amend The Waste Material (Disposal) Act".

Pursuant to order and on motion the following Bills were introduced and read a first time:

- A Bill "An Act Respecting The Newfoundland Optometric Association And Governing The Practice Of Optometry In The Province".
- A Bill "An Act To Remove Anomalies And Errors In The Statute Law".
- A Bill "An Act Further To Amend The Newfoundland Industrial Development Corporation Act".
- A Bill "An Act Further to Amend The Newfoundland Municipal Financing Corporation Act".
- A Bill "An Act To Strengthen Security Measures In Respect Of Private Property".

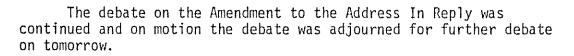
On motion it was ordered the said Bills be read a second time on tomorrow.

The debate on the Amendment to the Address In Reply proposed by the Honourable the Leader of The Opposition was continued.

At five-thirty of the clock, pursuant to Standing Order 31, certain questions raised by Honourable Members were debated, following which, pursuant to Standing Order 31, Mr. Speaker put the question that the House do now adjourn. The motion was defeated.

At six of the clock Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair at eight of the clock.



It was moved and seconded that when the House rises it adjourn until tomorrow, Friday, May 28th at ten of the clock in the forenoon.

> HUGH F. COADY Clerk of The House of Assembly

Friday, May 28th 1976

The House met at ten of the clock pursuant to adjournment.

The Honourable the Minister of Municipal Affairs & Housing made a Statement re the Federal/Provincial Mortgage Lending Program.

The Honourable the Minister of Fisheries made a Statement re Inshore Fish Landings.

The Honourable the Minister of Forestry & Agriculture made a Statement re the Corner Brook Abbatoir.

The Honourable the Member for Baie Verte-White Bay presented a Petition from residents of Woodstock re a community stage and a bait holding unit.

The Honourable the Minister of Fisheries presented a Petition from residents of Admiral's Beach, O'Donnell's and St. Joseph's re road.

The Honourable the Minister of Municipal Affairs & Housing gave notice that he would on tomorrow ask leave to introduce a Bill entitled, "An Act To Amend The Local Government Act, 1972".

The Honourable the Minister of Finance gave notice that he would on tomorrow ask leave to introduce a Bill entitled, "An Act To Amend The Tobacco Tax Act".

The Honourable the Minister of Health gave notice that he would on tomorrow ask leave to introduce a Bill entitled, "An Act To Amend The Hospital Insurance (Agreement) Act".

Pursuant to order and on motion the following Bills were introduced and read a first time:

A Bill "An Act To Style The Department Of Provincial Affairs And Environment As The Department Of Consumer Affairs And Environment".

A Bill "An Act To Amend The Liquor C ontrol Act".

- A Bill "An Act Further To Amend The Agreement Ratified, Confirmed And Adopted By And Set Forth In The Schedule To The Commodore Mining Company Limited (Agreement) Act, 1968, And To Make Certain Statutory Provisions Relating To That Agreement".
- A Bill "An Act To Amend The Stephenville Linerboard Mill (Agreement) Act, 1972".
- A Bill "An Act To Amend The Local School Tax Act".

- A Bill "An Act Respecting Labour Relations In The Province".
- A Bill "An Act To Control The Relationship Between Employers And Employees Within The Province And To Provide Uniform Minimum Standards Of Conditions Of Employment".
- A Bill "An Act To Amend The Forest Fires Act".
- A Bill "An Act To Amend The Waste Material (Disposal) Act".

On motion it was ordered the said Bills be read a second time on tomorrow.

Pursuant to order and on motion the debate on the Amendment to the Address In Reply proposed by the Honourable the Leader of the Opposition was continued and on motion the debate was adjourned for further debate on tomorrow.

It was moved and seconded that when the House rises it adjourn until tomorrow, Monday, May 31st at two of the clock.

On motion the House then adjourned accordingly.

HUGH F. COADY Clerk of The House of Assembly

Monday, May 31st 1976

The House met at two of the clock pursuant to adjournment.

The Honourable the Minister of Tourism made a Statement re Free Big Game Hunting Licenses.

The Honourable the Member for Eagle River presented a Petition from St. Lewis (Fox Harbour) re road.

The Honourable the Member for Bellevue presented a Petition from residents of that community re road.

Pursuant to order and on motion the following Bills were introduced and read a first time:

A Bill "An Act To Amend The Local Government Act, 1972".

- A Bill "An Act To Amend The Hospital Insurance (Agreement) Act".
- A Bill "An Act To Amend The Tobacco Tax Act".

On motion it was ordered the said Bills be read a second time on tomorrow.

Pursuant to order and on motion the following Bills were read a second time:

- A Bill "An Act To Amend The Newfoundland And Labrador Amateur Sports Federation" .
- A Bill "An Act To Amend The Companies Act".
- A Bill "An Act To Repeal The Newfoundland Agricultural Marketing Act".
- A Bill "An Act To Amend The Crown Lands Act".
- A Bill "An Act Respecting The Retirement Of Magistrates".
- A Bill "An Act To Amend The Wills Act".

A Bill "An Act To Enable Extra-Provincial Custody Orders To Be Enforced In The Province Of Newfoundland".

A Bill "An Act Respecting The Adoption Of The Uniform Interprovincial Subpoena In This Province".

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A Bill "An Act Respecting The Keeping Of Dogs".

A Bill "An Act To Amend The District Courts Act".

On motion it was ordered the said Bills be referred to a Committee of The Whole House on tomorrow.

It was moved and seconded that when the House rises it adjourn until tomorrow, Tuesday, June 1st at two of the clock.

On motion the House then adjourned accordingly.

HUGH F. COADY Clerk of The House of Assembly

Tuesday, June 1st 1976

The House met at two of the clock pursuant to adjournment.

The Honourable the Premier made a Statement re negotiations with the Province of Quebec regarding the recall of power from the Upper Churchill River.

The Honourable the Premier, seconded by the Honourable the Leader of the Opposition, moved the following Resolution:

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED that this House condemns the refusal of the Government of Quebec to cause Hydro Quebec to allow Newfoundland and Labrador Hydro to recapture from the output of the Upper Churchill a quantity of power sufficient to justify the construction of a transmission line across Labrador and the Strait of Belle Isle to the Island of Newfoundland, paying therefore the same price paid for that power by Hydro Quebec to Churchill Falls Labrador Corporation.

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the government take all actions necessary and appropriate to ensure that the best interests of this Province are protected and enhanced in this matter and that this House unanimously endorses and supports the stand of the Government on the matter of the recapture of power from Churchill Falls to the Province of Newfoundland and Labrador.

