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*His Excellency Lieut.-Col. Sir J. TERENCE N. O'BRIEN, Knight  
Commander of the Most Distinguished Order of St. Michael and  
St. George, Governor and Commander-in-Chief in and over the  
Island of Newfoundland and its Dependencies.*

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FIRST SESSION OF THE SIXTEENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY,  
1890.

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## PROCLAMATION.

*By His Excellency Lieut.-Colonel Sir J. TERENCE  
O'BRIEN, Knight Commander of the Most  
T. O'BRIEN, Lieut.-Col., Distinguished Order of St. Michael and  
Governor. St. George, Governor and Commander-in-  
[L. S.] Chief in and over the Island of Newfound-  
land and its Dependencies.*

TO ALL TO WHOM THESE PRESENTS SHALL COME, GREETING :

**W**HEREAS Her Majesty, by Her Royal Letters Patent of the 28th March, A. D. 1876, constituting the Office of Governor and Commander-in-Chief of the Island of Newfoundland and its Dependencies, hath given and granted unto the said Governor full power and authority to summon and call together the General Assembly of the said Colony ; and whereas, Writs in due form have been issued for a General Election of Members of the General Assembly, under which Members have been elected and returned to serve in the General Assembly :

I, the Governor of the said Colony, do therefore, by these presents, summon and call the Members of the said General Assembly to assemble and meet at the Town of St. John's, in the said Island, *for the despatch of business*, on THURSDAY the SIXTH day of MARCH, A. D. One Thousand Eight Hundred and Ninety, and of which all persons concerned therein are hereby required to take due notice and govern themselves accordingly.

GIVEN under my Hand and Seal, in St. John's, in the aforesaid Island, this TWENTY-EIGHTH day of JANUARY, A. D. Eighteen Hundred and Ninety.

By His Excellency's Command,

J. W. WITHERS,  
*for Colonial Secretary.*

# LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL OF NEWFOUNDLAND.

*FIRST SESSION OF THE SIXTEENTH GENERAL  
ASSEMBLY.*

*Thursday, March 6th, 1890.*

This being the day appointed by Proclamation  
for the Meeting of the Legislature,

At One o'clock, P. M., the House met.

Council meets.

PRESENT :

The Honorable E. D. SHEA, *President.*

Members  
present.

The Honorables A. W. HARVEY,  
T. TALBOT,  
J. PITTS,  
J. McLOUGHLAN,  
G. T. RENDELL,  
J. P. FOX,  
A. M. MCKAY,  
G. SKELTON.

At Two o'clock, P. M., the Honorable EDWARD D. SHEA, President of the Legislative Council, the Honorable AUGUSTUS W. HARVEY, and the Honorable THOMAS TALBOT, Members of the Legislative Council, nominated and appointed by His Excellency the Governor as Commissioners, having taken their seats, the Honorable the President commanded the Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod, attendant on the Council, to proceed to the Honorable Legislative Assembly, and inform the Members thereof that His Excellency the Governor desires their attendance in the Council

Commissioners  
appointed by the  
Governor.

Chamber, and they being come thereto, the following Commission was read by the Clerk of the Legislative Council :—

*By His Excellency Sir J. TERENCE  
N. O'BRIEN, Governor and  
T. O'BRIEN, Lieut.-Col., Commander-in-Chief, in and  
Governor. over the Island of Newfound-  
land and its Dependencies.*

[L. S.]

Commlsion to  
Hon'bles E. D.  
Shea A. W.  
Harvey, and  
T. Talbot.

*To the Honorable EDWARD D. SHEA, President of the  
Legislative Council ; the Honorable AUGUSTUS W.  
HARVEY, and the Honorable THOMAS TALBOT, Mem-  
bers of the Legislative Council, Greeting :*

Whereas I have deemed it expedient that the First Session of the Sixteenth General Assembly should be opened for the despatch of business on the Sixth day of this present month, whereof I have given notice by my Proclamation, dated the 28th day of January ; and whereas it is not convenient that the purposes for which I have called the said General Assembly together should be declared on the said day, nor until the Members of the Legislative Assembly have proceeded to the choice of a Speaker. You, the said Honorable EDWARD D. SHEA, Honorable AUGUSTUS W. HARVEY, and Honorable THOMAS TALBOT, are hereby authorized and directed to signify to the Members of the said Legislative Assembly, on the Sixth day of March instant, that it is my pleasure that they proceed to the choice of some proper person to be their Speaker, and present such person on the following day for my approbation.

Given under my Hand and Seal, at the  
Government House, St. John's, this  
Fifth day of March, A. D. 1890.

By His Excellency's Command,

R. BOND,  
*Colonial Secretary.*

The Honorable EDWARD D. SHEA, President of the Legislative Council, one of the said Commissioners, then said :—

*Gentlemen of the Honorable Legislative Assembly :*

It is not convenient for His Excellency the Governor to declare the reasons why he has convened the present Session until you have first chosen from amongst your body some proper person to be your Speaker. Therefore it is His Excellency's pleasure that you now retire to your Chamber and there proceed to the choice of such person, and present him here to-morrow, at Two o'clock, for His Excellency's approval.

Hon. E. D. Shea addresses Legislative Assembly.

The Legislative Assembly then withdrew.

Assembly withdraws,

On motion made, the House adjourned until to-morrow, Friday, March 7th, at Two o'clock, P. M.

Adjourned.

*Friday, March 7th, 1890.*

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

House meets.

PRESENT :

The Honorable E. D. SHEA, *President.*

Members present.

The Honorables A. W. HARVEY,

T. TALBOT,

J. PITTS,

J. McLOUGHLAN,

M. MONROE,

G. T. RENDELL,

J. ANGELL,

J. P. FOX,

A. M. McKAY,

G. SKELTON.

At Two o'clock, P. M., His Excellency the Governor, Lieutenant-Colonel Sir J. TERENCE O'BRIEN, K. C. M. G., having arrived at the Council Chamber,

Governor arrives at Council Chamber.

Assembly attend  
at Bar of Council,  
and G. H. Emerson,  
Esq., presented and  
approved as  
Speaker.

and being seated on the Throne, the Honorable the President commanded the Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod, attendant on the Council, to proceed to the Legislative Assembly and inform the Members thereof that it is His Excellency's will and pleasure that they attend at the Bar of this House; and they being come thereto, GEORGE HENRY EMERSON, Esquire, a Member for the District of Placentia and St. Mary's, having being presented by the Honorable Sir W. V. WHITEWAY, K. C. M. G., as Speaker elect, and the choice approved and the usual privileges claimed and granted, His Excellency the Governor was pleased to open the present Session of the Legislature with the following gracious Speech to both Houses:—

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

*Mr. Speaker and Gentlemen of the Honorable Legislative Assembly:*

Speech.

It is with much gratification that I again resort to the advice and assistance of the Legislature; and I greet you cordially on your assembling for the discharge of your important duties.

I regret to say that the results of our industrial pursuits of last year were not of a satisfactory character.

The seal fishery yielded a good return, but the statistics of the cod, herring, and salmon fisheries, reveal a considerable falling off in the catch. The prices obtained for our staple productions were, however, in excess of the previous year.

The Lobster fishery was prosecuted with a large measure of success, and the indications are, that if precautionary measures are adopted to protect this fishery, it will continue to provide an increasingly important element in our trade.

I am impressed with the idea that if more attention were given to the cure of our Codfish, and to

the protection of the other branches of our fishery, better results might confidently be anticipated. Speech—  
(Continued.)

Those who engaged in Agricultural pursuits were rewarded with a good harvest.

Notwithstanding the heavy decline in the price of copper in the early part of the year, mining was prosecuted to about the same extent as in the previous season. We may hope that our mineral resources will be worked with increased vigour during the present year.

In this connection I am pleased to be able to refer to the valuable result of the operations of the geological survey of the past season. It has placed beyond question the existence of workable seams of coal, of superior quality, within a short distance from our seaboard. I have reason to believe that the result of this work, when fully reported upon, will have the effect of drawing the attention of capitalists to that region, and of giving an impetus to mining and other industries in the near future.

*Mr. Speaker and Gentlemen of the Honorable Legislative Assembly :*

The Customs' Revenue of last year has fallen short of the estimated amount. The Estimates of the coming financial year will be presented to you at an early date. They have been framed with a view to the efficiency of the public service, and I feel assured that you will make all needful provision therefor.

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

*Mr. Speaker and Gentlemen of the Honorable Legislative Assembly :*

Since the Legislature last met a General Election has taken place, in which the Ballot system was employed for the first time in this Colony. Notwith-



Speech—  
(Continued.) standing that nearly every District in the Island was vigorously contested, I have the gratification of placing on record that the proceedings were characterized by peace and good order. The result of this appeal to the constituencies has been a remarkably strong pronouncement in favor of the policy of the present Government.

A Commission has been appointed under the Public Inquiries' Act of 1888, to inquire into the operation of the Bait Acts of 1887, 1888, and 1889, and their effect upon the trade and fisheries of the Colony. It is hoped that the report will be laid before you ere the close of the Session.

The Right Honorable the Secretary of State for the Colonies has acquainted me that negotiations are in progress between the Governments of Great Britain and France, for a settlement of questions that have arisen with regard to the rights of the subjects of the two nations, respectively, to catch and preserve Lobsters on that part of our coast where the French have a concurrent right of fishery; and it is hoped that a provisional arrangement for the present season may be arrived at, which, I trust, may pave the way to a satisfactory settlement of this difficulty.

Despatches from the Right Honorable the Secretary of State for the Colonies, and other papers of public interest, will be laid before you.

Bills relating to Railway extension, North and West, Manhood Suffrage, Local Self Government, and other important matters will be submitted to you as the time of the Session permits; and I pray that your deliberations, under the Divine Blessing, may result in the happiness and contentment of the people of this Colony.

T. O'BRIEN,  
*Governor.*

ST JOHN'S, 7th March, 1890.

The House of Assembly having withdrawn, His Excellency was pleased to retire.

The Minutes of yesterday, March 7th, were read.

The Commissions appointing the Hon. James Angel, the Hon. James Fox, and the Hon. Alexander M. McKay, Members of the Legislative Council, under the Queen's Warrant and Royal Sign Manual, were read by the Clerk.

Commissions of Councillors read.

The Commission appointing the Hon. George Skelton, M. D., Member of the Legislative Council, (provisionally), was read by the Clerk.

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

Governor's Speech read by Clerk.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. McKay,—

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

Ordered,—That the Honorables Messrs. McKay, Fox, Talbot, Pitts, and Rendell, be a Committee for that purpose.

Select Committee on Address of Thanks.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Harvey, the following Resolutions were moved and unanimously adopted :

*Resolved*,—That the Legislative Council deeply regret the premature demise, since the last Session, of their highly esteemed colleague, the Hon'ble Charles Bowring. Mr. Bowring, during the whole time he occupied a seat in the Legislature, was distinguished by his devotion to the best interests of the Colony; and the Members of the Council, by his early death, have been deprived not only of a valued Legislator, but of a much esteemed friend. The Council desire

Resolutions on death of Hon'ble Mr. Bowring.

to express their deep sympathy with the bereaved family of their late fellow Member.

*Resolved*,—That a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to Mrs. Bowring by the Honorable the President.

Notice of motion.

The Hon. Mr. Harvey gives notice that he will, on to-morrow, move the appointment of a Select Committee on the Printing and Contingencies of this House for the present Session.

Leave of absence granted to Hon. P. Cleary.

The Hon. the President read the following communication from His Excellency the Governor:—

GOVERNMENT HOUSE,  
St. John's, 6th March, 1890. }

SIR,—

I have the honor to inform you that I have granted the Hon. Philip Cleary, Member of the Legislative Council, leave of absence from his Legislative duties during a portion of the ensuing season.

I have, &c.,

T. O'BRIEN,  
*Governor.*

The Hon'ble E. D. SHEA,  
*President of the Legislative Council.*

Petitions laid on Table.

The Hon. the President laid upon the Table a Petition from James Quirk, praying for the office of Messenger to the Legislative Council.

The Hon. the President laid upon the Table a Petition from Rodolphus Hanrahan, praying for the office of Messenger to the Legislative Council.

The Hon. Mr. Angel laid upon the Table a Petition from Patrick Wall, praying for the office of Door-keeper to the Legislative Council.

The Hon. Mr. Monroe laid upon the Table a Petition from Edmund Snow, praying for the office of Messenger to the Legislative Council.

The Hon. Mr. Monroe laid upon the Table a Petition from John Murrant, praying for the office of Door-keeper to the Legislative Council.

The Hon. Mr. McKay laid upon the Table a Petition from Daniel Crotty, praying for the office of Messenger to the Legislative Council.

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

*Tuesday, March 11th, 1890.*

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

House meets.

PRESENT :

The Honorable E. D. SHEA, *President.*

The Honorables A. W. HARVEY,

T. TALBOT,

J. PITTS,

J. McLOUGHLAN,

M. MONROE,

G. T. RENDELL,

J. ANGEL,

J. P. FOX,

G. SKELTON.

Members  
present.

The Minutes of Friday, March 7th, were read. Minutes read.

The Hon. the President informed the House that he had received the following letter from Mr. C. W. Bowring :— Letter from Mr. C. W. Bowring.

1, DEVON PLACE,  
March 11th, 1890. }

DEAR SIR,—

I have the honor to acknowledge, on behalf of my mother, your kind letter of the 8th March, enclosing the Resolution of Condolence. May I ask

you to convey to the Legislative Council my mother's most sincere and heartfelt thanks for the kind and generous expressions in reference to the death of one so dear to us, and to assure the Honorable Members that such kind words of sympathy are most grateful to us in our sad bereavement.

Believe me,

Yours very truly,

C. W. BOWRING.

The Hon'ble E. D. SHEA,  
*President Legislative Council.*

Petitions laid on Table.

The Hon. the President laid upon the Table a Petition from Thomas C. Kennedy, praying for the office of Messenger to the Legislative Council.

The Hon. Mr. Rendell laid upon the Table a Petition from George Scott, praying for the position of Door-keeper or Messenger to the Legislative Council.

Draft of address of thanks presented and read 1st time.

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

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

Notice of motion.

The Hon. Mr. Fox gives notice that he will, on to-morrow, move the Suspension of the 35th Rule of this House as regards the Address in Reply to His Excellency the Governor's Speech.

Select Committee on Printing and Contingencies.

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

Ordered,—That a Select Committee be appointed on the Printing and Contingencies of this House for the present Session.

Ordered,—That the Hon'bles Messrs. Harvey, Rendell, Cleary, Monroe, and Fox, be a Committee for that purpose.

The Hon. Mr. Monroe gives notice that he will, <sup>Notice of motion.</sup> on to-morrow, ask the Hon. the Representative of the Government in this House whether it is the intention of the Government to carry out efficiently and stringently the Bait Acts, pending the Report of Commissioners lately appointed to enquire into the working of the said Acts, and their effects on the Trade and Fisheries of the Colony.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Harvey,—

Ordered,—That John Howley, Esq., be continued Reporter to this House.

Officers appointed.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Harvey,—

Ordered,—That Edward Morris and James Corcoran be re-instated in their respective offices as Door-keeper and Messenger to this House.

The Hon. Mr. Pitts gives notice that he will, on <sup>Notices of motion.</sup> to-morrow, move that it be an instruction of this House to the Committee on Printing and Contingencies that they shall ask for tenders from the daily papers for the efficient and satisfactory publication of the Debates of this House for this Session of Parliament, and that the lowest tender be accepted.

On motion made, the House adjourned until to-morrow, Wednesday, March 12th, at half-past Four o'clock, P. M. **Adjourned.**

*Wednesday, March 12th, 1890.*

House meets. The House met pursuant to adjournment.

PRESENT :

Members present. The Honorable E. D. SHEA, *President*.  
The Honorables A. W. HARVEY,  
T. TALBOT,  
J. PITTS,  
J. McLOUGHLAN,  
M. MONROE,  
J. ANGEI,  
J. P. FOX,  
G. SKELTON.

Minutes read. The Minutes of Tuesday, March 11th, were read.

Address of thanks read 2nd time. Pursuant to the Order of the Day, and on motion of the Hon. Mr. Fox, the Address in Reply to the Speech of His Excellency the Governor, was read a second time.

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

35th Rule suspended. Ordered,—That the 35th Rule of this House be suspended as regards the Address in Reply to His Excellency the Governor's Speech.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Fox,—

Ordered,—That the Address in Reply to the Speech of His Excellency the Governor be committed to-morrow.

Adjourned. On motion made, the House adjourned until to-morrow, Thursday, March 13th, at half-past Four o'clock, P. M.

*Thursday, March 13th, 1890.*

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

House meets.

PRESENT :

The Honorable E. D. SHEA, *President.*

Members present.

The Honorables A. W. HARVEY,

T. TALBOT,

J. PITTS,

J. McLOUGHLAN,

M. MONROE,

J. ANGEL,

J. P. FOX,

G. SKELTON.

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

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

Committee on Address of thanks.

The Hon. Mr. Skelton in the Chair.

Chair taken.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported that the Committee had made some progress, and asked leave to sit again to-morrow.

Progress reported.

Ordered,—That the Report be received.

Pursuant to notice, the Hon. Mr. Pitts moved that it be an instruction of this House to the Committee on Printing and Contingencies that they shall ask for tenders from the daily papers for the efficient and satisfactory publication of the Debates of this House for this Session or Parliament, and that the lowest tender be accepted.

Motion made.



Division. And the question having been put, there appeared,—

*Contents :*

Hons. Messrs. Pitts,  
Monroe.

*Non-Contents :*

Hons. Messrs. Harvey,  
McLoughlan,  
Angel,  
Fox,  
Skelton,

So it passed in the negative, and  
Ordered,—Accordingly.

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

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*Friday, March 14th, 1890.*

House meets. The House met pursuant to adjournment.

## PRESENT :

Members present. The Honorable E. D. SHEA, *President*.  
The Honorables A. W. HARVEY,  
T. TALBOT,  
P. CLEARY,  
J. PITTS,  
J. McLOUGHLAN,  
J. ANGEL,  
J. P. FOX,  
G. SKELTON.

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

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

The Hon. Mr. Skelton in the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

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

Ordered,—That the Report be received.

The Hon. Mr. Harvey, by command of His Message from the Governor.  
Excellency the Governor, laid upon the Table the following Message :—

T. O'BRIEN, *Lieut.-Col.,*  
*Governor.*

The Governor herewith sends a telegram received from the Right Honorable Secretary of State for the Colonies, received on the 12th day of March present, relative to the *modus vivendi* entered into between the British and French Governments, relative to the establishment of Lobster Factories on the Coast of Newfoundland, where the French enjoy rights of fishing conferred by Treaties.

Following is text of *modus vivendi*, as agreed to :—

The question of principle and of respective rights being entirely reserved on both sides, the British and French Governments agree that the *status quo ante* shall be maintained during the ensuing season on the following basis :—

Without France or Great Britain demanding at once a new examination of the legality of the installation of British or French Lobster Factories on the Coast of Newfoundland where the French enjoy rights of fishing conferred by the Treaties, it is understood that there shall be no modifications in the position occupied by the establishments of either country on the 1st July, 1889, except that a subject of either nation may remove any such establishment to any spot on which the Commanders of the two naval stations shall have previously agreed.

No Lobster Fisheries, which were not in operation on the 1st July, 1889, shall be permitted, unless by joint consent of the Commanders of British and French naval stations.

In consideration of each new Lobster Fishery so permitted, it shall be open to the fishermen of the other country to establish a new Lobster Fishery on some spot to be similarly settled by joint agreement between the Naval Commanders.

Whenever any case of competition with respect to a Lobster Fishery arises, the Commanders shall proceed on the spot to a provisional delimitation, having regard to the situations acquired by the two parties.

N. B.—It is well understood that this arrangement is quite provisional, and shall only hold good for the fishing season which is about to open.

GOVERNMENT HOUSE, }  
March 14th, 1890. }

Chair resumed.

The Chairman resumed the Chair of the Committee.

After some time the House resumed.

Address reported.

The Chairman reported the Address without Amendment.

Ordered,—That the Report be received.

Address of Thanks, read 3rd time and passed.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Fox, the Address in Reply to the Speech of His Excellency the Governor, was read a third time, and

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

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

The Address is as follows :—

Reply to Governor's Speech.

*To His Excellency Lieutenant-Colonel Sir J. TERENCE N. O'BRIEN, Knight Commander of the Most Distinguished Order of St. Michael and St. George, Governor and Commander-in-Chief in and over the Island of Newfoundland and its Dependencies.*

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY ;—

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

It is a matter of deep regret that the results of some of the most important of our industrial pursuits for the past year do not permit Your Excellency to refer to them in terms of congratulation. It is gratifying to learn that the returns of the seal fishery and the progress made in the lobster fishery were of a satisfactory character. These taken with the increased prices obtained for our staple productions will in some measure compensate for the short catch.

We concur in the view expressed by Your Excellency that if greater attention were given to the cure of codfish and to the protection of the other branches of our fishery better results might confidently be expected.

It is satisfactory to find that Agricultural pursuits, as a valuable auxiliary towards the support of our people, have in the last season been attended with marked success.

The future prosperity of the Island is to a considerable extent dependent on the development of its mineral wealth, and the active prosecution of work in those already in operation and the opening of new mines is greatly to be desired.

Reply to Governor's Speech—  
(Continued.)

Your Excellency's reference to the report of the Geological Survey of last season confirming the existence of workable seams of Coal of good quality and in fairly accessible localities, brings before us a matter of high importance. We trust that in the near future a new source of employment for our people will be found in the development of this industry.

It is gratifying to learn that at the late general election in which the Ballot system was employed for the first time in this Colony, the proceedings were characterized by peace and good order.

The report of the Commission on the operation of the Bait Acts will, when presented, receive our careful consideration.

We await with anxious interest the result of the negotiations between the Imperial Government and that of France, of which Your Excellency informs us, for an arrangement, limited to the current year, of the Lobster Canning industry on that part of our coasts on which the French have concurrent fishing privileges. Amongst these privileges that of catching and canning Lobsters is not included and can claim no sanction or recognition within the terms of any existing Treaty. As the proposal therefore involves a new concession to the French, we would respectfully remind Your Excellency of the guarantee given in the despatch of a former Secretary of State, Mr. Labouchere, that the assent of Newfoundland is an essential preliminary to any modification of our territorial or maritime rights.

