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T. O'BRIEN, Lt.-Col.,
Governor.
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*VICTORIA, by the Grace of GOD,
of the United Kingdom of Great
Britain and Ireland, Queen, De-
fender of the Faith, &c.*

TO ALL TO WHOM THESE PRESENTS SHALL COME, GREETING:

WHEREAS We have thought fit to dissolve the General Assembly of Our Island of Newfoundland: Know ye, that We do, for this purpose, publish this Our Royal Proclamation, and We do by these presents dissolve the said General Assembly. And We do hereby discharge the Members of our Council and of the House of Assembly of the said Island from further attendance in the said General Assembly.

In testimony whereof We have caused these Our Letters to be made patent under the Great Seal of the said Island.

WITNESS, our trusty and well-beloved Lieut.-Colonel Sir J. TERENCE N. O'BRIEN, Knight-Commander of the Most Distinguished Order of St. Michael and St. George, Our Governor and Commander-in-Chief in and over Our Island of Newfoundland and its Dependencies, at St. John's, in Our said Island, this Second day of July, A.D., 1889, and in the Fifty-third year of Our reign.

By His Excellency's Command,

M. FENELON,

Colonial Secretary.



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*By His Excellency Lieut.-Colonel Sir J.
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TO ALL TO WHOM THESE PRESENTS SHALL COME, GREETING:

WHEREAS, by and with the advice and consent of Her Majesty's Council, I have appointed a General Election of persons to serve as members in the House of Assembly of this Island to be holden in the autumn of the present year, and of which due notice will be given; and it is therefore necessary that the lists of persons entitled to vote at such elections in the several districts should be taken in the manner provided by law.

Know ye, that by and with the advice of Her Majesty's Council, I do, in compliance with the provisions of Title 2, Chapter 3, of the Consolidated Statutes of Newfoundland, and the Act of the last Session of the Legislature, entitled "An Act to amend the law in relation to the registration of voters," hereby direct that the lists of persons entitled to vote at such election shall be taken and revised in manner provided by the said Statute and Act, and in accordance with the rules and regulations made under said Act.

Provided always, that it shall not be necessary to hold any Court of General Quarter Sessions of the Peace in the said Districts, for the purpose of instituting such registration and revision; but the Justices and Conservators of the Peace therein shall undertake such registration and revision, (in the aforesaid Districts), as may have heretofore been assigned to them, or as may be assigned to them by directions for that purpose from His Excellency the Governor; and provided further, that, instead of the times appointed in the said Statute for the exhibiting of lists of voters, and for giving the notice prescribed by the said Statute, and for holding Courts of Revision,

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the Justices and Conservators of the Peace shall appoint and publicly notify, in the said Districts, such time or times for the purposes aforesaid as circumstances may require, and as such Justices and Conservators of the Peace shall respectively deem expedient.

Given under my Hand and the Great Seal of the Island, at Government House, in St. John's, the 30th day of July, in year of Our Lord One thousand eight hundred and eighty-nine.

By His Excellency's Command,

M. FENELON,

Colonial Secretary.



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F. B. T. CARTER,
Administrator.
[L.S.]

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TO ALL TO WHOM THESE PRESENTS SHALL COME, GREETING:

WHEREAS by Our Proclamation, bearing date the second day of July last, We did dissolve the General Assembly of Our Island of Newfoundland and its Dependencies; and it is Our will and pleasure to summon and call a General Assembly within the said Island and its Dependencies: We do, therefore, by this Our Proclamation, declare and make known to all Our loving subjects within Our said Island that it is our intention to issue Our Writs for a General Election of Members to serve in the General Assembly of Our said Island; and further, that the day of Nomination of Candidates at the said General Election shall be, for the several districts and divisions of districts, on Wednesday the thirtieth day of October next, and such Nominations shall be for the hereinafter mentioned districts and divisions of districts, at the following places, viz:—

- For the district of St. Barbe, at Bonne Bay.
- For the district of Twillingate, at Twillingate.
- For the district of Fogo, at Fogo.
- For the district of Bonavista, at Bonavista.
- For the district of Trinity, at Trinity.
- For the district of Bay-de-de-Verde, at Western Bay.
- For the district of Carbonear, at Carbonear.
- For the district of Harbor Grace, at Harbor Grace.
- For the district of Port-de-Grave, at Brigus.
- For the district of Harbor Main, at Harbor Main.
- For the division of St. John's West, at St. John's.
- For the division of St. John's East, at St. John's.

For the district of Ferryland, at Ferryland.

For the district of Placentia and St. Mary's, at Great Placentia.

For the district of Burin, at Burin.

For the district of Fortune Bay, at Harbor Briton.

For the district of Burgeo and LaPoile, at Channel.

For the district of St. George, at Sandy Point.

And at which places, respectively, the final results of the polls taken, and the return of the respective member or members who shall have been duly elected, shall be declared.

And We do further declare and make known that the day of Polling for the said Candidates shall be on Wednesday, the 6th day of November next, and that such polling shall take place within the said districts and divisions of districts respectively, as follows:

For the election of one member of the said Assembly for the district of St. Barbe; at Trout River, Bonne Bay, Rocky Harbor, Daniel's Harbor, Cow Head, Current Island, Port-au-Choix, Flower's Cove, Brandy Harbor, Quirpon, Griguet, Grois Islands, Horse Islands, St. Anthony, Englee, St. Julien, Conche, Harbor Deep, Jackson's Arm, South Arm, Western Cove, Coachman's Cove and Brent's Cove.

For the election of three members of the said Assembly for the district of Twillingate; at Shoe Cove, Tilt Cove, Nipper's Harbor, North West Arm, Harry's Harbor, Little Bay Mines, Hall's Bay, Little Bay Island, Ward's Harbor, Pilley's Island, Leading Tickle, Moore's Cove (New Bay), Fortune Harbor, Exploits (Burnt Island), Kyar's Cove (Black Island), Keen Point (Exploits Bay), Burnt Bay, Moreton's Harbor, Twillingate, Herring Neck.

For the election of one member of the said Assembly for the district of Fogo; at Fogo, Tilton Harbor, Barr'd Islands, Seldom-Come-By, Change Islands, Joe Batt's Arm, Musgrave Harbor, Cat Harbor, Indian Islands.

For the election of three members of the said Assembly for the district of Bonavista; at Bonavista, Bayly's Cove, Lower Amherst Cove, Knight's Cove, King's Cove, Broad Cove, Keels, Tickle Cove, Open Hall, Plate Cove, Indian Arm, Seal Cove (Southern Bay,) Sweet Bay, James' Cove, Brooklyn, Musgrave Town, Happy Adventure, Salvage, Alexander Bay, Freshwater Bay, Flat Island, Cottell's Island, Gooseberry Island, Burnt Island, Fair Island, Greenspond, Pool's Island, Wesleyville, Inner Pinchard's Island, Outer Pinchard's Island, Cape Cove.

For the election of three members of the said Assembly for the district of Trinity; at Bird Island Cove, Catalina, Salmon Cove, Trinity, Trinity Harbor East, New Bonaventure, White Rock, Britannia Cove, Shoal Harbor, Random Island, Fox Harbor, Chance Cove,

Norman's Cove, Tickle Harbour, New Harbour, Green's Harbour, Heart's Content, Heart's Delight, New Perlican, Scilly Cove, Hant's Harbour, Whale's Brook.

For the election of two members of the said Assembly for the district of Bay-de-Verde; at Old Perlican, the Grates, Bay-de-Verde, Lower Island Cove, Northern Bay, Western Bay, Black Head, Perry's Cove, Freshwater.

For the election of one member of the said Assembly for the district of Carbonear; at Carbonear, Mosquito and Victoria Village.

For the election of three members of the said Assembly for the district of Harbor Grace; at Harbor Grace, Bryant's Cove, Upper Island Cove, Bishop's Cove, Spaniard's Bay, Tilton, Bay Roberts, Coley's Point.

For the election of one member of the said Assembly for the district of Port-de-Grave; at Port-de-Grave, Ship Cove, Bareneed, Northern Gut, Northern Gut River, Southern River, Cupids, Burnt Head, Brigus.

For the election of two members of the said Assembly for the district of Harbor Main; at Turk's Cove, Colliers, Bacon Cove, Conception Harbor, Salmon Cove, Harbor Main, Chapel's Cove, Holyrood, Lance Cove, Kelligrews, Long Pond, Topsail.

For the election of three members of the said Assembly for the district of St. John's West; at Broad Cove, St. John's, The Goulds, Blackhead and Petty Harbor.

For the election of three members of the said Assembly for the district of St. John's East; at Belle Isle, Lance Cove (Belle Isle), Portugal Cove, Bauline, Pouch Cove, Flat Rock, Torbay, Outer Cove, Logy Bay, Quidi Vidi and St. John's.

For the election of two members of the said Assembly for the district of Ferryland; at the Goulds, Bay Bulls, Witless Bay, Toad's Cove, Cape Broyle, Ferryland, Fermeuse, Renew's.

For the election of three members of the said Assembly, for the district of Placentia and St. Mary's; at Trepassey, St. Mary's, Salmonier, Holyrood (St. Mary's Bay), Branch, Distress, Placentia, Little Placentia, Ram's Island, Red Island, Sound Island, Isle Valen, Harbor Buffett in Long Island, Paradise, Oderin and Baine Harbor.

For the election of two members of the said Assembly for the district of Burin; at Flat Islands, Beau Bois, Burin, Great St. Lawrence, Lawn, Lamaline, Fortune, Grand Bank.

For the election of one member of the said Assembly for the district of Fortune Bay; at Garnish, Bay L'Argent, English Harbor East, St. Jacques, Belleoram, English Harbor, Harbor Briton, Gaultois, Pushthrough.

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For the election of one member of the said Assembly for the district of Burgeo and LaPoile; at Ramea Islands, Burgeo, Western Point, Petites, Rose Blanche, Burnt Islands, Channel, Cape Ray.

For the election of one member of the said Assembly for the district of St. George; at Codroy Grand River, Codroy Harbor, Little River (Codroy), Crabbe's Brook, Campbell's Creek (Bay St. George), Black Duck Brook (Bay St. George), Highlands (Bay St. George), Sandy Point, Stevensville, The Gravels, The Beach (Bay of Islands), Birchy Cove (The Court House, Bay of Islands), Summerside (Bay of Islands), Woody Island, (Bay of Islands).

And for the conducting of the said elections and the due return of the members so to be elected at the said general election, it is our will and pleasure that the electors of the districts of Bonavista, Placentia and St. Mary's, Burin, Fortune Bay, Burgeo and LaPoile, Bay-de-Verde, Trinity, Twillingate, Fogo, St. George's and St. Barbe's, shall give their votes respectively at such polling station as may to them be most convenient.

Given under the Great Seal of our aforesaid Island.

WITNESS our trusty and well-beloved Sir FREDERICK B. T. CARTER, Knight-Commander of the Most Distinguished Order of St. Michael and St. George, Our Administrator of the Government and Commander-in-Chief in and over Our said Island and its Dependencies, at St. John's, in Our said Island, the twenty-fifth day of September, A. D., 1889, and in the fifty-third year of our Reign.

By His Excellency's Command,

M. FENELON,

Colonial Secretary.



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F. B. T. CARTER,
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fender of the Faith, &c.*

TO ALL TO WHOM THESE PRESENTS SHALL COME, GREETING:

WHEREAS, by Our Proclamation made and issued under the Great Seal of Our Island of Newfoundland and bearing date the twenty-fifth day of September instant, We have appointed and made known to Our loving subjects the several stations which we have established within the respective Districts of Our said Island, for the purpose of holding the elections and receiving the votes of electors duly qualified to vote at the ensuing general election of Members to serve in the General Assembly of Our said Island: And whereas We deem it requisite and necessary to appoint and establish the number of places or booths that shall be opened and held by the respective Returning Officers, or their Deputies, for receiving the votes of the said Electors, and taking the polls at every such station or place of election: We do, therefore, by these presents, further order and direct as follows, that is to say:

That in the district of **ST. BARBE** there shall be opened, at Trout River, one booth; at Bonne Bay, one booth; at Rocky Harbor, one booth; at Daniel's Harbor, one booth; at Cow Head, one booth; at Current Island, one booth; at Port-au-Choix, one booth; at Flower's Cove, one booth; at Brandy Harbor, one booth; at Quirpon, one booth; at Griquet, one booth; at Grois Islands, one booth; at Horse Islands, one booth; at St. Anthony, one booth; at Englee, one booth; at St. Julien, one booth; at Conche, one booth; at Harbor Deep, one booth; at Jackson's Arm, one booth; at South Arm, one booth; at Western Cove, one booth; at Coachman's Cove, one booth; at Brent's Cove, one booth: at either one of which booths the electors dwelling in the said district of St. Barbe may deliver their votes.

That in the district of **TWILLINGATE** there shall be opened, at Shoe Cove, one booth; at Tilt Cove, one booth; at Nipper's Harbor,

one booth; at North-West Arm, one booth; at Harry's Harbor, one booth; at Little Bay Mines, two booths; at Hall's Bay, one booth; at Little Bay Islands, one booth; at Ward's Harbor, one booth; at Pilley's Island, one booth; at Leading Ticks, one booth; at Moores Cove (New Bay) one booth; at Fortune Harbor, one booth; at Exploits Burnt Island, one booth; at Kyar's Cove, Black Island, one booth; at Keen's Point, Exploits Bay, one booth; at Burnt Bay, one booth; at Moreton's Harbor, one booth; at Twillingate, three booths; and at Herring Neck, one booth: at either one of which booths the electors dwelling in the said district of Twillingate may deliver their votes.

That in the district of FOGO there shall be opened, at Fogo, one booth; at Tilton Harbor, one booth; at Barr'd Islands, one booth; at Seldom-Come-By, one booth; at Change Islands, one booth; at Joe Batt's Arm, one booth; at Musgrave Harbor, one booth; at Cat Harbor, one booth; at Indian Islands, one booth: at either one of which booths the electors dwelling within the said district of Fogo may deliver their votes.

That in the district of BONAVIDA there shall be opened, at Bonavista, three booths; at Bayley's Cove, one booth; at Lower Amherst Cove, one booth; at Knight's Cove, one booth; at King's Cove, one booth; at Broad Cove, one booth; at Keels, one booth; at Tickle Cove, one booth; at Open Hall, one booth; at Plate Cove, one booth; at Indian Arm, one booth; at Seal Cove (Southern Bay) one booth; at Sweet Bay, one booth; at James' Cove, one booth; at Brooklyn, one booth; at Musgrave Town, one booth; at Happy Adventure, one booth; at Salvage, one booth; at Alexander Bay, one booth; at Freshwater Bay, one booth; at Flat Islands, one booth; at Cottel's Island, one booth; at Gooseberry Islands, one booth; at Burnt Islands, one booth; at Fair Islands, one booth; at Greenspond, two booths; at Pool's Island, one booth; at Wesleyville, one booth; at Inner Pinchard's Island, one booth; at Outer Pinchard's Island, one booth; and at Cape Cove, one booth: at either one of which booths the electors dwelling within the said district of Bonavista may deliver their votes.

That in the district of TRINITY there shall be opened, at Bird Island Cove, one booth; at Catalina, two booths; at Salmon Cove, one booth; at Trinity, two booths; at Trinity Harbor, East, one booth; at New Bonaventure, one booth; at White Rock, one booth; at Britannia Cove, one booth; at Shoal Harbor (Random Sound) one booth; at Random Island, one booth; at Fox Harbor, one booth; at Chance Cove, one booth; at Norman's Cove, one booth; at Tickle Harbor, one booth; at New Harbor, one booth; at Green's Harbor, one booth; at Heart's Delight, one booth; at Heart's Content, one booth; at New Perlican, one booth; at Scilly Cove, one booth; at Hant's Harbor, one booth; at Whale's Brook, one booth: at either one of which

booths the electors dwelling within the said district of Trinity may deliver their votes.