Mr. Speaker put the question. The House divided.

There appeared in favour of the Motion: The Honourable the Premier, The Honourable the Minsiter of Municipal Affairs & Housing, The Honourable the Minister of Transportation & Communications, The Honourable the Minister of Tourism, The Honourable the Minister of Manpower & Industrial Relations, The Honourable the Minister of Health, The Honourable the Minister of Social Services, The Honourable the Minister of Provincial Affairs & Environment, The Honourable the Minister of Justice, The Honourable Mr. Wells, The Honourable the Minister of Finance, The Honourable the Minister of Industrial & Rural Development, The Honourable the Minister of Fisheries, The Honourable the Minister of Public Works & Services, The Honourable the Minister of Forestry & Agriculture, The Honourable the Minister of Education, Mr. Young, Mr. Goudie, Mr. Winsor, Mr. Dinn, Mr. Patterson, Mr. Woodrow, Dr. Windsor, Mr. Marshall, The Honourable the Leader of the Opposition, Mr. Hodder, Mrs. MacIsaac, Mr. Strachan, Mr. Rowe, Mr. Simmons, Mr. Winsor, Mr. Flight, Mr. Lush, Mr. Rideout, Mr. Nolan, Mr. McNeil, The Honourable Mr. Smallwood, Mr. Dawe, Mr. Moores.

Against: Nil.

Mr. Speaker declared the Motion unanimously carried.

The Honourable the Leader of the Opposition seconded by the Honourable the Minister of Justice, moved that a letter of condolence be forwarded to the family of the late Captain Clarence Williams.

The Honourable the Minister of Finance made a Statement re the raising of a loan by way of a bond issue.

The Honourable the Minister of Health gave notice that he would on tomorrow ask leave to introduce a Bill entitled, "An Act To Amend The Hospitals Act".

The Honourable the Minister of Municipal Affairs & Housing gave notice that he would on tomorrow ask leave to introduce the following Bills:

A Bill "An Act To Amend The City Of St. John's Act".

A Bill "An Act To Amend The Assessment Act (No. 2)".

The Honourable the Minister of Provincial Affairs & Environment gave notice that he would on tomorrow ask leave to introduce a Bill entitled, "An Act To Amend The Co-operative Societies Act".

The Honourable the Minister of Justice gave notice that he would on tomorrow ask leave to introduce the following Bills:

A Bill "An Act To Repeal And Replace The District Courts Act".

A Bill "An Act Respecting The Sheriff Of Newfoundland And His Officials".

Pursuant to order and on motion the following Bills were read a second time:

A Bill "An Act Further To Amend The Quieting Of Titles Act".

- A Bill "An Act Further To Amend The Child Welfare Act, 1972".
- A Bill "An Act Further To Amend The Medical Act".

A Bill "An Act To Amend The Pharmaceutical Association Act".

"An Act To Amend The Local Government (Elections) A Bill Act". A Bill "An Act To Amend The Community Councils Act". A Bill "An Act To Register Mortgage Brokers And To Control The Amount Of Bonuses To Be Charged By Mortgage Brokers And Mortgage Lenders". A Bill "An Act To Amend The Registration Of Deeds Act". "An Act Further To Amend The Newfoundland Medical A Bill Care Insurance Act". A Bill "An Act To Amend The Solemnization Of Marriage Act, 1974". A Bill "An Act To Amend The City Of Corner Brook Act". A Bill "An Act Respecting Queen's Counsel And Precedence At The Bar". On motion it was ordered that the said Bills be referred to a Committee of the Whole House presently by leave. Pursuant to order and on motion the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole House to consider certain Bills: Mr. Speaker left the Chair. Mr. Young took the Chair of Committee. Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair. The Chairman of the Committee reported that they had considered the matters to them referred and had passed the following Bills with some amendments: "An Act To Amend The Women's Patriotic Trust Fund A Bill Act, 1920". "An Act To Amend The Wills Act". A Bill

A Bill "An Act To Amend The Pharmaceutical Association Act".

- A Bill "An Act To Amend The Community Councils Act, 1972".
- A Bill "An Act Respecting Queen's Counsel And Precedence At The Bar".
- A Bill "An Act To Amend The Solemnization Of Marriage Act, 1974".
- A Bill "An Act To Register Mortgage Brokers And To Control The Amount Of Bonuses To Be Charged By Mortgage Brokers And Mortgage Lenders".

The Chairman of Committee further reported that they had passed the following Bills without amendment:

A Bill "An Act To Amend The Prisons Act".

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- A Bill "An Act To Amend The Evidence Act".
- A Bill "An Act To Repeal The Newfoundland Agricultural Marketing Act".
- A Bill "An Act To Amend The Crown Lands Act".
- A Bill "An Act To Enable Extra-Provincial Custody Orders To Be Enforced In The Province Of Newfoundland".
- A Bill "An Act Respecting The Keeping Of Dogs".
- A Bill "An Act To Amend The District Courts Act".
- A Bill "An Act To Amend The Companies Act".
- A Bill "An Act Respecting The Retirement Of Magistrates".
- A Bill "An Act Further To Amend The Quieting Of Titles Act".
- A Bill "An Act Further To Amend The Child Welfare Act, 1972".
- A Bill "An Act Further To Amend The Medical Act".
- A Bill "An Act To Amend The Development Areas (Lands) Act".
- A Bill "An Act To Amend The Local Government (Elections) Act".

A Bill "An Act To Amend The Registration Of Deeds Act".

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- A Bill "An Act To Amend The City Of Corner Brook Act".
- A Bill "An Act Further To Amend The Newfoundland Medical Care Insurance Act".

On motion the report of the Committee was received and adopted and on motion it was ordered the said Bills without amendment be read a third time presently.

Pursuant to order and on motion the following Bills were read a third time and passed:

A Bill "An Act To Amend The Prisons Act".

- A Bill "An Act To Amend The Evidence Act".
- A Bill "An Act To Repeal The Newfoundland Agricultural Marketing Act".

A Bill "An Act To Amend The Crown Lands Act".

- A Bill "An Act To Enable Extra-Provincial Costody Orders To Be Enforced In The Province Of Newfoundland".
- A Bill "An Act Respecting The Keeping Of Dogs".

A Bill "An Act To Amend The District Courts Act".

