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SPEAKER: THE HONOURABLE JAMES M. RUSSELL

The House met at 3:00 P.M.

Mr. Speaker in the Chair.

MR. SPEAKER: Order, please.

It is indeed a pleasure for me to welcome to this honourable House today and congratulate on the winning of a by-election in Labrador South the member present. On behalf of all the honourable members I congratulate and welcome the member here.

I would like to welcome to the galleries today any visitors who are with us and particularly also, if I may be a little personal again, on behalf of everyone present congratulate and welcome Mr. Bill Rompkey, the newly elected member of parliament for Grand Falls - White Bay - Labrador and others who might be present.

SERGEANT-AT-ARMS: Mr. Speaker, His Honour, the Lieutenant-Governor has arrived:

MR. E. M. ROBERTS (Hon. Leader of the Opposition):

Mr. Speaker, is this House not to be permitted to do any business this day, Sir?

AN HONOURABLE MEMBER: Point of Order -

MR. SPEAKER: Order. The Sergeant-At-Arms has announced His Honour. Admit His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor.

MR. ROBERTS: So we are not to be allowed to make -

MR. A. J. MURPHY (Minister of Provincial Affairs): The same thing for twenty-two years.

MR. SPEAKER: Order please! Order!

MR. NEARY: We are talking about the future and not the past. We will stay here tomorrow and the next day.

SOME HONOURABLE MEMBERS: (Inaudible)

MR. SPEAKER: Order! Order!

MR. NEARY: Get your money easy, eh?

MR. MURPHY: Inaudible.

SOME HONOURABLE MEMBERS: Inaudible.

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MR. SPEAKER: Order Please.

MR. ROBERTS: I thought His Honour was here. The plot did not work. Bad timing! They cannot even plot properly.

SOME HONOURABLE MEMBERS: Inaudible.

MR. ROBERTS: Mr. Speaker, I wonder if I could move the adjournment of the House while we are waiting for His Honour? There being no business before the House, Sir, I ask leave of the House, under Standing Order 23 (F), for the adjournment of the House.

MR. SPEAKER: Order.

The Honourable E. John A. Harnum, Lieutenant-Governor, in the Chair:

SPEECH FROM THE THRONE:

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

This First Session of the Thirty-Sixth General Assembly of this Honourable House of Assembly shall presently be prorogued but before releasing you from your duties I wish to thank you for the careful attention you afforded to the many matters brought before you by my Ministers.

Of eminent importance to all our people was enactment of The Stephenville Linerboard Mill (Agreement) Act, 1972. Passage of this legislation enabled my Government to acquire control of the Stephenville Linerboard Complex and generation of employment opportunities for many of our people. It most deservedly merited the careful consideration bestowed upon it by this Honourable House. While the direction of this project will continue to test heavily the mettle of my Ministers and the resources and resolution of our people, acceptance of this Bill has cleared the way to enable my Government to change the direction of this project and to render enduring the employment opportunities available therein.

A great deal of new legislation has received your attention. I refer particularly to The Newfoundland Family Guidance Association Act, the Act to Amend, Revise and Consolidate The Law Respecting The Welfare of Children and other like measures emanating from the Gushue Family Law Study have greatly strengthened the family unit and their continued effectiveness is being closely watched by all who are interested in this important phase of our society.

Many more Bills have been passed dealing with the administration of the Government, the continued development of our Province and the well being of its people.

During this Session this Honourable House of Assembly has been apprised of measures being taken by my Government to institute new methods of planning and determining priorities. The various Committees appointed for these worthy purposes are continuing their deliberations and already some of the changes recommended by them are in process of implementation. This will continue through the months and

years ahead. My Government intends to foster and encourage long term planning in the sure and certain knowledge and conviction that only by means of deliberate and sensitive consideration by my Government of all alternatives available can the fullest development and prosperity be realised by our children and our children's children.

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

I thank you for the large measure of supply you have granted Her Majesty. I assure you that the appropriations which you have granted will be expended by my Ministers with care and efficiency.

It is my pleasure that the first session of this Thirty-Sixth General Assembly be prorogued and it is prorogued accordingly.

His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor left the Assembly Chamber.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Mr. Speaker:

It is the will and pleasure of His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor that this General Assembly be prorogued, and this Assembly is prorogued accordingly.