That in the district of BAY-DE-VERDE there shall be opened, at Old Perlican, one booth; at the Grates, one booth; at Bay-de-Verde, one booth; at Lower Island Cove, one booth; at Northern Bay, one booth; at Western Bay, two booths; at Blackhead, two booths; at Perry's Cove, one booth; at Freshwater, one booth: at either one of which booths the electors dwelling within the said district of Bay-de-Verde may deliver their votes.

That in the district of CARBONEAR there shall be opened, at Carbonear, five booths, namely: No. 1 booth in that part of the said district lying between Captain Francis Taylor's lane up to Burden's Hill, to its junction with the Heart's Content Road, to Little Beaver Pond Brook, the extent of the district eastward on both sides of the street. No. 2 booth: In that part of the said district lying west of said lane to east of Bemister's Hill from the main street, thence both sides of Heart's Content Road, near and inside Beaver Pond Brook, on both sides of the street. No. 3 booth: In that part of the said district lying west of Bemister's Hill, northward, to east of Grammar School lane from main street, up Michael Doyle's Hill to Bowman's, on both sides of the street. No. 4 booth: In that part of the said district lying west of Grammar School lane from main street, Michael Doyle's Hill to Bowman's, including all in the northwest, west and southerly direction, to the main Brook, North side, and north of the Gut Bridge. No. 5 booth: In that part of the said district lying south and eastward of Main Brook to Mosquito, North Point. At Victoria Village, one booth; and at Mosquito, one booth.

That in the district of HARBOR GRACE there shall be opened, at Coley's Point, one booth, at which electors dwelling between the boundary line of the electoral district of Port-de-Grave and Bay Roberts exclusive, shall deliver their votes; at Bay Roberts, three booths, at which electors dwelling between Coley's Point exclusive, and the South Side of Spaniard's Bay Gut shall deliver their votes, which booths shall respectively be numbered 1, 2 and 3, and be so arranged that—

At No. 1 booth shall be received the votes of those electors only who reside from the Brook at the east to the north side of Spaniard's Bay Gut inclusive, thence in an easterly direction to the line north and south from the site of the late Episcopal Church:

At No. 2 booth, the votes of those electors only who reside to the eastward of the said north and south side line from the site of the late Episcopal Church :

At No. 3 booth, the votes of those electors only who reside between the north side of Long Beach Pond to the Brook at the east inclusive, and those who reside in the Country Path Road.

At Spaniard's Bay, one booth, at which electors dwelling between Spaniard's Bay Gut and Bishop's Cove inclusive, shall deliver their votes; at Tilton, one booth, at which electors dwelling there and in the neighborhood thereof shall deliver their votes; at Bishop's Cove, one booth, at which electors dwelling between Spaniard's Bay, exclusive, and Upper Island Cove, exclusive, shall deliver their votes. At Upper Island Cove, one booth, at which electors dwelling between Bishop's Cove, exclusive, and Bryant's Cove, exclusive, shall deliver their votes; at Bryant's Cove, one booth, at which electors dwelling between Island Cove, exclusive, and Feather Point, exclusive, shall deliver their votes: and at Harbor Grace there shall be five booths for receiving the votes of all electors dwelling between Feather Point and Harbor Grace, inclusive, which booths shall respectively be numbered 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5, and be so arranged that—

At No. 1 booth shall be received the votes of those electors only who reside to the eastward of Cochrane Street and Stretton's Hill, and from thence in a northwardly direction;

At No. 2 booth the votes of those electors only to the west of the boundary of No. 1 booth and to the eastward of Noad Street, and from thence in a northwardly direction;

At No. 3 booth the votes of those electors only between the western line of booth No. 2 and Wm. Thistle's house, inclusive;

At No. 4 booth the votes of those electors only between Wm. Thistle's house, exclusive, and the Southern Brook at Riverhead;

At No. 5 booth the votes of those electors only between the Southern Brook at Riverhead and Feather Point.

That in the district of PORT-DE-GRAVE there shall be opened, at Brigus three booths, at either one of which electors dwelling between Turk's Gut and Cupids, exclusive, shall deliver their votes; at Cupids, one booth, at which electors dwelling between Southern Gut Bridge and Cupids shall deliver their votes; at Burnt Head one booth, at which electors dwelling between Cupids and Burnt Head, inclusive, shall deliver their votes; at or near Northern Gut, one booth, at which electors dwelling there and between Southern Gut Bridge and Bradbury Hill, inclusive, shall deliver their votes; at Northern Gut River, one booth, at which electors dwelling there shall deliver their votes; at Southern River, one booth, at which electors dwelling at that place and neighborhood shall deliver their votes; at Bareneed, one booth, at which electors dwelling between Bradbury Hill and Bareneed being to Forristal's, inclusive, shall deliver their votes; at Port-de-Grave, one booth, at which electors dwelling between Bareneed and Ship's Cove, exclusive, shall deliver their votes. At Ship's Cove, one booth, at which electors dwelling there and eastwardly to Bay Roberts Point shall deliver their votes.

That in the district of HARBOR MAIN there shall be opened, at Turk's Cove, one booth, at which electors dwelling there and at English Cove and on the main line north of Bedlam Gulley, shall deliver their votes; at Colliers, one booth, at which electors dwelling there, and from and between there and Turk's Cove, exclusive, shall deliver their votes; at Bacon Cove, one booth, at which electors dwelling there and in the neighborhood thereof shall deliver their votes; at Conception Harbor, one booth, at which electors dwelling there and at the Riverhead thereof shall deliver their votes; at Salmon Cove, one booth, at which electors dwelling there and at Broad Cove and between Harbor Main and Riverhead of Conception Harbor, exclusive, shall deliver their votes; at Harbor Main, one booth, at which electors dwelling there and neighborhood and at Gasters shall deliver their votes; at Chapel's Cove, one booth, at which electors resident at Chapel's Cove, Red Rock Cove, and Chapel's Cove Pond Head, and those residing between James Haynes' at Grant's Marsh and Timothy Sullivan's, inclusive of Wall's Pond on the main line of road from Holyrood to Harbor Main, shall deliver their votes; at Holyrood, two booths, that is to say, one booth at the North Side thereof, at which electors dwelling there and at the Northern Arm shall deliver their votes, and one booth on the South Side thereof, at which electors dwelling between Holyrood Bridge and Indian Pond Brook shall deliver their votes; at Lance Cove, one booth, at which electors dwelling there and at and from Upper Gullies to the Indian Pond Brook shall deliver their votes; at Killegrews, one booth, at which electors dwelling there and at Lower Gullies and Middle Bight shall deliver their votes; at Long Pond, one booth, at which electors dwelling between Manuel's Brook and Taylor's Road, Fox Trap shall deliver their votes; at Topsail, one booth, at which electors dwelling between Quigley's on the Topsail Road and Manuel's Brook, and including Horse Cove, shall deliver their votes.

That in the district of ST. JOHN'S there shall be opened for the division of St. JOHN'S WEST, at St. John's and neighborhood, fourteen booths; at Petty Harbor, two booths; at Blackhead, one booth, and at Broad Cove, one booth; and for the greater convenience of taking the polls at the said respective stations, the said division of ST. JOHN'S WEST shall be sub-divided into two sections, to be respectively denominated the St. John's and the Petty Harbor sections, and the division and limitation of the said sections shall be as follows, that is to say,—

The St. John's section shall be bounded by a line commencing at the centre of Beck's Cove, and thence following the shore of the Harbor to the head and along the South Side thereof, and the various windings of the shore to Cape Spear; thence by a straight line westerly through the six mile mark on the Petty Harbor Road to the St. John's district line, thence following the said district line northerly

to its western termination on the South Shore of Conception Bay, near the settlement of Broad Cove; thence by the shore northerly to the northern extremity of the said settlement; thence following the southern boundary of the division of St. John's East, to the shore of St. John's harbor at Beck's Cove.

And we do further order and direct that all electors duly qualified to vote at the election of members for the division of St. John's West, and dwelling within the boundaries of the St. John's section as above described, (excepting those dwelling at Blackhead and Freshwater, who shall give their votes at Blackhead, and excepting those dwelling at the Broad Cove settlement, who shall deliver their votes at Broad Cove) shall give their votes at St. John's or neighborhood, at which station there shall be fourteen booths opened for taking the polls, namely: Ten booths on the north side of the town of St. John's, at which electors shall vote according to the initial letters of their respective surnames:—

At No. 1 booth, those electors only shall vote whose respective surnames begin with the letter B.

At No. 2 booth, those electors only shall vote whose respective surnames begin with the letter C.

At No. 3 booth, those electors only shall vote whose respective surnames begin with the letters A. D.

At No. 4 booth, those electors only shall vote whose respective surnames begin with the letters E. F.

At No. 5 booth, those electors only shall vote whose respective surnames begin with the letters G. H.

At No. 6 booth, those electors only shall vote whose respective surnames begin with the letters I. J. K. L.

At No. 7 booth, those electors only shall vote whose respective surnames begin with the letters M. N.

At No. 8 booth, those electors only shall vote whose respective surnames begin with the letters O. P. Q. R.

At No. 9 Booth, those electors only shall vote whose respective surnames begin with the letters S. and T.

At No. 10 booth, those electors only shall vote whose respective surnames begin with the letters U. V. W. X. Y. Z.

One booth on the Topsail Road, at which the electors residing between the junction of the Cockpit Road with the Topsail Road aforesaid, at the top of Palk's Hill and the western boundary of the said division of St. John's, West, shall deliver their votes.

One booth on the Bay Bulls Road, at which electors residing between Waterford Bridge and Heavy Tree Road shall deliver their votes.

One booth at the Goulds, at which electors residing between Heavy Tree Road and the Northern Gould's Bridge and to Petty Harbor shall deliver their votes.

One booth at the South Side of St. John's Harbor, at which all electors residing on the said South Side shall deliver their votes.

The PETTY HARBOR section shall be bounded by a line commencing at the Flagstaff near the Light-house at Cape Spear; thence running in a straight line westerly to the sixth mile mark on the Petty Harbor Road, and thence still preserving the said straight line to the district line running from the Southern Gould's bridge to Broad Cove; thence following the said district line southwesterly to the said bridge and thence easterly to and including Petty Harbor; thence following the windings of the shore from Petty Harbor to Cape Spear.

And the electors dwelling within the said Petty Harbor section, shall give their votes at Petty Harbor.

For the division of ST. JOHN'S, EAST, there shall be at St. John's, eleven booths; at Quidi Vidi, one booth; at Logy Bay, one booth; at Outer Cove, one booth; at Torbay, two booths; at Flat Rock, one booth; at Pouch Cove, one booth; at Bauline, one booth; at Portugal Cove, two booths, and at Belle Isle, two booths.

And for the greater convenience of taking the polls at the said respective stations, the said division of ST. JOHN'S EAST, shall be sub-divided into five sections, which shall for this purpose be respectively denominated the St. John's, the Torbay, the Pouch Cove, the Portugal Cove and the Belle Isle sections; and the division and limitation of the said sections shall be as follows, that is to say:—

The ST. JOHN'S section shall be bounded by a line commencing at the centre of Sugar Loaf, on the south side of Logy Bay, thence running in a straight line westerly to the south-west angle of a lot of land granted to the late John Hatchet, and where the said angle abuts on the road to Outer Cove, thence following the said road northerly to a cross road which divides a lot of land granted to G. Henry Emerson, Esq., and known as "Virginia Cottage," from a lot of land granted to Patrick Butler; thence following the said cross road northerly and westerly to a lot of land granted to Ann Haley; thence following the eastern and northern boundary lines of the said Ann Haley's lot to the Torbay Road, and thence in a straight line northwesterly to the north-eastern end of Newfoundland pond; thence along the shore of the said pond to the south-west end thereof; thence southerly along the westerly boundary line of a lot of land granted to James Whelan until the same strikes the Portugal Cove Road; thence in the same direction to Windsor Lake; thence south-easterly along the said lake to the eastern end thereof; thence westerly, following the windings of the shore of the said lake to the most southwestern point of the same; thence in a straight line to the northern

limit of the Broad Cove settlement, (but excluding the same), on the south shore of Conception Bay; thence in a straight line to that point on the Freshwater Road where the boundary line between St. John's East and West crosses the said road; thence, following the boundary line of the division of St. John's West, to the harbor of St. John's, and thence following the windings of the shore aforesaid, northerly, to Sugar Loaf aforesaid.

And we do further order and direct that all electors duly qualified to vote at the election of members for the division of St. John's East, and dwelling within the boundaries of the St. John's section as above described, (except those dwelling at Quidi Vidi, who shall deliver their votes at Quidi Vidi; and those dwelling on the Portugal Cove Road, the Torbay Road, the Logy Bay Road and cross roads, who shall deliver their votes at a booth at King's Bridge), shall give their votes at St. John's, at which station there shall be ten booths opened for taking the polls, at which electors shall vote according to the initial letters of their respective surnames:—

At No. 1 booth, those electors only shall vote whose respective surnames begin with the letter B.

At No. 2 booth, those electors only shall vote whose respective surnames begin with the letter C.

At No. 3 booth, those electors only shall vote whose respective surnames begin with the letters A. D.

At No. 4 booth, those electors only shall vote whose respective surnames begin with the letters E. F.

At No. 5 booth, those electors only shall vote whose respective surnames begin with the letters G. H.

At No. 6 booth, those electors only shall vote whose respective surnames begin with the letters I. J. K. L.

At No. 7 booth, those electors only shall vote whose respective surnames begin with the letters M. N.

At No. 8 booth, those electors only shall vote whose respective surnames begin with the letters O. P. Q. R.

At No. 9 Booth, those electors only shall vote whose respective surnames begin with the letters S. T.

At No. 10 booth, those electors only shall vote whose respective surnames begin with the letters U. V. W. X. Y. Z.

That the TORBAY section shall be bounded by the northern boundary line of the St. John's section above described, from Sugar Loaf to the north-eastern end of Newfound pond; thence in a straight line to Baleine Head, inclusive, on the southern shore of Conception Bay; thence following the windings of the said shore, northerly, to the southern boundary of the Pouch Cove section hereinafter de-

scribed; thence following the said southern boundary line, easterly, to the sea-shore three miles north of Flat Rock, and thence following the windings of the shore south-easterly to Sugar Loaf aforesaid; and in this section there shall be two booths at Torbay, one booth at Baleine, one booth at Flat Rock, one booth at Outer Cove, one booth at Logy Bay; and we do order that the electors dwelling within the said section shall deliver their votes at the booth nearest to their residence.

That the POUCH COVE section shall be bounded by a line commencing at a point on the shore three miles north of Flat Rock; thence running west to the shore of Conception Bay; thence following the windings of the shore, northerly to Cape St. Francis, and thence south-easterly to the place of commencement; and the electors dwelling within the said section shall deliver their votes at the booth at Pouch Cove.

That the PORTUGAL COVE section shall be bounded by a line commencing at Baleine Head on the south-eastern shore of Conception Bay; thence running in a straight line to the north-east end of Newfoundland pond; thence along the shore of the said pond to the south-west end thereof; thence southerly along the western boundary line of a lot of land granted to James Whelan, until the same strikes the Portugal Cove Road; thence in the same direction to Windsor Lake; thence south-easterly along the said lake to the eastern end thereof; thence westerly, following the windings of the shore of the said lake to the most south-western point of the same, and thence running in a straight line, westerly to the northern limit of the Broad Cove settlement in Conception Bay, and thence following the windings of the said shore northerly to Baleine Head aforesaid; and the electors dwelling within the said section shall deliver their votes at either of the booths at Portugal Cove.