- A Bill "An Act Respecting The Retirement Of Magistrates".
- A Bill "An Act Further To Amend The Quieting Of Titles Act".
- A Bill "An Act Further To Amend The Child Welfare Act, 1972".
- A Bill "An Act Further To Amend The Medical Act".
- A Bill "An Act To Amend The Development Areas (Lands) Act".
- A Bill "An Act To Amend The Local Government (Elections) Act".
- A Bill "An Act To Amend The Registration Of Deeds Act".

A Bill "An Act To Amend The City Of Corner Brook Act".

A Bill "An Act Further To Amend The Newfoundland Medical Care Insurance Act".

On motion it was ordered that the said Bills be printed being entitled as above and be submitted to His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor for His Assent.

The said amendments having been read a first and second time, the following Bills were read a third time and passed:

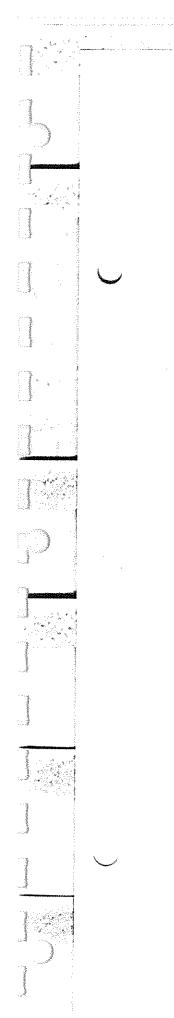
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- A Bill "An Act To Amend The Wills Act".

- A Bill "An Act To Amend The Pharmaceutical Association Act".
- A Bill "An Act To Amend The Community Councils Act, 1972".
- A Bill "An Act Respecting Queen's Counsel And Precedence At The Bar".
- A Bill "An Act To Amend The Solemnization Of Marriage Act, 1974".
- A Bill "An Act To Register Martgage Brokers And To Control The Amount Of Bonuses To Be Charged By Mortgage Brokers And Mortgage Lenders".

On motion it was ordered that the Said Bills be printed being entitled as above and be submitted to His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor for His Assent.

Pursuant to order and on motion the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole to consider certain Bills.

> Mr. Speaker left the Chair. Mr. Young took the Chair of Committee. Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.



The Chairman of the Committee reported that they had considered the matters to them referred, had made some progress and asked leave to sit again.

On motion the report of the Committee was received and adopted and on motion it was ordered the Committee have leave to sit again presently.

Pursuant to order and on motion the following Bills were read a second time:

- A Bill "An Act For The Avoidance Of Uncertainty Concerning Certain Judgements Issuing OUt Of The Supreme Court Of Newfoundland".
- A Bill "An Act To Amend The Liquor Corporation Act".
- A Bill "An Act To Ratify, Confirm And Adopt An Agreement Made Between The Government And The Government Of Canada Respecting Price And Income Controls".
- A Bill "An Act To Remove Anomalies And Errors In The Statute Law".
- A Bill "An Act Further To Amend The Newfoundland Municipal Financing Corporation Act".

On motion it was ordered the said Bills be referred to a Committee of the While House presently.

Pursuant to order and on motion the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole to consider certain Bills:

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

- Mr. Young took the Chair of Committee.
- Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman of the Committee reported that they had considered the matters to them referred and had passed a Bill entitled."An Act To Ratify, Confirm And Adopt An Agreement Made Between The Government And The Government Of Canada Respecting Price And Income Controls", with some amendment. The Chairman of the Committee further reported that they had considered the matters to them referred and had passed the following Bills without amendment:

- A Bill "An Act For The Avoidance Of Uncertainty Concerning Certain Judgements Issuing OUt Of The Supreme Court Of Newfoundland".
- A Bill "An Act To Amend The Liquor Corporation Act".
- A Bill "An Act To Remove Anomalies And Errors In The Statute Law".
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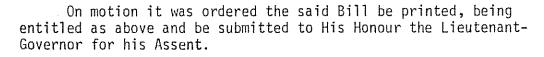
On motion the report of the Committee was received and adopted and on motion it was ordered the said Bills without amendment be read a third time presently.

Pursuant to order and on motion the following Bills were read a third time and passed:

- A Bill "An Act For The Avoidance Of Uncertainty Concerning Certain Judgements Issuing Out OfThe Supreme Court Of Newfoundland".
- A Bill "An Act To Amend The Liquor Corporation Act".
- A Bill "An Act To Remove Anomalies And Errors In The Statute Law".
- A Bill "An Act Further To Amend The Newfoundland Municipal Financing Corporation Act".

On motion it was ordered the said Bills be printed, being entitled as above and be submitted to His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor for his assent.

The said amendment having been read a first and second time, the Bill entitled, "An Act To Ratify, Confirm And Adopt An Agreement Made Between The Government And The Government Of Canada Respecting Price And Income Controls", was read a third time and passed.



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It was moved and seconded that when the House rises it adjourn until tomorrow, Wednesday, June 2nd at three of the clock.

HUGH F. COADY Clerk of The House of Assembly

173 Wednesday, June 2nd 1976

The House met at three of the clock pursuant to adjournment.

The Honourable the Minister of Tourism made two Statements; one concerning the Norma and Gladys and one re the Black Bear Hunting Season.

The Honourable the Member for Baie-Verte White Bay presented a Petition from residents of Purbeck's Cove re road.

The Honourable Mr. Wells presented a Petition from employees of the Waterford Hospital re pension plan.

Pursuant to order and on motion the following Bills were introduced and read a first time:

A Bill "An Act to Amend The Hospitals Act, 1971".

A Bill "An Act To Amend The City Of St. John's Act".

A Bill "An Act To Amend The Assessment Act (No. 2)".

A Bill "An Act To Amend The Co-operative Societies Act".

A Bill "An Act To Repeal And Replace The District Courts Act".

On motion it was ordered the said Bills be read a second time on tomorrow.

Pursuant to order and on motion the following Bills were read a second time:

A Bill "An Act To Adopt A Mineral Emblem For The Province".

A Bill "An Act To Provide Retiring Allowances On A Contributory Basis To Persons Who Have Served As Members Of The House Of Assembly".

A Bill "An Act To Amend The Department Of Transportation And Communications Act".

A Bill "An Act To Amend The Livestock (Community Sales) Act".

A Bill "An Act To Amend The Workmen's Compensation Act".

On motion it was ordered the said Bills be referred to a Committee of the Whole House presently.

At six of the clock Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair at eight of the clock.

Pursuant to order and on motion the following Bills were read a second time:

A Bill "An Act To Amend The Urban And Rural Planning Act".

- A Bill "An Act To Strengthen Security Measures In Respect Of Private Property".
- A Bill "An Act Further To Amend The Newfoundland Industrial Development Corporation Act".
- A Bill "An Act To Amend The Waste Material (Disposal) Act".