We thank Your Excellency for the promise to lay before us despatches and other papers of public interest.

Bills relating to those matters suggested by Your Excellency, when laid before us, shall receive the fullest consideration.

We unite with Your Excellency in the prayer that our deliberations under the Divine blessing may result in measures conducive to the happiness and contentment of the people of this Colony.

Reply to Governor's Speech—  
(Continued.)

E. D. SHEA,  
*President.*

COUNCIL CHAMBER,  
14th March, 1890. }

The Hon. the President informed the House that he had received the following Message from the Legislative Assembly :—

President informs House of Message from Assembly.

MR. PRESIDENT ;—

The Legislative Assembly beg to acquaint the Honorable Legislative Council that they have passed the accompanying Resolutions referring to a Message from His Excellency the Governor informing them of a *modus vivendi* concluded between Her Majesty's Government and the Government of France, and request their concurrence therein.

Message.

GEO. H. EMERSON,  
*Speaker.*

HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY,  
March 14th, A. D. 1890. }

RESOLUTIONS.

*Resolved*,—That, referring to the assurances of Her Majesty's Government that the fishing rights of Her Majesty's subjects in Newfoundland should never be interfered with except with the consent of the Legislature of the Colony; and also referring to the Address of both branches of the Legislature to Her Most Gracious Majesty the Queen, passed during its last Session, the Legislative Assembly has received, with surprise and alarm, the *modus vivendi* referred to in the Message of His Excellency the Governor of the 14th of March, which has been concluded by Her

Resolutions on *modus vivendi* between British and French Governments.

Majesty's Government with the Government of France.

*Resolved*,—That the permission in the *modus vivendi* given to France, to erect factories, is most objectionable, as appearing to indicate a right which really has no existence, and that it is in direct opposition to the position heretofore taken by Her Majesty's Government.

*Resolved*,—That the Legislative Assembly most emphatically *protests* against the *modus vivendi*, as being calculated to seriously prejudice British fishing and territorial rights.

*Resolved*,—That these Resolutions be sent to the Honorable Legislative Council, asking their concurrence therein.

*Resolved*,—That a copy of the Resolutions so concurred in be immediately transmitted to His Excellency the Governor, to be telegraphed to the Right Honorable the Secretary of State for the Colonies.

G. H. EMERSON,  
*Speaker.*

Passed the House of Assembly, }  
March 14th, 1890. }

Committee on Resolutions.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Harvey, the House went into Committee on the aforesaid Resolutions.

The Hon. Mr. Fox in the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

Resolutions reported.

The Chairman reported the Resolutions without Amendment.

Ordered,—That the Report be received.

Motion for concurrence in Resolutions.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Harvey,—

Ordered,—That the Resolutions do now pass, and that a message be sent to the Assembly inform-

ing them of the concurrence of the Council in the Resolutions sent up by the Legislative Assembly on the *modus vivendi* concluded between Her Majesty's Government and the Government of France on the subject of the Lobster Fishery on those parts of the Coast of this Island on which the French have certain Treaty rights.

The Hon. Mr. Pitts gives notice that he will, on to-morrow, ask the Hon. the Representative of the Government whether any communications have passed between the Government and the Right Hon. the Secretary of State for the Colonies with reference to the appointment of a Delegation from this Government to confer with the Imperial Government upon the matters recently arranged according to the terms of the *modus vivendi* of March 12th, and if so, to lay the same upon the Table. Notice of motion.

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

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*Tuesday, March 18th, 1890.*

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

House meets.

PRESENT :

The Honorable E. D. SHEA, *President*.

Members present.

The Honorable A. W. HARVEY.

The Hon. the President declared the House adjourned until to-morrow, March 19th, at half-past Four o'clock, P. M., for want of a quorum. House adjourned for want of a quorum.



*Wednesday, March 19th, 1890.*

House meets.           The House met pursuant to adjournment.

PRESENT :

Member present. The Honorable Mr. SKELTON, *Senior Member present, presiding.*

Adjourned for  
want of quorum.       The Hon. Mr. Skelton declared the House adjourned until to-morrow, Thursday, March 20th, at half-past Four o'clock, P. M., for want of a quorum.

*Thursday, March 20th, 1890.*

House meets.           The House met pursuant to adjournment.

PRESENT :

Members present.       The Honorable E. D. SHEA, *President.*  
The Honorables A. W. HARVEY,  
P. CLEARY,  
J. PITTS,  
J. McLOUGHLAN,  
M. MONROE,  
J. ANGEL,  
J. P. FOX,  
G. SKELTON.

Minutes read.         The Minutes of Friday, March 14th, Tuesday, March 18th, and Wednesday, March 19th, were read.

The Hon. the President read the following communication from Mr. John J Howley:—

ST. JOHN'S, March, 1890.

DEAR SIR,—

Letter from Reporter.

I hereby tender my resignation of the office of Reporter to the Legislative Council, and respectfully request you to lay it before that Honorable Body.

In taking this course, I am impelled by a consciousness that a continued discharge of the arduous duty it involves would seriously imperil my health, already suffering from the severe mental strain which it demands, and I hopefully rely on the Council to make some provision for me, in consideration of my long service of thirty-three years in connection with it.

I have, &c.,

JOHN J. HOWLEY.

The Hon. E. D. SHEA,  
*President Legislative Council.*

Pursuant to notice the Hon. Mr. Pitts asked the Hon. the Representative of the Government, whether any communications have passed between the Government and the Right Hon. the Secretary of State for the Colonies with reference to the appointment of a Delegation from this Government to confer with the Imperial Government upon the matters recently arranged according to the terms of the *modus vivendi* of March 12th, and if so to lay the same upon the Table. Question asked.

The Hon. Mr. Harvey replied that the correspondence would be laid upon the Table. Reply.

The Hon. Mr. Monroe gives notice that he will, on to-morrow, ask the Hon. the Representative of the Government to lay on the Table a copy of the Despatch referred to in His Excellency's Speech at the opening of the Session, acquainting His Excellency of the negotiations in progress between the Governments of Great Britain and France, for a settlement of questions relative to the catching and preserving of Lobsters on certain parts of the Coasts of the Colony ; Notices of motion.

Also, to ask the Hon. the Representative of the Government, whether at any time during the negotiations referred to, any communication was received by His Excellency from the Imperial Government informing him as to the terms, or any of them, of the

proposed provisional arrangements referred to, and if so to lay a copy of the same on the Table.

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

MR. PRESIDENT,—

Message from  
Assembly.

The Legislative Assembly beg to acquaint the Honorable the Legislative Council that they have appointed a Select Committee, consisting of the following:—The Honorable the Premier, the Honorable the Colonial Secretary, the Honorable E. P. Morris, Mr. Fearn, Mr. Carty, Mr. Munn, Mr. Dawe, Mr. Duff and Mr. Murray, for the purpose of drafting an Address to Her Majesty the Queen upon the subject of the *modus vivendi* entered into between Her Majesty's Government and the Government of France, relative to the Lobster Fisheries on the coast of Newfoundland, where the French have rights of fishing, and respectfully request that the Legislative Council will be pleased to appoint a Select Committee of their Body to join with the said Committee of the Legislative Assembly upon the subject.

GEO. H. EMERSON,  
*Speaker.*

HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY,  
March 20th, 1890. }

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Harvey,—

Message agreeing to Select  
Committee.

Ordered,—That a message be sent to the Legislative Assembly in reply to their message of to-day, informing them of the Council's concurrence in the appointment of a Select Committee of the Legislative Council to join with the Select Committee of the Legislative Assembly, for the purpose of drafting an Address to Her Majesty the Queen upon the subject of the *modus vivendi* entered into between Her Majesty's Government and the Government of France, relative to the Lobster Fisheries on the Coast of

Newfoundland, where the French have rights of fishing, and

Ordered,—That the Hons. Messrs. Harvey, Pitts, Monroe, Angel, and Fox, be a Committee for that purpose.

Select Committee on Address in re Lobster Fisheries.

The Hon. the President informed the House that His Excellency the Governor would receive the Address of Thanks in reply to His Excellency's Speech on to-morrow, at Twelve o'clock, at Government House.

Governor will receive Address of Thanks.

On motion made the House adjourned until to-morrow, Friday, at half-past Eleven o'clock, A. M.

Adjourned.

*Friday, March 21st, 1890.*

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

House meets.

PRESENT :

The Honorable E. D. SHEA, *President.*

Members present.

The Honorables A. W. HARVEY,

P. CLEARY,

J. PITTS,

J. McLOUGHLAN,

J. ANGEL,

J. P. FOX,

G. SKELTON.

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

Minutes read.

At 12 o'clock, noon, the House proceeded to Government House with the Address in Reply to the Speech of His Excellency the Governor.

Council present Address of Thanks.

At a quarter-past 12 o'clock, the House having returned, the Hon. the President reported that His

Council returns.

Excellency had been pleased to receive the said Address, and to return an answer thereto in the following words :—

Governor's  
Reply.

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

It affords me much pleasure to acknowledge the receipt of your dutiful Address, and I feel I am enabled with confidence to rely on your best endeavours, during the coming Session, being used for promoting the prosperity and well-being of this Colony and its inhabitants.

T. O'BRIEN, *Lieut.-Col.,*  
*Governor.*

GOVERNMENT HOUSE, }  
21st March, 1890. }

Adjourned.

On motion made, the House adjourned until Monday next, March 24th, at half-past Four o'clock, P. M.

*Monday, March 24th, 1890.*

House meets.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

PRESENT :

Members  
present.

The Honorable E. D. SHEA, *President.*

The Honorables A. W. HARVEY,

P. CLEARY,

J. PITTS,

J. McLOUGHLAN,

M. MONROE,

G. T. RENDELL,

J. P. FOX,

G. SKELTON.

Minutes read.

The Minutes of Friday, March 21st, were read.

The Hon. Mr. Harvey laid on the Table papers Papers laid on Table. asked for by the Hon. Mr. Pitts.

Pursuant to notice, the Hon. Mr. Monroe asked Questions asked. the Hon. the Representative of the Government to lay on the Table a copy of the Despatch referred to in His Excellency's Speech at the opening of the Session, acquainting His Excellency of the negotiations in progress between the Governments of Great Britain and France for a settlement of questions relative to the catching and preserving of Lobsters on certain parts of the Coasts of the Colony.

Also, whether at any time during the negotiations referred to any communication was received by His Excellency from the Imperial Government informing him as to the terms or any of them of the proposed provisional arrangements referred to, and, if so, to lay a copy of the same on the Table.

The Hon. Mr. Harvey replied, and laid certain Reply. Telegraphic Correspondence on the Table.

On motion made, the House adjourned until Adjourned. Wednesday next, March 26th, at half-past Four o'clock, P. M.

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*Wednesday, March 26th, 1890.*

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

House meets.

PRESENT :

The Honorable E. D. SHEA, *President.*

Members present.

The Honorables J. PITTS,  
M. MONROE,  
G. SKELTON.

The Hon. the President declared the House ad- Adjourned for want of quorum. journed until to-morrow, Thursday, at half-past Four o'clock, P. M., for want of a quorum.

*Thursday, March 27th, 1890.*

House meets.           The House met pursuant to adjournment.

PRESENT :

Member present.       The Honorable E. D. SHEA, *President.*

Adjourned for  
want of quorum.       The Honorable the President declared the House  
adjourned until to-morrow, Friday, at half-past Four  
o'clock, P. M., for want of a quorum.

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*Friday, March 28th, 1890.*

House meets.           The House met pursuant to adjournment.

PRESENT :

Members  
present.               The Honorable E. D. SHEA, *President.*

The Honorables A. W. HARVEY,  
T. TALBOT,  
P. CLEARY,  
J. PITTS,  
M. MONROE,  
G. T. RENDELL,  
J. ANGEL,  
J. P. FOX,  
G. SKELTON.

Minutes read.         The Minutes of Monday, March 24th, Wednes-  
day, March 26th, and Thursday, March 27th, were  
read.

Documents  
laid on Table.       The Hon. Mr. Harvey, by command of His  
Excellency the Governor, laid on the Table the fol-  
lowing Documents :—

Annual Report of the Newfoundland Fisheries'  
Commission, for the year 1889.

Rules and Regulations relating to the Fisheries of Newfoundland and its Dependencies, made under and by virtue of Section XVI. of an Act passed in the 53rd year of the Reign of Her present Majesty, entitled "An Act to provide for the Formation of a Fisheries' Commission, and for other purposes."

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

Message from  
Assembly.

Mr. PRESIDENT ;—

The House of Assembly acquaint the Honorable the Legislative Council that they have passed the accompanying Bills, entitled respectively "An Act respecting the Liens of Mechanics and others," and "An Act to Amend the Temperance Act, 1889," to which they request the concurrence of the Council.

GEO. H. EMERSON,  
*Speaker.*

HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY,  
March 27th, 1890. }

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Angel the Bill sent up, entitled "An Act to amend the Temperance Act, 1889," was read a first time, and

Temperance  
Amendment  
Bill, read 1st  
time.

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

On motion made, the House adjourned until Monday next, March 31st, at half-past Four o'clock, P. M.

Adjourned.



*Monday, March 31st, 1890.*

House meets.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

PRESENT :

Members present.

The Honorable E. D. SHEA, *President*.  
 The Honorables A. W. HARVEY,  
 T. TALBOT,  
 P. CLEARY,  
 J. McLOUGHLAN,  
 M. MONROE,  
 J. ANGEL,  
 J. P. FOX,  
 G. SKELTON.

Minutes read.

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

Motion for 2nd reading of Temperance Bill.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Hon. Mr. Angel moved that the Bill sent up, entitled "An Act to amend the Temperance Act, 1889," be read a second time,—

When there appeared for the motion :—

*Contents* (3).

*Non-Contents* (5).

Division.

Hons. Messrs. Angel,  
 Monroe,  
 Skelton.

Hons. Messrs. Harvey,  
 Talbot,  
 Cleary,  
 McLoughlan,  
 Fox.

So it passed in the negative, and

Ordered,—Accordingly.

Mechanics' Liens Bill, read 1st time.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Harvey, the Bill sent up, entitled "An Act respecting the Liens of Mechanics and others," was read a first time, and

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

Pursuant to notice, the Hon. Mr. Monroe asked Question asked.  
the Hon. the Representative of the Government in  
this House whether it is the intention of the Govern-  
ment to carry out efficiently and stringently the Bait  
Acts, pending the report of Commissioners lately  
appointed to enquire into the working of the said  
Acts, and their effects on the Trade and Fisheries  
of the Colony.

The Hon. Mr. Harvey replied.

Reply.

On motion made, the House adjourned until Adjourned.  
Wednesday next, April 2nd, at half-past Four o'clock,  
P. M.

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*Wednesday, April 2nd, 1890.*

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

House meets.

PRESENT :

The Honorable E. D. SHEA, *President.*

Members  
present,

The Honorables A. W. HARVEY,  
P. CLEARY,  
J. McLOUGHLAN,  
J. P. FOX,  
G. SKELTON.

The Minutes of Monday, March 31st, were read. Minutes read.

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

*Tuesday, April 8th, 1890.*

House meets.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

PRESENT :

Members  
present.

The Honorable E. D. SHEA, *President*.  
The Honorables A. W. HARVEY,  
T. TALBOT,  
P. CLEARY,  
J. PITTS,  
J. McLOUGHLAN,  
M. MONROE,  
G. T. RENDELL,  
J. ANGEL,  
J. P. FOX,  
G. SKELTON.

Minutes read.

The Minutes of Tuesday, April 2nd, were read.

Mechanics'  
Liens Bill, read  
2nd time.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, and on motion of the Hon. Mr. Harvey, the Bill sent up, entitled "An Act respecting the Liens of Mechanics and others," was read a second time, and

Ordered,—To be committed to-morrow.

Adjourned.

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

*Thursday, April 10th, 1890.*

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

House meets.

PRESENT :

The Honorable E. D. SHEA, *President.*

Members present.

The Honorables A. W. HARVEY,  
P. CLEARY,  
J. McLOUGHLAN,  
M. MONROE,  
G. T. RENDELL,  
J. ANGEL,  
J. P. FOX,  
G. SKELTON.

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

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, and on motion of the Hon. Mr. Harvey, the House went into Committee on the Bill sent up, entitled "An Act respecting Liens of Mechanics and others." Committee on Mechanics' Liens Bill.

The Hon. Mr. Skelton in the Chair.

Chair taken.

After some time the House resumed.

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

Ordered,—That the Report be received.

The Hon. the President informed the House that he had received the following Message from the Legislative Assembly :— President informs House of Message with Bills.

Mr. PRESIDENT ;—

The Legislative Assembly acquaint the Hon'ble Legislative Council that it has passed the accompanying Bills, entitled respectively, "An Act to amend Chapter III. of the Consolidated Statutes, Second Series, entitled 'The Election Act, 1889,'" Message.

and "An Act to repeal an Act passed in the Fifty-first year of the Reign of Her present Majesty, entitled 'An Act respecting the Abolition of Cod Traps,'" to which it requests the concurrence of the Council.

GEO. H. EMERSON,  
*Speaker.*

HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY,  
April 8th, 1890. }

Manhood  
Suffrage Bill,  
read 1st time.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Harvey, the Bill sent up, entitled "An Act to amend Chapter III. of the Consolidated Statutes, Second Series, entitled 'The Election Act, 1889,'" was read a first time, and

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

Adjourned.

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

*Friday, April 11th, 1890.*

House meets.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

PRESENT :

Member present. The Honorable Mr. SKELTON, *Senior Member present, presiding.*

Adjourned for  
want of quorum.

The Hon. Mr. Skelton declared the House adjourned until to-morrow, Saturday, April 12th, at half-past Four o'clock, P. M., for want of a quorum.

*Saturday, April 12th, 1890.*

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

House meets.

PRESENT :

The Honorable G. SKELTON, *Senior Member present, Member present, presiding.*

The Hon. Mr. Skelton declared the House adjourned until Monday next, April 14th, at half-past Four o'clock, P. M., for want of a quorum. Adjourned for want of quorum.

*Monday, April 14th, 1890.*

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

House meets.

PRESENT :

The Honorable E. D. SHEA, *President.*

Members present.

The Honorables A. W. HARVEY,  
T. TALBOT,  
M. MONROE,  
G. T. RENDELL,  
G. SKELTON.

The Minutes of Thursday, April 10th, Friday, April 11th, and Saturday, April 12th, were read. Minutes read.

The Hon. Mr. Harvey, by command of His Excellency the Governor, laid upon the Table of the House Copy of Despatch, No. 35, from Governor Blake to Secretary of State in relation to a question respecting Cape Ray. Document laid on Table.

The Hon. Mr. Monroe gives notice that he will, on to-morrow, ask the Representative of the Government whether it is the intention of the Government to prevent during the present year the operation Notice of motion.

of Lobster Factories erected on the so-called French Shore since 1st July, 1889.

Adjourned. On motion made, the House adjourned until Wednesday next, April 16th, at half-past Four o'clock, P. M.

*Wednesday, April 16th, 1890.*

House meets. The House met pursuant to adjournment.

PRESENT :

Members present. The Honorable E. D. SHEA, *President*.  
The Honorables T. TALBOT,  
P. CLEARY,  
J. PITTS,  
J. McLOUGHLAN,  
M. MONROE,  
G. T. RENDELL,  
J. ANGEL,  
J. P. FOX,  
G. SKELTON.

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

The Hon. Mr. Harvey, from the Select Committee on the Printing and Contingencies of this House, submitted the following Report, which was received and read :—

COMMITTEE ROOM,  
16th April, 1890. }

Report on Printing and Contingencies. The Committee on Printing and Contingencies beg to report that they have arranged for the Printing of the Debates of the Council by the *Evening Telegram*, to be copied by the *Times*, the *Colonist*, the *Harbor Grace Standard*, the *Twillingate Sun*, the *Trinity Record*.

To do the Miscellaneous Printing,—the *Times*.

Printing Journals,—*Royal Gazette*.

Mr. John Howley having resigned the Reportership of the Council, Mr. E. Shea and Mr. R. Pittman are appointed in his place for the present Session only, at \$200 each.

(Signed,) A. W. HARVEY,  
*Chairman.*

M. MONROE,  
G. T. RENDELL,  
PHILIP CLEARY,  
JAMES P. FOX.

The Hon. Mr. Harvey moved the adoption of the said Report. Motion for adoption of Report.

Whereupon the Hon. Mr. Talbot moved in amendment,— Amendment.

That Mr. Horwood and Mr. E. Shea be appointed Reporters, and the House divided thereon, when there appeared,—

<i>Contents</i> (5).	<i>Non-Contents</i> (5).	Division.
Hon. Messrs. Talbot, Pitts, McLoughlan, Monroe, Rendell.	Hons. Messrs. Harvey, Cleary, Angel, Fox, Skelton.	

The Hon. the President declared the amendment lost.

Whereupon the original question being put, it passed in the affirmative, and

Ordered,—Accordingly. Report adopted.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, and on motion of the Hon. Mr. Harvey, the Bill sent up, entitled "An Act to amend Chapter III. of the Consolidated Manhood Suffrage Bill, read 2nd time.



Statutes, Second Series, entitled 'The Election Act, 1889,' " was read a second time, and

Ordered,—To be committed to-morrow.

Question asked. Pursuant to notice, the Hon. Mr. Monroe asked the Representative of the Government whether it is the intention of the Government to prevent, during the present year, the operation of the Lobster Factories erected on the so-called French Shore since 1st July, 1889.

Reply. The Hon. Mr. Harvey replied.

Documents laid on Table. The Hon. Mr. Harvey, by command of His Excellency the Governor, laid upon the Table the following Documents :—

Report of St. John's Municipal Council, with accounts for 1889.

Despatch from Secretary of State on Address of Legislative Council on subject of Qualification of Members.

Report of the Postmaster General for 1889.

Report of the Board of Agriculture for 1889.

Statement of Poor Expenditure for 1889.

Statement of Newfoundland Savings' Bank, 1889.

General Statement of the Affairs of Union Bank, 1889.