The BELLE ISLE section shall include the Island of Belle Isle; and we do order that the electors residing in the said section, at Lance Cove and neighborhood, and the west thereof shall deliver their votes at Lance Cove; and that electors residing to the east thereof shall deliver their votes at Belle Isle east.

That for the district of FERRYLAND there shall be opened at the Goulds one booth, at which electors dwelling there shall deliver their votes; at Bay Bulls, one booth, at which electors dwelling between the Goulds, exclusive, and the north head of Witless Bay shall deliver their votes; at Witless Bay, one booth, at which electors dwelling between the north head and the south head of the said bay shall deliver their votes; at Toad's Cove, one booth, at which electors dwelling between the north head of Witless Bay and La Manche, including the latter place, shall deliver their votes; at Cape Broyle, one booth, at which electors dwelling between La Manche, exclusive, and Cape Broyle, including the latter place, shall deliver their votes;

at Ferryland, one booth, at which electors dwelling between Cape Broyle, exclusive, and Aquaforte, including the latter place, shall deliver their votes; at Fermeuse, one booth, at which electors dwelling between Aquaforte exclusive, and Fermeuse, including the latter place, shall deliver their votes; at Renewes, one booth, at which electors dwelling between Fermeuse, exclusive, and Cape Race shall deliver their votes.

That for the election of three members for the district of PLACENTIA and ST. MARY'S there shall be opened at Trepassey one booth; at St. Mary's, one booth; at Salmonier, one booth; at Holyhood (St. Mary's Bay), one booth; at Branch, one booth; at Distress, one booth; at Placentia, two booths; at Little Placentia, one booth; at Ram's Island, one booth; at Red Island, one booth; at Sound Island, one booth; at Isle Valen, one booth; at Harbor Buffett (in Long Island), one booth; at Paradise, one booth; at Oderin, one booth; and at Baine Harbor, one booth: at either one of which booths the electors dwelling within the said district of Placentia and St. Mary's may deliver their votes.

That in the district of BURIN there shall be opened, at Flat Islands, one booth; at Beau Bois, one booth; at Burin, three booths; at Great St. Lawrence, one booth; at Lawn, one booth; at Lamaline, one booth; at Fortune, one booth, and at Grand Bank, two booths: at either of which booths the electors dwelling within the said district of Burin may deliver their votes.

That in the district of FORTUNE BAY there shall be opened, at Garnish, one booth; at Bay L'Argent, one booth; at English Harbor East, one booth; at St. Jacques, one booth; at Belleoram, one booth; at English Harbor, one booth; at Harbor Briton, one booth; at Gaultois, one booth; at Pushthrough, one booth: at either of which booths the electors dwelling within the said district of Fortune Bay may deliver their votes.

That in the district of BURGEO and LAPOILE there shall be opened, at Ramea Islands, one booth; at Burgeo, one booth; at Western Point, one booth; at Petites, one booth; at Rose Blanche, one booth; at Burnt Islands, one booth; at Channel, two booths; at Cape Ray, one booth: at either one of which booths the electors dwelling within the said district of Burgeo and LaPoile may deliver their votes.

That in the district of St. GEORGE there shall be opened, at Codroy, Grand River, one booth; at Codroy Harbor, one booth; at Little River (Codroy) one booth; at Crabb's Brook, one booth; at Campbell's Creek, (Bay St. George), one booth; at Black Duck Brook (Bay St. George), one booth; at Highlands (Bay St. George), one booth; at Sandy Point, one booth; at Stevensville, one booth; at The Gravels, one booth; at The Beach (Bay of Islands), one booth;

at Birchy Cove (Court House, Bay of Islands), one booth; at Summerside (Bay of Islands), one booth; at Woody Island (Bay of Islands), one booth: at either one of which booths electors dwelling within the said district of St. George may deliver their votes.

Given under the Great Seal of our aforesaid Island.

WITNESS our trusty and well-beloved Sir FREDERICK B. T. CARTER, Knight-Commander of the Most Distinguished Order of St. Michael and St. George, Our Administrator of the Government and Commander-in-Chief in and over Our said Island and its Dependencies, at St. John's, in Our said Island, the twenty-seventh day of September, A. D., 1889, and in the fifty-third year of our Reign.

By His Excellency's Command,

M. FENELON,

Colonial Secretary.



PROCLAMATION.

T. O'BRIEN, Lt.-Col.,
Governor.
[L.S.]

*VICTORIA, by the Grace of GOD,
of the United Kingdom of Great
Britain and Ireland, Queen, De-
fender of the faith, &c.*

WHEREAS we did by Our Proclamations made and issued under the Great Seal of the Island of Newfoundland and bearing date the Twenty-fifth and Twenty-seventh days of September last, respectively, amongst other things direct and appoint the several places within the Electoral Districts of Fogo, Bonavista, Trinity, Bay-de-Verde, Placentia and St. Mary's, Burin, Fortune Bay, Burgeo and LaPoile, and Twillingate, respectively, at which polling-places should be established for taking the polls at the ensuing General Election of members to serve in the Legislative Assembly of Our said Island;

And whereas we deem it expedient to direct and appoint that there shall be, in addition to the polling-places so appointed for the said electoral district of Fogo, one polling booth at Rocky Bay; one booth at Ladle Cove; one booth at Gander Bay; and one booth for the South Island of Change Islands: and for the said district of Bonavista that there shall be also, one booth at Shambler's Cove, and an additional booth at Bayley's Cove; and that the booths in the aforesaid Proclamations appointed for Lower Amherst Cove and Cape Cove shall be transferred to Newman's Cove and Cape Island, respectively: and for the said district of Trinity that the booth appointed by Our aforesaid Proclamations for Whale's Brook shall be transferred to Lance Cove, South; the booth for Britannia Cove to Hickman's Harbor; the booth for Random Island to Deer Harbor, and the booth for Norman's Cove to Chapel Arm; and that there shall be, in addition, one booth at Russel's Cove; one booth at Seal Cove; one booth at Dildo; one booth at Shoal Harbor; one booth at Sunnyside, in Bull's Arm; one booth at Northern Bight; one booth at Foster's Point; one booth at Bluff Head Cove; one booth at British Harbor; one booth at Trouty; one booth at English Harbor; one booth at

Ragged Harbor; one booth at Little Catalina; and one booth at Lance Cove, North: and for the said district of Bay-de-Verde that there shall be also, one booth at Job's Cove; one booth at Ochre Pit Cove; one booth at Red Head Cove; and one booth at Adam's Cove: and for the said district of Placentia and St. Mary's that there shall be also, one booth at Portugal Cove; one booth at Mother Rix; one booth at Fox Harbor; one booth at Long Harbor; one booth at Meraheen; one booth at Barren Island; one booth at St. Leonard's and one booth at Haystack: and for the said district of Burin that, there shall be one extra booth at Lamaline; one booth extra at St. Lawrence; one booth at Mortier Bay; one booth at Lord's Cove; and one booth at Point May: and for the said district of Fortune Bay that there shall be also, one booth at Brunette Island; one booth at Sagona Island; one booth at Coomb's Cove; one booth at Bay-du-Nord Brook; one booth at Rencontre; one booth at Anderson's Cove; one booth at the head of Fortune Bay; one booth at Fox Cove; one booth at Ship Cove; one booth at Hermitage Cove; and one booth at Pass Island: and for the said district of Burgeo and LaPoile that there shall be also, one booth at Richard's Harbor; one booth at Rencontre; one booth at Francois; one booth at Cape LaHune; one booth at Grand Bruit; one booth at Little Harbor, and one booth at Isle-aux-Morts: and for the said district of Twillingate there shall be also, one booth at Dominion Point; and that the booth appointed by our Proclamation for Kean's Point shall be transferred to Killick Island.

We do, therefore, hereby declare to Our loving subjects that it is Our will, and we do hereby direct and appoint that the election of one member for the said district of Fogo shall also be holden at Rocky Bay, at Ladle Cove, at Gander Bay, and at South Island of Change Islands.

And that the election of three members for the said district of Bonavista shall also be holden at Shambler's Cove, at Newman's Cove (instead of Lower Amherst Cove), and at Cape Island (instead of Cape Cove), and that at Bayley's Cove there shall be two booths.

And that the election of three members for the said district of Trinity shall also be holden at Lance Cove South (instead of Whale's Brook), at Russel's Cove, at Seal Cove, at Shoal Harbor (S.), at Dildo, at Chapel Arm (instead of Norman's Cove), at Sunny Side in Bull's Arm, at Northern Bight, at Hickman's Harbor (instead of Britannia Cove), at Foster's Point, at Bluff-head Cove, at Deer Harbor (instead of Random), at British Harbor, at Trouty, at English Harbor, at Ragged Harbor, at Little Catalina, and at Lance Cove (N.).

And that the election of two members for the said district of Bay de Verde shall also be holden at Job's Cove, at Ochre Pit Cove, at Adam's Cove, and at Red Head Cove.

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And that the election of three members for the said district of Placentia and St. Mary's shall also be holden at Portugal Cove, at Mother Rix, at Fox Harbor, at Long Harbor, at Merasheen, at Barren Island, at St. Leonard's and at Haystack.

And that the election of two members for the said District of Burin shall also be holden at Mortier Bay, at Lord's Cove, and at Point May, and that at Lamaline there shall be two booths and at St. Lawrence two booths.

And that the election of one member for the said district of Fortune Bay shall also be holden at Brunette Island, at Sagona Island, at Coomb's Cove, at Bay-du-Nord Brook, at Rencontre, at Anderson's Cove, at the head of Fortune Bay, at Fox Cove, at Ship Cove, at Hermitage Cove, and at Pass Island.

And that the election of one member for the said district of Burgeo and LaPoile shall also be holden at Richard's Harbor, at Rencontre, at Francois, at Cape LaHune, at Grand Bruit, at Little Harbor and at Isle aux Morts.

And that the election of three members for the said district of Twillingate shall also be holden at Dominion Point, and at Killick Island (instead of Kean's Point).

And for the conducting of the said election, and the due return of the members so to be elected at the said general election, it is Our will and pleasure—

That in case it may not be convenient for any Deputy Returning Officer to take the oaths required by law to be taken before the Returning Officer or a Justice of the Peace, it shall be lawful for such Deputy Returning Officer to take such oath before another Deputy Returning Officer, or before a Poll Clerk; and all Deputy Returning Officers and Poll Clerks are hereby respectively empowered to administer such oaths when required and when necessary.

Given under the Great Seal of our aforesaid Island.

WITNESS, our trusty and well-beloved Lieut.-Colonel Sir J. TERENCE N. O'BRIEN, Knight-Commander of the Most Distinguished Order of St. Michael and St. George, Our Governor and Commander-in-Chief in and over Our said Island of Newfoundland and its Dependencies, at St. John's, in Our said Island, this 22nd day of October, A. D., 1889, and in the Fifty-third year of Our reign.

By His Excellency's Command,

M. FENELON,
Colonial Secretary.



PROCLAMATION.

T. O'BRIEN, Lt.-Col.,
Governor.
[L.S.]

*VICTORIA, by the Grace of GOD,
of the United Kingdom of Great
Britain and Ireland, Queen, De-
fender of the Faith, &c.*

TO ALL TO WHOM THESE PRESENTS SHALL COME, GREETING:

WHEREAS it is Our will and pleasure to issue Our writs for the election of members to serve in the Legislative Assembly of Newfoundland for the electoral districts of Trinity, Bay-de-Verde, Placentia and St. Mary's, Fortune Bay, and division of St. John's West, in the room of the Hon. Sir WILLIAM V. WHITEWAY, Hon. ROBERT BOND, Hon. HENRY J. B. WOODS, Hon. RICHARD H. O'DWYER, JOHN STUDDY, Esquire and JAMES DAY, Esquire, whose seats have become vacant, by reason of their having accepted offices of emolument from the Crown, under title 2, chapter 5, of the Consolidated Statutes of the aforesaid Island, entitled "Of Vacation of Seats."

We do, therefore, order and direct that the nomination of Candidates for the said districts and division of district, shall take place at Trinity, at Western Bay, at Placentia, at Harbor Briton, and St. John's, on Wednesday, the eighth day of January next, and that the polls shall be taken for the district of Trinity at Lance Cove (South), Russel's Cove, Seal Cove, Hant's Harbor, Scilly Cove, New Perlican, Heart's Content, Heart's Delight, Shoal Harbor, Green's Harbor, New Harbor, Dildo, Chapel Arm, Whitbourne, Blaketown, Chance Cove, Sunnyside in Bull's Arm, Tickle Harbor, Northern Bight, Fox Harbor, Hickman's Harbor, Foster's Point, Shoal Harbor, Britannia Cove, White Rock, Deer Harbor, British Harbor, New Bonaventure, Trouty, Trinity West, Trinity East, Salmon Cove, English Harbor, Ragged Harbor, Catalina, Little Catalina and Bird Island Cove; and for the district of Bay-de-Verde, at Old Perlican, Grates Cove, Red Head Cove, Bay-de-Verde, Lower Island Cove, Adam's Cove, Northern Bay, Ochre Pit Cove, Western Bay, Black Head, Job's Cove, Perry's Cove and Freshwater; and for the district of Placentia and

St. Mary's, at Trepassey, St. Mary's, Salmonier, Holyrood (St. Mary's Bay), Branch, Distress, Placentia, Little Placentia, Fox Harbor, Ram's Island, Red Island, Sound Island, Isle Valen, Harbor Buffett, Paradise, Oderin, Baine Harbor, Portugal Cove, Mother Rix, Long Harbor, Merasheen, Barren Island, St. Leonard's, Haystack, Presque, Patrick's Cove (Cape Shore), Colinet, Riverhead, St. Mary's (Ed. Lee's); and for the district of Fortune Bay, at Garnish, Bay L'Argent, English Harbor, St. Jacques, Belleoram, English Harbor, Harbour Briton, Gaultois, Pushthrough, Brunette Island, Sagona Island, Rencontre, Anderson's Cove, Head of Fortune Bay, Fox Cove, Ship Cove, Hermitage Cove and Pass Island; and for the division of St. John's West, at St. John's, Petty Harbor, Black Head, The Goulds, Topsail Road, Bay Bulls Road and Broad Cove, and the said polls shall be taken at the above-named stations on Wednesday the fifteenth day of January next, in conformity with the regulations, orders and directions, contained and set forth in Our Proclamations of the 25th and 27th days of September, and 22nd day of October, in the present year of Our reign, and in conformity with the Laws and Statutes of Our said Island in that behalf made and provided.

Given under the Great Seal of our aforesaid Island.

WITNESS, our trusty and well-beloved Lieut.-Colonel Sir J. TERENCE N. O'BRIEN, Knight-Commander of the Most Distinguished Order of St. Michael and St. George, Our Governor and Commander-in-Chief in and over Our said Island of Newfoundland and its Dependencies, at St. John's, in Our said Island, this 20th day of December, A. D., 1889, and in the Fifty-third year of Our reign.

By His Excellency's Command,

R. BOND,

Colonial Secretary.



PROCLAMATION.

T. O'BRIEN, Lt.-Col.,
Governor.
[L.S.]

By His Excellency Lieut.-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.

TO ALL TO WHOM THESE PRESENTS SHALL COME, GREETING:

WHEREAS 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 28th day of January, A.D., Eighteen hundred and ninety.

By His Excellency's Command,

J. W. WITHERS,

for Colonial Secretary.