On motion it was ordered the said Bills be referred to a Committee of the Whole House presently.

Pursuant to order and on motion the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole to consider certain Bills:

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Young took the Chair of Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman of the committee reported that they had considered the matters to themreferred and had passed the following Bills without amendment:

- A Bill "An Act To Adopt A Mineral Emblem For The Province".
- A Bill "An Act To Provide Retiring Allowances On A Contributory Basis To Persons Who Have Served As Members Of The House Of Assembly".
- A Bill "An Act To Amend The Department Of Transportation And Communications Act".

- A Bill "An Act To Amend The Workmen's Compensation Act".
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- A Bill "An Act Further To Amend The Newfoundland Industrial Development Corporation Act".
- A Bill "An Act To Strengthen Security Measures In Respect Of Private Property".
- A Bill "An Act To Amend The Waste Material (Disposal) Act".

The Chairman of the Committee further reported that they had passed the Bill entitled, "An Act Respecting The Adoption Of The Uniform Interprovincial Subpoena In This Province", with some amendment.

On motion it was ordered the reports of the Committee be received and adopted and it was ordered that the Committee have leave to sit again presently.

On motion the following Bills were read a third time and passed:

- A Bill "An Act To Adopt A Mineral Emblem For The Province".
- A Bill "An Act To Provide Retiring Allowances On A Contributory Basis To Persons Who Have Served As Members Of The House Of Assembly".
- A Bill "An Act To Amend The Department Of Transportation And Communications Act".
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- A Bill "An Act To Strengthen Security Measures In Respect Of Private Property".

A Bill "An Act To Amend The Waste Material (Disposal) Act".

A Bill "An Act Respecting The Adoption Of The Uniform Interprovincial Subpoena In This Province".

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On motion it was ordered that the said Bills be printed, being entitled as above, and be submitted to His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor for his Assent.

On motion and by leave the Bill entitled, "An Act Respecting The Sheriff Of Newfoundland And His Officials", was introduced and read a first time.

On motion it was ordered the said Bill be read a second time on tomorrow.

Pursuant to order and on motion the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole to consider certain Resolutions:

> Mr. Speaker left the Chair. Mr. Young took the Chair of Committee. Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman of the Committee reported that they had considered the matters to them referred, and had passed certain Resolutions and recommended that Bills be introduced to give effect to the same and asked leave to sit again.

On motion the report of the Committee was received and adopted and on motion it was ordered the Committee have leave to sit again on tomorrow.

Pursuant to order and on motion the following Bills were introduced and read a first and second time:

A Bill "An Act To Amend The Income Tax Act".

A Bill "An Act To Amend The Gasoline Tax Act".

On motion it was orderedthat the said Bills be referred to a Committee of the Whole House presently.

On motion the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole to consider the said Bills: Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Young took the Chair of Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman of the Committee reported that they had considered the matters to them referred and had passed the said Bills without amendment.

On motion the following Bills were read a third time:

A Bill "An Act To Amend The Gasoline Tax Act"

A Bill "An Act To Amend The Income Tax Act".

On motion it was ordered the said Bills be printed, being entitled as above and that they be submitted to His Honour the Lieuteuant-Governor for his Assent.

It was moved and seconded that when the House rises it adjourn until tomorrow, Thursday, June 3rd at two of the clock.

HUGH F. COADY Clerk of The House of Assembly

Thursday, June 3, 1976

The House met at two of the clock pursuant to adjournment.

The Honourable the Member for Trinity-Bay De Verde presented a Petition from residents of Hants Harbour re road.

The Honourable the Member for Fortune-Hermitage presented a Petition from residents of Gaultois re coastal vessel service.

The Honourable the Member for Trinity-Bay de Verde presented a Petition from residents of Hants Harbour re water and sewage supply systems.

The Honourable the Minister of Manpower & Industrial Relations gave notice that he would on tomorrow ask leave to introduce a Bill entitled, "An Act To Amend The Newfoundland Teacher (Collective Bargaining) Act, 1973".

The Honourable the Minister of Tourism gave notice that he would on tomorrow ask leave to introduce a Bill entitled, "An Act To Amend The Wildlife Act".

The Honourable the Minister of Finance gave notice that he would on tomorrow ask leave to introduce a Bill entitled, "An Act To Amend The Financial Administration Act, 1973".

The Honourable the Minister of Finance gave notice that he would on tomorrow ask leave to Move The House Into A Committee Of The Whole To Consider Certain Resolutions In Relation To The Advancing or Guaranteeing Of Certain Loans".

The Honourable the Minister of Provincial Affairs & Environment gave notice that he would on tomorrow ask leave to introduce a Bill entitled, "An Act Respecting The Registration And Regulation Of Consumer Reporting Agencies".

The Honourable the Minister of Transportation & Communications gave notice that he would on tomorrow ask leave to introduce a Bill entitled, "An Act To Amend The Highway Traffic Act". Pursuant to order and on motion the following Bills were read a second time:

A Bill "An Act To Establish The Newfoundland And Labrador Youth Commission"

A Bill "An Act To Amend The Forest Fires Act".

On motion it was ordered the said Bills be referred to a Committee of the Whole House presently.

On motion and under the provisions of Standing Order 60A third reading of the Bill entitled, "An Act To Amend The Workmen's Compensation Act", was rescinded and the said Bill was re-committed.

On motion the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole House to consider certain Bills:

Mr. Speaker left the Chair. Mr. Young took the Chair of Committee. Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman of the Committee reported that they had considered the matters to them referred and had passed a Bill entitled, "An Act To Establish The Newfoundland and Labrador Youth Commission", without amendment.

The Chairman of the Committee further reported that they had passed the following Bills with some amendment:

A Bill "An Act To Amend The Forest Fires Act".

A Bill "An Act To Amend The Workmen's Compensation Act".

The said amendments having been read a first and second time, on motion it was ordered the following Bills be read a third time and passed:

A Bill "An Act To Establish The Newfoundland And Labrador Youth Commission".

A Bill "An Act To Amend The Forest Fires Act".

A Bill "An Act To Amend The Workmen's Compensation Act".

On motion it was ordered that the said Bills be printed, being entitled as above and that they be submitted to His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor for his Assent.

The debate on the Amendment to the Address In Reply, proposed by the Honourable the Leader of The Opposition, was continued and concluded.

Mr. Speaker put the question. The House divided.