General Statement of Commercial Bank, 1889.

Statement of the Canada Life Assurance Company, 1889.

Statement of the Equitable Life Assurance Company, 1889.

Return from Newfoundland Coastal S. S. Company, 1889.

Annual Report of the Colonial Cordage Com- Documents—  
pany, 1889. (Continued.)

Annual Report of the Timber and Land Com-  
pany, 1889.

Annual Report of the Newfoundland Steam  
Screw Tug Company, 1889.

Annual Report of the Avalon Wood Manufac-  
turing Company, 1889.

Annual Report of the Terra Nova Bakery for  
1889.

Annual Report of St. John's Nail Manufacturing  
Company, 1889.

Annual Report of Harbor Grace Banking Com-  
pany, 1889.

Annual Report of Electric Light Company for  
1889.

Annual Report of Masonic Hall Company, 1889.

Annual Report of Newfoundland Sealing and  
Whaling Company, 1889.

Annual Report of Newfoundland Boot and Shoe  
Company, 1889.

Annual Report of Floating Dry Dock Company,  
1889.

Annual Report of Furniture and Moulding Com-  
pany, 1889.

Annual Report of Avalon Screw S. S. Company,  
1889.

Report of the Superintendent of Methodist  
Schools, 1889.

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

*Friday, April 18th, 1890.*

House meets.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

PRESENT :

Members present.

The Honorable E. D. SHEA, *President*.  
 The Honorables A. W. HARVEY,  
 T. TALBOT,  
 P. CLEARY,  
 J. PITTS,  
 J. McLOUGHLAN,  
 M. MONROE,  
 G. T. RENDELL,  
 J. ANGEL,  
 J. P. FOX,  
 G. SKELTON.

Minutes read.

The Minutes of Wednesday last were read.

Resolution on Mr. Howley's retirement.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Harvey the following Resolution was moved and unanimously adopted :—

The Legislative Council have received with great regret Mr. John Howley's resignation of his office as Reporter of the Council, their feeling being enhanced by the knowledge that this step has been rendered compulsory by his impaired health.

In expressing their cordial sympathy with Mr. Howley on this occasion, the Council desire also to record their high estimate of the faithfulness and ability with which he has discharged his duty as Reporter for three and thirty years, during which lengthened period they have ever regarded his services with unqualified satisfaction.

The Council are strongly of opinion that such an annual provision should be made for Mr. Howley's retirement as may still further mark their appreciation of his merits.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, and on motion of the Hon. Mr. Harvey, the House went into Committee on the Bill sent up, entitled "An Act respecting Liens of Mechanics and others." Committee on Mechanics' Lien Bill.

The Hon. Mr. Skelton in the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported the Bill with some Amendments. Bill reported with Amendments.

Ordered,—That the Report be received, and

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

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, and on motion of the Hon. Mr. Harvey, the House went into Committee on the Bill sent up, entitled "An Act to amend Chapter III. of the Consolidated Statutes, Second Series, entitled "The Election Act, 1889." Committee on Manhood Suffrage Bill.

The Hon. Mr. Fox in the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

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

Ordered,—That the Report be received.

The Hon. the President informed the House that he had received the following Messages from the Hon. Legislative Assembly :— President informs House of Messages with Bills.

MR. PRESIDENT ;—

The Legislative Assembly acquaints the Hon. Legislative Council that it has passed the accompanying Bill, entitled "An Act for granting to Her Majesty certain Duties on Goods, Wares, and Merchandize imported into this Colony and its Dependencies," to which it requests the concurrence of the Council. Message

HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY, }  
 April 18th, 1890. }  
 GEO. H. EMERSON,  
*Speaker*

MR. PRESIDENT ;—

Message.

The Legislative Assembly acquaints the Hon. Legislative Council that it has passed the accompanying Bill, entitled “An Act for the Protection of Woods against Fires,” to which it requests the concurrence of the Council.

GEO. H. EMERSON,  
*Speaker.*

HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY,  
April 17th, 1890. }

Codtraps' Bill,  
read 1st time.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Harvey, the Bill sent up, entitled “An Act to Repeal an Act passed in the 51st year of the Reign of Her present Majesty, entitled ‘An Act respecting the Abolition of Cod-traps,’” was read a first time, and

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

Notice of  
motion.

The Hon. Mr. Harvey gives notice that he will, on to-morrow, move the Suspension of the 35th Rule of this House as regards the Bill, entitled “An Act to Repeal an Act passed in the 51st year of the Reign of Her present Majesty, entitled ‘An Act respecting the Abolition of Cod-traps.’”

Bill for Protec-  
tion of Woods  
against Fires,  
read 1st time.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Harvey, the Bill sent up, entitled “An Act for the Protection of Woods against Fires,” was read a first time, and

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

Revenue Bill.  
read 1st time.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Harvey, the Bill sent up, entitled “An Act for granting to Her Majesty certain Duties on Goods, Wares, and Merchandize imported into this Colony and its Dependencies,” was read a first time, and

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

Document  
laid on Table.

The Hon. Mr. Harvey, by command of His Excellency the Governor, laid upon the Table copy of Telegraphic Correspondence between His Excellency

the Governor and the Right Honorable the Secretary of State for the Colonies, since the 15th March, 1890, on the subject of the *modus vivendi*.

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

*Monday, April 21st, 1890.*

The House met pursuant to adjournment. House meets.

PRESENT :

The Honorable E. D. SHEA, <i>President</i> . The Honorables A. W. HARVEY, J. McLOUGHLAN, J. PITTS, M. MONROE, G. T. RENDELL, J. ANGEL, J. P. FOX, G. SKELTON.	Members present.
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The Minutes of Friday last were read. Minutes read.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, and on motion of the Hon. Mr. Harvey, the Bill sent up, entitled "An Act respecting Liens of Mechanics and others," as amended, was read a third time and passed, and the Hon. the President signed the same. Mechanics' Liens Bill, as amended, read 3rd time and passed.

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

The Amendments are as follows :— Amendments.

Amendments made by the Legislative Council in and upon the Bill sent up, from the Legislative

Amendments— Assembly, entitled “ An Act respecting Liens of Me-  
(Continued.) chanics and others” :

Second Section, Third Sub-Section, sixth line—  
Strike out the words “ privity or,” and after the word  
“ consent,” in the same line, insert the words “ in  
writing.”

Sixth Section, First Sub-Section, eleventh line—  
Strike out the word “ thirty” and insert in place  
thereof the word “ twelve” ; twelfth line, same Sub-  
Section, strike out the word “ thirty” and insert in  
place thereof the word “ twelve.”

Ninth Section, Second Sub-Section, sixth line—  
Strike out the word “ ten,” and insert in place there-  
of the word “ thirty.”

Third Sub-Section, first line—Strike out the  
word “ thirty,” and insert in place thereof the word  
“ twelve” ; second line, same Sub-Section, strike out  
the word “ thirty,” and insert in place thereof the  
word “ twelve.”

Twenty-first Section, third line—After the word  
“ Supplying” insert the word “ materials.”

Thirty-first Section, First Sub-Section, ninth  
line—After the word “ exists,” insert the words  
“ the lien under this Section shall be construed to  
have effect so long as the said chattel or thing shall  
remain in the possession or under the control of such  
Mechanic or other person.”

Committee on  
Manhood  
Suffrage Bill.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, and on motion  
of the Hon. Mr. Harvey, the Bill sent up, entitled  
“ An Act to amend Chapter III of the Consolidated  
Statutes, Second Series, entitled ‘ The Election Act,  
1889,’ ” was committed to a Committee of the whole  
House.

The Hon. Mr. Fox in the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported the Bill without amendment. Reported without amendment

Ordered,—That the Report be received, and

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

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

Ordered,—That the 35th Rule of this House be suspended with regard to the Bill, entitled “An Act to Repeal an Act passed in the 51st year of the Reign of Her present Majesty, entitled ‘An Act respecting the Abolition of Cod-traps.’” 35th Rule suspended in reference to Cod-traps’ Bill.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, and on motion of the Hon. Mr. Harvey, the Bill sent up, entitled “An Act to Repeal an Act passed in the 51st year of the Reign of Her present Majesty, entitled ‘An Act respecting the Abolition of Cod-traps,’” was read a second time, and Cod-traps’ Bill, read 2nd time.

Ordered,—To be committed presently. Committed.

The Hon. Mr. Pitts in the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported the Bill without amendment. Reported without amendment.

Ordered,—That the Report be received.

The said Bill was then read a third time and passed, and the Hon. the President signed the same. Read 3rd time and passed.

Ordered,—That the said Bill be sent to the Legislative Assembly, with Message, that this House had passed the same without amendment. Message to Assembly.

The Hon. Mr. Harvey gives notice that he will, on to-morrow, ask leave to introduce a Bill to amend the Act, 52 Vic., Cap. 7, entitled “An Act to provide Notice of Bill.



for the Formation of a Fisheries' Commission, and for other purposes."

Notice of motion.

Hon. Mr. Monroe gives notice that he will, on to-morrow, ask the Representative of the Government in this House to lay on the Table the Reply of His Excellency the Governor to the Despatch of the Secretary of State for the Colonies of January 16th, 1890, in reference to the Fisheries' Commission.

Adjourned.

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

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*Tuesday, April 22nd, 1890.*

House meets.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

PRESENT :

Members present.

The Honorable E. D. SHEA, *President*.  
The Honorables A. W. HARVEY,  
T. TALBOT,  
P. CLEARY,  
J. McLOUGHLAN,  
M. MONROE,  
G. T. RENDELL,  
G. SKELTON.

Minutes read.

The Minutes of Monday last were read.

Manhood Suffrage Bill, read 3rd time and passed.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, and on motion of the Hon. Mr. Harvey, the Bill sent up, entitled "An Act to amend Chapter III. of the Consolidated Statutes, Second Series, entitled 'The Election Act, 1889,'" was read a third time and passed, and the Honorable the President signed the same.

Message to Assembly.

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

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, and on motion of the Hon. Mr. Harvey, the Bill sent up, entitled "An Act for the Protection of Woods against Fires," was read a second time, and

Bill for Protection of Woods against Fires, read 2nd time.

Ordered,—To be committed to-morrow.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, and on motion of the Hon. Mr. Harvey, the Bill sent up, entitled "An Act for granting to Her Majesty certain Duties on Goods, Wares and Merchandize imported into this Colony and its Dependencies," was read a second time, and

Revenue Bill, read 2nd time.

Ordered,—To be committed to-morrow.

The Hon. Mr. Harvey, pursuant to notice, presented a Bill to amend the Act 52nd Vic., Cap. 7, entitled "An Act to provide for the Formation of a Fisheries' Commission, and for other purposes," which was read a first time, and

Fisheries' Commission Amendment Bill, presented and read 1st time.

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

Pursuant to notice, the Hon. Mr. Monroe asked the Hon. Representative of the Government in this House to lay on the Table the reply of His Excellency the Governor to the Despatch of the Secretary of State for the Colonies, of January 16th, 1890, in reference to the Fisheries' Commission.

Question asked.

The Hon. Mr. Harvey laid upon the Table the Despatch asked for.

Despatch laid on Table.

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

Adjourned.

*Thursday, April 24th, 1890.*

House meets.           The House met pursuant to adjournment.

PRESENT :

Member present.   The Honorable Mr. SKELTON, *Senior Member present, presiding.*

Adjourned for want of quorum.   The Hon. Mr. Skelton declared the House adjourned until to-morrow, Friday, at half-past Four o'clock, P. M., for want of a quorum.

*Friday, April 25th, 1890.*

House meets.           The House met pursuant to adjournment.

PRESENT :

Members present.   The Honorable E. D. SHEA, *President.*  
The Honorables A. W. HARVEY,  
T. TALBOT,  
J. ANGEL,  
J. P. FOX,  
G. SKELTON.

Minutes read.        The Minutes of Tuesday, April 22nd, and Thursday, April 24th, were read.

Committee on Bill for Protection of Woods against Fires.   Pursuant to the Order of the Day, and on motion of the Hon. Mr. Harvey, the House went into Committee on the Bill sent up, entitled "An Act for the Protection of Woods against Fires."

The Hon. Mr. Angel in the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

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

Ordered,—That the Report be received.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, and on motion of the Hon. Mr. Harvey, the House went into Committee on the Bill sent up, entitled "An Act for Granting to Her Majesty certain Duties on Goods, Wares, and Merchandize imported into this Colony and its Dependencies." Committee on Revenue Bill.

The Hon. Mr. Fox in the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

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

Ordered,—That the Report be received.

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

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*Monday, April 28th, 1890.*

The House met pursuant to adjournment. House meets.

PRESENT :

The Honorable E. D. SHEA, <i>President.</i>	Members
The Honorables A. W. HARVEY,	present.
T. TALBOT,	
J. McLOUGHLAN,	
M. MONROE,	
G. T. RENDELL,	
J. ANGEL,	
J. P. FOX,	
G. SKELTON.	

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

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, and on motion of the Hon. Mr. Harvey, the House went into Committee upon the Bill sent up, entitled "An Act for" Committee on Revenue Bill.

Granting to Her Majesty certain Duties on Goods, Wares, and Merchandize imported into this Colony and its Dependencies.”

The Hon. Mr. Fox in the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

Reported.

The Chairman reported the Bill without amendment.

Ordered,—That the Report be received, and

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

Adjourned.

On motion made, the House adjourned until Wednesday next, April 30th, at half-past Four o'clock, P. M.

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*Wednesday, April 30th, 1890.*

House meets.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

PRESENT :

Members present.

The Honorable E. D. SHEA, *President*.  
 The Honorables A. W. HARVEY,  
 T. TALBOT,  
 J. McLOUGHLAN,  
 M. MONROE,  
 G. T. RENDELL,  
 J. ANGEL,  
 G. SKELTON.

Minutes read.

The Minutes of Monday last were read.

Revenue Bill,  
 read 3rd time  
 and passed.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, and on motion of the Hon. Mr. Harvey, the Bill sent up, entitled “An Act for Granting to Her Majesty certain Duties on Goods, Wares, and Merchandize imported into this

Colony and its Dependencies," was read a third time and passed, and the Hon. the President signed the same.

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

The Hon. the President informed the House that he had received the following Message from the Legislative Assembly:— President informs House of Message.

MR. PRESIDENT;—

The Legislative Assembly acquaints the Hon. Legislative Council that it has passed the accompanying Bill, entitled "An Act to amend the Crown Lands' Act, 1884, and the Acts in Amendment thereof," to which it requests the concurrence of the Council. Message

GEO. H. EMERSON,  
*Speaker.*

HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY,  
April 30th, 1890. }

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Harvey, the Bill sent up, entitled "An Act to amend the Crown Lands' Act, 1884, and the Acts in Amendment thereof," was read a first time, and Crown Lands' Amendment Bill, read 1st time.

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

The Hon. Mr. Harvey gives notice that he will, on to-morrow, move the suspension of the 35th Rule of this House as regards the Bill, entitled "An Act to amend the Crown Lands' Act, 1884, and the Acts in Amendment thereof." Notices of motion.

The Hon. Mr. Monroe gives notice that he will, on to-morrow, ask the Hon. Representative of the Government whether any Correspondence has passed between the Government and Sir J. S. Winter, Q. C., in reference to the "Consolidated Statutes Publication Act" of last Session, and, if so, whether he will lay the same on the Table of this House.

The Hon. Mr. Monroe gives notice that the Hon. Mr. Pitts will, on to-morrow, ask the Hon. Representative of the Government to lay on the Table of this House all Cable and other Correspondence between the Government of the Colony and that of the Dominion of Canada, in regard to tonnage and other dues levied on Vessels owned in the Dominion of Canada under the "Bait Fishes' Amendment Act."

Adjourned.

On motion made, the House adjourned until to-morrow, Thursday, May 1st, at half-past Four o'clock, P. M.

*Thursday, May 1st, 1890.*

House meets.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

PRESENT :

Members present.

The Honorable E. D. SHEA, *President*.  
 The Honorables A. W. HARVEY,  
 T. TALBOT,  
 P. CLEARY,  
 J. PITTS,  
 J. McLOUGHLAN,  
 J. ANGEL,  
 J. P. FOX,  
 G. SKELTON.

Minutes read.

The Minutes of Wednesday last were read.

Crown Lands' Amendment Bill, read 2nd time.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, and on motion of the Hon. Mr. Harvey, the Bill sent up, entitled "An Act to amend the Crown Lands' Act, 1884, and the Acts in Amendment thereof," was read a second time.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Harvey,—

35th Rule suspended as regards Crown Lands' Amendment Bill.

Ordered,—That the 35th Rule of this House be suspended with reference to the Bill, entitled "An Act to amend the Crown Lands' Act, 1884, and the Acts in Amendment thereof."

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Harvey the House went into Committee on the Bill sent up, entitled "An Act to amend the Crown Lands' Act, 1884," and the Acts in Amendment thereof." Committee on Crown Lands' Amendment. Bill.

The Hon. Mr. Pitts in the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported the Bill without amendment. Reported without amendment.

Ordered,—That the Report be received.

The said Bill was then read a third time and passed, and the Hon. the President signed the same. Read 3rd time and passed.

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

Pursuant to notice, the Hon. Mr. Pitts asked the Hon. the Representative of the Government to lay on the Table of this House all Cable and other Correspondence between the Government of the Colony and that of the Dominion of Canada, in regard to tonnage and other duties levied on vessels owned in the Dominion of Canada under the "Bait Fishes' Amendment Act." Question asked.

The Hon. Mr. Harvey laid on the Table the Correspondence asked for. Reply.

The Hon. Mr. Harvey, by command of His Excellency the Governor, laid on the Table the Annual Report of the Post Office Department, together with the Statements and Accounts for the year ended the 31st December, 1889. Document laid on Table.

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

MR. PRESIDENT ;—

The Legislative Assembly acquaint the Hon. Legislative Council that they have had under con- Message.



sideration the Amendments sent down from the Council, in and upon the Bill, entitled "An Act respecting the Liens of Mechanics and others," and request that the Council will appoint a number of their body to confer with a similar number from the Assembly on the said subject, at such time and place as may be named by the Council.

GEO. H. EMERSON,  
*Speaker.*

HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY, }  
May 1st, 1890. }

MR. PRESIDENT;—

Message.

The Legislative Assembly acquaint the Hon. Legislative Council that they have passed the accompanying Bill, entitled "An Act to provide for the Commutation of Sentences for good behaviour and industry of Prisoners confined in the Penitentiary," to which they request the concurrence of the Council.

GEO. H. EMERSON,  
*Speaker.*

HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY, }  
May 1st, 1890. }

Commutation of  
Sentences of  
Prisoners' Bill,  
read 1st time.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Harvey, the Bill sent up, entitled "An Act to provide for the Commutation of Sentences for good behaviour and industry of Prisoners confined in the Penitentiary," was read a first time, and

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

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Harvey,—

Committee  
appointed to  
meet Committee  
on Mechanics'  
Liens Bill.

Ordered,—That a Committee of three Members of this House be appointed to meet and confer with a like number of the Legislative Assembly, upon certain Amendments sent down from the Council upon the Bill sent up from the Assembly, entitled "An Act respecting the Liens of Mechanics and others," and

Ordered,—That the Hon'bles Messrs. Harvey, Monroe, and Rendell, do compose the said Committee, and

Ordered,—That a Message be sent to the Legislative Assembly to this effect; and that the Committee of this House will meet and confer with the Committee appointed by the Assembly upon the said subject, on Monday next, May 5th, at half-past Four o'clock, P. M., in the Committee Room of the Legislative Council.

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

*Friday, May 2nd, 1890.*

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

House meets.

PRESENT :

The Honorable E. D. SHEA, *President.*

Members present.

The Honorables A. W. HARVEY,

T. TALBOT,

P. CLEARY,

J. PITTS,

M. MONROE,

G. T. RENDELL,

G. SKELTON.

The Minutes of Thursday last were read.

Minutes read.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, and on motion of the Hon. Mr. Harvey, the Bill sent up, entitled "An Act to provide for the Commutation of Sentences for good behaviour and industry of Prisoners confined in the Penitentiary," was read a second time, and

Commutation of Sentences of Prisoners' Bill, read 2nd time.

Ordered,—To be committed to-morrow.

Question asked.

Pursuant to notice, the Hon. Mr. Monroe asked the Hon. Representative of the Government whether any correspondence has passed between the Government and Sir J. S. Winter, Q. C., in reference to the "Consolidated Statutes Publication Act" of last Session, and if so whether he will lay the same on the Table of this House.

Reply.

The Hon. Mr. Harvey replied that the Correspondence asked for was in course of preparation.

President informs House of Message.

The Hon. the President informed the House that he had received the following Message from the Legislative Assembly:—

MR. PRESIDENT;—

Message

The Legislative Assembly acquaints the Hon. the Legislative Council that it has passed a Bill, entitled "An Act for Granting to Her Majesty a Sum of Money for defraying the Expenses of the Civil Government of this Colony, for the year ending the 31st day of December, One Thousand Eight Hundred and Ninety, and for other purposes," and requests the concurrence of the Hon. the Legislative Council therein.

GEO. H. EMERSON,  
*Speaker.*

HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY,  
May 2nd, 1890. }

Supply Bill,  
read 1st time.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Harvey, the Bill sent up, entitled "An Act for Granting to Her Majesty a Sum of Money for defraying the Expenses of the Civil Government of this Colony, for the year ending the 31st day of December, One Thousand Eight Hundred and Ninety, and for other purposes," was read a first time, and

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

Adjourned.

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

*Monday, May 5th, 1890.*

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

House meets.

PRESENT :

The Honorable E. D. SHEA, *President.*

Members present.

The Honorables A. W. HARVEY,  
T. TALBOT,  
J. PITTS,  
M. MONROE,  
G. T. RENDELL,  
J. ANGEL,  
J. P. FOX,  
G. SKELTON.

The Minutes of Friday last were read.

Minutes read.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, and on motion of the Hon. Mr. Harvey, the House went into Committee on the Bill sent up, entitled "An Act for the Protection of Woods against Fires." Committee on Bill for Protection of Woods against Fires.