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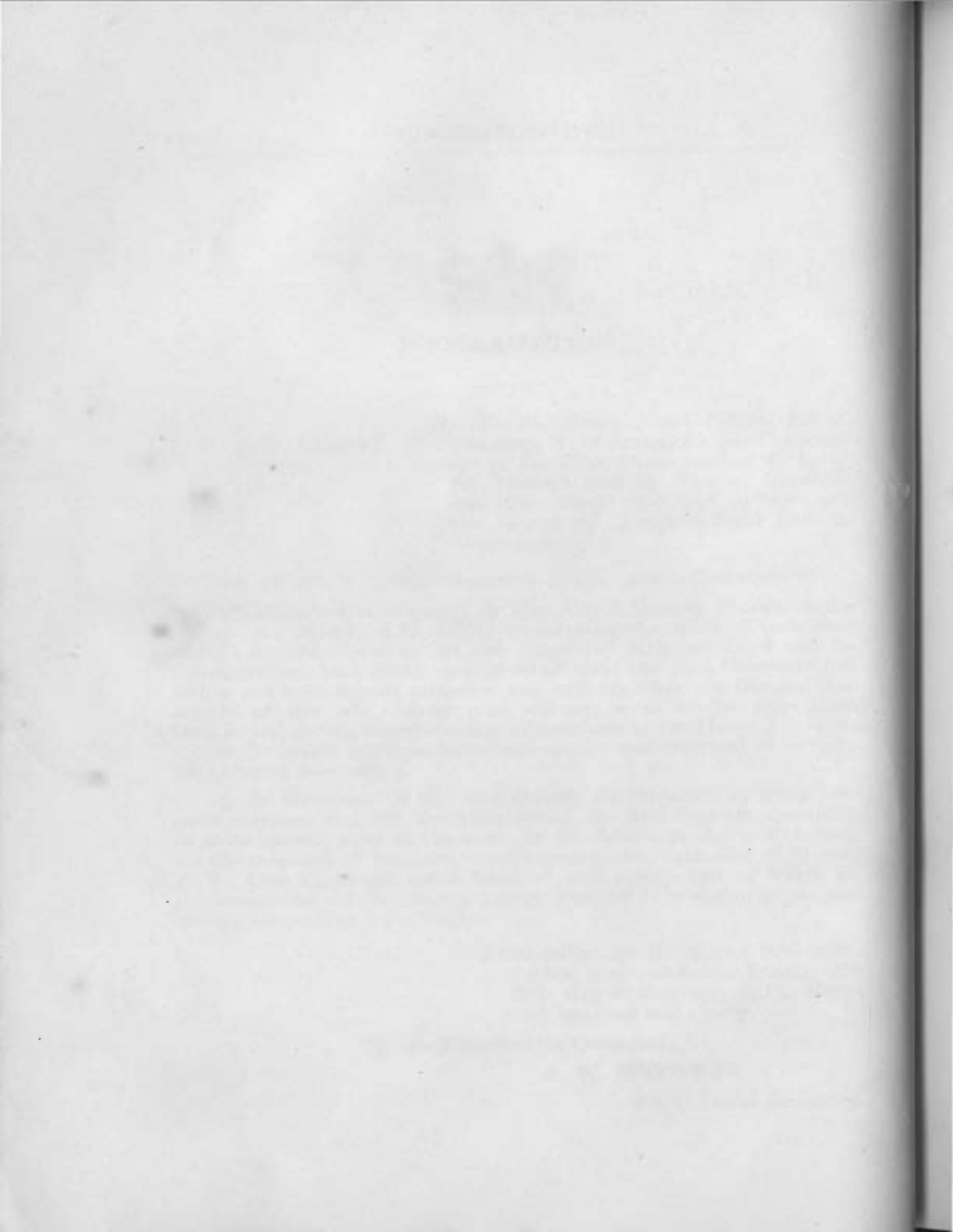
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OF THE
FIRST SESSION
OF THE
Sixteenth General Assembly
OF
NEWFOUNDLAND

(THURSDAY, March 6, 1890)

BEGUN and holden at St. John's, on Thursday, the sixth day of March in the Year of Our Lord, One Thousand Eight Hundred and Ninety, and in the Fifty-third Year of the Reign of Our Sovereign Lady VICTORIA by the Grace of GOD of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, Queen, Defender of the Faith, &c.

His Excellency Lieutenant-Col., Sir J. TERENCE N. O'BRIEN, Knight Commander of the Most Distinguished Order of Saint Michael and Saint George, Governor and Commander-in-Chief in and over the Island of Newfoundland and its Dependencies, having by his Proclamation, bearing date the second of July last, dissolved the last General Assembly, and by his Proclamation, bearing date the 25th day of September last, called a new one, and by his Proclamation, bearing date the 28th day of January last, having appointed Thursday, the 6th of March, instant, for the meeting of the said General Assembly for the despatch of business, the following are the names of the

Members returned by the Returning Officers of the several Electoral Districts to represent the said Districts in the General Assembly:—

<i>Members :</i>	<i>Districts :</i>
George C. Fearn, Esquire,	St. Barbe.
Edward R. Burgess, Esquire,	} Twillingate.
Jabez P. Thompson, Esquire,	
Thomas Peyton, Esquire,	
James Rolls, Esquire,	Fogo.
Samuel Blandford, Esquire,	} Bonavista.
Alfred B. Morine, Esquire,	
Donald Morison, Esquire,	
Robert Bond, Esquire,	} Trinity.
David C. Webber, Esquire,	
Sir W. V. Whiteway,	
Edward White, Esquire,	} Bay de Verde.
Henry J. B. Woods, Esquire,	
William Duff, Esquire,	Carbonear.
Eli Dawe, Esquire,	} Harbor Grace.
William H. Whiteley, Esquire,	
Robert S. Munn, Esquire,	
James A. Clift, Esquire,	Port de Grave.
Frank J. Morris, Esquire,	} Harbor Main.
William Woodford, Esquire,	
James Day, Esquire,	} St. John's (West Division).
Laurence J. Geran, Esquire,	
Edward P. Morris, Esquire,	
John J. Dearin, Esquire,	} St. John's (East Division).
Jeremiah Hallaren, Esquire,	
Thomas J. Murphy, Esquire.	
Daniel Joseph Greene, Esquire,	} Ferryland.
George Shea, Esquire,	
George H. Emerson, Esquire,	} Placentia and St. Mary's.
James F. McGrath, Esquire,	
Richard H. O'Dwyer, Esquire,	
Edward Rothwell, Esquire,	} Burin.
James S. Tait, Esquire,	
John Studdy, Esquire,	Fortune Bay.
James Murray, Esquire,	Burgeo and LaPoile.
Michael H. Carty, Esquire,	St. George.

By virtue of a Commission under the Great Seal to the Honorables E. D. SHEA, President of the Legislative Council, and A. W. HARVEY, Member of the Executive Council, which is as follows :—

T. O'BRIEN, Lt.-Col.,
Governor.
[L.S.]

*VICTORIA, by the Grace of GOD,
of the United Kingdom of Great
Britain and Ireland, Queen, De-
fender of the Faith, &c.*

TO ALL TO WHOM THESE PRESENTS SHALL COME, GREETING:

KNOW YE that we have appointed the Honorables E. D. SHEA, President of the Legislative Council, and AUGUSTUS W. HARVEY, Member of the Executive Council of our Island of Newfoundland, to be Commissioners, they, or either of them, to administer the Oath of Allegiance to the Honorables ALEXANDER M. MACKAY, JAMES FOX and JAMES ANGEL, appointed to be members of our Legislative Council of our said Island; and to the Honorable GEORGE SKELTON, M.D., appointed to be a member, provisionally, of our Legislative Council, aforesaid, and also to the undermentioned persons elected to serve in the Legislative Assembly of our said Island for the several Districts and divisions of Districts set opposite their names, respectively, and appointed by Proclamation of our said Governor to be holden in St. John's on the 6th day of this instant month:—

Thomas J. McC. Murphy, Esquire, John J. Dearin, Esquire, Jeremiah Hallaren, Esquire,	} St. John's, (Eastern Division.)
Hon. Edward P. Morris, James Day, Esquire, Laurence J. Geran, Esquire,	} St. John's, (Western Division.)
Frank J. Morris, Esquire, William Woodford, Esquire,	} Harbor Main.
James Augustus Clift, Esquire,	} Conception Bay, (Port-de- Grave Division.)
William H. Whiteley, Esquire, Eli Dawe, Esquire, Robert S. Munn, Esquire,	} Conception Bay, (Harbor Grace Division.)
William Duff, Esquire,	} Conception Bay, (Carbon- ear Division.)
Edward White, Esquire, Hon. Henry J. B. Woods,	} Conception Bay, (Bay-de- Verde Division.)

Hon. Sir W. V. Whiteway, K.C.M.G., Hon. Robert Bond, David C. Webber, Esquire,	} Trinity.
Donald Morison, Esquire, Samuel Blandford, Esquire, Alfred B. Morine, Esquire,	} Bonavista.
Edward R. Burgess, Esquire, Jabez P. Thompson, Esquire, Thomas Peyton, Esquire,	} Twillingate.
James Rolls, Esquire,	Fogo.
George C. Fearn, Esquire,	St. Barbe.
Michael H. Carty, Esquire,	St. George.
James Murray, Esquire,	Burgeo and LaPoile.
John Studdy, Esquire,	Fortune Bay.
Edward Rothwell, Esquire, John Sinclair Tait, Esquire,	} Burin.
George Henry Emerson, Esquire, Hon. Richard H. O'Dwyer, James McGrath, Esquire,	} Placentia and Saint Mary's.
George Shea, Esquire, Daniel J. Greene, Esquire,	} Ferryland,

giving to them or either of them full power and authority to perform the matters hereinbefore mentioned, ratifying and confirming all whatsoever they or either of them shall do and perform in this behalf, and thereof they or either of them are to make due return under their hands and seals unto our Governor of our said Island, with these presents annexed.

Given under the Great Seal of our said Island of Newfoundland.

WITNESS, our trusty and well-beloved Lieut.-Colonel Sir J. TERENCE N. O'BRIEN, Knight Commander of the Most Distinguished Order of St. Michael and St. George, Our Governor and Commander-in-Chief in and over Our Island of Newfoundland and its Dependencies, at St. John's, in Our said Island, this Fifth day of March, A.D., 1890, and in the Fifty-third year of Our reign.

By His Excellency's Command,

R. BOND,
Colonial Secretary.

the said Commissioners came between the hours of twelve and one o'clock, on the said sixth day of March, into the Council Chamber, Richard B. Holden, Esquire, Clerk of the Legislative Assembly, and James H. Watson, Esquire, Clerk-Assistant, as in duty bound, attending, and the names of Members returned as before set forth, for the several Districts throughout the Island, having been called over by the Clerk, they all appeared, with the exception of Donald Morison, Esquire, one of the members for the District of Bonavista, E. R. Burgess, Esquire, one of the members for the District of Twillingate, and Eli Dawe, Esquire, one of the members for the District of Harbor Grace, and took and subscribed the oath of allegiance in the presence of the said Commissioners.

And the said members took their seats accordingly.

At two o'clock W. F. Rennie, Esquire, the Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod, appeared at the Bar, and said—

Gentlemen of the Legislative Assembly:

His Excellency the Governor requests your immediate attendance in the Council Chamber.

Accordingly the members of the Assembly proceeded to the Council Chamber, where the following Commission was read by the Clerk of the Legislative Council:—

<p>T. O'BRIEN, Lt.-Col., Governor. [L.S.]</p>	<p><i>By His Excellency Sir J. TERENCE N. O'BRIEN, Governor and Commander-in-Chief in and over the Island of Newfoundland and its Dependencies.</i></p>
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To the Honorable E. D. SHEA, President of the Legislative Council; the Honorable AUGUSTUS W. HARVEY, and the Honorable THOMAS TALBOT, members 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 dispatch 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 said Legislative Assembly have proceeded to the choice of a Speaker, you, the said Honorable E. 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 said sixth day of March, instant, that it is my pleasure that they shall 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 Hon. E. D. SHEA, President of the Legislative Council, 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 return 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.

And the Members being returned to the Assembly Room, the Honorable the PREMIER addressing himself to the Clerk, who, standing up, pointed to him and then sat down, moved that GEORGE HENRY EMERSON, Esq., one of the members for the District of Placentia and St. Mary's, do take the chair as Speaker of this House, which motion was seconded by Dr. DEARIN,—

And the question being put thereon passed in the affirmative, and ordered accordingly.

Mr. EMERSON was then conducted to the chair by the Honorable the PREMIER and Dr. DEARIN, when, standing on the step, he addressed the House as follows:—

GENTLEMEN :

I beg to thank you for the high honor you have conferred upon me in electing me as Speaker of this Assembly; in accepting this

office, I am fully sensible of the responsibility it involves. I trust, however, that by your assistance I shall be enabled to discharge my duties fairly and impartially, feeling assured that in maintaining the dignity and in preserving the rules and orders of the House, I shall have your cordial co-operation.

Then the House adjourned until to-morrow at two of the clock.

FRIDAY, March 7, 1890.

The House met at two o'clock, when a message from His Excellency the Governor was delivered by W. F. RENNIE, Esquire, the Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod, as follows:

Gentlemen of the Legislative Assembly:

His Excellency the Governor desires your immediate attendance in the Council Chamber.

Mr. SPEAKER elect and the House then went up to attend His Excellency in the Council Chamber, where Mr. Speaker elect was presented to His Excellency by the Hon. the Premier, who addressed His Excellency as follows:

MAY IT PLEASE PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY :

The Legislative Assembly, agreeably to your Excellency's command, has proceeded to the choice of a Speaker, and has elected GEORGE HENRY EMERSON, Esq., one of the members for Placentia, and St. Mary's, and I beg to present him for your Excellency's approval.

Whereupon the Hon. the President of the Legislative Council said—

GEORGE HENRY EMERSON, Esquire:

I am commanded by His Excellency the Governor to inform you that His Excellency approves of the choice which the Legislative Assembly has made of you to be their Speaker.

Mr. SPEAKER then addressed His Excellency the Governor, as follows :

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY:

I thank your Excellency for your approval of the choice the Legislative Assembly has made of me as their Speaker, and in that capacity I humbly submit myself to your Excellency's gracious commands. It is now my duty in the name and on behalf of the Legislative Assembly of Newfoundland to lay claim by humble petition to all their ancient and undoubted rights and privileges, particularly to freedom from arrest of their persons and servants ; to freedom of speech in their debates, to free access to your Excellency's person, when occasion shall require, and that the most favorable construction be put upon all their proceedings: and with regard to myself, I pray, that if any error should be committed, it may be imputed to myself and not to Her Majesty's loyal Legislative Assembly.

Whereupon the Hon. the President of the Legislative Council said—

Mr. SPEAKER :

I am directed by His Excellency the Governor to assure you that he will extend to you and the Legislative Assembly the amplest and fullest privileges that have been accorded to your predecessors.

The House being returned to the Assembly Room,

Mr. SPEAKER reported that when in attendance on His Excellency the Governor, His Excellency had been pleased to make a speech to both branches of the Legislature, of which, for further accuracy, he had obtained a copy which he read to the House, as follows :—

Mr. President and Honorable Gentlemen of the Legislative Council:

Mr. Speaker and Gentlemen of the Honorable Legislative Assembly:

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 those of the previous year.

The lobster industry was prosecuted with a large measure of success, and the indications are that, if precautionary measures are adopted for its protection, 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.

Those who engaged in agricultural pursuits were rewarded with good harvests.