There appeared in favour of the Motion: The Honourable the Leader of the Opposition, Mr. Hodder, Mrs. MacIsaac, Mr. Rowe, Mr. Simmons, Mr. Flight, Mr. Lush, Mr. Rideout, Mr. McNeil, The Honourable Mr. Smallwood, Mr. Dawe, Mr. Neary.

Against: The Honourable the Premier, The Honourable the Minister of Municipal Affairs & Housing, The Honourable the Minister of Transportation & Communications, The Honourable the Minister of Manpower & Industrial Relations, The Honourable the Minister of Health, The Honourable the Minister of Social Services, The Honourable the Minister of Provincial Affairs & Environment, The Honourable the Minister of Justice, The Honourable Mr. Wells, The Honourable the Minister of Finance, The Honourable the Minister of Industrial and Rural Development, The Honourable the Minister of Public Works and Services, The Honourable the Minister of Forestry & Agriculture, The Honourable the Minister of Education.

Mr. Speaker declared the Motion defeated.

The debate on the Amendment to The Address In Reply was continued.

The Honourable the Member for Twillingate, seconded by the Honourable the Member for Port de Grave, moved the following Amendment:

"That all words after the word that be stricken out and that the following words be substituted therefor: the House deplores the extent to which, after twenty-seven years of Confederation, the economy of the Province depends upon grants, gifts, contributions and special concessions received from the Government of Canada. Mr. Speaker put the Amendment.

The Amendment was defeated.

 $$\operatorname{Mr.}$ Speaker put the motion that the Address In Reply be adopted.

The Motion was carried.

It was moved and seconded that when the House rises it adjourn until tomorrow, Monday, June 7th at two of the clock.

Monday, June 7th 1976

The House met at two of the clock pursuant to adjournment.

The Honourable the Minister of Forestry & Agriculture made a Statement regarding Government's Policy concerning the Provincial Swine Industry.

The Honourable the Minister of Finance made a Statement re Negotiations with the Public Employees.

The Honourable the Minister of Provincial Affairs & Environment gave notice that he would on tomorrow ask leave to introduce a Bill entitled, "An Act To Amend The Landlord And Tenant (Residential Tenancies) Act".

Pursuant to order and on motion the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole to consider a certain Resolution.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair. Dr. Collins took the Chair of Committee. Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman of the Committee reported that they had considered the matters to them referred, had passed a certain Resolution and recommended that a Bill be introduced to give effect to the same.

Pursuant to order and by leave the Bill entitled, "An Act To Amend The Local Authority Guarantee Act, 1957", was introduced and read a first and second time.

On motion it was ordered the said Bill be referred to a Committee of the Whole House presently.

Pursuant to order and on motion the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole to consider a certain Bill.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair. Dr. Collins took the Chair of Committee. Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

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The Chairman of the Committee reported that they had considered the matter to them referred and had passed, without amendment, the Bill entitled, "An Act To Amend The Local Authority Guarantee Act, 1957".

On motion the Bill entitled, "An Act To Amend The Local Authority Guarantee Act, 1957", was read a third time and passed.

On motion it was ordered the said Bill be printed, being entitled as above, and that it be submitted to His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor for his Assent.

It was moved and seconded that when the House rises it adjourn until tomorrow, Tuesday, June 8th at two of the clock.

Tuesday, June 8th 1976

The House met at two of the clock pursuant to adjournment.

The Honourable the Minister of Tourism made a Statement re Government's White Paper on Snowmobile Legislation and Regulations.

The Honourable the Member for Bellevue presented a Petition from residents of Thornlea re road.

The Honourable the Member for Concpeiton Bay South, on behalf of the Honourable the Member for Eagle River, presented a Petition from residents of Cape Charles re hydro electricity.

Pursuant to order and on motion the following Bills were introduced and read a first time:

- A Bill "An Act To Authorize The Province To Undertake, Organize And Manage Lottery Schemes".
- A Bill "An Act To Adopt A Flag For The Province Of Newfoundland".
- A Bill "An Act Respecting The Acquisition Of Rights To Minerals In The Province".
- A Bill "An Act To Amend The Mining And Mineral Rights Tax Act".
- A Bill "An Act To Amend The Public Utilities Act".
- A Bill "An Act Respecting The Newfoundland Optometric Association And Governing The Practice Of Optometry In The Province".

On motion it was ordered the said Bills be read a second time on tomorrow.

Pursuant to order and on motion the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole to consider a Certain Resolution.

> Mr. Speaker left the Chair. Dr. Collins took the Chair of Committee. Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman of the Committee reported that they had considered the matter to them referred and had passed a certain Resolution and recommended that a Bill be introduced to give effect tosame.

Pursuant to order and by leave the Bill entitled, "An Act To Authorize The Raising Of Money By Way Of Loan By The Province", was introduced and read a first and second time.

On motion it was ordered the said Bill be referred to a Committee of the Whole House presently.

Pursuant to order and on motion the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole to consider a certain Bill.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair. Dr. Collins took the Chair of Committee. Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman of the Committee reported that they had considered the matter to them referred and had passed, without amendment, the bill entitled, "An Act To Authorize The Raising Of Money By Way Of Loan By The Province".

On motion the Bill entitled, "An Act To Authorize The Raising Of Money By Way Of Loan By The Province", was read a third time and passed and on motion it was ordered the said Bill be printed, being entitled as above, and that it be submittied to His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor for his Assent.

The Honourable the Minister of Finance announced that he had received a Message from His Honour R.S. Furlong, Administrator of the Province of Newfoundland, which Message was read to the House by Mr. Speaker as follows:

"I, the Administrator of the Province of Newfoundland, transmit Supplementary Estimates of sums required for the Public Service of the Province for the year ending the 31st March, 1976, by way of Supplementary Supply, and in accordance with the provisions of the British North America Act of 1867, as amended, I recommend these Estimates to the House of Assembly".

> Sgd. R. S. Furlong Administrator

April 12, 1976

On motion it was ordered that the Message, together with the Estimates be referred to a Committee of Supply.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair. Dr. Collins took the Chair of Committee. Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman of the Committee reported that they had considered the matter to them referred and had passed Estimates of Supply totalling \$37,155,550 and recommended that a Bill be introduced to give effect to same.

Pursuant to order and on motion the Bill entitled, "An Act For Granting To Her Majesty Certain Sums of Money For Defraying Certain Expenses Of The Public Service For The Financial Year Ending The Thirty-First Day Of March One Thousand Nine Hundred And Seventy-Six And For Other Purposes Relating to The Public Service", was introduced and read a first, second and third time and passed.

On motion it was ordered that the Bill be printed, being entitled as above, and that it be submitted to His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor for His Assent.