The Hon. Mr. Angel in the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

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

Ordered,—That the Report be received.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, and on motion of the Hon. Mr. Harvey, the Bill sent up, entitled "An Act for Granting to Her Majesty a Sum of Money for defraying the Expenses of the Civil Government of this Colony, for the year ending the 31st day of December, One Thousand Eight Hundred and Ninety, and for other purposes," was read a second time, and Supply Bill,

Ordered,—To be committed to-morrow.

Correspondence  
laid on Table.

The Hon. Mr. Harvey laid upon the Table Correspondence asked for by the Hon. Mr. Monroe, in reference to the "Consolidated Statutes Publication Act" of last Session.

Adjourned.

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

*Tuesday, May 6th, 1890.*

House meets.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

PRESENT :

Members  
present.

The Honorable E. D. SHEA, *President.*

The Honorables A. W. HARVEY,

T. TALBOT,

P. CLEARY,

J. PITTS,

J. McLOUGHLAN,

G. T. RENDELL,

J. ANGEL,

J. P. FOX,

G. SKELTON.

Minutes read.

The Minutes of Monday last were read.

Committee on  
Bill for Protec-  
tion of Woods  
against Fires.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, and on motion of the Hon. Mr. Harvey, the House went into Committee on the Bill sent up, entitled "An Act for the Protection of Woods against Fires."

The Hon. Mr. Rendell in the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

Reported with  
amendments.

The Chairman reported the Bill with some Amendments.

Ordered,—That the Report be received, and

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

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, and on motion of the Hon. Mr. Harvey, the House went into Committee on the Bill sent up, entitled "An Act for Granting to Her Majesty a Sum of Money for defraying the Expenses of the Civil Government of this Colony for the year ending the 31st day of December, One Thousand Eight Hundred and Ninety, and for other purposes." Committee on Supply Bill.

The Hon. Mr. Cleary in the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported the Bill without amendment. Reported.

Ordered,—That the Report be received, and

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

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

MR. PRESIDENT ;—

The Legislative Assembly acquaints the Hon. Legislative Council that it has passed the accompanying Bills, entitled respectively, "An Act to amend 52 Victoria, Cap. 18, entitled 'An Act to amend Title 26, Cap. 100, of the Consolidated Statutes,' entitled 'Of Pilots and Pilotage for the Port of St. John's'" ; "An Act for the Encouragement of the Cultivation and Manufacture of Flax and Hemp" ; and "An Act to amend the Act 49 Victoria, Cap. 9, entitled 'An Act for the Preservation of Game,'" and the Act 52 Victoria, Cap. 6, entitled "An Act for the Preservation of Deer," to which it requests the concurrence of the Council. Message.

GEO. H. EMERSON,  
*Speaker.*

HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY,  
May 6th, 1890. }

Documents laid  
on Table.

The Hon. Mr. Harvey, by command of His Excellency the Governor, laid upon the Table Copy of Tenders for Construction of Railway to Hall's Bay.

Also, Copies of Despatches from 1887-1890, viz. :—

Copy of Despatch relating to the French Cod Fishery off Newfoundland.

Copies of Despatches relating to the French Bounty system on the Sale of Newfoundland Fish.

Copy of Despatch relative to the Trade in Fish with Italy.

Copy of Despatch respecting the success of the French Fishing during the year 1888.

Copy of Despatch relating to the Newfoundland Fisheries, and the operation of the Act of 1887 relating to Bait.

Copies of Despatches relating to the Sale of French caught Newfoundland Fish.

Copy of Despatch on the subject of the effect of the Bait Act on the French Fishery.

Copies of Despatches on the effect produced on the import of French Fish by the Newfoundland Bait Act.

Copy of Despatch relating to Newfoundland and Labrador Cured Fish.

Copy of Despatch acknowledging receipt of Joint Address to the Queen from the Legislative Council and House of Assembly relating to matters connected with the Newfoundland Fisheries.

Copy of Despatch relating to the boundary line between English and French jurisdiction in the Channel between Newfoundland and St. Pierre.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Harvey, the Bill Pilots' Bill, read 1st time. sent up, entitled "An Act to amend 52 Vic., Cap. 18, entitled 'An Act to amend Title 26, Chapter 100, of the Consolidated Statutes,' entitled 'Of Pilots and Pilotage for the Port of St. John's,'" was a read a first time, and

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

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Harvey, the following Bills, entitled, respectively,—

"An Act for the Encouragement of the Cultivation and Manufacture of Flax and Hemp." Flax and Hemp and Game Bills read 1st time.

"An Act to amend the 49 Victoria, Cap. 9, entitled 'An Act for the Preservation of Game,' and the Act 52 Vic., Cap. 6, entitled 'An Act for the Preservation of Deer,'" were severally read a first time, and

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

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

*Wednesday, May 7th, 1890.*

The House met pursuant to adjournment. House meets.

PRESENT :

The Honorable	E. D. SHEA, <i>President.</i>	<small>Members present.</small>
The Honorables	A. W. HARVEY,	
	T. TALBOT,	
	P. CLEARY,	
	J. PITTS,	
	J. McLOUGHLAN,	
	M. MONROE,	
	J. ANGEL,	
	J. P. FOX,	
	G. SKELTON.	

The Minutes of Tuesday last were read. Minutes read.



Bill for Protection of Woods against Fires, read 3rd time and passed.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, and on motion of the Hon. Mr. Harvey, the Bill sent up, entitled "An Act for the Protection of Woods against Fires," as amended, was read a third time and passed, and the Hon. the President signed the same.

Message to Assembly.

Ordered,—To be sent to the Legislative Assembly, with Message, that this House had passed the same with certain Amendments and requesting concurrence therein.

Amendments.

The Amendments are as follows:—

Amendments made by the Legislative Council in and upon the Bill sent up from the Legislative Assembly, entitled "An Act for the Protection of Woods against Fires":—

Third Section, first line—Strike out the word "fifteenth," and insert in place thereof the word "first." The same Section, second line—Strike out the word "fifteenth," and insert in place thereof the the word "thirtieth."

Fourth Section—Strike out all the words after the word "shall," in the fifth line, down to the word "that" in the sixth line, and insert in place thereof the words "when called upon to do so declare upon oath before a Stipendiary Magistrate."

Fifth Section—Strike out all the words after the word "shall," in the seventh line, to the word "that" in the ninth line, and insert in place thereof the words "when called upon to do so declare upon oath before a Stipendiary Magistrate."

Nineteenth Section, second line—Strike out the word "it," and insert in place thereof the words "one moiety thereof"; and at the end of the same Section, add the words "and the other moiety shall be paid to the Receiver General for the use of the Colony."

Twenty-fourth Section, second line—Strike out from the word "bog" to the end of the Section.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, and on motion of the Hon. Mr. Harvey, the Bill sent up, entitled "An Act for Granting to Her Majesty a Sum of Money for defraying the Expenses of the Civil Government of this Colony, for the year ending the 31st day of December, One Thousand Eight Hundred and Ninety, and for other purposes," was read a third time and passed, and the Hon. the President signed the same. Supply Bill, read 3rd time and passed.

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

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, and on motion of the Hon. Mr. Harvey, the Bill sent up, entitled "An Act for the Encouragement of the Cultivation and Manufacture of Flax and Hemp," was read a second time, and Flax and Hemp Bill, read 2nd time.

Ordered,—To be committed to-morrow.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, and on motion of the Hon. Mr. Cleary, the Bill sent up, entitled "An Act to amend the Act, 52 Vic., Cap. 18, entitled 'An Act to amend Title 26, Chapter 100, of the Consolidated Statutes,' entitled 'Of Pilots and Pilotage for the Port of St. John's,'" was read a second time, and Pilots' Bill, read 2nd time.

Ordered,—To be committed to-morrow.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, and on motion of the Hon. Mr. Harvey, the Bill sent up, entitled "An Act to amend the Act 49 Vic., Cap. 9, entitled 'An Act for the Preservation of Game,' and the Act 52 Vic., Cap. 11, entitled 'An Act for the Preservation of Deer,'" was read a second time, and Game Bill, read 2nd time.

Ordered,—To be committed to-morrow.

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

*Thursday, May 8th, 1890.*

House meets. The House met pursuant to adjournment.

PRESENT :

Members present.

The Honorable E. D. SHEA, *President*.  
 The Honorables A. W. HARVEY,  
 T. TALBOT,  
 P. CLEARY,  
 J. PITTS,  
 J. McLOUGHLAN,  
 G. T. RENDELL,  
 J. ANGEL,  
 J. P. FOX,  
 G. SKELTON.

Minutes read. The Minutes of Wednesday last were read.

Committee on Commutation of Sentences of Prisoners' Bill. Pursuant to the Order of the Day, and on motion of the Hon. Mr. Harvey, the House went into Committee on the Bill sent up, entitled "An Act to provide for the Commutation of Sentences for good behaviour and industry of Prisoners confined in the Penitentiary."

The Hon. Mr. Rendell in the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

Reported without amendment. The Chairman reported the Bill without amendment.

Ordered,—That the Report be received, and

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

Committee on Pilots' Bill.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, and on motion of the Hon. Mr. Cleary, the House went into Committee on the Bill sent up, entitled "An Act to amend the Act 52 Vic., Cap. 18, entitled 'An Act to amend Title 26, Chapter 100, of the Consolidated Statutes,'

entitled 'Of Pilots and Pilotage for the Port of Saint John's.' "

The Hon. Mr. Skelton in the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported the Bill with some amendments.

Ordered,—That the Report be received, and

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

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, and on motion of the Hon. Mr. Harvey, the House went into Committee on the Bill sent up, entitled "An Act for the Encouragement of the Cultivation of Flax and Hemp." Committee on Flax and Hemp Bill.

The Hon. Mr. Pitts in the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported the Bill with an amendment. Reported with amendment.

Ordered,—That the Report be received, and

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

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, and on motion of the Hon. Mr. Harvey, the House went into Committee on the Bill sent up, entitled "An Act to amend the Act 49 Vic., Cap. 9, entitled 'An Act for the Preservation of Game,' and the Act 52 Vic., Cap. 11, entitled 'An Act for the Preservation of Deer.' "

Committee on Game Bill.

The Hon. Mr. Fox in the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

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

Ordered,—That the Report be received.

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

MR. PRESIDENT ;—

Message. The Legislative Assembly acquaints the Legislative Council that it has passed the Amendments in and upon the Bill, entitled “An Act for the Protection of Woods against Fires,” without amendment.

GEO. H. EMERSON,  
*Speaker.*

HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY, }  
May 8th, 1890. }

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

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*Friday, May 9th, 1890.*

House meets. The House met pursuant to adjournment.

PRESENT :

Member present. The Honorable Mr. SKELTON, *Senior Member present, presiding.*

Adjourned for want of quorum. The Honorable Mr. Skelton declared the House adjourned until to-morrow, Saturday, at half-past Four o'clock, P. M., for want of a quorum.

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*Saturday, May 10th, 1890.*

House meets. The House met pursuant to adjournment.

PRESENT :

Member present. The Honorable Mr. SKELTON, *Senior Member present, presiding.*

Adjourned for want of quorum. The Honorable Mr. Skelton declared the House adjourned until Monday next, May 12th, at half-past Four o'clock, P. M., for want of a quorum.

*Monday, May 12th, 1890.*

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

House meets.

PRESENT :

The Honorable E. D. SHEA, *President.*

Members present,

The Honorables A. W. HARVEY,  
J. McLOUGHLAN,  
M. MONROE,  
G. T. RENDELL,  
J. ANGEL,  
J. P. FOX,  
G. SKELTON.

The Minutes of Thursday, May 8th, Friday, May 9th, and Saturday, May 10th, were read. Minutes read.

At Five o'clock, P. M., His Excellency the Governor Lieutenant-Colonel Sir J. TERENCE N. O'BRIEN, K. C. M. G., having arrived at the Council Chamber, and being seated on the Throne, the Hon. the President directed the Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod, attendant on the Council, to proceed to the Legislative Assembly and inform the Speaker and Members thereof, that it is His Excellency's will and pleasure that they forthwith attend at the Bar of this House; and they being come thereto, His Excellency was pleased to give his assent to the following Bill:—

Governor arrives at Council Chamber and assents to Crown Lands' Bill, and reserves assent to Cod-traps' Bill.

“An Act to amend the Crown Lands' Act, 1884,” and the Acts in amendment thereof.

His Excellency the Governor reserved his assent for the signification of Her Majesty's pleasure to the following Bill:—

“An Act to repeal an Act passed in the 51st year of the Reign of Her present Majesty, entitled ‘An Act respecting the Abolition of Cod-traps.’”

The Legislative Assembly having withdrawn, His Excellency was pleased to retire.

Commutation of Sentences of Prisoners' Bill, read 3rd time and passed,

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, and on motion of the Hon. Mr. Harvey, the Bill sent up, entitled "An Act to provide for the Commutation of Sentences for good behaviour and industry of Prisoners confined in the Penitentiary," was read a third time and passed, and the Hon. the President signed the same.

Message to Assembly.

Ordered,—To be sent to the Legislative Assembly, with Message, that this House had passed the same without Amendment.

Flax and Hemp Bill, as amended, read 3rd time and passed.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, and on motion of the Hon. Mr. Harvey, the Bill sent up, entitled "An Act for the Encouragement of the Cultivation and Manufacture of Flax and Hemp," as amended, was read a third time and passed, and the Hon. the President signed the same.

Message to Assembly.

Ordered,—To be sent to the Legislative Assembly, with Message, that this House had passed the same with an Amendment and requesting concurrence therein.

Amendment.

Amendment made by the Legislative Council in and upon the Bill sent up from the Legislative Assembly, entitled "An Act for the Encouragement of the Cultivation and Manufacture of Flax and Hemp" :—

Second Section, seventh line—After the word "where" insert the words "and time when."

Committee on Game Amendment Bill.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, and on motion of the Hon. Mr. Harvey, the House went into Committee on the Bill sent up, entitled "An Act to amend the Act 49 Vic., Cap. 9, entitled 'An Act for the Preservation of Game,' and the Act 52 Vic., Cap. 11, entitled 'An Act for the Preservation of Deer.'"

The Hon. Mr. Skelton in the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

Reported with amendment,

The Chairman reported the Bill with an Amendment.

Ordered,—That the Report be received, and

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

The Hon. the President informed the House that he had received the following Message from the Legislative Assembly :—

President informs Council of Message.

MR. PRESIDENT ;—

The Legislative Assembly acquaint the Hon. Legislative Council that they have passed the accompanying Bill, entitled “An Act for granting to Her Majesty a Sum of Money for Constructing and Repairing Roads, Streets and Bridges and other Public Works within this Colony, and to make provision for the protection and preservation of the same, to which they request the concurrence of the Council.

Message.

GEO. H. EMERSON,  
*Speaker.*

HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY,  
May 12th, 1890. }

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Harvey the Bill sent up, entitled “An Act for granting to Her Majesty a Sum of Money for Constructing and Repairing Roads, Streets and Bridges and other Public Works within this Colony, and to make provision for the protection and preservation of the same,” was read a first time, and

Road Bill, read 1st time.

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

On motion made the House adjourned until to-morrow, Tuesday, May 13th, at half-past four o'clock, P. M.

Adjourned.



*Tuesday, May 13th, 1890.*

House meets.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

PRESENT :

Members  
present.

The Honorable E. D. SHEA, *President.*

The Honorables A. W. HARVEY,  
T. TALBOT,  
P. CLEARY,  
J. ANGEL,  
J. P. FOX,  
G. SKELTON.

Minutes read.

The Minutes of Monday last were read.

Pilots' Bill,  
read 3rd time,  
as amended,  
and passed.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, and on motion of the Hon. Mr. Cleary, the Bill sent up, entitled "An Act to amend 52 Vic., Cap. 18, entitled 'An Act to amend Title 26, Cap. 100, of the Consolidated Statutes,' entitled 'Of Pilots and Pilotage for the Port of St. John's,'" as amended, was read a third time and passed, and the Hon. the President signed the same.

Message to  
Assembly.

Ordered,—To be sent to the Legislative Assembly, with Message, that this House had passed the same with certain amendments, and requesting concurrence therein.

The Amendments are as follows :—

Amendments.

Amendments made by the Legislative Council in and upon the Bill sent up from the Legislative Assembly, entitled "An Act to amend 52 Vic., Cap. 18, entitled 'An Act to amend Title 26, Cap. 100, of the Consolidated Statutes,' entitled 'Of Pilots and Pilotage for the Port of St. John's'" :—

First Section—Strike out all the words after the word "narrows" at the end of the eighth line, down to the word "any" in the sixteenth line, and insert

in place thereof the words “No steam or sailing vessel returning to the said port through stress of weather shall be compelled to take a Pilot on her said return to the said port, nor on her second departure therefrom; provided that such steam or sailing vessel shall not have been gone from or remained in such port during the whole space of twenty-four hours. Nor shall any steam or sailing vessel which shall have proceeded from the port of St. John’s to any other port in this Island, on the same voyage, be compelled to take a Pilot on her said return to the said port of St. John’s, nor on her second departure therefrom; provided she shall not have been gone from the said port of St. John’s for twenty-four hours.”

Amendments—  
(Continued.)

The same Section, fifty-first and fifty-second lines, (being the third and second last lines on the second page),—Strike out the words “as in the case of,” and insert in place thereof the words “at the same rate per ton as.”

Second Section, second line—Between the word “house-flag” and the word “or,” insert the words “Board of Trade signal.”

Same Section, fourth line—Between the word “house-flag” and the word “or,” insert the words “Board of Trade signal.”

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, and on motion of the Hon. Mr. Fox, the Bill sent up, entitled “An Act for the Preservation of Game,” and the Act 52 Vic., Cap. 11, entitled ‘An Act for the Preservation of Deer,’” as amended, was read a third time and passed, and the Hon. the President signed the same.

Game Amend-  
ment Bill,  
read 3rd time,  
as amended,  
and passed.

Ordered,—To be sent to the Legislative Assembly, with Message, that this House had passed the same with an Amendment, and requesting concurrence therein.

The Amendment is as follows :—

Amendment.

Amendment made by the Legislative Council in and upon the Bill sent up from the Legislative Assembly, entitled "An Act to amend the Act 49 Vic., Cap. 9, entitled 'An Act for the Preservation of Game,' and the Act 52 Vic., Cap. 11, entitled "An Act for the Preservation of Deer'" :—

Second Section, seventh line—Strike out the words "one hundred," and insert in place thereof the words "twenty-five."

Road Bill,  
read 2nd time.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, and on motion of the Hon. Mr. Harvey, the Bill sent up, entitled "An Act for Granting to Her Majesty a Sum of Money for Constructing and Repairing Roads, Streets and Bridges, and other Public Works within this Colony, and to make provision for the protection and preservation of the same," was read a second time, and

Ordered,—To be committed to-morrow.

Adjourned.

On motion made, the House adjourned until Thursday next, May 15th, at half-past Four o'clock, P. M.

*Thursday, May 15th, 1890.*

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

House meets.

PRESENT :

The Honorable E. D. SHEA, *President.*

Members  
present.

The Honorables A. W. HARVEY,

J. McLOUGHLAN,

G. T. RENDELL,

J. ANGEL,

G. SKELTON.

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

On motion made, the House adjourned until Monday next, May 19th, at half-past Four o'clock, P. M. Adjourned.

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*Monday, May 19th, 1890.*

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

House meets.

PRESENT :

The Honorable E. D. SHEA, *President.*

Members  
present.

The Honorables A. W. HARVEY,

J. PITTS,

J. McLOUGHLAN,

G. T. RENDELL,

J. ANGEL,

G. SKELTON.

The Minutes of Thursday, May 15th, were read. Minutes read.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, and on motion of the Hon. Mr. Harvey, the House went into Committee on the Bill sent up, entitled "An Act for Committee on Road Bill.

Granting to Her Majesty a Sum of Money for Constructing and Repairing Roads, Streets and Bridges, and other Public Works within this Colony, and to make provision for the protection and preservation of the same."

The Hon. Mr. Skelton in the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

Reported.

The Chairman reported the Bill without amendment.

Ordered,—That the Report be received, and

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

Adjourned.

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

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*Tuesday, May 20th, 1890.*

House meets

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

PRESENT :

Members present.

The Honorable E. D. SHEA, *President*.  
 The Honorables P. CLEARY,  
 J. PITTS,  
 G. T. RENDELL,  
 J. P. FOX,  
 G. SKELTON.

Minutes read.

The Minutes of Monday last were read.

Road Bill, read 3rd time and passed.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, and on motion of the Hon. Mr. Fox, the Bill sent up, entitled "An Act for granting to Her Majesty a Sum of Money for Constructing and Repairing Roads, Streets and Bridges and other Public Works within this Colony,

and to make provision for the protection and preservation of the same," was read a third time and passed, and the Hon. the President signed the same.

Ordered,—To be sent to the Legislative Assembly, with Message, that this House had passed the same without Amendment. Message to Assembly.

The Hon. the President informed the House that he had received the following Messages from the Legislative Assembly:— President informs House of Messages from Assembly.

MR. PRESIDENT;—

The Legislative Assembly acquaint the Hon. Legislative Council that they have passed the Amendments sent down by the Council, in and upon the Bill, entitled "An Act to amend 49 Vic., Cap. 9, entitled 'An Act for the Preservation of Game,' and 52 Vic., Cap. 11, entitled 'An Act to provide for the Preservation of Deer,'" without Amendment. Message.

GEO. H. EMERSON,  
*Speaker.*

HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY,  
May 16th, 1890. }

MR. PRESIDENT;—

The Legislative Assembly acquaint the Hon. Legislative Council that they have passed the accompanying Bill, entitled "An Act to provide for the Registration of Births, Marriages and Deaths," to which they request the concurrence of the Council. Message.

GEO. H. EMERSON,  
*Speaker.*

HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY,  
May 19th, 1890. }

MR. PRESIDENT;—

The Legislative Assembly acquaint the Hon. Legislative Council that they have passed the Amendments sent down from the Council in and upon the

Bill, entitled 'An Act to amend 52 Vic., Cap. 18, entitled 'An Act to amend Title 26, Cap. 100, of the Consolidated Statutes,' entitled 'Of Pilots and Pilotage for the Port of St. John's,' " without Amendment.