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 vigor 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 of 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 Honorable Gentlemen of the Legislative Assembly:

The Customs' revenue of last year has fallen short of the estimated amount.

The estimates for 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.

Notwithstanding 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 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.

I pray that your deliberations, under the Divine blessing, may result in the happiness and contentment of the people of this colony.

Mr. MORINE said that he wished to draw the attention of the House to the fact that, according to the rules of the House, the first thing to be done was to take the oath by law prescribed, and desired the opinion of the Hon. the Speaker thereon.

Mr. SPEAKER said, "I have searched the records of this House and can find no such rule or order, and I must therefore hold that hon. members of this House must be sworn according to the instructions from the Crown to His Excellency the Governor."

Mr. MORINE then moved, seconded by Mr. Rolls, the following Resolution:—

Whereas, during the last session of the Legislature of this Colony, an Act was passed entitled “Of the Representation in the Legislative Assembly and of the powers and privileges thereof;”

And whereas under section 4 of said Act it is provided that: “All orders and rules of such House existing at the time this Act shall come into operation shall have the force and effect of law until altered, amended or repealed by the House;”

And whereas at the time the said Act came into operation it was a rule of such House that Mr. Speaker, first alone, standing upon the upper steps of the chair shall take and subscribe the oath;

And whereas by another rule in force at the time the said Act came into operation it was provided that—“After Mr. Speaker has taken the oath required by law, it shall also be taken by the several members. The oath may be taken at any time during the sitting of the House, before the order of the day or notice of motion have been entered upon, or after they have been disposed of; but no member shall be permitted to take part in any debate, or vote upon any question until he shall have taken the oath, or the affirmation permitted in lieu thereof;”

And whereas, upon a member of this House rising to propose a motion, the attention of the Speaker has been called to the irregularity of such proceeding;

And whereas, the Speaker and members have not taken the said oath in the manner and form prescribed by the said order;

And whereas the Speaker has ruled that the formalities prescribed by such standing order are not binding in that they may be dispensed with;

And whereas the Speaker alleges as ground for such ruling that the oath has been taken in accordance with certain instructions from Her Majesty to His Excellency the Governor, which direct that said oath be taken by members of this House before Commissioners appointed by His Excellency for that purpose;

And whereas by the 4th section of the 63rd Chapter of 28 and 29 Victoria it is provided: "No colonial law passed with the concurrence of or assented to by the Governor of any Colony, or to be hereafter so passed or assented to, shall be or deemed to have been void or inoperative by reason only of any instructions with reference to such law or the subject thereof which may have been given to such Governor by or on behalf of Her Majesty by any instrument or than letters patent, or instrument authorizing such Governor to concur in passing or to assent to laws for the peace, order and good government of such Colony, even though such instructions may be referred to in such letters patent or last mentioned instrument;"

And whereas this House maintains that the provisions of the said Act of the Legislature duly made and assented to by Her Majesty, and of the standing orders so far as they conflict with any such instructions, are of paramount authority and supersede and amend any such instructions, and that the ruling of the Speaker is in derogation of the powers of this Legislature and particularly of the right and privilege of this House to prescribe rules and laws for its own governance;

Therefore Resolved,—That for the reasons herein set forth this Legislative Assembly is of opinion that the ruling of the Speaker ought not to be sustained.

When a division was being had on the foregoing resolution, Mr. SPEAKER said: "My attention has been drawn to the fact that one of the hon. members for Bonavista, Mr. Morison, has not taken the oath of allegiance as prescribed by the said instructions, and that he cannot be permitted to sit or vote in the House until he has been so sworn."

Mr. SPEAKER then requested Mr. Morison to withdraw from the Chamber, whereupon Mr. Morison withdrew.

A division then took place on the foregoing Resolution, when there appeared for the motion, 7; and against it, 25.

For the Motion.

Mr. Morine,
 “ Rolls,
 “ Greene,
 “ Carty,
 “ Munn,
 “ Murray,
 “ Shea,

Against the Motion.

Hon. the Premier,
 “ Colonial Secretary,
 “ Receiver General,
 “ Surveyor General,
 “ E. P. Morris,
 The Chairman Board Works,
 The Financial Secretary,
 Dr. Dearn,
 Mr. Murphy,
 “ Thompson,
 “ Geran,
 “ Webber,
 “ Peyton,
 “ White,
 “ Duff,
 “ Whiteley,
 “ Clift,
 “ McGrath,
 “ Hallaren,
 “ F. Morris,
 “ Woodford,
 “ Rothwell,
 “ Fearn.
 Dr. Tait,
 Capt. Blandford.

So it passed in the negative, and was ordered accordingly.

Mr. MORINE moved, seconded by Mr. ROLLS, that the ruling of the Speaker in the matter of the exclusion of Mr. Morison from the proceedings of the House, be not sustained by this House.

And hereupon Mr. MORINE desired to be heard again, but

Mr. SPEAKER ruled that as Mr. Morine had been already heard upon the foregoing motion, and no debate had taken place, the hon. member had no right of reply, and he requested Mr. Morine to take his seat.

Mr. MORINE refused to take his seat, and, being again requested to sit down, again declared that he would not sit down.

Mr. SPEAKER then ordered the Sergeant-at-Arms to remove the Hon. member beyond the precincts of the Assembly Chamber, and,

the Sergeant having laid his hand on Mr. Morine's arm in order to remove him, Mr. Morine resisted the authority of the Sergeant-at-Arms; whereupon Mr. Speaker ordered the Sergeant-at-Arms to call in the assistance of the police.

Then a sergeant of police and two constables were introduced into the Chamber, and the Hon. member for Bonavista, Mr. Morine, was removed in accordance with the order of Mr. Speaker.

After which Mr. Speaker said, with regard to the resolution last proposed by Mr. Morine and seconded by Mr. Rolls, that it had been substantially negatived by the division on the first resolution, and he would not put it to the House.

Mr. WEBBER moved, seconded by Mr. F. MORRIS, that an address of thanks be presented to His Excellency the Governor, in reply to the gracious Speech with which he has been pleased to open the present session of the Legislature, and that a select committee be appointed to draft and prepare the same.

Ordered, that Messrs. Webber, Morris, Murray, Munn and Geran do form the said Committee.

Mr. WEBBER gave notice that he will, on to-morrow, move the suspension of the rules of the House in reference to the address of thanks.

Mr. ROTHWELL gave notice that he will, on to-morrow, move for the appointment of a select committee on printing, reporting and contingencies.

Hon. COLONIAL SECRETARY gave notice that he will, on this day fortnight, introduce a Bill for manhood suffrage, in relation to the election of members of the Legislative Assembly.

Mr. GREENE gave notice, that he will, on to-morrow, ask the Hon. Receiver General to lay upon the table a statement shewing, in detail, the number of vessels entered at the port of Cape Broyle during the years 1888-'89, shewing names, tonnage and nationality; the quantity of fish, oil, blubber and other dutiable articles landed and sold by each, and the amount of duties, light dues and licenses paid.

Also, that he will, on to-morrow, ask the Chairman of the Board of Works for a detailed statement, shewing the amount expended during the years 1888-'89 on the main line, Ferryland, under the supervision of Mr. William Carter.

Then the House adjourned until Tuesday next, the 11th instant, at four of the clock.

TUESDAY, March 11th, 1890.

DONALD MORISON, Esq., one of the members returned for the District of Bonavista, took and subscribed the oath of allegiance in the presence of the Hon. E. D. Shea, one of the Commissioners appointed by His Excellency for that purpose. And the said Donald Morison, Esq., took his seat for the said District, accordingly.

On the minutes of the previous day being read, Mr. MORINE moved, seconded by Mr. MORISON, that the minutes be amended.

And the House dividing thereon, there appeared for the motion, 8; against it, 20.

For the Motion.

Mr. Morine,
 " Morison,
 " Carty,
 " Rolfs,
 " Munn,
 " Murray,
 " Shea,
 " Fearn.

Against the Motion.

Hon. the Premier,
 " Colonial Secretary,
 " Receiver General,
 " Surveyor General,
 " E. P. Morris,
 The Chairman Board of Works,
 The Financial Secretary,
 Dr. Dearin,
 Mr. Thompson,
 " Geran,
 " Webber,
 " Peyton,
 " Duff,
 " Whiteley,
 " Clift,
 " McGrath,
 " Hallaren,
 " F. Morris,
 " Woodford,
 Dr. Tait.

So it passed in the negative, and was ordered accordingly.

Mr. MORINE moved, seconded by Mr. MORISON, the following resolution:—

Whereas, upon a discussion arising during a sitting of this House between the Speaker of the House and Mr. Morine, a member thereof, upon a point of order, Mr. Morine refused to obey the Speaker's order to sit down ;

And whereas the Speaker thereupon, without a prior resolution of this House, ordered the Acting Sergeant-at-Arms to remove Mr. Morine from this House ;

And whereas, Mr. Morine resisting the attempts of the Acting Sergeant-at-Arms to remove him, the Speaker, without a prior resolution of this House, ordered that police constables should be summoned to assist in removing Mr. Morine ;

And whereas the said Acting Sergeant-at-Arms and police constables, acting under the orders of the Speaker of this House, but without any prior resolution of this House itself, did forcibly remove Mr. Morine from his place in this House ;

And whereas upon the attention of the Speaker being called, by a member of this House, to the obstruction offered to the entrance of Mr. Morine, the Speaker, without a prior resolution of this House, did order that Mr. Morine be excluded from this House for one whole day ;

And whereas there is no authority by the rules or practice of this House, or in British Parliamentary practice, for the suspension or exclusion of a member, without a resolution of the House—

Resolved,—That the Speaker of this House, by ordering the suspension and expulsion from the House of one of its members without a prior resolution of the House itself, was guilty of a gross breach of the privileges of this House ;

That the Speaker, by summoning armed men to the floor of this House to remove one of its members, without a prior resolution of this House, was guilty of a gross breach of the privileges of this House ;

That the Acting Sergeant-at-Arms, in obstructing the entrance of a member into this House without the authority of this House or its Speaker, was guilty of a gross breach of the privileges of this House.

That the Speaker, by ordering the exclusion from this House of a member of this House, without the authority of this House, was guilty of a gross breach of the privileges of this House.

And, the House dividing thereon, there appeared for the motion, 8; against it, 22.

For the Motion.

Mr. Morine,
 " Morison,
 " Greene,
 " Carty,
 " Rolls,
 " Munn,
 " Murray,
 " Shea.

Against the Motion.

Hon. the Premier,
 " Colonial Secretary,
 " Receiver General,
 " Surveyor General,
 " E. P. Morris,
 Chairman of the Board of Works.
 The Financial Secretary,
 Dr. Dearin,
 " Tait.
 Mr. Thompson, Mr. McGrath,
 " Geran, " Hallaren,
 " Webber, " F. Morris,
 " Peyton, " Woodford,
 " Duff, " Rothwell.
 " Whiteley, " Fearn.
 " Clift,

So it passed in the negative, and was ordered accordingly.

Mr. WEBBER, from the select committee appointed to consider and draft an address of thanks to His Excellency the Governor, presented the following report:—

COMMITTEE ROOM, March 11th, 1890.

The select committee appointed to consider and draft an address in reply to the gracious Speech with which His Excellency has been pleased to open the present session of the Legislature, beg to report that they have considered the matter to them referred, and have drafted the accompanying address, which they recommend to the Legislative Assembly for its adoption.

All of which is respectfully submitted,

D. C. WEBBER,
Chairman,
 FRANK MORRIS,
 LAWRENCE GERAN,
 JAMES MURRAY.

Ordered that this report be received.

In pursuance of the above, the Address of Thanks was read a first time and ordered to be read a second time to-morrow.

Mr. WEBBER moved, pursuant to notice, that the rules of this House be suspended with regard to the above address.

Ordered accordingly.

Mr. ROTHWELL moved, pursuant to notice, the appointment of a select committee on the printing, reporting and contingencies of this House.

Ordered—That Messrs. Rothwell, Fearn, Shea, Webber, Greene, Dearin, Rolls and Duff do form the said committee.

Mr. ROLLS requested to be excused from serving on the said committee, and Mr. Speaker ordered his name to be discharged therefrom.

Mr. MORINE moved, seconded by Mr. ROLLS, that Mr. MORISON be added to the said committee, in place of Mr. ROLLS.

Hon. the PREMIER moved in amendment, seconded by the Hon. COLONIAL SECRETARY, that Mr. Murray be added to the said committee, instead of Mr. Rolls.

And, the House dividing thereon, there appeared for the amendment, 22 ; against it, 7.

For the Amendment.

Hon. the Premier,
 “ Colonial Secretary,
 “ Receiver General,
 “ Surveyor General,
 “ E. P. Morris,
 The Chairman Board of Works.
 The Financial Secretary.
 Dr. Dearin,
 Dr. Tait,
 Mr. Thompson, Mr. McGrath,
 “ Geran, “ Hallaren,
 “ Webber, “ F. Morris,
 “ Peyton, “ Woodford,
 “ Duff, “ Rothwell,
 “ Whiteley, “ Fearn,
 “ Clift,

Against the Amendment.

Mr. Greene,
 “ Carty,
 “ Rolls,
 “ Morine,
 “ Morison,
 “ Munn,
 “ Murray.

And, on the original motion being put, it passed in the negative on a similar division, and was ordered accordingly.

Mr. MORINE moved, seconded by Mr. ROLLS, that Mr. Morison be added to the said committee, in lieu of Mr. Shea.

And the question being put, the House divided thereon, when there appeared for the motion, 8; against it, 22.

For the Motion.

Mr. Greene,
 " Carty,
 " Rolls,
 " Morine,
 " Morison,
 " Munn,
 " Murray,
 " Shea,

Against the Motion.

Hon. the Premier,
 " Colonial Secretary,
 " Receiver General,
 " Surveyor General,
 " E. P. Morris,
 The Chairman Board of Works,
 The Financial Secretary,
 Dr. Dearin,
 " Tait,
 Mr. Thompson, Mr. McGrath,
 " Geran, " Hallaren,
 " Webber, " F. Morris,
 " Peyton, " Woodford,
 " Duff, " Rothwell,
 " Whiteley, " Fearn.
 " Clift,

So it passed in the negative.

Mr. MORINE moved, seconded by Mr. ROLLS, that Mr. Morison be added to the said Committee.

And the question being put thereon, the House divided, when it passed in the negative on a division similar to the foregoing, and was ordered accordingly.

Mr. MORINE gave notice that he will, on to-morrow, ask leave to introduce a Bill to amend the Election Act, 1889.

HON. COLONIAL SECRETARY gave notice that he will, on to-morrow, move the appointment of a select committee to consider and report upon the rules and orders of procedure of this House.

HON. PREMIER gave notice that he will, on to-morrow, move the appointment of the officers and servants of this House.

Mr. GREENE gave notice that he will, on to-morrow, ask the Hon. Receiver General to lay upon the table of this House a statement shewing, in detail, the number of vessels which entered the district

of Ferryland, during the years 1888-'89; shewing the particular par- where such vessels actually entered; shewing name, tonnage and not tional-ity, the quantity of fish, oil, blubber and other dutiable articles, landed and sold by each, and the amount of duties, light dues and licenses paid.

Then the House adjourned until to-morrow at four of the clock.

WEDNESDAY, March 12, 1890.

On the minutes of the previous day being read, Mr. MORINE asked if the omitted paragraph in his suite of resolutions of Friday last had been inserted in the Journals.

Mr. SPEAKER said that, as it was omitted by a clerical error, he had ordered it to be inserted.

Mr. MORINE moved, seconded by Mr. MORISON, that the ruling of the Speaker in this case be not sustained by the House.