It was moved and seconded that when the House rises it adjourn until tomorrow, Wednesday, June 9th, at three of the clock.

On motion the House then adjourned accordingly.

Wednesday, June 9th 1976

The House met at three of the clock pursuant to adjournment.

The Honourable the Minister of Manpower & Industrial Relations made a Statement re the Report of the Buchans Task Force.

The Honourable the Minister of Tourism made a Statement re a Program to have Newfoundlanders Vacation at Home.

The Honourable the Minister of Provincial Affairs & Environment made a Statement re Insurance Premiums.

The Honourable the Minister of Forestry & Agriculture made a Statement re Budworm Spraying.

The Honourable the Member for Lewisporte presented a Petition from residents of Comfort Cove-Newstead re road.

The Honourable the Member for Burgeo-Bay d'Espoir presented a Petition on behalf of the Honourable the Member for Eagle River from residents of Nain re bulk fuel oil storage tanks.

Pursuant to order and on motion the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole to consider a certain Resolution.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair. Dr. Collins took the Chair of Committee. Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman of the committee reported that they had considered the matter to them referred and had passed a certain Resolution and recommended that a Bill be introduced to give effect to same.

Pursuant to order and by leave the Bill entitled, "An Act Further To Amend The Loan And Guarantee Act, 1957", was introduced and read a first and second time.

On motion it was ordered the said Bill be referred to a Committee of the Whole House presently.

Pursuant to order and on motion the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole to consider a certain Bill. Mr. Speaker left the Chair. Dr. Collins took the Chair of Committee. Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman of the Committee reported that they had considered the matter to them referred and had passed, without amendment, the Bill entitled, "An Act Further To Amend The Loan And Guarantee Act, 1957".

On motion the Bill entitled, "An Act Further To Amend The Loan And Guarantee Act, 1957", was read a third time and passed and on motion it was ordered the said Bill be printed, being entitled as above, and that it be submitted to His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor for his Assent.

It was moved and seconded that when the House rises it adjourn until tomorrow, Thursday, June 10th at two of the clock.

On motion the House then adjourned accordingly.

Thursday, June 10th 1976

The House met at two of the clock pursuant to adjournment.

The Honourable the Member for Bay of Islands presented a Petition from residents of Irishtown re water line.

The Honourable the Leader of the Opposition presented a Petition from residents of Labrador re construction of a tunnel under the Straits of Belle Isle.

Pursuant to order and on motion the following Bills were read a second time:

A Bill "An Act To Amend The Local School Tax Act".

A Bill "An Act To Amend The PUblic Utilities Act".

A Bill "An Act To Amend The Wildlife Act".

On motion it was ordered the said Bills be referred to a Committee of the Whole House presently.

At five-thirty of the clock, pursuant to Standing Order 31, a certain question raised by an Honourable Member was debated, following which, pursuant to Standing Order 31, Mr. Speaker put the question that the House do now adjourn.

The motion was defeated.

At six of the clock Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair at eight of the clock.

Pursuant to order and on motion the following Bills were read a second time:

A Bill "An Act To Repeal And Replace The District Courts Act".

- A Bill "An Act Respecting The Sheriff Of Newfoundland And His Officials".
- A Bill "An Act Respecting The Acquisition Of Rights To Minerals In The Province".

On motion it was ordered the said_Bills be referred to a Committee of the Whole House presently.

On motion of the Honourable Mr. Wells it was ordered that the House do not adjourn at eleven p.m. today.

Pursuant to order and on motion the following Bills were read a second time.

- A Bill "An Act Respecting The Acquisition of Rights To Quarry Materials Within The Province".
- A Bill "An Act To Amend The Mining And Mineral Rights Tax Act".
- A Bill "An Act To Amend The Wild Life Act".
- A Bill "An Act To Amend The Highway Traffic Act".
- A Bill "An Act To Amend The Stephenville Linerboard Mill (Agreement) Act, 1972".
- A Bill "An Act To Style The Department Of Provincial Affairs And Environment As TheDepartment Of Consumer Affairs And Environment".
- A Bill "An Act To Amend The Financial Administration Act, 1973".
- A Bill "An Act Further To Amend The Agreement Ratified, Confirmed And Adopted By And Set Forth In The Schedule To The Commodore Mining Company Limited (Agreement) Act, 1968, And To Make Certain Statutory Provisions Relating To That Agreement".
- A Bill "An Act To Amend The Tobacco Tax Act".
- A Bill "An Act To Amend The City Of St. John's Act".

A Bill "An Act To Amend The Assessment Act (No. 2)".

A Bill "An Act To Amend The Co-Operative Societies Act".

On motion it was ordered that the said Bills be referred to a Committee of the Whole House Presently.

Pursuant to order and on motion the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole to consider certain Bills:

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Dr. Collins took the Chair of Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman of the Committee reported that they had considered the matters to them referred and had passed, without amendment, the following Bills:

- A Bill "An Act Respecting The Acquisition Of Rights To Quarry Materials Within The Province".
- A Bill "An Act To Amend The Mining And Mineral Rights Tax Act".
- A Bill "An Act Further To Amend The Agreement Ratified, Confirmed And Adopted By And Set Forth In The Schedule To The Commodore Mining Company Limited (Agreement) Act, 1968, And To Make Certain Statutory Provisions Relating To That Agreement".
- A Bill "An Act To Amend The Stephenville Linerboard Mill (Agreement) Act, 1972".
- A Bill "An Act To Amend The Local Government Act, 1972".
- A Bill "An Act To Amend The Tobacco Tax Act".
- A Bill "An Act To Amend The City Of St. John's Act".
- A Bill "An Act To Amend The Assessment Act (No. 2)".
- A Bill "An Act To Amend The Co-operative Societies Act".
- A Bill "An Act To Repeal And Replace The District Courts Act".
- A Bill "An Act To Amend The Wild Life Act".

The Chairman of the Committee further reported that they had considered the matters to them referred and had passed the following Bills with some amendment: the set of the set of a set of the set of the

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- A Bill "An Act Respecting The Acquisition Of Rights To Minerals In The Province".
- A Bill "An Act To Amend The Public Utilities Act".
- A Bill "An Act To Style The D epartment Of Provincial Affairs And Environment As The Department Of Consumer Affairs And Environment".
- A Bill "An Act To Amend The Local School Tax Act".
- A Bill "An Act Respecting The High Sheriff Of Newfoundland And The Office Of High Sheriff".
- A Bill "An Act To Amend The Financial Administration Act, 1973".

A Bill "An Act To Amend The Highway Traffic Act".