GEO. H. EMERSON,  
*Speaker.*

HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY, }  
May 16th, 1890. }

Registration of Births, Marriages and Deaths' Bill, read 1st time.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Fox, the Bill sent up, entitled "An Act to provide for the Registration of Births, Marriages and Deaths," was read a first time, and

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

Adjourned.

On motion made the House adjourned until Thursday next, May 22nd, at half-past four o'clock, P. M.

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*Thursday, May 22nd, 1890.*

House meets.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

PRESENT :

Members present.]

The Honorable E. D. SHEA, *President.*  
The Honorables A. W. HARVEY,  
T. TALBOT,  
P. CLEARY,  
G. SKELTON.

Minutes read.

The Minutes of Tuesday last were read.

Adjourned.

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

*Friday, May 23rd, 1890.*

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

House meets

PRESENT :

The Honorable E. D. SHEA, *President.*

Members  
present.

The Honorables A. W. HARVEY,

T. TALBOT,

M. MONROE,

G. T. RENDELL,

J. P. FOX,

G. SKELTON.

The Minutes of Thursday last were read.

Minutes read.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Hon. Mr. Harvey moved that the Bill sent up, entitled "An Act to provide for the Registration of Births, Marriages, and Deaths," be read a second time, and

Motion for 2nd  
reading of Regis-  
tration of Births,  
Marriages and  
Deaths' Bill.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Harvey—

Ordered,—That the further consideration of the said Bill be deferred until to-morrow.

Debate  
adjourned.

The Hon. the President informed the House that he had received the following Message from the Legislative Assembly :—

MR. PRESIDENT ;—

The Legislative Assembly acquaint the Hon. Legislative Council that they have passed the accompanying Bill, entitled "An Act to provide for the Local Government of Towns and Settlements in this Colony," to which they request the concurrence of the Council.

GEO. H. EMERSON,

*Speaker.*

HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY,  
May 23rd, 1890. }



Local Govern-  
ment Bill, read  
1st time.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Harvey, the Bill sent up, entitled "An Act to provide for the Local Government of Towns and Settlements in this Colony," was read a first time, and

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

Documents laid  
on Table.

The Hon. Mr. Harvey, by command of His Excellency the Governor, laid upon the Table the following Documents :—

Despatch from the Secretary of State for the Colonies with Extract from the French "Journal Officiel," (translation), reporting Debate in the Senate on the subject of the *modus vivendi*.

Despatch from the Secretary of State for the Colonies and enclosures, relating to the Act of the Local Legislature respecting Contracts and Agreements as between Landlord and Tenant, (50 Vic., Cap. 14.)

Surveyor General's Report, with the usual tabulated Statements and Accounts, for the year ending the 31st December, 1889.

Report of H. C. Burchell, Government Engineer, with accompanying Reports from William Bright, C. E., and Alexander Middleton, C. E., on the Survey for the Hall's Bay Railway.

Report of the Public Schools of Newfoundland, under Church of England Boards, for the year ending 31st December, 1889.

Report of Inspector of Weights and Measures for St. John's, 1889.

Statement of the Standard Life Assurance Company, 1889.

Statement of the Mutual Life Insurance Company, 1889.

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Statement of Canada Life Assurance Company to 30th April, 1889.

Annual Report of the Newfoundland Consolidated Copper Mining Company, 1889.

Annual Report of the Consolidated Foundry Company, 1889.

Annual Report of the Avalon Screw Steamship Company, 1889.

The Hon. Mr. Harvey gives notice that he will, on to-morrow, ask leave to introduce a Bill to amend the "Public Health Act, 1889." Notices of motion.

The Hon. Mr. Monroe gives notice that he will, on to-morrow, ask the Hon. the Representative of the Government whether he will lay on the Table of this House, before the close of the Session, the Report of the Commission appointed to enquire into the operation of the Bait Acts of 1887, 1888, and 1889, and their effect upon the Trade and Fisheries of the Colony.

On motion made, the House adjourned until Monday next, May 26th, at half-past Four o'clock, P. M. Adjourned.

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*Monday, May 26th, 1890.*

House meets. The House met pursuant to adjournment.

PRESENT :

Members present. The Honorable E. D. SHEA, *President*.  
The Honorables A. W. HARVEY,  
T. TALBOT,  
J. McLOUGHLAN,  
M. MONROE,  
G. T. RENDELL,  
J. ANGEL,  
J. P. FOX,  
G. SKELTON.

Minutes read. The Minutes of Friday last were read.

Motion for 2nd reading of Registration of Births, Marriages and Deaths' Bill. Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Hon. Mr. Harvey moved that the Bill sent up, entitled "An Act to provide for the Registration of Births, Marriages and Deaths," be read a second time.

Amendment. Whereupon the Hon. Mr. Talbot moved in Amendment,—

That the said Bill be read this day six months.

And the question on the Amendment having been put, there appeared,—

*Contents, (4).*

*Non-Contents, (4).*

Division.	Hons. Messrs. Talbot, Monroe, McLoughlan, Rendell.	Hons. Messrs. Harvey, Angel, Fox, Skelton.
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And the votes being equal, the Hon. the President gave his casting vote against the Amendment.

So it passed in the negative.

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

Ordered,—Accordingly.

The said Bill was then read a second time, and Bill read 2nd time.

Ordered,—To be committed to-morrow.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, and on motion of the Hon. Mr. Harvey, the Bill sent up, entitled Local Government Bill, read 2nd time “An Act to provide for the Local Government of Towns and Settlements in this Colony,” was read a second time, and

Ordered,—To be committed to-morrow.

Pursuant to notice, the Hon. Mr. Harvey presented a Bill pre-Public Health Bill, read 1st time. “To Amend the Public Health Act, 1890,” which was read a first time, and

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

Pursuant to notice, the Hon. Mr. Monroe asked the Hon. Representative of the Government whether he will lay on the Table of this House before the close of this Session the report of the Commission appointed to enquire into the operation of the Bait Acts of 1887, 1888 and 1889, and their effect upon the Trade and Fisheries of the Colony. Question asked,

The Hon. Mr. Harvey replied.

Reply.

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

MR. PRESIDENT ;—

The Legislative Assembly acquaint the Hon. Legislative Council that they have passed the accompanying Bill, entitled “An Act for the Encouragement of the Manufacture of Fish Glue, Isinglass Message.

and Gelatine," to which they request the concurrence of the Council.

GEO. H. EMERSON,  
*Speaker.*

HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY, }  
May 24th, 1890. }

Fish Glue  
Manufacture  
Bill, read  
1st time.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Harvey, the Bill sent up, entitled "An Act for the Encouragement of the Manufacture of Fish Glue, Isinglass and Gelatine," was read a first time, and

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

Notices of  
motion.

The Hon. Mr. Harvey gives notice that he will, on to-morrow, move the Suspension of the 35th Rule of this House as regards the Bill "To Amend the Public Health Act, 1890."

The Hon. Mr. Monroe gives notice that he will, on to-morrow, ask leave to introduce a Bill to amend Title 28, Cap. 109, of the Consolidated Statutes, entitled "Of Masters and Servants."

Adjourned.

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

*Tuesday, May 27th, 1890.*

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

House meets.

PRESENT :

The Honorable E. D. SHEA, *President.*

Members present.

The Honorables A. W. HARVEY,

T. TALBOT,

J. PITTS,

J. McLOUGHLAN,

M. MONROE,

G. T. RENDELL,

J. ANGEL,

J. P. FOX,

G. SKELTON.

The Minutes of Monday last were read.

Minutes read.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Harvey,—

Ordered,—That a Select Committee be appointed to consider and report upon the Bill sent up, entitled “An Act to provide for the Registration of Births, Marriages and Deaths,” and

Select Committee on Births, Marriages and Deaths' Bill.

Ordered,—That the Hon'bles Messrs. Harvey, Talbot, Monroe, Rendell and Fox, be a Committee for that purpose.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, and on motion of the Hon. Mr. Harvey, the House went into Committee upon the Bill sent up, entitled “An Act to provide for the Local Government of Towns and Settlements in this Colony.”

Committee on Local Government Bill.

The Hon. Mr. Angel in the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported progress and asked leave to sit again.

Progress reported.

Ordered,—That the Report be received.

Motion for 2nd  
reading of Public  
Health Bill.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Hon. Mr. Harvey moved that the Bill to amend the "Public Health Act, 1889," be read a second time.

After some time, on motion of the Hon. Mr. Rendell,—

Debate  
adjourned.

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

President  
informs Council  
of Messages.

The Hon. the President informed the House that he had received the following Messages from the Legislative Assembly :—

MR. PRESIDENT ;—

Message.

The Legislative Assembly acquaints the Legislative Council that it has passed the Bill, entitled "An Act to amend 52 Vic., Cap. 24, entitled 'An Act for the Publication of the Consolidated Statutes'"; the Bill, entitled "An Act to amend the Law relating to Copyright"; the Bill, entitled "An Act to amend the Judicature Act, 1889"; and the Bill, entitled "An Act to amend Title 23, Cap. 79, of the Consolidated Statutes, entitled 'Of certain Municipal Regulations,'" and requests its concurrence therein.

GEO. H. EMERSON,  
*Speaker.*

HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY, }  
May 27th, 1890. }

MR. PRESIDENT ;—

Message.

The Legislative Assembly acquaint the Legislative Council that it has adopted the Report of the Conference upon the Bill, entitled "An Act to regulate the Liens of Mechanics and others."

GEO. H. EMERSON,  
*Speaker*

HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY, }  
May 27th, 1890. }

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Rendell, the following Bills sent up, entitled respectively,— Bills read  
1st time.

“An Act to amend 52 Vic., Cap. 24, entitled ‘An Act for the Publication of the Consolidated Statutes.’ ”

“An Act to amend the Judicature Act, 1889.”

“An Act to amend Title 23, Cap. 79, of the Consolidated Statutes, entitled ‘Of certain Municipal Regulations.’ ”

“An Act to amend the Law relating to Copyright,” were severally read a first time, and

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

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, and on motion of the Hon. Mr. Monroe, the Bill sent up, entitled “An Act for the Encouragement of the Manufacture of Fish Glue, Isinglass and Gelatine,” was read a second time, and Fish Glue  
Bill, read  
2nd time.

Ordered,—To be committed to-morrow.

Pursuant to notice, the Hon. Mr. Monroe presented a Bill to amend Title 28, Cap. 109, of the Consolidated Statutes, entitled “Of Masters and Servants,” which was read a first time, and Masters' and  
Servants'  
Amendment  
Bill, read  
1st time.

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

The Hon. Mr. Monroe gives notice that he will, on to-morrow, move the suspension of the 35th Rule of this House as regards the Bill to amend Title 28, Cap. 109, of the Consolidated Statutes, entitled “Of Masters and Servants.” Notice of  
motion.

On motion made, the House adjourned until to-morrow, Wednesday, May 28th, at half-past Four o'clock, P. M. Adjourned.



*Wednesday, May 28th, 1890.*

House meets.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

PRESENT :

Members present.

The Honorable E. D. SHEA, *President*.  
 The Honorables A. W. HARVEY,  
 T. TALBOT,  
 J. PITTS,  
 J. McLOUGHLAN,  
 M. MONROE,  
 G. T. RENDELL,  
 J. ANGEL,  
 J. P. FOX,  
 G. SKELTON.

Minutes read.

The Minutes of Tuesday last were read.

Committee on Local Government Bill.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, and on motion of the Hon. Mr. Harvey, the House went into Committee on the Bill sent up, entitled "An Act to provide for the Local Government of Towns and Settlements in this Colony."

The Hon. Mr. Angel in the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

Reported with Amendments.

The Chairman reported the Bill with certain amendments.

Ordered,—That the Report be received, and

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

Public Health Bill, read 2nd time.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, and on motion of the Hon. Mr. Harvey, the Bill "To Amend the Public Health Act, 1889," was read a second time.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Harvey,—

35th Rule suspended.

Ordered,—That the 35th Rule of this House be suspended as regards the Bill "To Amend the Public Health Act, 1889."

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Harvey, the House Committee on went into Committee on the Bill "To Amend the Public Health Act, 1889." Committee on Public Health Bill.

The Hon. Mr. Skelton in the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported the Bill.

Ordered,—That the Report be received, and

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

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, and on motion of the Hon. Mr. Harvey, the House went into Committee on the Bill sent up, entitled "An Act for the Encouragement of the Manufacture of Fish Glue, Isinglass and Gelatine." Committee on Fish Glue Amendment Bill.

The Hon. Mr. Pitts in the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported the Bill without amendment.

Ordered,—That the Report be received, and

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

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, and on motion of the Hon. Mr. Harvey, the following Bills, entitled, Bills read 2<sup>nd</sup> time. respectively,—

"An Act to amend 52 Vic., Cap. 24, entitled 'An Act for the Publication of the Consolidated Statutes.'"

"An Act to amend the Judicature Act, 1889."

"An Act to amend Title XXIII, Cap. 79, of the Consolidated Statutes, entitled 'Of certain Municipal Regulations,'"

Ordered,—To be committed to-morrow.

Notice of motion.

The Hon. Mr. Harvey gives notice that he will, on to-morrow, move the Suspension of the 35th Rule of this House as regards all Bills, Addresses, &c., for the remainder of the Session.

President informs Council of Message.

The Hon. the President informed the House that he had received the following Message from the Legislative Assembly :—

MR. PRESIDENT ;—

Message.

The Legislative Assembly acquaints the Legislative Council that it has passed the Bill, entitled “ An Act for the Encouragement of Ship-building, and for other purposes ” ; and the Bill, entitled “ An Act to Indemnify His Excellency the Governor of Newfoundland for certain Sums of Money advanced by him from the Colonial Treasury for the Services of the Colony.”

(Signed),            GEO. H. EMERSON,  
*Speaker.*

HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY,    }  
    May 28th, 1890.    }

Ship-building and Indemnity Bills, read 1st time.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Harvey, the Bills sent up, entitled respectively,—

“ An Act for the Encouragement of Ship-building and for other purposes.”

“ An Act to Indemnify His Excellency the Governor of Newfoundland for certain Sums of Money advanced by him from the Colonial Treasury for the Service of the Colony,” were severally read a first time, and

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

Documents laid on Table.

The Hon. Mr. Harvey, by command of His Excellency the Governor, laid upon the Table :—

Despatches from the Right Hon. the Secretary of State for the Colonies from 1886 to 1889, in reference to the use of Cod-traps.

The Hon. Mr. Monroe gives notice, that he will, Notice of motion.  
 on to-morrow, ask the Hon. the Representative of the Government to lay on the Table all Correspondence between the Government and Lloyds with regard to a Lloyds' Surveyor for this Colony.

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

*Thursday, May 29th, 1890.*

The House met pursuant to adjournment. House meets.

PRESENT :

The Honorable	E. D. SHEA, <i>President.</i>	<small>Members present.</small>
The Honorables	A. W. HARVEY,	
	J. McLOUGHLAN,	
	M. MONROE,	
	G. T. RENDELL,	
	J. ANGEL,	
	J. P. FOX,	
	G. SKELTON.	

The Minutes of Wednesday last were read. Minutes read.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, and on motion of the Hon. Mr. Harvey, the Bill sent up, entitled Local Government Bill, as amended, read 3rd time and passed.  
 "An Act to provide for the Local Government of Towns and Settlements in this Colony, as amended, was read a third time and passed, and the Hon. the President signed the same.

Ordered,—To be sent to the Legislative Assembly, with Message, that this House had passed the Message to Assembly.  
 same with some Amendments and requesting concurrence therein.

Amendments.

The Amendments are as follows :—

Amendments made by the Legislative Council in and upon the Bill sent up from the Legislative Assembly, entitled “An Act to provide for the Local Government of Towns and Settlements in this Colony” :

Fifth Section, second line—After the word “year,” insert the words “immediately preceding the date of Election.”

Insert as the Seventh Section, the following :—  
“At any time after the 28th of December, A. D. 1890, the Governor in Council may, on petition of two-thirds of the qualified Electors in any Electoral District or Division of a District in which the provisions of this Act have not been enforced, make provision for carrying the said Act into effect, and Members so elected shall hold office from date of Election until the next General Election of Members of Boards.”

Eighth Section, second line—Strike out the words “the appointment of.”

Tenth Section, third line—After the word “returned” strike out the words “or nominated and appointed.” Same Section, fourth line—After the word “Election,” insert the word “or,” and after the word “return” strike out the words “or appointment.”

Twenty-ninth Section, fourth line—After the word “without,” insert the words “having previously received.”

Section thirty-third—At the end thereof, insert the following :—“Provided that the party on whose property the Board may require to perform any such operations may, before the commencement thereof, require sufficient security to be given for the due payment of any award that may be made to him under the following Section” :

Re-number the Sections from Section seven to Section forty-one, inclusive.

Insert as the Forty-second Section, the following:—"The provisions of this Act shall not apply to the Municipal District of St. John's."

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, and on motion of the Hon. Mr. Harvey, the Bill "To Amend the Public Health Act, 1889," was read a third time, and Public Health Bill, read 3rd time and passed.

Ordered,—That the Bill do now pass and be entitled "An Act to Amend the Public Health Act, 1889," and the Hon. the President signed the same.

Ordered,—To be sent to the Legislative Assembly, with Message, that this House had passed the same, and requesting concurrence therein. Message to Assembly.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, and on motion of the Hon. Mr. Harvey, the Bill sent up, entitled "An Act for the Encouragement of the Manufacture of Fish Glue, Isinglass and Gelatine," was read a third time and passed, and the Hon. the President signed the same. Fish Glue Bill, read 3rd time and passed.

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

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, and on motion of the Hon. Mr. Harvey, the House went into Committee on the Bill sent up, entitled "An Act to amend 52 Vic., Cap. 24, entitled 'An Act for the Publication of the Consolidated Statutes.'" Committee on Public Statutes Bill.

The Hon. Mr. Rendell in the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported the Bill without amendment.

Ordered,—That the Report be received, and

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

Committee on  
Judicature Bill.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, and on motion of the Hon. Mr. Harvey, the House went into Committee on the Bill sent up, entitled “An Act to amend the Judicature Act, 1889.”

The Hon. Mr. McLoughlan in the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported the Bill without amendment.

Ordered,—That the Report be received, and

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

Committee on  
Bill to amend  
Municipal Regu-  
lation's Act.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, and on motion of the Hon. Mr. Harvey, the House went into Committee on the Bill sent up, entitled “An Act to amend Title 23, Cap. 79, of the Consolidated Statutes, entitled ‘Of certain Municipal Regulations.’”

The Hon. Mr. Rendell in the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

Progress  
reported.

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

Ordered,—That the Report be received.

Masters' and  
Servants' Bill,  
read 2nd time.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, and on motion of the Hon. Mr. Monroe, the Bill “To amend Title 28, Cap. 109, of the Consolidated Statutes, entitled ‘Of Masters and Servants,’” was read a second time, and

Ordered,—To be committed to-morrow.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, and on motion of the Hon. Mr. Harvey, the Bill sent up, entitled "An Act for the Encouragement of Ship-building and other purposes," was read a second time, and

Ship-building  
Bill, read  
2nd time.

Ordered,—To be committed to-morrow.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, and on motion of the Hon. Mr. Harvey, the Bill sent up, entitled "An Act to Indemnify His Excellency the Governor of Newfoundland for certain Sums of Money advanced by him from the Colonial Treasury for the Service of the Colony," was read a second time.

Indemnity Bill,  
read 2nd time.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Harvey,—

Ordered,—That the 35th Rule of this House be suspended as regards all Bills, Addresses, &c., now before this House.

35th Rule  
suspended.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Harvey, the House went into Committee on the Bill sent up, entitled "An Act to Indemnify His Excellency the Governor of Newfoundland for certain Sums of Money advanced by him from the Colonial Treasury for the Service of the Colony."

Committee on  
Indemnity Bill.

The Hon. Mr. Fox in the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported the Bill without amendment.

Ordered,—That the Report be received.

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

Indemnity Bill  
read 3rd time.

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

Message to  
Assembly.



**Question asked.** Pursuant to notice, the Hon. Mr. Monroe asked the Hon. the Representative of the Government to lay on the Table all Correspondence between the Government and Lloyds, with regard to a Lloyds' Surveyor for this Colony.

**Reply.** The Hon. Mr. Harvey replied that the Correspondence asked for would be laid upon the Table on to-morrow.

**Adjourned.** On motion made, the House adjourned until to-morrow, Friday, May 30th, at half-past Four o'clock, P. M.

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*Friday, May 30th, 1890.*

**House meets.** The House met pursuant to adjournment.

PRESENT :

**Members present.** The Honorable E. D. SHEA, *President.*  
 The Honorables A. W. HARVEY,  
 M. MONROE,  
 G. T. RENDELL,  
 J. ANGEL,  
 J. P. FOX,  
 G. SKELTON.

**Minutes read.** The Minutes of Thursday last were read.

**Report of Select Committee on Births, Marriages and Deaths' Bill.** The Hon. Mr. Harvey, from the Select Committee appointed to consider and report upon the Bill sent up from the Assembly, entitled "An Act to provide for the Registration of Births, Marriages and Deaths," presented the following Report, which was received and read:—

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL,  
 COMMITTEE ROOM,  
 May 30th, 1890. }

The Select Committee appointed by the Legislative Council to consider and report upon the Bill

sent up from the Legislative Assembly, entitled "An Act to provide for the Registration of Births, Marriages and Deaths," report that they have considered the matter to them referred, and that they recommend the adoption of the Bill, with certain amendments, which they beg to submit to the Council.

A. W. HARVEY, *Chairman*.  
M. MONROE,  
G. T. RENDELL.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, and on motion of the Hon. Mr. Harvey, the Bill sent up, entitled "An Act to amend 52 Victoria, Chapter 24, entitled 'An Act for the Publication of the Consolidated Statutes,'" was read a third time and passed, and the Hon. the President signed the same. Publication Consolidated Statutes Bill, read 3rd time and passed.

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

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, and on motion of the Hon. Mr. Harvey, the Bill sent up, entitled "An Act to amend the Judicature Act, 1889," was read a third time and passed, and the Hon. the President signed the same. Judicature Bill, read 3rd time and passed.