And the question being put thereon, the house divided, when there appeared for the motion, 8; against it, 22.

For the Motion.

Mr. Morine,
 " Morison,
 " Munn,
 " Greene,
 " Carty,
 " Rolls,
 " Murray,
 " Shea,

Against the Motion.

Hon. the Premier,
 " Colonial Secretary,
 " Receiver General,
 " E. P. Morris,
 The Chairman Board of Works,
 The Financial Secretary,
 Dr. Dearin,
 " Tait,
 Mr. Thompson, Mr. Clift,
 " Geran, " McGrath,
 " Webber, " Hallaren,
 " Peyton, " F. Morris,
 " Duff, " Woodford,
 " Whiteley, " Rothwell,
 " Dawe, " Fearn.

So it passed in the negative, and was ordered accordingly.

Pursuant to order, the address of thanks was read a second time, and, the rules being suspended, the House resolved itself into Committee of the Whole on the said address.

Mr. SPEAKER left the chair.

Mr. WHITELEY took the chair of the committee.

Mr. SPEAKER resumed the chair.

The chairman from the said committee reported that they had considered the matter to them referred, had made some progress, and asked leave to sit again.

Ordered, that said report be received, and that said committee have leave to sit again.

On motion for the appointment of officers and servants of this House,

Hon. the PREMIER moved, seconded by Mr. Murray, that George M. Johnson, Esq., be Clerk of this House.

Mr. GREENE moved in amendment, seconded by Mr. MORINE, that Richard B. Holden, Esq., be Clerk of this House.

And the question being put thereon, there appeared for the amendment, 6 ; against it, 23.

For the Amendment.

Mr. Greene,
 " Morine,
 " Carty,
 " Rolls,
 " Shea,
 " Morison,

Against the Amendment.

Hon. the Premier,	
" Colonial Secretary,	
" Receiver General,	
" Surveyor General,	
" E. P. Morris,	
The Chairman Board of Works,	
The Financial Secretary,	
Dr. Dearn,	
" Tait,	
Mr. Thompson,	Mr. Clift,
" Geran,	" McGrath,
" Webber,	" F. Morris,
" Peyton,	" Hallaren,
" Duff,	" Woodford,
" Whiteley,	" Rothwell,
" Dawe,	" Fearn.

So it passed in the negative, and, on the question on the original motion being put, it passed in the affirmative on a similar division, and was ordered accordingly.

On motion of Hon. the PREMIER, seconded by Mr. MORINE,

Resolved,—That James H. Watson, Esq., be Clerk-Assistant of this House.

On motion of Hon. the PREMIER, seconded by Mr. CARTY,

Resolved,—That Martin W. Furlong, Esq., be Solicitor of this House.

On motion of Hon. the PREMIER, seconded by Mr. MORINE,

Resolved,—That Joseph Boyd, Esq., be Sergeant-at-Arms of this House.

On motion of Hon. the PREMIER, seconded by Mr. MORINE,

Resolved,—Resolved that Robert Walsh be inner door-keeper of this House.

On motion of Hon. the PREMIER, seconded by Mr. McGRATH,

Resolved,—That John Shepherd be middle door-keeper of this House.

On motion of Hon. the PREMIER, seconded by Mr. HALLAREN,

Resolved,—That Amos Knight be outer door-keeper of this House.

On motion of Hon. the PREMIER, seconded by Hon. Mr. MORRIS, that Joseph Daly be upper door-keeper of this House.

It was proposed in amendment thereof, by Mr. MORINE, seconded by Mr. MURRAY, that Thomas Duff be upper door-keeper of this House.

And the question being put thereon, the House divided, when there appeared for the amendment, 5 ; against it, 23.

For the Amendment.

Mr. Greene,
 “ Carty,
 “ Morine,
 “ Morison,
 “ Shea.

Against the Amendment.

Hon. the Premier,
 “ Colonial Secretary,
 “ Receiver General,
 “ Surveyor General,
 “ E. P. Morris,
 The Chairman Board of Works.
 The Financial Secretary.
 Mr. Murphy, Mr. Clift,
 “ Thompson, “ McGrath,
 “ Geran, “ Hallaren,
 “ Webber, “ F. Morris,
 “ Peyton, “ Woodford,
 “ Duff, “ Rothwell,
 “ Whiteley, “ Fearn.
 “ Dawe, Dr. Tait.

So it passed in the negative, and on the question on the original motion being put, it passed in the affirmative on a similar division, and was ordered accordingly.

On motion of Hon. the PREMIER, seconded by Hon. COLONIAL SECRETARY, that George Jackman, Christopher Mundy and Patrick Long, be messengers of this House.

It was moved in amendment by Mr. MORINE, seconded by Mr. GREENE, that George Scott be appointed in lieu of Patrick Long.

And, the question being put thereon, the House divided, when there appeared for the amendment, 5 ; against it, 25.

For the Amendment.

Mr. Morine,
 “ Greene,
 “ Carty,
 “ Morison,
 “ Murray.

Against the Amendment.

Hon. the Premier,
 “ Colonial Secretary,
 “ Receiver General,
 “ Surveyor General,
 “ E. P. Morris,
 The Chairman Board of Works,
 The Financial Secretary,
 Dr. Tait,
 Mr. Murphy, Mr. Clift,
 “ Thompson, “ McGrath,
 “ Geran, “ Hallaren,
 “ Webber, “ F. Morris,
 “ Peyton, “ Woodford,
 “ Duff, “ Rothwell,
 “ Whiteley, “ Fearn.
 “ Dawe,

So it passed in the negative, and on the question on the original motion being put, it passed in the affirmative on a similar division to the foregoing, and was ordered accordingly.

Mr. MORINE gave notice that he will, on to-morrow, move that it be an instruction to the contingencies committee to forthwith invite tenders, by public advertisement, for the publication and copying of the debates of the House in two of the daily newspapers, and for the printing of the journals of this House and the appendix thereto; and that the tenders received shall be laid, unopened, upon the table of this House within two days of the adoption of this motion.

Hon. Mr. MORRIS gave notice that he will, on to-morrow, ask leave to introduce a Bill entitled “ An Act to regulate the practice of medicine and surgery in this colony.”

Then the House adjourned until to-morrow at four of the clock.

THURSDAY, March 13, 1890.

George Macness Johnson, Esquire, elected to the office of Clerk of the House, and James Humphry Watson, Esquire, elected to the office of Clerk-Assistant, having appeared and having respectively taken the oaths prescribed by law, in the presence of the House, which said oaths were administered by the Hon. the Speaker, took their seats at the Clerk's table and assumed the duties of their respective offices.

The oaths were as follows:

I, George Macness Johnson, elected to the office of Clerk to the House of Assembly, do swear that I will make true entries, remembrances and journals of the things done and passed in the Assembly, SO HELP ME GOD.

I, James Humphry Watson, elected to the office of Clerk-Assistant to the House of Assembly, do swear that I will diligently, faithfully and impartially discharge the duties of clerk-assistant to the House of Assembly to the best of my knowledge and ability, SO HELP ME GOD.

Pursuant to order of the day, the House resolved itself into committee of the whole on the address of thanks.

Mr. SPEAKER left the chair.

Mr. WHITELEY took the chair of the committee.

Mr. SPEAKER resumed the chair.

The Chairman reported from the committee that they had considered the matter to them referred and had made some progress, and asked leave to sit again to-morrow.

Ordered that the said committee have leave to sit again to-morrow.

On motion of the Hon. the COLONIAL SECRETARY, seconded by Hon. Mr. MORRIS, that a select committee be appointed to consider and report upon the rules and orders of procedure of this House.

Ordered that the Hon. the Colonial Secretary, Hon. Mr. Morris, Hon. the Premier, Hon. the Speaker, Mr. Murray, Mr. Murphy, Mr. Clift, Mr. Fearn, Mr. Greene and Mr. Morison do form the Committee.

Mr. MORISON requested to be excused from serving on the said committee, and Mr. Speaker ordered his name to be discharged therefrom.

On motion of Hon. Mr MORRIS, seconded by Mr. F. MORRIS, the Bill entitled "An Act to regulate the practice of medicine and surgery in this Colony" was read a first time.

Ordered that the said Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

Mr. THOMPSON gave notice that he would, on to-morrow, ask leave to introduce a Bill to amend the laws relating to the prosecution of the sealfishery.

Then the House adjourned till to-morrow at four of the clock.

FRIDAY, March 14, 1890.

EDWARD R. BURGESS, Esquire, one of the members returned for the District of Twillingate, took and subscribed the oath of allegiance in the presence of the Honorable Edward D. Shea, one of the Commissioners appointed by His Excellency the Governor for that purpose, and the said Edward R. Burgess, Esquire, took his seat for the said district accordingly.

Mr. CARTY gave notice that he would, on to-morrow, ask the Honorable Colonial Secretary if a reply has been received by the Governor from the Secretary of State for the Colonies to the Address to Her Most Gracious Majesty the Queen which passed the Legislative Council and the House of Assembly last session on the subject of British rights and French claims on the west and north east coasts of this colony and, if so, to lay the same on the table.

Mr. MORISON gave notice that he would, on to-morrow, ask leave to introduce a Bill to amend the "Temperance Act of 1889."

Hon. the ATTORNEY GENERAL laid on the table of the House the following message which he had received from His Excellency the Governor:—

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

The Governor herewith sends a telegram received from the Right Honorable Secretary of State for the Colonies on the twelfth 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 first of 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 first 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.

On motion of the Hon. the ATTORNEY GENERAL, seconded by Mr. MURRAY, the house resolved itself into Committee of the Whole upon certain resolutions relative to the said telegram and *modus vivendi*.

Mr. SPEAKER left the chair.

Mr. THOMPSON took the chair of the Committee.

Mr. SPEAKER resumed the chair.

The Chairman reported from the Committee that they had considered the matter to them referred, and had passed certain resolutions as follows :

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 fourteenth March, 1890, which has been concluded with the Government of France.

Resolved,—That the permission in the *modus vivendi* given to France to erect factories is most objectionable, as indicating 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 the Legislative Council, with an address requesting 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.

On motion that this report be received, MR. MORISON moved in amendment, seconded by Mr. CARTY—

That, whereas the Legislative Assembly has this day been informed, by message from His Excellency the Governor, of the terms of the *modus vivendi* recently concluded between Great Britain and France for the erection of lobster factories and the prosecution of the lobster fishery on that part of the coast of Newfoundland upon which the French have concurrent rights of codfishery;

And whereas the negotiations for the said *modus vivendi* were entered into and concluded without the knowledge or consent of the Legislature of Newfoundland;

Be it therefore resolved,—That this Legislative Assembly hereby indignantly protests against the said *modus vivendi*, and places upon record its determination to refuse its consent to any arrangement, whether of a temporary or permanent nature, which does not expressly acknowledge the exclusive right of the people of this Colony to the taking and canning of lobsters on any part of the coasts of Newfoundland.

Resolved,—That this Legislature further records its determination to refuse its consent to any arrangement on this subject which shall be entered into or concluded without the consent of the Legislature of this Colony.

Resolved,—That these resolutions be sent to the Honorable the Legislative Council with a message asking their concurrence therein.

Resolved,—That, if these resolutions be concurred in by the Honorable the Legislative Council, His Excellency the Governor be requested to cable the substance of these resolutions to the Secretary of State for the Colonies with all possible despatch.

And upon the amendment being put it was moved in amendment thereon by MR. MURRAY, seconded by MR. GREENE, as follows:—

Resolved,—That the Legislature of Newfoundland hears with the deepest indignation that a *modus vivendi* has been concluded with the French Government, whereby a surrender of our rights in lobster canning on the so-called French Shore has been made in direct violation of the solemn undertaking entered into with us, that no arrangement would be made without the assent of this colony; and we pledge ourselves to refuse our assent to any such arrangement.

And the question being put thereon, it passed in the negative.

And thereupon the question upon the first amendment being put, the House divided, when there appeared—

For the Amendment.

Mr. Morison,
“ Carty,
“ Morine,

Against the Amendment.

Hon. the Premier,
“ Colonial Secretary,
“ Receiver General,
“ Surveyor General,
“ E. P. Morris,
The Chairman Board of Works,
The Financial Secretary,

For the Amendment.

(Continued).

Mr. Greene,
 " Rolls,
 " Murray,

Against the Amendment.

(Continued).

Mr. Thompson,	Mr. Clift,
" Burgess,	" Hallaren,
" Geran,	" F. Morris,
" Webber,	" Woodford,
" Peyton,	" Rothwell,
" Whiteley,	" Fearn.
" Dawe,	Dr. Tait,

So it passed in the negative.

And the question on the original motion being then put, it passed in the affirmative, and it was ordered that the resolutions so passed be sent to the Honorable the Legislative Council with an Address requesting their concurrence in the same.

The Hon. ATTORNEY GENERAL gave notice that he would, on to-morrow, move for the appointment of a select committee to prepare 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.

Mr. MORINE gave notice that he would, on to-morrow, move an address to His Excellency the Governor requesting that he will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the table of this House a copy of all correspondence between Her Majesty's Secretary of State for the Colonies and His Excellency in connection with French claims to take and can lobsters on the coast of this colony.

Mr. SPEAKER informed the House that he had received a message from the Legislative Council as follows:

"*Mr. Speaker*,—The Legislative Council acquaint the Legislative Assembly, in reply to their message of to-day, that they concur in the resolutions passed by the Assembly with reference to 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 coasts of this Island on which the French have certain treaty rights."

Ordered that the said resolutions be presented to His Excellency the Governor by such members of this House as are of the Executive Council.

It was moved and seconded that this House on rising adjourn till

Tuesday next, the eighteenth instant, at four of the clock in the afternoon.

Then the House adjourned till Tuesday next, the eighteenth instant, at four of the clock in the afternoon.

TUESDAY, March 18th, 1890.

At fifteen minutes after four o'clock, the names of the members present being taken down by the Clerk—viz: Mr. Carty, Mr. Morine and Mr. Munn—Mr. Speaker adjourned the House, for want of a quorum, till to-morrow at four of the clock.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 19, 1890.

MR. SPEAKER drew attention to an irregularity in the proceedings of Friday last. The resolutions on the subject of the *modus vivendi* should have been presented by a joint address of both Houses, but, upon explanation to the Governor, His Excellency was pleased to forward the resolutions without the formality of an address. Mr. Speaker now drew attention to the informality, in order that the procedure might not in future be construed into a precedent.

Hon the ATTORNEY GENERAL laid on the table a message from His Excellency the Governor, annexed to which was copy of a telegram received yesterday by His Excellency from the Secretary of State for the Colonies, which message and telegram are as follows:

GOVERNMENT HOUSE,

St. John's, Newfoundland,

18th March, 1890.

SIR,—

I am directed by His Excellency the Governor to transmit to you the enclosed copy of a telegram which he has this moment received from the Right Honorable the Secretary of State for the Colonies, and I am further to inform you that you may communicate this message to your colleagues and to the Legislature, should you deem it desirable to do so.

I have the honor to be, Sir,

Your obedient servant,

CECIL FANE,

Private Secretary.

The Hon. Sir W. V. WHITEWAY,

K.C.M.G., &c., &c., &c.

[COPY.]

Telegram received from the Secretary of State, 18th March, 1890.

"Referring to your telegrams of 14th and 15th March, I fear adoption of reported resolutions will not improve the prospects of an ultimate settlement most favorable to British claims. There is some misapprehension in supposing that any British territorial or other rights are prejudiced by *modus vivendi*, or any French rights admitted. All questions of principle and of respective rights on both sides are stated expressly to be reserved. Neither Her Majesty's Government nor the Colonial Legislature have power of declaring what are British and French rights, respectively, and provisional arrangement is necessary for next season."