The said amendments haveing been read a first and second time, on motion it was ordered the following Bills be read a third time and passed:

- A Bill "An Act Respecting The Acquisition Of Rights To Minerals In The Province".
- A Bill "An Act Respecting The Acquisition Of Rights To Quarry Materials Within The Province".
- A Bill "An Act To Amend The Mining And Mineral Rights Tax Act".
- A Bill "An Act To Amend The Public Utilities Act".
- A Bill "An Act To Style The Department Of Provincial Affairs And Environment As The Department Of Consumer Affairs And Environment".
- A Bill "An Act Further To Amend The Agreement Ratified, Confirmed And Adopted By And Set Forth In The Schedule To The Commodore Mining Company Limited (Agreement) Act, 1968, And To Make Certain Statutory Provisions Relating To That Agreement".

A Bill	"An Act To Amend The Stephenville Linerboard Mill (Agreement) Act, 1972".
A Bill	"An Act To Amend The Local School Tax Act".
A Bill	"An Act To Amend The Local Government Act, 1972".
A Bill	"An Act To Amend The Tobacco Tax Act".
A Bill	"An Act To Amend The City of St. John's Act".
A Bill	"An Act To Amend The Assessment Act,(No. 2").
A_Bill	"An Act To Amend The Co-operative Societies Act".
A Bill	"An Act To Repeal And Replace The District Courts Act".
A Bill	"An Act Respecting The High Sheriff of Newfoundland And The Office Of High Sheriff".
A Bill	"An Act To Amend The Wild Life Act".
A Bill	"An Act To Amend The Financial Administration Act, 1973".
A Bill	"An Act To Amend The Highway Traffic Act".
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On motion it was ordered the said Bills be printed, being entitled as above and that they be submitted to His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor for his Assent.

Pursuant to order and on motion the debate on the following Resolution was continued and concluded:

RESOLVED that this House urges the Government of Canada and/or the Minister of Transport of Canada, to immediately appoint a Judicial Inquiry to inquire into the wreck of the longliner "San Juan" and that the Terms of Reference of such Inquiry be sufficiently broad to enable the Judge so appointed to inquire into the loss at sea in January of this year of two men out of St. John's, Newfoundland, and two men out of Morton's Harbour, Newfoundland, and to inquire as well into the procedures of Air, Sea, Search and Rescue operations in Newfoundland; <u>AND FURTHER</u> the Government of Canada be urged to establish an adequate Air, Search and Rescue in the Province of Newfoundland without delay. It was moved and seconded that when the House rises it adjourn until today, Friday, June 11th at twelve noon of the clock.

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Friday, June 11th 1976

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The House met at twelve of the clock pursuant to adjournment.

The Sergeant-at-Arms announced that His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor had arrived.

His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor took the Chair.

Mr. Speaker addressed His Honour as follows:

"It is my agreeable duty on behalf of Her Majesty's dutiful and loyal subjects, Her Faithful Commons in Newfoundland, to present to your Honour Bills for the appropriation of Supply and Supplementary Supply, granted in the Present Session.

Whereupon the Clerk read the following Bills:

- A Bill "An Act For Granting To Her Majesty Certain Sums Of Money For Defraying Certain Expenses Of The Public Service For The Financial Year Ending The Thirty-First Day Of March One Thousand Nine Hundred And Seventy-Six And For Other Purposes Relating To The Public Service".
- A Bill "An Act For Granting To Her Majesty Certain Sums Of Money For Defraying Certain Expenses Of The Public Service For The Financial Year Ending The Thirty-First Day Of March One Thousand Nine Hundred And Seventy-Seven And For Other Purposes Relating To The Public Service".

His Honour then said, "In Her Majesty's Name I Thank Her Loyal Subjects, I Accept Their Benevolence and I assent to these Bills".

Mr. Speaker addressed His Honour as follows:

" May It Please Your Honour, the General Assembly Of the Province have at its present session passed certain Bills to which in the name and on behalf of the General Assembly, I respectfully request Your Honour's Assent".

Whereupon the Clerk read the following Bills:

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А	Bill	"An Act To Adopt A Mineral Emblem For The Province".
А	Bill	"An Act Respecting The Keeping Of Dogs".
А	Bi11	"An Act To Repeal The Newfoundland Agricultural Marketing Act".
A	Bill	"An Act To Provide Retiring Allowances On A Contributory Basis To Persons Who Have Served As Members Of The House Of Assembly".
A	Bill	"An Act Further To Amend The Child Welfare Act, 1972".
А	Bill	"An Act Further To Amend The Medical Act".
A	Bil	"An Act To Amend The Development Areas (Lands) Act".
A	Bi11	"An Act Further To Amend The Quieting Of Titles Act".
А	Bi11	"An Act Further To Amend The Crown Lands Act".
А	Bi]]	"An Act To Amend The Pharmaceutical Association Act".
A	Bill	"An Act Further To Amend The Women's Patriotic Trust Fund Act, 1920".
A	Bill	"An Act To Amend The Wills Act".
A	Bill	"An Act To Enable Extra-Provincial Custody Orders To Be Enforced In The Province Of Newfoundland".
A	Bi11	"An Act To Amend The Prisons Act".
A	Bill	"An Act To Amend The Evidence Act".
A	Bill	"An Act To Amend The Gasoline Tax Act".

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A	Bi11	"An Act To Amend The City Of Corner Brook Act".
A	Bill	"An Act To Amend The Local Government (Elections) Act".
A	Bi11	"An Act To Amend The Community Councils Act, 1972".
A	Bi11	"An Act Respecting The Adoption Of The Uniform Inter-Provincial Subpoena In This Province".
A	Bill	"An Act To Establish The Newfoundland And Labrador Youth Commission".
A	Bill	"An Act To Amend The Local Authority Guarantee Act, 1957".
A	Bill	"An Act To Amend The Registration Of Deeds Act".
A	Bi11	"An Act Respecting Queen's Counsel And Precedence At The Bar".
A	Bill	"An Act To Amend The Department Of Transportation And Communications Act".
A	Bill	"An Act To Authorize The Raising Of Money By Way Of Loan By The Province".
A	Bill	"An Act For The Avoidance Of Uncertainty Concerning Certain Judgements Issuing Out Of The Supreme Court Of Newfoundland".
A	Bi11	"An Act To Amend The Workmen's Compensation Act".
A	Bill	"An Act To Amend The Liquor Corporation Act".
A	Bi11	"An Act Respecting The Acquisition Of Rights To Minerals In The Province".
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A	Bill	"An Act To Amend The Companies Act".
A	Bill	"An Act To Amend The Solemnization Of Marriage Act, 1974".
A	Bi11	"An Act To Register Mortgage Brokers And To Control The Amount Of Bonuses To Be Charged By Mortgage Brokers And Mortgage Lenders".
А	Bi11	"An Act Further To Amend The Newfoundland Medical Care Insurance Act".
А	Bi11	"An Act To Ratify, Confirm And Adopt An Agreement Made Between The Government And The Government Of Canada Respecting Price And Income Controls".
A	Bill	"An Act Further To Amend The Urban And Rural Planning Act".
A	Bi11	"An Act To Amend The Livestock (Community Sales) Act".
A	Bill	"An Act Respecting The Retirement Of Magistrates".
A	Bill	"An Act To Amend The Public Utilities Act".
A	Bi11	"An Act To Remove Anomalies And Errors In The Statute Law".
A	Bill	"An Act To Style The Department Of Provincial Affairs And Environment As The Department Of Consumer Affairs And Environment".
A	Bill	"An Act To Strengthen Security Measures In Respect Of Private Property".
A	Bill	"An Act Further To Amend The Newfoundland Municipal Financing Corporation Act".