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

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, and on motion of the Hon. Mr. Harvey, the House went into Committee on the Bill sent up, entitled "An Act to amend Title 23, Cap. 79, of the Consolidated Statutes, entitled 'Of certain Municipal Regulations.'" Committee on Municipal Regulations Bill.

The Hon. Mr. Rendell in the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

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

Ordered,—That the Report be received.

Committee on  
Masters' and  
Servants' Bill.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, and on motion of the Hon. Mr. Monroe, the House went into Committee on the Bill "To amend Title 28, Cap. 109, of the Consolidated Statutes, entitled 'Of Masters and Servants.'"

The Hon. Mr. Skelton in the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported the Bill without amendment.

Ordered,—That the Report be received.

Read 3rd time  
and passed.

The said Bill was then read a third time, and

Ordered,—That the Bill do now pass and be entitled "An Act to amend Title 28, Cap. 109, of the Consolidated Statutes, entitled 'Of Masters and Servants,'" and the Hon. the President signed the same.

Ordered,—To be sent to the Legislative Assembly requesting their concurrence in the said Bill.

Copyright Bill,  
read 2nd time.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, and on motion of the Hon. Mr. Harvey, the Bill sent up, entitled "An Act to amend the Law relating to Copyright," was read a second time, and

Committed.

Ordered,—To be committed presently.

The Hon. Mr. Angel in the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported the Bill without amendment.

Ordered,—That the Report be received.

Read 3rd time  
and passed.

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

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

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, and on motion of the Hon. Mr. Harvey, the House went into Committee on the Bill sent up, entitled "An Act for the Registration of Births, Marriages and Deaths." Committee on Births, Marriages and Deaths' Bill.

The Hon. Mr. Fox in the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported the Bill with some amendments.

Ordered,—That the Report be received, and

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

The Hon. the President informed the House that he had received the following Messages from the Legislative Assembly:— Messages from Assembly.

MR. PRESIDENT;—

The Legislative Assembly acquaints the Legislative Council that it has passed a Bill, entitled "Of the Representation in the House of Assembly, and of the powers and privileges thereof"; and the Bill, entitled "An Act to authorize the raising of a Sum of Money, by Loan, for the Public Service of this Colony," and requests its concurrence therein.

GEO. H. EMERSON,  
*Speaker.*

HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY,  
May 30th, 1890. }

MR. PRESIDENT;—

The Legislative Assembly acquaints the Legislative Council that it has passed the Council's amendments in and upon the Bill, entitled "An Act to

provide for the Local Government of Towns and Settlements in this Colony," without amendment.

GEO. H. EMERSON,  
*Speaker.*

HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY, }  
May 30th, 1890. }

Bills read  
1st time.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Harvey, the following Bills sent up, entitled, respectively,—

“An Act to authorize the raising of a Sum of Money, by Loan, for the Public Service of this Colony” ;

An Act “Of the Representation in the House of Assembly, and of the powers and privileges thereof,” were severally read a first time, and

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

Notice of  
motion.

The Hon. Mr. Harvey gives notice that he will, on to-morrow, move the suspension of the 35th Rule of this House as regards all Bills, Addresses, &c., now before this House.

Adjourned.

On motion made, the House adjourned until Monday next, June 2nd, at half-past Four o'clock, P. M.

*Monday, June 2nd, 1890.*

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

House meets.

PRESENT :

The Honorable E. D. SHEA, *President.*

Members present.

The Honorables A. W. HARVEY,

T. TALBOT,

P. CLEARY,

J. McLOUGHLAN,

M. MONROE,

G. T. RENDELL,

J. ANGEL,

J. P. FOX,

A. M. MCKAY,

G. SKELTON.

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

Minutes read.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, and on motion of the Hon. Mr. Harvey, the Bill sent up, entitled "An Act to provide for the Registration of Births, Marriages and Deaths," as amended, was read a third time and passed, and the Hon. the President signed the same.

Births, Marriages and Deaths' Bill, read 3rd time and passed.

Ordered,—To be sent to the Legislative Assembly, with Message, that this House had passed the same with certain amendments, and requesting concurrence therein.

The Amendments are as follows:—

Amendments.

Amendments made by the Legislative Council in and upon the Bill sent up from the Legislative Assembly, entitled "An Act to provide for the Registration of Births, Marriages and Deaths":

Section Section—At the end thereof, insert the words "and such Registry shall be kept in a place of safety to be approved of by the Governor in Council."

Amendments—  
(Continued.)

Strike out the fourth and remaining Sections to the end of the Bill, and insert in place thereof the following:—

4.—Notice of all births, marriages and deaths that take place within the Municipal district of St. John's, shall be given to the Registrar General at the Registry Office, in St. John's

5.—Every clergyman and other person baptizing or celebrating marriage, or performing funeral services in this Colony, shall keep a true and accurate register of all the persons whom he has baptized, married or buried; such register of baptism to state the day of the birth of the person baptized, and he shall transmit, quarterly, a correct copy of the same to the Registrar General.

6.—Notice of all births, marriages and deaths that take place in parts of this Colony other than within the Municipal district of St. John's, shall be given to the resident Stipendiary Magistrate, or if there be no Stipendiary Magistrate, to the resident Justice of the Peace, or if there be no Justice of the Peace, to such other person as the Governor in Council may appoint, who shall be called registering officers under this Act.

7.—The Governor in Council may, by order, cause the limits to be defined of all or of some only of the Registrars' jurisdiction under this Chapter, and as occasion may require, alter the same. Such order shall be published in the *Royal Gazette*.

8.—The registering officers under this Act shall forward, quarterly, to the Registrar General a true copy of the registers kept by them, of all births, marriages and deaths, of which they have received notice as aforesaid, from the date when this Act shall come into operation, or from the date of their last report to the Registrar General, as the case may be. Such report shall be accompanied with a remittance of one-half of all fees for certificates and fines imposed

under this Act, collected by them, and such reports shall specify such other information respecting the births, marriages and deaths aforesaid, as is required by this Act. Amendments—  
(Continued.)

9.—The Registrar General shall collect and keep a full and correct alphabetical registry of all births, marriages and deaths that take place within the Colony; shall file and keep the copies of the registers received by him, and shall furnish to the Legislature an annual report of all matters and things relating to the affairs of his office, together with an account of the fees and fines collected under this Act.

#### BIRTHS.

10.—When any birth takes place in this Colony, information of the same shall be furnished, within fourteen days thereafter to the proper officer appointed under this Act to receive the same, under a fine not exceeding Ten dollars for every neglect to do so. The obligation to furnish this information shall rest, in the first instance, upon the father of the child; or in case of his death or absence, upon the mother; or, in the case of the inability of both parents, then successively upon any person standing in their place, the nurse in attendance, or the occupier of the house within which the birth occurs.

11.—Either of the parents or the guardian, or other person, who may have procured the registry of the birth of a child, shall be entitled to receive from the registering officer a certificate of such registry upon the payment of a fee of fifty cents.

#### ILLEGITIMATE CHILDREN.

12.—In the case of the birth of an illegitimate child, it shall not be lawful to register any person as the father of such child, unless at the joint request of the mother and of the person acknowledging himself to be the father, but such child shall be registered in accordance with the provisions of Section 10 so far as the same shall apply.



Amendments—  
(Continued.)

### MARRIAGES.

13.—When any marriage takes place in this Colony, information of the same shall be furnished, within ten days thereafter, to a registering officer under this Act, under a penalty of not exceeding Fifty dollars for every neglect to do so. The obligation to furnish this information shall rest jointly and severally upon the husband and wife.

### DEATHS.

14.—When any death takes place within this Colony, information of the same shall be furnished within ten days thereafter to the proper officer appointed under this Act to receive the same, in the form in Schedule A., under a fine not exceeding Ten dollars for every neglect to do so. The obligation to furnish this information shall rest, in the first instance, on the medical attendant; secondly, on the undertaker, and failing these, on the next of kin to the deceased person.

15.—On receiving information of such death the registering officer under this Act may fill up and cause to be signed by the medical attendant or undertaker, or failing these by some other creditable person who witnessed the death, or identified the body after death, a written statement setting forth the date and place of the death, the name, age and sex of the deceased, and the cause of death as nearly as can be ascertained, and shall, if requested, issue to the person entitled to receive the same, a certificate setting forth the facts thus subscribed to as furnished to him, for which certificate a fee of fifty cents shall be charged.

16.—Officials in charge of Hospitals, Poor Asylums, Orphanages, Gaols and other such Public Institutions, shall send notice of any birth, marriage, or death, that occurs within the institutions under their charge within ten days thereafter, and in default of doing so, such official shall be liable to a penalty of Fifty dollars in each case.

17.—The Registrar General, or other registering officer, shall use every available means to obtain a full and accurate account of all births, marriages and deaths, that take place in the Colony, and shall furnish a notice in the form of Schedule B., in all cases where they have reason to believe that the necessary information has not been supplied to them.

Amendments—  
(Continued.)

18.—All persons required under the Fifth Section of this Act who shall forward copies of their registers, and every other registering officer, except a Stipendiary Magistrate, furnishing information of births, marriages and deaths, under this Act, shall be entitled to be paid for such notice at the rate of Ten dollars per hundred.

19.—Every person who shall make, or cause to be made, for the purpose of being inserted in any register of births, marriages or deaths, any false statement touching any of the particulars herein required to be known and registered, or who shall alter or deface any return or register, shall be subject to the same pains and penalties as if such persons were guilty of wilful and corrupt perjury.

20.—Every person who shall send to any newspaper publisher or other person for publication in any newspaper in this Colony, a fictitious or false statement of the marriage or death of any person, or of the birth of any child, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and shall be liable to fine and imprisonment, or both, at the discretion of the Supreme Court of this Colony.

21.—Every proprietor, editor or publisher of any newspaper published in this Colony, who shall knowingly and wilfully publish a fictitious or false statement of the marriage or death of any person, or of the birth of any child, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and shall be liable to fine or imprisonment, or both, at the discretion of the Supreme Court of this Colony.

Amendments—  
(Continued.)

22.—All fines imposed under this Act, unless otherwise herein provided, shall be recovered in a summary manner before any Stipendiary Magistrate in the name of the Registrar General. One-half of such fine shall be retained by the Registry Officer prosecuting, and the remainder shall be paid to the Registrar General and shall be paid over by him to the Receiver General for the use of the Colony.

23.—Reference may be had to the registers by any person, during office hours, by paying a fee of Twenty-five cents, under such regulations as the Registrar General shall appoint; and a certified extract from any registry may be obtained from him on application, by paying a fee of Fifty cents in each case.

24.—Certificates of births, marriages and deaths, shall be exact copies of the registers, and shall be signed and certified by the registering officers.

25.—This Act shall come into force at such date as may be appointed by the Governor by his Proclamation.

#### SCHEDULE A.

No. Colony of Newfoundland.

Electoral District of

(a) 18 .

Notice is hereby given that the death took place at (b) on the (c) day of 18 , of (d) , aged years. [Married or single.] As far as could be ascertained the cause of the death was

(e)

(f)

Witness,—

- (a) Name of place, day of month and year.
- (b) Name of place where the death occurred.
- (c) Day of month and year when death took place.
- (d) Name in full of the deceased person.
- (e) Name of person giving this notice.
- (f) Address of person giving this notice.

SCHEDULE B.

Amendments—  
(Continued.)

No. Colony of Newfoundland.

Electoral District of

(a)

18 .

SIR OR MADAM,—

Hearing that a birth [marriage or death] has recently occurred in your [house or] family, it is my duty to call your attention to the provisions of the "Registration Act of 1890," an extract is hereto appended, in order that you may be prepared to conform to the requirements of the Act and avoid the penalties for any breach of the same.

To

(b)

Registering Officer of District.

(a) Name and place, day of month and year.

(b) Name and address of person to whom this notice is sent.

The Hon. Mr. Harvey laid upon the Table the Correspondence relative to the appointment of a Lloyd's Surveyor asked for by the Hon. Mr. Monroe. Correspondence laid on Table.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, and on motion of the Hon. Mr. Harvey, the House went into Committee on the Bill sent up, entitled "An Act to amend Title 23, Cap. 79, of the Consolidated Statutes, entitled 'Of certain Municipal Regulations.'" Committee on Municipal Regulations Bill.

The Hon. Mr. Rendell in the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

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

Ordered,—That the Report be received.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, and on motion of the Hon. Mr. Harvey, the House went into Committee on the Bill sent up, entitled "An Act Committee on Ship-building Bill.

for the Encouragement of Ship-building, and other purposes.”

The Hon. Mr. Skelton in the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

Progress reported.

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

Ordered,—That the Report be received.

Loan Bill,  
read 2nd time.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, and on motion of the Hon. Mr. Harvey, the Bill sent up, entitled “An Act to authorize the raising of a Sum of Money, by Loan, for the Public Service of this Colony,” was read a second time, and

Ordered,—To be committed to-morrow.

Representation  
Assembly Bill,  
read 2nd time.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, and on motion of the Hon. Mr. Harvey, the Bill sent up, entitled “Of the Representation in the House of Assembly, and of the powers and privileges thereof,” was read a second time.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Harvey,

35th Rule  
suspended.

Ordered,—That the 35th Rule of the House be suspended with reference to all Bills, Addresses, &c., now before this House.

Committee on  
Representation  
Assembly Bill.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Harvey, the House went into Committee on the Bill sent up, entitled “Of the Representation in the House of Assembly, and of the powers and privileges thereof.”

The Hon. Mr. Rendell in the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

Progress reported.

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

Ordered,—That the Report be received.

The Hon. the President informed the House that he had received the following Message from the Legislative Assembly:—

MR. PRESIDENT ;—

The Legislative Assembly acquaints the Legislative Council that it has passed the Bill, entitled "An Act to Incorporate the North Canadian Atlantic Railway and Steamship Company," and requests its concurrence therein.

GEO. H. EMERSON,  
*Speaker.*

HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY,  
June 2nd, 1890. }

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Harvey, the Bill sent up, entitled "An Act to Incorporate the North Canadian Atlantic Railway and Steamship Company," was read a first time, and

Atlantic Rail-  
way Incorporation Bill, read  
1st time.

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

On motion made, the House adjourned until to-morrow, Tuesday, June 3rd, at half-past Four o'clock, P. M.

Adjourned.

*Tuesday, June 3rd, 1890.*

House meets,

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

PRESENT :

Members present.

The Honorable E. D. SHEA, *President.*

The Honorables A. W. HARVEY,

T. TALBOT,

M. MONROE,

G. T. RENDELL,

J. ANGEL,

J. P. FOX,

G. SKELTON.

Minutes read.

The Minutes of Monday last were read.

Committee on Loan Bill.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, and on motion of the Hon. Mr. Harvey, the House went into Committee on the Bill sent up, entitled "An Act to authorize the raising of a Sum of Money, by Loan, for the Public Service of this Colony."

The Hon. Mr. Talbot in the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported the Bill without amendment.

Ordered,—That the Report be received.

Read 3rd time and passed.

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

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

Atlantic Railway Incorporation Bill, read 2nd time.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, and on motion of the Hon. Mr. Harvey, the Bill sent up, entitled "An Act to Incorporate the North Canadian Atlantic Railway and Steamship Company," was read a second time, and

Ordered,—To be committed to-morrow.

The Hon. the President informed the House that <sup>Message from</sup> he had received the following Message from the Le-<sup>Assembly.</sup>gislative Assembly:—

MR. PRESIDENT;—

The Legislative Assembly acquaint the Legislative Council that they have passed the Bill sent down from the Council, entitled “An Act to amend the Public Health Act, 1889,” with some Amendments, with which they respectfully request the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

GEO. H. EMERSON,  
*Speaker.*

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY, }  
June 3rd, 1890. }

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Harvey, the Amend-<sup>Assembly's</sup>ments made by the Legislative Assembly in and upon <sup>Amendments on</sup>the Bill sent down from the Legislative Council, en-<sup>Public Health</sup>titled “An Act to amend the Public Health Act, 1889,” were read a first and second time and adopted and passed, and the Hon. the President signed the same. <sup>Bill passed.</sup>

Ordered,—That a Message be sent to the Assembly, informing them that this House had passed their Amendments on the said Bill, without Amendment.

On motion made, the House adjourned until to-<sup>Adjourned</sup>morrow, Wednesday, June 4th, at half-past Four o'clock, P. M.



*Wednesday, June 4th, 1890.*

House meets.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

PRESENT :

Members present.

The Honorable E. D. SHEA, *President*.

The Honorables A. W. HARVEY,

T. TALBOT,

P. CLEARY,

J. McLOUGHLAN,

J. PITTS,

M. MONROE,

G. T. RENDELL,

J. ANGEL,

J. P. FOX,

A. M. McKAY,

G. SKELTON.

Minutes read.

The Minutes of Tuesday last were read.

Committee on Atlantic Railway Incorporation Bill.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, and on motion of the Hon. Mr. Harvey, the House went into Committee on the Bill sent up, entitled "An Act to Incorporate the North Canadian Atlantic Railway and Steamship Company."

The Hon. Mr. Pitts in the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported the Bill without Amendment.

Ordered,—That the Report be received.

Read 3rd time and passed.

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

Ordered,—To be sent to the Legislative Assembly, with Message, that this House had passed the same without Amendment.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, and on motion of the Hon. Mr. Harvey, the House went into Committee on the Bill sent up, entitled "An Act for the Encouragement of Ship-building, and other purposes." Committee on Ship-building Bill.

The Hon. Mr. Skelton in the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported the Bill with some amendments. Reported with Amendments.

Ordered,—That the Report he received, and

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

On motion made, the House adjourned until to-morrow, Thursday, June 5th, at half-past Four o'clock, P. M. Adjourned.

*Thursday, June 5th, 1890.*

The House met pursuant to adjournment. House meets.

PRESENT :

The Honorable E. D. SHEA, <i>President.</i>	Members present.
The Honorables A. W. HARVEY, M. MONROE, J. P. FOX, A. M. MCKAY, G. SKELTON.	

The Minutes of Wednesday last were read. Minutes read.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, and on motion of the Hon. Mr. Harvey, the Bill sent up, entitled "An Act for the Encouragement of Ship-building, and for other purposes," as amended, was read a third time and passed, and the Hon. the President signed the same. Ship-building Bill, read 3rd time and passed.

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

**Amendments.**

The Amendments are as follows:—

Amendments made by the Legislative Council in and upon the Bill sent up from the Legislative Assembly, entitled “An Act for the Encouragement of Ship-building, and for other purposes”:—

SCHEDULE A.

Strike out all the words from the third to the twentieth line of the said Schedule, and insert in place thereof the following:—

For vessels of 20 tons, planking not less than one and a-half inches; ceiling, one and a-half inches; decking, two inches.

For vessels of from 20 to 30 tons, planking not less than two inches; ceiling, two inches; and decking, two and a-half inches.

For vessels of from 30 to 40 tons, planking, two and a-quarter inches; ceiling, two inches; and decking, two and a-quarter inches.

For vessels of from 40 to 90 tons, planking, not less than two and a-half inches; ceiling, two and a-quarter inches; decking, three inches.

For vessels from 90 tons upwards, planking, not less than three inches; ceiling, two and a-half inches; decking, three inches.

Plank and ceiling shall be through fastened; there shall be one bolt or treenail in each timber, for every strake of plank and ceiling in all vessels over twenty-five tons.

Vessels under that measurement may be fastened under the bilge with galvanized or composition nails, one in each timber for every strake of plank.

No nails to be used in planking vessels over 70 tons. Amendments—  
(Continued.)

All planks over seven inches in width shall have two bolts or treenails in each timber, and caulked outside and wedged inside.

The frame shall be of good squared sound timbers, which shall not be more than five inches apart, and thoroughly fastened together with fore and aft bolts.

In planking there shall not be less than five feet shifts between the bolts, and two butt bolts in each bolt and one rivet bolt through each butt.

In timbering a vessel there shall be two treenails in each locking, and the locking shall be keyed.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, and on motion of the Hon. Mr. Harvey, the House went into Committee on the Bill sent up, entitled "An Act to amend Title 23, Cap. 79, of the Consolidated Statutes, entitled 'Of certain Municipal Regulations.'" Committee on  
Municipal Re-  
gulations Bill.

The Hon. Mr. Skelton in the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported the Bill with some amendments. Reported with  
Amendments.

Ordered,—That the Report be received, and

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

Pursuant to notice, the Hon. Mr. Monroe asked the Hon. Representative of the Government whether any Despatches have been forwarded to the Colonial Office subsequent to February 16, 1888, in reference to distinctive marks on Newfoundland Fishing Vessels, or whether any Minutes of Council have since been passed on same subject; and if so, whether he Question asked;

will lay copies of the same on the Table of the House.

Reply.

The Hon. Mr. Harvey replied.

Notice of motion.

The Hon. Mr. Monroe gives notice that he will, on to-morrow, move an Address to His Excellency the Governor respectfully requesting His Excellency to cause to be laid on the Table of this House copies of any Despatches which have been forwarded to the Colonial Office, or copies of any Minutes of Council passed subsequent to February 16, 1888, in reference to distinctive marks on Newfoundland Fishing Vessels.

Adjourned.

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

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*Friday, June 6th, 1890.*

House meets,

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

PRESENT :

Members present.

The Honorable E. D. SHEA, *President*.  
 The Honorables A. W. HARVEY,  
 T. TALBOT,  
 J. McLOUGHLAN,  
 G. T. RENDELL,  
 J. P. FOX,  
 A. M. MCKAY  
 G. SKELTON.

Minutes read.

The Minutes of Thursday last were read.

Municipal Regulations Bill, read 3rd time and passed.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, and on motion of the Hon. Mr. Harvey, the Bill sent up, entitled "An Act to amend Title 23, Cap. 79, of the Consolidated Statutes, entitled 'Of certain Municipal Regulations,' " as amended, was read a third time and passed, and the Hon. the President signed the same.

Ordered,—To be sent to the Legislative Assembly, with Message, that this House had passed the same with certain amendments, and requesting concurrence therein.

The Amendments are as follows:—

Amendments.

Amendments made by the Legislative Council in and upon the Bill sent up from the Legislative Assembly, entitled “An Act to amend Title 23, Cap. 79, of the Consolidated Statutes, entitled ‘Of certain Municipal Regulations’”:

First Section, eighth line—Strike out the words “go or be,” and insert in place thereof the word “roam.”