Pursuant to order of the day, the House resolved itself into committee of the whole on the address of thanks.

Mr. SPEAKER left the chair.

Mr. WHITELEY took the chair of the committee.

Mr. SPEAKER resumed the chair.

The Chairman from the said committee reported that they had considered the address to them referred and had passed the same with an amendment, and he handed in the address at the Clerk's table, where it was read as follows:

*To His Excellency Sir J. TERENCE N. O'BRIEN,
Lieut.-Col., 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 Assembly 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, and we reciprocate your cordial greeting.

We share in your Excellency's regrets at the results of our industrial pursuits of last year. We regret that while the returns of the sealfishery were satisfactory, the cod, herring and salmon fisheries have fallen off; at the same time we rejoice that the prices of our staple productions were of a remunerative character. We are pleased

to learn from your Excellency the success of our lobster fishery, and shall endeavour to give effect to your Excellency's suggestion that precautionary measures be adopted for the protection of this valuable industry.

We entirely concur in your Excellency's anticipations of better results from a more careful cure of our codfish, and from the protection of the other branches of our fishing industries.

We rejoice that liberal harvests have rewarded the labors of our agriculturists in many departments of their industry during the past year.

We join with your Excellency in the hope that, notwithstanding the fall in the price of copper, the mineral resources of the colony will be worked with increased vigor during the present year: it is exceedingly gratifying to be informed that the geological survey of the past season has been attended with valuable results, and we have no doubt that the discovery of workable coal-seams so near the seaboard must have the effect of attracting capital to the colony and energizing our mining and cognate industries, and justifying the confidence which the colony has always had in our Geological Department.

We regret to be informed that the Customs' revenue for the past year was under the estimated amount.

We thank your Excellency for the promise of an early presentment of the estimates for the new financial year, and we shall endeavor to make due provision for the needs of the public service.

It is gratifying to be informed that the ballot system on its first trial in this colony, notwithstanding the exciting contests in almost every district, has promoted the peace and good order which have usually characterized our elections; and it is a matter of congratulation that the constituencies have so strongly pronounced in favour of a Government of progressive policy.

We are glad to be informed that your Excellency has appointed a commission to enquire into the operation of the recent Bait Acts, and their effect on the trade and fisheries of this colony, and we concur with your Excellency in the hope that your Excellency may be in a position to cause the report of the commission to be laid before the Legislature during the present session.

We learn with anxiety the announcement 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 we respectfully pray that your
Excellency will be pleased to convey to the Right Honourable the
Secretary of State for the Colonies an expression of our earnest
hope that Her Majesty’s Government will not recede from the position
that the French have no right to catch and tin lobsters on any part
of the coasts of this island.

We are pleased with the promise that important despatches, and
other public documents, will be laid before us at an early date.

The bills which your Excellency promised to have submitted to
us, relating to railway extension north and west, manhood suffrage,
local self-government, and other important matters, shall receive our
careful and deliberate consideration; and, in conjunction with your
Excellency, we entertain the pleasing hope that our deliberations may
be attended with the Divine blessing, and result in the prosperity and
contentment of the people of this colony.

Ordered that the said report be received and adopted.

Ordered that the said address be engrossed, and now read a
third time.

The said address was read a third time accordingly.

Ordered that the said address do pass, and be presented to His
Excellency the Governor by Mr. Speaker and the whole House.

And, it being the hour of one of the clock in the forenoon of the
twentieth day of March instant, the House adjourned till four of the
clock in the afternoon of this twentieth day of March.

THURSDAY, March 20, 1890.

Mr. MURPHY presented a petition from Mary Ann Parsons and
Emma Parsons, on the subject of printing, which was read and
ordered to be referred to the committee on printing, reporting and
contingencies.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. MORRIS, the second reading of the
Bill to regulate the practice of medicine and surgery was deferred.

Pursuant to order of the day, Hon. COLONIAL SECRETARY, in the absence of Hon. Attorney General, moved the appointment of a select committee to join with a similar committee of the Legislative Council in preparing 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.

Ordered, that the following gentlemen do form the committee of this House:—Hon. the Premier, Hon. Colonial Secretary, Hon. E. P. Morris, Messrs. Carty, Fearn, Munn, Dawe, Duff and Murray, and that a message be sent to the Legislative Council, with an address, requesting them to appoint a similar committee for the said purpose.

Mr. MORISON, pursuant to notice, asked leave to introduce a bill to amend "The Temperance Act of 1889."

The said bill was then read a first time, and ordered that the same be read a second time to-morrow.

HON. COLONIAL SECRETARY laid on the table of the House copy of despatch from the Right Hon'ble the Secretary of State for the Colonies to His Excellency the Governor, dated the 9th day of November, 1889.

Mr. SPEAKER informed the House that he had received a communication from the Private Secretary, by command of His Excellency the Governor, stating that on to-morrow at twelve o'clock, noon, His Excellency would receive Mr. Speaker and the House with the address of thanks in reply to His Excellency's speech at the opening of the session.

Mr. ROTHWELL, chairman of the select committee on printing, reporting and contingencies of this House, presented the report of the said committee, which was received and read, as follows:—

COMMITTEE ROOM, March 20th, 1890.

The select committee appointed on the printing, reporting and contingencies of the Legislative Assembly beg to report that they have considered the matter to them referred, and recommend the adoption of the following:—That Mr. John Flannery be appointed supervisor of debates, at a salary of three hundred and twenty dollars per session. That the following gentlemen be appointed reporters of this House, at a salary of two hundred dollars each per session:—Messrs. A. W. Knight, M. Devine, J. P. Gleeson, P. J. Dyer, A. LeC.

Berteau and C. Emerson. That the debates be published by the proprietors of the *Evening Telegram*, at (\$1,000) one thousand dollars per session. That the *Colonist* newspaper be paid the sum of (\$500) five hundred dollars for copying the debates, conditionally on their appearing in that paper not more than three days later than their publication in the *Evening Telegram*. That the sum of (\$200) two hundred dollars be paid the *Harbor Grace Standard* for copying debates. That the sum of (\$300) three hundred dollars each be paid the *Trinity Record* and *Twillingate Sun* for copying debates. That the printing of the Journal and sessional papers of this House, and the miscellaneous printing of the same, be done by the proprietors of the *Evening Telegram*, and that they be paid for the same at the rate of seven dollars per sheet for tabular work, and five dollars for plain. All of which is respectfully submitted.

E. ROTHWELL,
Chairman.

J. J. DEARIN,
G. C. FEARN,
D. C. WEBBER,
WM. DUFF,
LAWRENCE J. GERAN,
JAMES MURRAY.

On motion of Mr. ROTHWELL that the said report be adopted, it was moved by Mr. MORISON in amendment, seconded by Mr. MURRAY, that the consideration of the report stand over until to-morrow.

And thereupon, the amendment being put, the House divided, when there appeared for the amendment, 4; against it, 22.

For the Amendment.

Mr. Morison,
" Murray,
" Munn,
" Carty,

Against the Amendment.

Hon. Colonial Secretary,
" Receiver General,
" Surveyor General,
" E. P. Morris,
The Chairman Board of Works,
The Financial Secretary,
Dr. Dearin,
" Tait,
Mr. Murphy, Mr. Duff,
" Thompson, " Whiteley,
" Burgess, " Dawe,
" Geran, " F. Morris,
" Webber, " Woodford,
" Peyton, " Rothwell,
" White, " Fearn.

So it passed in the negative, and the original motion being put, it passed in the affirmative, and was ordered accordingly.

Mr. THOMPSON gave notice that on Monday next he would move the House into committee of the whole to consider certain resolutions touching a bill to amend the future conduct of the seal fishery by steamers.

Hon. E. P. MORRIS gave notice that on to-morrow he would ask leave to introduce a bill, entitled "An Act to regulate the lien of mechanics."

Mr. SPEAKER informed the House that he had received a message from the Hon. the Legislative Council, as follows:—

"LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL, March 20th 1890.

Mr. SPEAKER,—

The Legislative Council acquaint the Legislative Assembly, in answer to their message of to-day, that they concur in the appointment of a joint committee 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; that they have appointed a select committee to co-operate with the select committee of the Assembly, and that the following members of their body compose the said select committee:—The Honourables Messrs. Angel, Harvey, Monroe, Pitts and Fox.

E. D. SHEA,
President."

Ordered that the House, on rising, do adjourn till to-morrow at forty-five minutes past eleven in the forenoon.

Then the House adjourned until to-morrow at quarter to twelve in the forenoon.

FRIDAY, March 21st, 1890.

The House met at a quarter to twelve o'clock, pursuant to adjournment.

At twelve o'clock, the hour appointed by His Excellency the Governor to receive Mr. Speaker and the House with the address of thanks in reply to the speech of His Excellency on opening the present session of the Legislature, Mr. Speaker and the House went

to Government House, and, being returned to the Assembly room, Mr. Speaker informed the House that, when in attendance on His Excellency the Governor, he had presented the address of thanks, to which His Excellency had been pleased to reply, as follows:—

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

Allow me to express my appreciation of your loyal and dutiful address, and my earnest hope that the result of your labors may tend towards the advancement and development of this colony and its resources.

T. O'BRIEN, *Lt.-Col.,
Governor.*”

On motion of Hon. Mr. MORRIS, in the absence of the Hon. the COLONIAL SECRETARY, the bill to provide manhood suffrage in the election of members to the Legislative Assembly was read a first time.

Ordered that the same be read a second time on to-morrow.

On motion of Hon. Mr. MORRIS, the bill to regulate the lien of mechanics was read a first time.

Ordered that the same be read a second time on to-morrow.

Hon. RECEIVER GENERAL gave notice that on Wednesday next, the twenty-sixth instant, he would move the House into committee of the whole on ways and means.

Mr. MURRAY gave notice that on to-morrow he would ask leave to bring in a bill for the more effective registration of all births and deaths within the colony.

Ordered that, on its rising, this House stand adjourned till Monday next, the twenty-fourth instant, at four of the clock in the afternoon.

Then the House adjourned till Monday next, at four of the clock of the afternoon.

MONDAY, March 24, 1890.

Pursuant to order of the day, the bill, entitled “ An Act to amend the Temperance Act of 1889,” was read a second time.

Ordered that the said bill be committed to committee of the whole House on to-morrow.

On motion of the Hon. COLONIAL SECRETARY, seconded by Hon. Mr. MORRIS,

Ordered that motion for the second reading of Manhood Suffrage bill be deferred till to-morrow.

Pursuant to order of the day, the bill, entitled "An Act respecting liens of mechanics and others," was read a second time.

Ordered that the said bill be committed to committee of the whole House on to-morrow.

At five minutes to eight of the clock, of the said twenty-fourth day of March, the names of the members present being taken down by the Clerk—namely: Hon. Surveyor General, the Financial Secretary, Mr. Carty, Mr. Munn, Dr. Tait, Mr. Thompson, Mr. Webber and Mr. Woodford—Mr. Speaker adjourned the House for want of a quorum, till to-morrow at four of the clock in the afternoon.

TUESDAY, March 25, 1890.

At ten minutes after four of the clock in the afternoon, the names of the members present being taken down by the Clerk—namely: Dr. Dearin, Mr. Duff, Mr. McGrath, Mr. Rolls and Mr. Thompson—Mr. Speaker adjourned the House for want of a quorum until to-morrow at four of the clock in the afternoon.

WEDNESDAY, March 26th, 1890.

On motion of the Hon. the RECEIVER GENERAL, it was ordered that his motion that the House resolve itself into committee of the whole on ways and means be deferred till Wednesday next.

Pursuant to order of the day, and on motion of Mr. THOMPSON, the House resolved itself into committee of the whole on certain resolutions with regard to the prosecution of the seal fishery by steamers.

Mr. SPEAKER left the chair.

Mr. McGRATH took the chair of the committee.

Mr. SPEAKER resumed the chair.

The CHAIRMAN from the said committee of the whole reported that they had considered the matter to them referred, and had passed

a certain resolution, which he handed in at the Clerk's table, where it was read, as follows:—

Resolved,—That it is the opinion of this committee that a select committee of this House be appointed to take evidence as to the effect upon the seal fishery of the employment of steamers in the prosecution thereof, and to report thereupon to this House during the present session.

Ordered that this report be received and adopted.

Ordered that the following gentlemen do form the committee:—

Mr. Thompson, Hon. Attorney General, Hon. Colonial Secretary, Mr. Dawe, Mr. Murray, Mr. Morison, the Hon. Mr. Morris and Doctor Dearin.

Pursuant to order of the day, the House resolved itself into committee of the whole on the bill to amend "The Temperance Act of 1889."

Mr. SPEAKER left the chair.

Mr. MURPHY took the chair of the committee.

Mr. SPEAKER resumed the chair.

The chairman from the said committee reported that they had considered the matter to them referred, and had passed the bill without amendment, and he handed in the same at the Clerk's table.

Ordered that the said report be received and adopted.

Ordered that the said bill be engrossed and read a third time tomorrow.

Pursuant to order of the day, the House then resolved itself into committee of the whole on the bill entitled "An Act respecting liens on mechanics and others."

Mr. SPEAKER left the chair.

Mr. CLIFT took the chair of the committee.

Mr. SPEAKER resumed the chair.

The Chairman from the said committee reported that they had considered the matter to them referred, and had passed the said bill with some amendments, and he handed in the same at the Clerk's table.

Ordered that the said report be received and adopted.

Ordered that the said bill be engrossed and read a third time tomorrow.

On motion of the Hon. the COLONIAL SECRETARY, it was ordered that the second reading of the bill, entitled "An Act to amend

chapter III. of the Consolidated Statutes, (2nd series), entitled ‘The Election Act of 1889,’” be deferred till to-morrow.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. MORRIS, it was ordered that the second reading of the bill, entitled “An Act to regulate the practice of medicine and surgery in this colony,” be deferred till to-morrow.

Mr. MORINE gave notice that he would on to-morrow move, (1) that the reports of select or standing committees of this House, except committees of the whole House, shall not hereafter be adopted on the day of their presentation to the House, except by unanimous consent; and that, except by unanimous consent, no motion for the adoption of a report shall hereafter be entertained, unless one day’s notice shall have been given of it; (2) that no bill, report, or motion, pledging the House to any expenditure of public money, or entailing any charge for which the House will be called upon to provide, shall hereafter pass this House, except upon a report of a committee of the whole House.

Hon. the COLONIAL SECRETARY laid on the table of the House certain copies of telegraphic correspondence between the Right Honorable the Secretary of State for the Colonies and His Excellency the Governor, namely:—

- From the Secretary of State to His Excellency, Dec. 7th, 1889.
- From His Excellency to the Secretary of State, Dec. 9th, 1889.
- From the Secretary of State to His Excellency, Dec. 16th, 1889.
- From the Secretary of State to His Excellency, Dec. 23rd, 1889.
- From the Secretary of State to His Excellency, Dec. 24th, 1889.
- From the Secretary of State to His Excellency, Jan. 29th, 1890.
- From His Excellency to the Secretary of State, Jan. 30th, 1890.
- From the Secretary of State to His Excellency, Feb. 8th, 1890.
- From the Secretary of State to His Excellency, Feb. 12th, 1890.
- From His Excellency to the Secretary of State, Feb. 12th, 1890.
- From His Excellency to the Secretary of State, Feb. 13th, 1890.
- From His Excellency to the Secretary of State, Feb. 15th, 1890.
- From His Excellency to the Secretary of State, March 5th, 1890.
- From the Secretary of State to His Excellency, March 6th, 1890.
- From the Secretary of State to His Excellency, March 12th, 1890.
- From His Excellency to the Secretary of State, March 14th, 1890.