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A	Bi11	"An Act To Amend The Waste Material (Disposal) Act".
A	Bi11	"An Act To Amend The Local School Tax Act".
	Bi11	"An Act Further To Amend The Newfoundland Industrial Development Corporation Act".
A	Bill	"An Act Further To Amend The Agreement Ratified, Confirmed And Adopted By And Set Forth In The Schedule To The Commodore Mining Company Limited (Agreement) Act, 1968, And To Make Certain Statutory Provisions Relating To That Agreement".
А	Bill	"An Act To Amend The Local Government Act, 1972".
A	B ill	"An Act To Amend The Tobacco Tax Act".
A	Bi11	"An Act To Repeal And Replace The District Courts Act".
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A Bill "An Act To Amend The Highway Traffic Act".

A Bill "An Act To Amend The Financial Administration Act, 1973".

His Honour then said, "In Her Majesty's Name I Assent To These Bills".

His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor then left the Assembly Chamber.

The Honourable Mr. Wells moved the following Motion:

"Be It Resolved that when this House adjourns today it will stand adjourned until Friday, November 12th 1976 at three of the clock provided always that if it appears to be the satisfaction of Mr. Speaker or in the case of his absence from the Province, the Chairman of Committees after consultation with Her Majesty's Government that the public interest required that the House should meet at an earlier time than the adjournment, or in his absence, the Chairman of Committees may give notice that he is so satisfied and thereupon the House shall meet at the time stated by such notice and shall transact its business as if it had been duly adjourned to that time".

On motion the remaining orders of the day were deferred.

The House then adjourned accordingly.

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September 29, 1976

Be it known that at 3:00 of the clock there appeared before the Honourable Robert Stafford Furlong, Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of Newfoundland, Martin O'Brien, Member returned for the District of Ferryland in the by-election held on June 30, 1976, who took and subscribed the Oath of Allegiance in the presence of the Clerk of The House of Assembly.

November 12, 1976

Be it known that at nine-thirty of the clock there appeared before the Honourable Robert Stafford Furlong, Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of Newfoundland, Hugh M. Twomey, Member returned for the District of Exploits in the by-election held on June 30, 1976 and Walter George Cross, Member returned for the District of Bonavista North, in the by-election held on June 30, 1976, who took and subscribed the Oath of Allegiance in the presence of the Clerk of The House of Assembly.

> HUGH F. COADY Clerk of The House of Assembly

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Thursday, November 18th 1976

The House met at three of the clock pursuant to adjournment.

The Sergeant-At-Arms ammounced that His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor had arrived.

The Sergeant-At-Arms preceded His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor to the Chair.

Whereupon the Lieutenant-Governor, having taken his seat, was pleased to deliver a Speech From The Throne as follows.

MR. SPEAKER AND MEMBERS OF THE HONOURABLE HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY:

This First Session of The Thirty-Seventh General Assembly of this Honourable House of Assembly is about to be prorogued but before releasing you from your duties I wish to convey to you my thanks for your careful and sympathetic attention to the important matters brought before you by my Ministers.

Seventy-seven pieces of legislation were enacted during this Session of the Honourable House of Assembly. Among these were two important pieces of consumer legislation, The Mortgage Brokers Act and an Act to establish a Department of Consumer Affairs and Environment. The establishment of this Department exemplifies the increased emphasis being placed on consumer protection by my Government.

The administration of justice in the province received great attention in this Session with the passage of a new District Courts Act, The Sheriff's Act, The Queen's Counsel Act and the adoption of model legislation relating to the interprovincial subpoena and international wills. The Extra-Provincial Custody Orders Enforcement Act was also passed. This latter Act is of particular importance as it will serve to prevent the taking of children who are subject to a custody order out of the province in which the order was given. The Highway Traffic Act has been amended to eliminate the restricted driver's license and to increase the sanctions for impaired

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driving by providing for minimum license suspensions.

Legislation has been enacted in the health field regularizing the practice of acupuncture and strengthening the powers of the Medical Care Commission to deal with physicians who may abuse the medical care insurance plan.

MR. SPEAKER AND MEMBERS OF THE HONOURABLE HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY:

The Youth Commission Act has been enacted which will provide a vehicle for the young people of the province to influence the future direction of the province and to assist in the development of programs for our young people. Legislation has also been passed to reduce the voting age in local government elections to eighteen years to make the voting age consistent with The Elections Act.

A number of important Acts have been passed in the resources area including The Mineral Act and The Quarry Materials Act which provide for a framework more suited to the development of our mineral resouraces. The agreement between between my Government and Wabanex Energy Corporation Limited respecting the use of the mines at Bell Island for oil storage was ratified by an Act and it is my Government's hope that the feasibility study being conducted will lead to such a development.

The Crown Lands Act and The Quieting of Titles Act have been amended to provide for an expeditious method of clearing title to Crown land occupied by persons for a period of at least twenty years prior to January 1, 1977. This should prove advantageous to many people who have not been able to obtain clear title to their property.

The Workmen's Compensation Act has been amended to increase compensation payments to injured workmen and their dependents.

MR. SPEAKER AND MEMBERS OF THE HONOURABLE HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY:

I thank you for the large measure of supply you have granted. I assure you that the appropriations which you

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have granted will be expended by my Ministers with care and efficiency.

It is my pleasure that the First Session of this Thirty-Seventh General Assembly be prorogued and it is prorogued accordingly.

His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor then left the Assembly Chamber.