Third Section, first line—Strike out the word “reared.” Same Section, ninth line—Strike out the words “three weeks” and insert the words “six months.” Same Section, tenth line—Strike out the words “three weeks” and insert the words “four months.” Add at the end thereof the words “Provided nothing in this clause shall be held to apply to Animals which are kept strictly within their owner’s premises or under the owner’s control.”

Add as Sixth Section—“Nothing in this Act shall be construed to apply to Horses which were on the First day of January, One Thousand Eight Hundred and Ninety, above the age of two years.”

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, and on motion of the Hon. Mr. Harvey, the House went into Committee on the Bill sent up, entitled “Of the Representation in the House of Assembly, and of the powers and privileges thereof.”

Committee on  
Representation  
House of  
Assembly Bill.

The Hon. Mr. Fox in the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported the Bill with an amendment.

Reported with  
Amendment.

Ordered,—That the Report be received.

Read 3rd time  
and passed.

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

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

Amendment<sup>2</sup>

The Amendment is as follows :—

Amendment made by the Legislative Council in and upon the Bill sent up from the Legislative Assembly, entitled “Of the Representation in the House of Assembly and of the powers and privileges thereof.”

Fourth Section, sixth line—Strike out the word “either,” and insert in place thereof the word “such.”

Messages from  
Assembly.

The Hon. the President informed the House that he had received the following Messages from the Legislative Assembly :—

MR. PRESIDENT ;—

The Legislative Assembly acquaint the Legislative Council that they have passed the Bill, entitled “An Act to amend the Act 51 Vic., Cap. 5, entitled ‘An Act to provide for the management of the Municipal Affairs of the Town of St. John’s, and for other purposes,’ ” in which they request the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

GEO. H. EMERSON,  
*Speaker.*

HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY,  
June 5th, 1890. }

MR. PRESIDENT ;—

The Legislative Assembly respectfully acquaint the Legislative Council that they have passed the Amendments made by the Council in and upon the Bill sent up from the Assembly, entitled “An

Act to provide for the Registration of Births, Marriages and Deaths," with some amendments, in which they request the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

GEO. H. EMERSON,  
*Speaker.*

HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY,  
June 6th, 1890. }

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Harvey, the Bill sent up, entitled "An Act to amend the Act 51 Vic., Cap. 5, entitled 'An Act to provide for the management of the Municipal Affairs of the Town of St. John's, and for other purposes,'" was read a first time, and

Municipal Council Amendment Bill, read 1st time.

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

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Harvey, the Amendments made by the Legislative Assembly, in and upon the Amendments made by the Legislative Council, in and upon the Bill sent up from the Assembly, entitled "An Act to provide for the Registration of Births, Marriages and Deaths," were read a first time, and

Assembly's Amendments on Council's Amendments on Registration of Births, &c., Bill, read 1st time.

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

The Hon. Mr. Harvey gives notice that he will, on to-morrow, move the suspension of the 35th Rule of the House as regards all Bills, Addresses, &c., for the remainder of the Session.

Notice of motion.

The Hon. the President informed the House that he had received the following Messages from the Legislative Assembly:—

Messages from Assembly.

MR. PRESIDENT ;—

The Legislative Assembly acquaints the Legislative Council that it has passed a Bill, entitled "An Act to amend 52 Vic., Cap. 4, and to make further provision for the Construction and Equipment



of a Line of Railway towards Hall's Bay, and of a Branch to Brigus or Clarke's Beach, and for other purposes," and requests its concurrence therein.

GEO. H. EMERSON,  
*Speaker.*

HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY,  
June 6th, 1890. }

MR. PRESIDENT ;—

The Legislative Assembly requests that the Legislative Council will be pleased to furnish this House with a statement of its Contingent Expenses for the present Session.

GEO. H. EMERSON,  
*Speaker.*

HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY,  
June 6th, 1890. }

Railway Bill,  
read 1st time.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Harvey, the Bill sent up, entitled "An Act to amend 52 Vic., Cap. 4, and to make further provision for the Construction and Equipment of a Line of Railway towards Hall's Bay and of a Branch to Brigus or Clarke's Beach, and for other purposes," was read a first time, and

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

Address to the  
Governor.

Pursuant to notice, the Hon. Mr. Monroe moved the following Address, which was read and adopted :

*To His Excellency Lieutenant-Colonel Sir J. TERENCE N. O'BRIEN, Knight Commander of the Most Distinguished Order of St. Michael and St. George, Governor and Commander-in-Chief in and over the Island of Newfoundland and its Dependencies.*

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY ;—

The Legislative Council respectfully requests that your Excellency will be pleased to cause to be

laid on the Table of this House copies of any Despatches which have been forwarded to the Colonial Office, and copies of any Minutes of Council passed subsequent to February 16, 1888, in reference to distinctive marks on Newfoundland Fishing Vessels.

E. D. SHEA,  
*President.*

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL, }  
June 6th, 1890. }

Ordered,—That the Hon'bles Messrs. Monroe and Rendell be a Deputation to present the said Address.

On motion made, the House adjourned until tomorrow, Saturday, June 7th, at Three o'clock, P. M.

*Saturday, June 7th, 1890.*

The House met pursuant to adjournment. House meets.

PRESENT :

The Honorable	E. D. SHEA, <i>President.</i>	Members present.
The Honorables	A. W. HARVEY, T. TALBOT, P. CLEARY, J. PITTS, J. McLOUGHLAN, M. MONROE, G. T. RENDELL, J. ANGEL, J. P. FOX, A. M. MCKAY, G. SKELTON.	

The Minutes of Friday last were read. Minutes read.

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

35th Rule  
suspended.

Ordered,—That the 35th Rule of this House be suspended as regards all Bills, Addresses, &c., for the remainder of the Session.

Assembly's  
Amendments  
on Council's  
Amendments on  
Registration of  
Births, &c.,  
Bill, passed.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, and on motion of the Hon. Mr. Harvey, the Amendments made by the Legislative Assembly in and upon the Amendments made by the Legislative Council in and upon the Bill sent up from the Assembly, entitled "An Act to provide for the Registration of Births, Marriages and Deaths," was read a second time and adopted and passed.

Ordered,—To be sent to the Legislative Assembly, with Message, that this House had passed the said Amendments without Amendment.

Railway Bill,  
read 2nd time.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, and on motion of the Hon. Mr. Harvey, the Bill sent up, entitled "An Act to amend 52 Vic., Cap. 4, and to make further provision for the Construction and Equipment of a Line of Railway towards Hall's Bay, and of a Branch to Brigus or Clarke's Beach, and for other purposes," was read a second time, and

Committed.

Ordered,—To be committed presently.

The Hon. Mr. Angel in the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported the Bill without amendment.

Ordered,—That the Report be received.

Read 3rd time  
and passed.

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

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

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, and on motion of the Hon. Mr. Harvey, the Bill sent up, entitled "An Act to amend the Act, 51 Vic., Cap. 5, entitled 'An Act to provide for the management of the Municipal Affairs of the Town of St. John's, and for other purposes,'" was read a second time, and

Municipal Council Amendment Bill, read 2nd time.

Ordered,—To be committed presently.

Committed.

The Hon. Mr. Pitts in the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported the Bill with some amendments.

Ordered,—That the Report be received.

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

Read 3rd time and passed.

The Amendments are as follows:—

Amendments made by the Legislative Council in and upon the Bill sent up from the Legislative Assembly, entitled "An Act to amend the Act 51 Vic., Cap. 5, entitled 'An Act to provide for the management of the Municipal Affairs of the Town of St. John's, and for other purposes'":

Amendments.

First Section, tenth line—Expunge the words "any such increase," and insert in place thereof the words "the same."

Expunge the Second Section of the Bill.

The Hon. the President informed the House that he had received the following Messages from the Legislative Assembly:—

Messages from Assembly.

MR. PRESIDENT;—

The Legislative Assembly acquaints the Legislative Council that it has adopted a Resolution, confirming, with some Amendments, the Rules and

Messages—

(Continued.)

Regulations respecting the Lobster Industry and Cod-fishery, made under and by virtue of Section XVI of an Act passed in the 52nd year of the Reign of Her present Majesty, entitled “An Act to provide for the Formation of a Fisheries’ Commission, and for other purposes,” and requests that the Council may be pleased to adopt and confirm the same.

GEO. H. EMERSON,  
*Speaker.*

HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY, }  
June 7th, 1890. }

MR. PRESIDENT ;—

The Legislative Assembly acquaints the Legislative Council that it has passed the Amendments sent down in and upon the Bill entitled “Of the Representation in the House of Assembly, and of the powers and privileges thereof” ; and also that it has passed the Amendments sent down in and upon the Bill, entitled “An Act to amend Title 23, Cap. 79, of the Consolidated Statutes, entitled ‘Of certain Municipal Regulations,’ ”

GEO. H. EMERSON,  
*Speaker.*

HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY, }  
June 7th, 1890. }

MR. PRESIDENT ;—

The Legislative Assembly acquaints the Legislative Council that they have passed the Bill sent down, entitled “An Act to amend Title 28, Cap. 109, of the Consolidated Statutes, entitled ‘Of Masters and Servants,’ ” with some Amendments, to which it desires the concurrence of the Council ; and also that it has passed the Amendments sent down in and upon a Bill, entitled “An Act for the Encouragement of Ship-building, and for other purposes,” with some Amendments, to which it desires the concurrence of the Council ; and also that it has passed the Bill,

entitled "An Act to amend the Act 52 Victoria, Cap. 25, entitled 'An Act to amend the Law relating to Courts of Quarter Sessions, Magistrates and Justices of the Peace,'" and request the concurrence of the Council therein.

GEO. H. EMERSON,  
*Speaker.*

HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY, }  
June 7th, 1890. }

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Harvey, the Rules and Regulations respecting the Lobster Industry and Cod-fishery, made under and by virtue of Section XVI. of an Act passed in the 52nd year of the Reign of Her present Majesty, entitled "An Act to provide for the Formation of a Fisheries' Commission, and for other purposes," were read a first time, and

Rules and Regulations respecting Lobster Industry and Cod-fishery, read 1st time.

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

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Harvey the Amendments made by the Legislative Assembly, in and upon the Amendments made by the Legislative Council in and upon the Bill sent up, entitled "An Act for the Encouragement of Ship-building, and for other purposes," were read a first and second time and adopted, and passed, and the Hon. the President signed the same, and

Assembly's Amendments on Council's Amendments on Ship-building Bill, passed.

Ordered,—That the said Amendments be sent to the Legislative Assembly, with Message, that this House had passed the same without Amendment.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Harvey, the Amendments made by the Legislative Assembly, in and upon the Bill sent down, entitled "An Act to amend Title 28, Cap. 109, of the Consolidated Statutes, entitled 'Of Masters and Servants,'" was read a first time, and

Assembly's Amendments on Masters' and Servants' Bill, read 1st time.

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

Quarter Sessions Bill, read 1st and 2nd time. On motion of the Hon. Mr. Harvey, the Bill sent up, entitled "An Act to amend the Law relating to Courts of Quarter Sessions, Magistrates and Justices of the Peace," was read a first and second time, and

Committed. Ordered,—To be committed presently.

The Hon. Mr. Rendell in the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported the Bill without amendment.

Ordered,—That the Report be received.

Read 3rd time and passed. The said Bill was then read a third time and passed, and the Hon. the President signed the same.

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

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

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*Monday, June 9th, 1890.*

House meets, The House met pursuant to adjournment.

PRESENT :

Members present. The Honorable E. D. SHEA, *President*.  
The Honorables A. W. HARVEY,  
T. TALBOT,  
M. MONROE,  
G. T. RENDELL,  
J. ANGEL,  
J. P. FOX,  
A. M. MCKAY,  
G. SKELTON.

Minutes read. The Minutes of Saturday last were read.

The Hon. Mr. Harvey, from the Select Committee on the Printing and Contingencies of this House, for the present Session, presented a Report of the same, which was received and read, and Report of Select Committee on Printing and Contingencies read.

On motion, the House resolved itself into a Committee of Privilege. Committee of Privilege.

The Hon. Mr. Skelton in the Chair.

After the some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported the Report without amendment.

Ordered,—That the Report be received.

The Report is as follows :—

The Select Committee appointed by the Council with regard to the Printing and Contingencies, report that they have examined the accounts of the Acting Clerk and Usher of the Black Rod, and have considered other charges and expenses, and find them as follows :— Report.

President of the Legislative Council	- \$	240.00
Twelve Members of the Legislative Council		1,440.00
Acting Clerk of the Legislative Council	-	600.00
Contingent Expenses of the Clerk	- -	84.15
Usher of the Black Rod	- - -	600.00
Contingent Expenses of Usher of Black Rod		321.27
John Howley, Esq., retiring allowance	-	700.00
Edward Shea, Esq., reporting debates	-	200.00
Robert Pittman, Esq., reporting debates	-	200.00
Acting Master in Chancery	- - -	700.00
Extra pay for Services	- - -	150.00
Door-keeper of Council	- - -	225.00
Assistant Door-keeper	- - -	190.00
Fireman of the Legislative Council	- -	65.00
Miscellaneous Printing, <i>Times</i>	- - -	422.00
Miscellaneous Printing, other Papers and <i>Royal Gazette</i>	- - -	46.00
Proprietor of the <i>Evening Telegram</i> , Printing Debates	- - -	160.00



Proprietor of the <i>Times</i> , Copying Debates -	\$100.00
Proprietor <i>Standard</i> , Copying Debates -	100.00
Proprietor <i>Colonist</i> , Copying Debates -	100.00
Proprietor <i>Twillingate Sun</i> , Copying Debates -	100.00
Proprietor <i>Trinity Record</i> , Copying Debates	100.00
Newspapers for Council and Members during Session -	167.80
Estimated Expenses for Printing and Binding Journals -	500.00
Binding Newspapers -	20.00
Acting Clerk for attending Select Committees -	50.00
Regulating Clocks -	10.00
	\$7,591.22

(Signed,) A. W. HARVEY,  
*Chairman.*

M. MONROE,  
G. T. RENDELL,  
PHILIP CLEARY.

COMMITTEE ROOM,  
9th June, 1890. }

Ordered,—That the said Report be adopted and sent to the Legislative Assembly, with Message, that this House had adopted the same, and requesting their concurrence therein.

The Hon. Mr. Monroe, from the Deputation appointed to present an Address to His Excellency the Governor on the subject of marking Fishing Vessels, reported that His Excellency had been pleased to receive the Address, and reply thereto as follows:—

T. O'BRIEN, *Lt.-Col.*,  
*Governor.*

Reply of Governor to Address of Council.

The Governor begs to acknowledge the Address of the Hon. Gentlemen of the Legislative Council, and to inform them that having carefully searched the records in his office, he finds that all the De-

spatches on the subject of marking Fishing Vessels are of a confidential nature, and he, therefore, regrets that he cannot place them at your disposal.

As regards the Minutes of Council bearing on the question, they are also, as you must be aware, confidential, and having consulted with the Premier, the Governor finds that it is contrary to precedent to make them public.

GOVERNMENT HOUSE, }  
9th June, 1890. }

At Six o'clock, P. M., His Excellency the Governor Lieutenant-Colonel Sir J. TERENCE N. O'BRIEN, having arrived at the Council Chamber, and being seated on the Throne, the Hon. the President of the Council directed the Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod to proceed to the Legislative Assembly and acquaint the Speaker and Members thereof that it is His Excellency's will and pleasure that they forthwith attend at the Bar of this House; and they being come thereto, His Excellency was pleased to give his assent to the following Bill:—

Governor arrives at Council Chamber and assents to Bill.

An Act to amend the Act 51 Vic., Cap. 5, entitled "An Act to provide for the management of the Municipal Affairs of the Town of St. John's, and for other purposes."

Bill assented to.

The House of Assembly having withdrawn, His Excellency was pleased to retire.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Harvey, the Rules and Regulations respecting the Lobster Industry and Cod-fishery, made under and by virtue of Section XVI. of the Act passed in the 52nd year of the Reign of Her present Majesty, entitled "An Act to provide for the Formation of a Fisheries' Commission, and for other purposes," were read a second time, adopted and passed, and the Hon. the President signed the same.

Rules and Regulations respecting Lobster Industry and Cod-fishery, passed.

Ordered,—To be sent to the Legislative Assembly, with Message, that this House had passed the said Rules and Regulations without amendment.

**Amendments  
on Masters' and  
Servants' Bill,  
passed.**

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, and on motion of the Hon. Mr. Monroe, the Amendments made by the Legislative Assembly in and upon the Bill sent down from the Legislative Council, entitled "An Act to amend Title 28, Cap. 109, of the Consolidated Statutes, entitled 'Of Masters and Servants,'" were read a second time, adopted and passed, and the Hon. the President signed the same.

Ordered,—That a Message be sent to the Legislative Assembly acquainting them that this House had adopted the said Amendments without Amendment.

**Adjourned.**

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

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*Tuesday, June 10th, 1890.*

**House meets.**

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

PRESENT :

**Members  
present.**

The Honorable E. D. SHEA, *President*.  
The Honorables A. W. HARVEY,  
P. CLEARY,  
M. MONROE,  
G. T. RENDELL,  
J. ANGEL,  
J. P. FOX,  
G. SKELTON.

**Minutes read.**

The Minutes of Monday, June 9th, were read.

**Message from  
Assembly.**

The Hon. the President informed the House that he had received the following Message from the Legislative Assembly:—

MR. PRESIDENT ;—

The Legislative Assembly acquaints the Legislative Council that it has passed the Bill, entitled

“An Act to provide for the Contingent Expenses of the Legislature,” and requests its concurrence therein.

GEO. H. EMERSON,  
*Speaker.*

HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY,  
June 10th, 1890. }

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Harvey, the Bill sent up, entitled “An Act to provide for the Contingent Expenses of the Legislature,” was read a first and second time, and Contingency Bill, read 1st and 2nd time.

Ordered,—To be committed presently. Committed.

The Hon. Mr. Skelton in the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported the Bill without amendment.

Ordered,—That the Report be received.

The said Bill was then read a third time and passed, and the Hon. the President signed the same. Read 3rd time and passed.

Ordered,—That the said Bill be sent to the Legislative Assembly, with Message, that this House had passed the same without amendment.

The Hon. the President informed the House that he had received the following Message from the Legislative Assembly :— Message from Assembly.

MR. PRESIDENT ;—

The Legislative Assembly acquaints the Legislative Council that it has passed a Resolution confirming with some Amendments the Estimate of Expenditure and Revenue and mode of Taxation, proposed by the St. John’s Municipal Council, and

requests that the Council will be pleased to adopt and confirm the same.

GEO. H. EMERSON,  
*Speaker.*

HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY, }  
June 10th, 1890. }

### RESOLUTION.

Resolution.

*Resolved*,—That in accordance with the provisions of Section 1 of an Act passed in the Fifty-third year of Her Majesty, entitled “ An Act to amend Fifty-one Victoria, Chapter Five, entitled ‘ An Act to provide for the Management of the Municipal Affairs of the Town of St. John’s, and for other purposes,’ ” the estimate of expenditure and revenue mode of taxation proposed by the St. John’s Municipal Council, and laid before the Legislature the present Session, be amended in accordance with the annexed Report of the Select Committee appointed by this House during the present Session of the Legislature, to enquire into and report upon the same.

*Extract from the Report of the Committee referred to above :—*

#### ESTIMATE FOR RAISING OF ADDITIONAL REVENUE REQUIRED BY MUNICIPAL COUNCIL.

1. Three per cent. on Rental of Houses within limits of town paying rent of over \$30 and not paying Water and Sewerage Rates, and not otherwise exempt.

2. Two and a-half per cent. on Rental of all property of which the rents are remitted to non-residents of this Colony.

3. Annual fee for every Horse used by private individuals, \$3.00.

4. Annual license fee on all Cabmen for each Horse, \$3.00.

5. Annual license fee on resident Auctioneers, \$10.00.

6. Annual license fee on all Fire and Life Insurance Companies doing business in St. John's, \$100.00.

7. All persons, non-residents of this Colony, who come to Newfoundland to vend goods, wares and merchandize, or to represent others, venders of such goods, wares and merchandize, not residents in this Colony, shall be prohibited from doing any business in this Colony unless they shall first receive from the Municipal Council a written license to do such business; such license shall be dated on the day of its issue, and shall extend to a period of Twenty Days from its date, and no longer. No more than one Licensee shall be named in such license. For every such license a fee of Fifty Dollars shall be paid by the Licensee. In case any such person shall transact any business in this Colony without having first obtained such license, he shall, for every day in which he shall transact business in Newfoundland, forfeit and pay a sum of One Hundred Dollars, to be recovered in a summary manner before any Stipendiary Magistrate by any person who may sue for the same, and if such sum be not forthwith paid the offender may be committed to prison for any term not exceeding Ten Days for each day on which he shall have transacted business without such license.

GEO. H. EMERSON,  
*Speaker.*

PASSED THE HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY, }  
June 10th, 1890. }

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Harvey, the said Resolution was read a first and second time, and

Read 1st and  
2nd time.

Ordered,—To be committed presently.

Committed.

The Hon. Mr. Skelton in the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported the said Resolution without amendment.

Passed.

Ordered,—That a Message be sent to the Legislative Assembly informing them of the concurrence of the Legislative Council in the said Resolution.

Message from Assembly.

The Hon. the President informed the House that he had received the following Message from the Legislative Assembly :—

MR. PRESIDENT ;—

The Legislative Assembly acquaint the Legislative Council that they have passed the accompanying Address to Her Gracious Majesty the Queen upon the subject of the recent *modus vivendi* entered into between Her Majesty's Government and the Republic of France, in reference to the claims of the French on that part of the Coast of this Colony on which French subjects have certain fishery rights, to which the Legislative Assembly respectfully requests the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

GEO. H. EMERSON,  
*Speaker.*

HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY, }  
June 10th, 1890. }

TO THE QUEEN'S MOST EXCELLENT  
MAJESTY :

MOST GRACIOUS SOVEREIGN ;—

We, Your Majesty's humble and loyal subjects, the Legislative Council and House of Assembly of Newfoundland, in Legislative Session convened, desire to approach Your Majesty with hearty expressions of devotion to Your Majesty's person and Throne.

We deeply deplore the circumstances which constrain us to appeal again to Your Majesty with regard to the encroachments made by French citizens upon the rights of Your Majesty's subjects in Newfoundland.

We most humbly crave the favour of Your Address—  
Gracious Majesty's reference to our address relative (Continued.)  
to this subject presented last year, and especially we  
beg to call attention to the following paragraphs:—

“ With all submission we are constrained to state to Your Majesty our position, that the claims of the subjects of France in respect of the taking and preserving of lobsters upon our coasts, and also their claims in respect of the taking of salmon, which latter claims have also been the subject of our deliberations, are utterly without foundation, and cannot be maintained; that the action of French subjects in this behalf has been in violation of Treaty obligations, and of International law—and that there has resulted therefrom a gross trespass on the rights of British subjects, and one for which an exemplary compensation should be demanded from the Government of France.”

“ For the causes herein set forth, and with the grievances herein complained of, We, Your Majesty's dutiful and loyal subjects, do therefore approach Your Majesty with the humble prayer, that Your Majesty will be pleased to take the same into gracious and favourable consideration; that Your Majesty will cause the same to be brought to the notice and consideration of Your Majesty's Ministers; that Your Majesty will graciously cause such action to be taken as shall lead to the removal of all Lobster Factories, or Establishments, or Buildings, connected with the Lobster industry, erected by the French upon the territory of Newfoundland, and to the prevention of any such erections in future; and that Your Majesty will be graciously pleased to cause it to be an instruction to the Commanders and Officers of Your Majesty's ships, engaged in the protection of the Fisheries upon the coasts of Newfoundland, that they shall be aiding and assisting Your Majesty's subjects in this Island, in the prevention of interference by the French with the prosecution of any lawful industries entered upon by British subjects in Newfoundland.”



Address—

(Continued.) From the gracious reply vouchsafed by Your Majesty to our petition, we are pleased to know that Your Majesty's Ministers concur with us in the position that the French have no right to take lobsters or erect lobster factories on our coast.

We have learned, then, with surprise and great alarm, that a *modus vivendi* has been entered into between Your Majesty and the French Government—not only tolerating for this season the lobster factories operated by the French during last year—against which we humbly made petition to Your Majesty, but also empowering Your Majesty's naval officers to sanction the erection of an indefinite number of new factories by the French during the present season, notwithstanding the statement made by the Right Hon. Sir H. J. Holland to Governor Sir G. W. DesVœux, dated February 11th, 1887, that “the French Government have approved of the removal of some lobster factories established on the coast by French subjects.” This statement, in the opinion of your petitioners, is evidence of the fact that the French Government, at that time, appreciated their error in the erection of such factories.

We have noticed the statement of Sir James Ferguson in the House of Commons, that the *modus vivendi* had been modified to meet, in some degree, the views of the Newfoundland Government, which might imply that the modifications were in the direction suggested by our Government. On this point there has been some misapprehension; and it appears evident on perusal of the correspondence between the Imperial and Colonial Governments, that the particular object which the Colony had in view in suggesting the change of date for the commencement of the *status quo*, had not been accurately appreciated.

The first despatch from Lord Knutsford on the subject announced the proposal of a *modus vivendi* for season of 1890 with regard to lobster factories, on the basis that each nation should operate the same

number, respectively, as were in existence on July 1st, 1889. The despatch in reply from the Newfoundland Government contests the claim of the French to erect factories; but, actuated solely by a desire to meet the wishes of Your Majesty's Government for some temporary arrangement for the season, suggested that if the *modus vivendi* were arranged, the date of *status quo* should be January 1st, 1890, as the British had commenced a number of new factories. Without further consultation with the Newfoundland Government, and pursuing a course, the effect of which was exactly opposite to that suggested, an arrangement was entered into with France, allowing the French to erect and operate an unlimited number of new factories, for which sites satisfactory to the French and English Naval Commanders could be found. This is the modification, said by Sir James Ferguson to have been made to some extent to meet "the views" contained in the despatch of the Newfoundland Government above referred to. An arrangement less in keeping with the object aimed at in the suggestion of alteration in the date could scarcely be made, and that it is more inimical to the interests of this Colony, and more favorable to the French than the proposal first cabled to the Newfoundland Government, is conclusively shown by the refusal of the French to return to that arrangement when subsequently requested to do so by Your Majesty's Ministers.

The *modus vivendi* was thus concluded without the assent of this Colony, notwithstanding the assurance contained in the dispatch of the Secretary of State (Mr. Labouchere, 26th March, 1857), to the effect that "The rights at present enjoyed by the community of Newfoundland are not to be ceded or exchanged without their assent; that the constitutional mode of submitting measures for that assent, is by bringing them before the Colonial Legislature, and that the consent of the community of Newfoundland is regarded by Her Majesty's Government as the essential preliminary

Address—  
(Continued.)

Address—  
(Continued.) “to any modification of their territorial or maritime rights.”

We beg further, humbly, to submit that there is no law under which the French are permitted to erect lobster factories on any part of the coast of Newfoundland, nor is there any law to prevent British subjects from exercising fishing and all other rights on the whole coast of this Island, including lobster catching and canning, and the erection of buildings for that purpose.

From this it follows that solely by *force*, exercised *either by Your Majesty's or the French Naval or Military forces*, can the French lobster factories be maintained, or English lobster factories be prevented.

If the Naval or Military forces of either country were to act without any sanction of law in dealing with this question, could it be a matter of surprise if British subjects in Newfoundland, seeing their fisheries handed over to foreigners, their mines, minerals and lands locked away from their use, and their other industries hampered by the action of the French nation, were incited to acts of retaliation?

We humbly submit that we have full power to legislate for our fisheries, notwithstanding the existence of any right of fishing upon our coast enjoyed by other nations in virtue of Treaties, provided that our legislation be not differential.

Opinions have varied in this Colony, as in other fishing countries, regarding modes and appliances for fishing, and laws on these subjects have been enacted, amended and repealed by this Legislature, from time to time, as occasion required. In some of these Acts the following clause has been inserted:—

“Nothing in this Act shall affect the rights and privileges granted by Treaty to the subjects of any State or Power in amity with Her Majesty.”

The Legislature has at different times passed several Acts regulating the fishery as carried on by means of codtraps, all of which Acts have received Your Majesty's assent. In the Session of 1888 an Act was passed prohibiting the use of codtraps after the fishing season of 1889. During the present Session a Bill was passed repealing that Act; and we are now informed by His Excellency the Governor that, under instructions from Your Majesty's Ministers, he must withhold his assent thereto. This is an interference with our right to legislate for our fisheries, which we pray that Your Majesty will not permit.

Address—  
(Continued.)

In the Session of 1889 an Act was passed creating a Fisheries' Commission, for the better regulation of our fishing industries. The Act, though not disallowed, has not received Your Majesty's assent, the cause assigned being that it contained no clause exempting from its operation that part of the coast on which the French have Treaty rights.

We proposed to insert in this Act the clause hereinbefore set out, and *heretofore used*; but Your Majesty's Ministers decline to accept it, and require further limitation to the operation of the Act.

To guard the interests of Your Majesty's subjects in this Colony against the claims of a foreign nation, calls for the use of every means in our power to protect ourselves and our country from that destruction which an acquiescence therein would bring upon us.

The Secretary of State for the Colonies asks if we are prepared to submit the question of the lobster fishery to arbitration. After a careful perusal of the Treaties bearing on this matter, we find that there is certainly no question for arbitration. A similar proposition applied to Great Britain would be for the French to claim a right to take salmon in the Tees or the Tay, and for Your Majesty to submit such claim to arbitration.

Address—

(Continued.)

With respect to the lobster industry, this Colony will be satisfied with nothing short of the immediate removal of every French lobster factory from the shores of Newfoundland; and all our efforts will be directed to the accomplishment of this object.

We claim that the French bounties on fish caught on the coast of Newfoundland and by vessels prosecuting the fishery from St. Pierre and Miquelon, cannot be excluded from the consideration of this question. These bounties had no existence when the original Treaty was signed; yet the vast vantage ground which they confer upon French over British fishermen is so manifest, that it is wholly incredible that such privileges would ever have been conceded by Great Britain if the possibility of these bounties had been then contemplated.

We submit, further, that for a right understanding of the concessions made to the French, the condition of surrounding facts at the date of the Treaty must be considered in order to ascertain what was the intention of the high contracting parties. The cod fishery was the only fishery then prosecuted, and it was carried on by those who visited the part of the coast referred to, caught their fish, cured and dried them on the strand, and departed immediately the fishing season was over. It is hardly possible to conceive of a concession made by the Sovereign of the soil more limited, or of a more temporary nature, than that then conceded to the French, viz.: *that of fishing upon the coast, and of drying the fish upon the land.* The work of drying is done in a short time, in a limited area, upon the beach or strand; and the crew of a vessel, having used a part of the strand in one year for this purpose, can obtain thereby no right to the same locality in a subsequent year. Provided, therefore, that the French vessels, as they arrive upon the coast and require sites to dry their fish, are afforded such accommodation, and are not interfered with in their fishing, we most humbly submit that the Treaty is honorably executed, and that we are

not compelled by a reasonable construction of it to yield to the monstrous demands the French have put forth, such as the continuance of several hundreds of miles of coast in a state of perpetual wilderness for the purpose of affording strand accommodation of a few thousand yards, for four or five months each year, to French fishing vessels to dry their fish; the abstaining on our part from all industrial occupations in that part of the Island; the yielding up to the French the salmon fisheries in the rivers; the participation in the lobster fishery, (which was not known at the date of the Treaty, and which it was therefore impossible to concede), and the demand of an exclusive right to the cod-fishery, notwithstanding the express declaration that the fishery should be carried on according to the practice theretofore existing, neither party to deviate therefrom. When it was declared that neither party was to deviate from the existing practice, it must have been intended that both parties should be present exercising a concurrent right of fishing.

Address—  
(Continued )

If the Treaty is to be construed in accordance with French demands, then we would most humbly ask Your Majesty, what is left for Your Majesty as the Sovereign of the soil? If such interpretation is allowed, the possession of an easement, a right of fishing, is of far more value than the possession of the territory, for the French contend that we are not to fish upon the coast; are not to take the salmon in the rivers; are not to till the soil; are not to operate the mines and use the harbors for the exportation of minerals, or for other purposes of trade, that they are not amenable to our customs' laws, and that it is only by sufferance that our vessels and boats are permitted by the French to be in our own harbors on this coast. These, and other similar contentions, set up by the French, would leave a large portion of this Island French territory, all but in name.

Whilst these aggressions are taking place on the coast between Cape St. John and Cape Ray, the

Address—  
(Continued.) Islands of St. Pierre and Miquelon are made the centres from which smuggling is carried on to an extent ruinous to the interest of this country, and which, in the unguarded state of a part of the coast, it is impossible to prevent. This illicit trade is fostered and favored by the French, and our frequent applications for the appointment of a Consul at St. Pierre, to protect British interests, have been systematically refused—a refusal probably without parallel. Thus the Declaration of the King of France, that these islands should not become an object of jealousy between the two nations, is set at naught.

We, therefore, humbly pray that Your Majesty will be pleased to assent to those two Acts of our Legislature already referred to, and that you will relieve Newfoundland from its most anomalous and injurious position in relation to French claims.

Deign to accept, Most Gracious Sovereign, our most profound expressions of loyalty and affection.

GEO. H. EMERSON,  
*Speaker.*

PASSED THE HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY, }  
10th June, 1890. }

Read 1st and  
2nd time.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Harvey, the Address to Her Gracious Majesty the Queen, upon the subject of the recent *modus vivendi*, entered into between Her Majesty's Government and the Republic of France, was read a first and second time, and

Committed.

Ordered,—To be committed presently.

The Hon. Mr. Skelton in the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported the said Address with out amendment.

Ordered,—That the Report be received.

The said Address was then read a third time Read 3rd time and passed, and the Hon. the President signed the and passed. same.

Upon which the Hon. Mr. Harvey entered the following Protest:—

Whereas during the present Session of the Le- Protest of Hon. A. W. Harvey. gislature, a Select Committee was appointed by the Honorable Legislative Council and the Honorable Legislative Assembly to prepare a joint Address to Her Most Gracious Majesty the Queen on the *modus vivendi*, which Address, when reported by the Committee, contained the following paragraphs:—

“ We contend that the French, by their bounties  
 “ on fish caught on the shores of our Island, and by  
 “ vessels prosecuting the fishery from St. Pierre and  
 “ Miquelon, are violating those terms of the Treaties  
 “ which stipulate that the mode of conducting the  
 “ fisheries shall be the same as existed before the  
 “ contracting of the Treaties, and no other. At the  
 “ time of the signing of these Treaties no such bounty  
 “ was in existence; and we think that so long as this  
 “ breach of the spirit of the Treaties exists, it may  
 “ well be considered as cancelling all claims of the  
 “ French on the coasts of Newfoundland, and to the  
 “ adjacent islands of St. Pierre and Miquelon.”

“ Had such bounties been in existence, or even  
 “ contemplated, at the time the Treaties were entered  
 “ into, Great Britain never would have ceded to the  
 “ French, privileges, as regards her American fishe-  
 “ ries, which would place in the hands of a foreign  
 “ nation the power to annihilate her own fisheries.”

Which paragraphs were submitted for the consideration of Her Majesty's Council but failed to receive their assent, the following having been adopted in place thereof:—

“ We claim that the French bounties on fish  
 “ caught on the coast of Newfoundland, and by ves-  
 “ sels prosecuting the fishery from St. Pierre and



Protest—  
(Continued.)

“ Miquelon, cannot be excluded from the consideration of this question. These bounties had no existence when the original Treaty was signed; yet the vast vantage ground which they confer upon French over British fishermen is so manifest, that it is wholly incredible that such privileges would ever have been conceded by Great Britain if the possibility of these bounties had then been contemplated.”

I, A. W. HARVEY, a Member of Her Majesty's Legislative Council, therefore, do hereby enter my protest against the paragraph adopted as leading to the conclusion that the bounties paid on codfish caught by French vessels fitting out from St. Pierre and Miquelon and on the coasts of Newfoundland, are not an infraction of the Treaties by virtue of which the French fishery is exercised from such islands and on such coast.

A. W. HARVEY.

COUNCIL CHAMBER,  
10th June, 1890. }

Ordered,—That a Message be sent to the Legislative Assembly informing them of the concurrence of the Legislative Council in the said Address.

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 11th.—It being now after midnight.

The Hon. the President informed the House that he had received the following Message from the Legislative Assembly:—

MR. PRESIDENT;—

The Legislative Assembly acquaint the Legislative Council that they have passed the accompanying Address to His Excellency the Governor upon the subject of the Address to Her Majesty the Queen, in reference to the recent *modus vivendi* entered into between Her Majesty's Government and the Republic

Message from  
Assembly.

of France, and request the concurrence of the Legislative Council in the same.

GEO. H. EMERSON,  
*Speaker.*

HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY,  
June 11th, 1890. }

To His Excellency Lieutenant-Colonel Sir J. Address,

TERENCE N. O'BRIEN, *Knight Commander of the Most Distinguished Order of St. Michael and St. George, Governor and Commander-in-Chief in and over the Island of Newfoundland and its Dependencies.*

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY;—

The Legislative Council and House of Assembly have passed an Address to Her Most Gracious Majesty the Queen, relative to the recent *modus vivendi* entered into between Her Majesty's Government and the Republic of France on the question of the claims of French subjects on that part of the Coasts of this Colony on which the French have certain rights of cod-fishery, and respectfully request that Your Excellency will be pleased to transmit the same to Her Majesty for her favorable consideration.

GEO. H. EMERSON,  
*Speaker.*

PASSED THE HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY,  
June 10th, 1890. }

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Harvey, the said Passed. Address to His Excellency the Governor was read and adopted.

Ordered,—That a Message be sent to the Legislative Assembly, informing them of the concurrence of the Legislative Council in the said Address.

On motion made, the House adjourned unto this Adjourned. day at half-past Eleven o'clock, A. M.

*Wednesday, June 11th, 1890.*

**House meets.** The House met pursuant to adjournment.

PRESENT :

**Members present.** The Honorable E. D. SHEA, *President*.  
The Honorables A. W. HARVEY,  
M. MONROE,  
G. T. RENDELL,  
J. P. FOX,  
G. SKELTON.

**Minutes read.** The Minutes of Tuesday, June 10th, and this morning, were read.

**Governor arrives at Council Chamber.** At Two o'clock, P. M., His Excellency the Governor, Lieutenant-Colonel Sir J. TERENCE N. O'BRIEN, K. C. M. G., having arrived at the Council Chamber, and being seated on the Throne, the Hon. the President of the Council directed the Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod, to proceed to the Legislative Assembly and inform the Speaker and Members thereof, that it is His Excellency's will and pleasure that they forthwith attend at the Bar of this House; and they being come thereto His Excellency was pleased to give his assent to the following Bills:—

**Assents to Bills.** An Act for Granting to Her Majesty certain Duties on Goods, Wares, and Merchandize, imported into this Colony and its Dependencies.

An Act to provide for the Registration of Births, Marriages and Deaths.

An Act to provide for the Local Government of Towns and Settlements in this Colony.

An Act to amend Chapter III. of the Consolidated Statutes, Second Series, entitled "The Election Act, 1889."

An Act for the Encouragement of the Cultivation and Manufacture of Flax and Hemp.

An Act to amend Title XXVIII., Chapter 109, of the Consolidated Statutes, entitled "Of Masters and Servants." Bills assented to. —(Continued.)

An Act to amend 52 Victoria, Cap. 18, entitled "An Act to amend Title XXVI., Chapter 100, of the Consolidated Statutes, entitled 'Of Pilots and Pilotage for the Port of St. John's.'"

An Act to amend the Law relating to Copyright.

An Act to amend the "Judicature Act, 1889."

An Act to amend 52 Victoria, Cap. 4, and to make further provision for the Construction and Equipment of a Line of Railway towards Hall's Bay, and for a Branch to Brigus or Clarke's Beach, and for other purposes.

An Act to authorize the Raising of a Sum of Money, by Loan, for the Public Service of this Colony.

An Act for the Protection of Woods against Fires.

An Act for the Encouragement of the Manufacture of Fish-glue, Isinglass, and Gelatine.

An Act to amend the Act 52 Vic., Cap. 25, entitled "An Act to amend the Law relating to Courts of Quarter Sessions, Magistrates, and Justices of the Peace."

An Act to amend the Act 49 Victoria, Cap. 9, entitled "An Act for the Preservation of Game," and the Act 52 Vic., Cap. 11, entitled "An Act for the Preservation of Deer."

An Act respecting the Liens of Mechanics and others.

An Act for the encouragement of Ship-building, and for other purposes.

An Act to provide for the Commutation of Sentences of Prisoners confined in the Penitentiary.

"Of the Representation in the House of Assembly, and of the Powers and Privileges thereof."

Bills assented to.  
—(Continued.)

- An Act to amend the "Public Health Act, 1889."
- An Act to amend 52 Victoria, Chapter 24, entitled "An Act for the Publication of the Consolidated Statutes."
- An Act to Incorporate the North-Canadian and Atlantic Railway and Steamship Company.
- An Act to amend Title XXIII, Chapter 79, of the Consolidated Statutes, entitled "Of certain Municipal Regulations."
- An Act for Granting to Her Majesty a Sum of Money, for Constructing and Repairing Roads, Streets and Bridges, and other Public Works, within this Colony, and to make provision for the protection and preservation of the same.
- An Act to Indemnify His Excellency the Governor of Newfoundland for certain Sums of Money, advanced by him from the Colonial Treasury, for the Service of the Colony.
- An Act for granting to Her Majesty a Sum of Money for defraying the Expenses of the Civil Government of this Colony, for the year ending the 31st day of December, One Thousand Eight Hundred and Ninety, and for other purposes.
- An Act to provide for the Contingent Expenses of Legislature.

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

Governor's  
Speech.

*Mr. President and Honorable Gentleman of the Legislative Council :*

*Mr. Speaker and Gentlemen of the Honorable Legislative Assembly :*

It affords me satisfaction to be able to release you from the onerous duties which have devolved upon you during a somewhat protracted Session, and I take pleasure in conveying to you my appreciation

of the zeal and assiduity with which you applied yourselves to your legislative labors.

Governor's  
Speech—  
(Continued.)

Many of the matters that have engaged your attention within the past four months may be considered as of the highest moment to the future of this Colony. The Act authorizing the conclusion of a contract for the construction of a Railway through the interior of the island, is one of vital importance, and, as a sequel to the Act of 1881, is in accord with the strongly-expressed views of the constituencies. I sincerely hope that the result may prove advantageous to the people of this Colony.

By the Acts passed for extending the franchise and providing for Local Self-Government, I trust there will be engendered amongst our people a sense of personal responsibility, and a large and enlightened regard for public interests.

I observe that a Committee has been appointed to consider the question of education, having in view an improvement in the system now in operation in Newfoundland. I am in accord with you in estimating as of the highest importance the elevation of the educational status of this colony, and I hope their efforts will lead to a due perception of the intimate connection between education and the existence and prosperity of free institutions of Government.

*Mr. Speaker and Gentlemen of the Honorable Legislative Assembly :*

I thank you for the supplies you have made for the public service, which, I assure you, shall be expended with a due regard to efficiency and economy.

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

*Mr. Speaker and Gentlemen of the Honorable Legislative Assembly :*

I am glad to be able to congratulate you upon the success which has attended the operations of the

Governor's  
Speech—  
(Continued.)

seal-fishery, and that the prospects of the cod-fishery are cheering.

In discharging you from the onerous public duties in which you have been engaged, I would express my sincere desire for your well-being and prosperity.

T. O'BRIEN,  
*Governor.*

Prorogation.

The Honorable the President then said:—It is His Excellency the Governor's will and pleasure, that this General Assembly be prorogued until Thursday, the Seventeenth day of July next, then and here to be holden; and this General Assembly stands prorogued accordingly.

HUGH H. CARTER,  
*Acting Clerk of the Legislative Council.*

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