Mr. MURRAY gave notice that on to-morrow he would move the House into committee of the whole upon certain resolutions to provide for the public registration of all births, marriages and deaths that occur within this colony.

Mr. MURPHY gave notice that on to-morrow he would ask leave to introduce a bill for the protection of woods against fires.

Ordered that this House on rising do adjourn until to-morrow at four of the clock in the afternoon.

Then the House adjourned until to-morrow at four of the clock in the afternoon.

THURSDAY, March 27, 1890.

The following petitions were severally presented and received:—

By Mr. MURRAY, from Samuel Pike, senior, and others of Channel, on the subject of a fog whistle or gun on Channel Head;

From John Penney and others of Burgeo, on the subject of a light-house on west end of Ramea Islands;

From Frederic J. Tweedell and others of the district of Burgeo and LaPoile, on the subject of the mail service.

By Mr. ROLLS, from Thomas Deady and others of Joe Batt's Arm and Barred Islands, on the subject of the prosecution of the seal fishery by steamers, and the panning of seals;

From the Rev. R. M. Walker and others of Tilton Harbor, on the same subject;

From George Porter, senior, and others of Change Islands, on the same subject;

From Henry J. Earle and others of Fogo and vicinity, on the subject of the panning of seals.

By Mr. WHITELEY, from Richard Lahey of Harbor Grace, on the subject of inspection of diseased meats;

From the Rev. Frank Smart and others of Harbor Grace, on the subject of a ferry wharf at south side, Harbor Grace.

By Mr. ROTHWELL, from John Coady, senior, and others of Spanish Room, district of Burin, on the subject of a bridge on Lintern's Brook;

From Pierce Coady and others of Jean-de-Baie, district of Burin, on the subject of a bridge on Wild Beach Brook.

By Dr. TAIT, from Wilson H. Tibbo and others of Grand Bank, on the subject of a breakwater there.

By Hon. Mr. MORRIS, from James C. Rogerson and others of St. John's, on the subject of licensing travelling agents.

By Mr. WHITELEY, from C. W. Ross and others, of Harbor Grace, on the subject of a road to the three cemeteries.

By Mr. CLIFT, from Robert Porter and others of Hibbs's Hole, on the subject of a landing place there;

From Joseph Moores and others of South River, on the subject of a boat to carry caplin manure.

By Mr. McGRATH, from David Shea and others of Barren Island, on the subject of roads.

By Mr. WEBBER, from Frederic Gover and others of Trouty, district of Trinity, on the subject of roads.

By Mr. MORINE, from Abner Penney and others of Keels, on the subject of a breakwater.

By Mr. MORRIS, from John Harmon and others of Harbor Main and Conception Harbor, on the subject of conveyance of mails.

By the Hon. COLONIAL SECRETARY, from John Sansom and others of Scilly Cove, on the subject of codtraps;

From Frederic Gover and others of Trouty, on the same subject.

By Mr. PEYTON, from Joseph Blandford, senior, and others of Herring Neck, on the subject of codtraps.

By Mr. THOMPSON, from J. B. Tobin and others of Twillingate, on the subject of codtraps;

From John Anstey and others of Twillingate, South Island, on the same subject;

From Abraham Knight and others of Moreton's Harbor, on the same subject;

From Jonathan Manuel and others of Exploits Burnt Island, on the same subject.

By Mr. MORISON, from Weston Spracklin and others of Clode Sound, on the subject of roads;

From Levi Prince and others of Southern Bay, on the subject of a bridge.

By Mr. WEBBER, from Thos. Butler and others of Robin Hood, on the subject of election of road boards.

By the Hon. SURVEYOR GENERAL, from Elijah Tricket and others of Spout Cove, Bay-de-Verde, on the subject of codtraps;

From Uriah Bursey and others of Old Perlican, on the subject of continuance of codtraps;

From Michael Hagan and others of Northern Bay, Gull Island and Job's Cove, on the subject of codtraps.

By Mr. MURPHY, from William Martin and others of Torbay, on the subject of codtraps.

By Mr. CLIFT, from James Moore and others of Brigus and Port-de-Grave, on the subject of codtraps;

From William Atwell and others of Port-de-Grave, on the same subject;

From Abraham Bussey and others of Port-de-Grave, on the same subject;

From James Wilcox and others of Port-de-Grave, on the same subject;

From William Smith and others of Brigus and Port-de-Grave, on the same subject;

From Isaac Bartlett and others of Brigus and Port-de-Grave, on the same subject.

By Mr. THOMPSON, from James E. Squires and others of Birchy Cove, on the subject of a bridge at Juniper Brook.

By the Hon. SURVEYOR GENERAL, from Esau Strong and others of Old Perlican, on the subject of codtraps.

Ordered that the said several petitions do lie on the table.

The Hon. COLONIAL SECRETARY presented to the House the annual report of the Newfoundland Fisheries Commission for the year 1889.

Ordered that the same do lie on the table.

The Hon. SURVEYOR GENERAL gave notice that he would on to-morrow ask leave to introduce a bill, entitled "An Act to amend the Crown Lands' Act 1884, and the Acts in amendment thereof."

Mr. MORISON gave notice that on to-morrow he would ask the Premier upon whose recommendation the present Road Board and Breakwater Commission for Bonavista were appointed; also to lay on

the table a copy of all correspondence between the present Government and the said Road Board and Breakwater Commission; also a copy of all correspondence between the present Government and the late Road Board and Breakwater Commission at Bonavista; also a copy of all correspondence between the present Government and any other person relative to said Road Board and Commission; also that he would on to-morrow ask the Hon. the Premier if any complaints were made by any person against the late Road Board for Keels, in Bonavista Bay; and if so, to lay on the table a copy of any such complaints; also to ask the Hon. the Premier upon whose recommendation a new Road Board was lately appointed for Keels.

Mr. WHITELEY gave notice that he would on to-morrow ask leave to introduce a bill to regulate the mode of taking codfish in traps, codseines, codnets and bultows.

Mr. ROTHWELL presented to the House the report of the Railway Commissioners for 1889.

Ordered that the said report do lie on the table.

Mr. BURGESS gave notice that he would on to-morrow request the Hon. Surveyor General to place before this House the names of all persons having mining claims or licenses of search in Notre Dame Bay, together with the dates of such claims or licenses of search.

Mr. GREENE gave notice that he would on to-morrow ask the Hon. Attorney General whether he is aware that there are at present confined in the Penitentiary two persons by name Harris Keefe and Patrick Brennan; and if so, upon what charge they are held, by what Court committed and what term of imprisonment, and to be pleased to lay upon the table of the House a copy of the warrant of commitment.

Pursuant to order of the day, the bill entitled "An Act to amend the Temperance Act of 1889" was read a third time.

Ordered that the said bill do pass and be entitled "An Act to amend the Temperance Act of 1889."

Ordered that the said bill be presented to the Honorable the Legislative Council, with an address requesting their concurrence therein.

Pursuant to the order of the day, the bill entitled "An Act respecting liens of mechanics and others" was read a third time.

Ordered that the said bill do pass and be entitled "An Act respecting liens of mechanics and others."

Ordered that the said bill be presented to the Honorable the Legislative Council, with an address requesting their concurrence therein.

On motion of the Hon. COLONIAL SECRETARY, seconded by Mr. MURPHY, the bill entitled "An Act to amend chapter III. of the Consolidated Statutes (2nd series), entitled 'The Election Act 1889,'" was read a second time.

Ordered that the said bill be committed to committee of the whole House on to-morrow.

Ordered that the second reading of the Medicine and Surgery Bill be deferred till to-morrow.

Ordered that, pursuant to notice given by Mr. Morine, and his motion thereon, an address to His Excellency the Governor do pass, requesting that he will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the table of this House a copy of all correspondence between Her Majesty's Secretary of State for the Colonies and His Excellency in connection with French claims to take and can lobsters on the coast of this Colony.

Ordered that such address be presented to His Excellency by such members of this House as are of the Executive Council.

Pursuant to notice, Mr. Murphy asked leave to introduce a bill, entitled "An Act for the protection of wood against fires."

The said bill was then read a first time, and ordered that the same be read a second time on to-morrow.

On motion of Mr. MORINE, seconded by Mr. MURRAY, it was ordered that the matter contained in the notice of motion of Mr. Morine, which notice of motion is as follows:—"To move (1) that the reports of select or standing committees of the House, except committees of the whole House, shall not hereafter be adopted on the day of their presentation to the House, except by unanimous consent; and that, except by unanimous consent, no motion for the adoption of a report shall hereafter be entertained, unless one day's notice shall have been given of it; (2) that no bill, report or motion, pledging the House to any expenditure of public money, or entailing any charge for which the House will be called upon to provide, shall hereafter pass this House except upon the report of a committee of the whole House:" and also that the printed rules of this House

published or printed in 1883 be referred to the select committee appointed to consider and report upon the rules and procedure of this House.

Mr. MORINE gave notice that on to-morrow he would ask leave to introduce a bill providing that no person carrying on trade on his own behalf shall hereafter be allowed to act as a poor commissioner, and that all relief hereafter given to permanent or transient paupers shall be paid in cash.

Ordered that this House, on rising, do adjourn until to-morrow at four of the clock in the afternoon.

Then the House adjourned till to-morrow, at four of the clock in the afternoon.

FRIDAY, March 28, 1890.

The following petitions were presented:—

By Mr. ROLLS, from George Porter and others of Change Islands, on the subject of codtraps;

Also, from Samuel Anthony and others of Seldom-come-by, on the same subject.

By Mr. MORINE, from Walter Hobbs and others of Keels, on the subject of codtraps.

By Mr. MORRIS, from Rev. Edward Colley and others of Fox-trap, on the subject of a breakwater.

By Mr. THOMPSON, from A. J. Harvey and others of South-west Arm, on the subject of roads.

By the FINANCIAL SECRETARY, from John Jackman and others of Grole, on the subject of a breakwater.

By Mr. DAWE, from Thomas Badcock and others of Bay Roberts, on the subject of sending home sick or maimed fishermen from Labrador.

By Mr. WOODFORD, from Jeremiah Quinlan and others of Holy-wood, on the subject of roads.

By Mr. CLIFT, from Henry Bishop and others of Port-de-Grave, on the subject of a landing place.

By the FINANCIAL SECRETARY, from Rev. Wm. A. Haynes and others, of English Harbor, (west), on the subject of roads.

By Mr. MORINE, from Thomas Sharpe and others of Bonavista, on the subject of a well.

By the Hon. SURVEYOR GENERAL, from Samuel Peach and others of Lower Small Point, for a drain.

By Mr. WEBBER, from Thomas W. Gover and others, of Trinity, West, on the subject of a well.

By Mr. MURPHY, from John L. Sullivan and others of Pouch Cove, on the subject of a launch-way;

Also, from John Goss and others of Torbay, on the subject of a well;

Also, from Patrick Murphy of Portugal Cove, on the subject of roads;

Also, from Stephen Neary and others of Portugal Cove, on the subject of roads.

By Mr. White, from John Johnson and others of Northern Bay and Gull Island Cove, on the subject of trawls.

By the Hon. RECEIVER GENERAL, from Albert Hann and others of Harbor Buffett, on the subject of telegraph extension.

By the Hon. SURVEYOR GENERAL, from Rev. J. Pratt and others of Black Head, on the subject of a sailing packet;

Also, from William King and others of Western Bay, on the subject of a sailing packet ;

Also, from Joseph Turner and others of Lower Island Cove, on the same subject ;

Also, from Joshua Steele and others of Bay-de-Verde, on the the same subject.

By Mr. WHITELEY, from Michael Cleary and others of Spaniard's Bay, on the subject of a public wharf at Mint Cove;

Also, from Moses Butt and others of Harbor Grace, on the subject of a plough.

By Mr. WEBBER, from Thomas Cooper and others of Ireland's Eye, on the subject of a lighthouse;

Also, from Willis Pittman and others of New Perlican, on the same subject.

Ordered that the said several petitions do lie upon the table.

Mr. McGRATH gave notice that he would on to-morrow ask leave to introduce a bill to repeal an Act passed in the 51st year of the reign of Her Present Majesty, entitled "An Act respecting the abolition of codtraps."

Mr. WHITELEY gave notice that on to-morrow he would move the House into committee of the whole for the consideration of the report of the Fisheries' Commission.

Mr. MORINE gave notice that he would on to-morrow ask the Premier whether tenders have been invited in England, the United States and Canada, by public advertisement, for the construction, maintenance and operation of a line of railway to Hall's Bay, as provided by section 7 of the Railway Act 1889; also, that he would on to-morrow ask the Premier why the report of the survey of the line of railway to Hall's Bay, and all plans, diagrams, designs and specifications for said work were not placed before the Legislature at the opening of this session, as provided by section 8 of the Railway Act 1889.

Mr. MORRIS gave notice that he would on to-morrow ask the Financial Secretary to lay on the table of this House a detailed statement of the amount of money spent by the poor commissioners in relief of the poor in the district of Harbor Main, together with the names of the parties receiving the same and the localities in which they reside.

Mr. MORINE gave notice that he would on to-morrow ask the Hon. Colonial Secretary to lay upon the table of this House the usual reports from public institutions and companies.

Mr. MURRAY gave notice that he would on to-morrow ask the Hon. Receiver General to lay on the table of this House a detailed statement of all moneys expended in connection with or under the authority of the Fisheries' Commission since its appointment.

On motion of Hon. Mr. MORRIS, in the absence of the Hon. Colonial Secretary, ordered that motion for committee of the whole House on Manhood Suffrage Bill be deferred until to-morrow.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. MORRIS, ordered that the motion for the second reading of Medicine and Surgery bill be deferred until to-morrow.

On motion of Mr. MURPHY, ordered that the motion for second reading of bill for protection of woods against fires be deferred until to-morrow.

Pursuant to notice, Hon. SURVEYOR GENERAL asked leave to introduce a bill, entitled "An Act to amend the Crown Lands' Act of 1884, and the Acts in amendment thereof."

The said bill was then read a first time, and it was ordered that the same be read a second time to-morrow.

Ordered that the motion for committee of the whole on certain resolutions to provide for the more effective registration of all births and deaths within this colony be deferred until to-morrow.

Pursuant to notice, Mr. WHITELEY asked leave to introduce a bill to regulate the mode of taking codfish in traps, codseines, codnets and bultows.

The said bill was then read a first time and it was ordered that the same be read a second time to-morrow.

The Hon. ATTORNEY GENERAL, in reply to question by Mr. Greene pursuant to notice, laid on the table the following papers:—

(a) Letter to the Attorney General from Judge Prowse, dated the 28th March, instant, relative to prisoners Andrew Harris (Keefe) and Patrick Brennan.

(b) Commitment, (copy) dated 28th March, 1890, of Patrick Brennan.

(c) Commitment, (copy) dated 28th March, 1890, of Andrew Harris Keefe.

(d) Paper purporting to be copy of deposition of James Rigby.

(e) Paper purporting to be copy of voluntary statement of Patrick Brennan.

Pursuant to notice Mr. MORINE asked leave to introduce a bill, entitled "An Act respecting Commissioners of the Poor and payments for the relief of paupers."

The said bill was then read a first time and it was ordered that the same be read a second time to-morrow.

Ordered that this House, on rising, do adjourn until Monday next at four of the clock in the afternoon.

Then the House adjourned until Monday next at four of the clock in the afternoon.

MONDAY, March 31, 1890.

Mr. MORINE gave notice that on to-morrow he would ask the Premier to lay upon the table of this House, before its adjournment, a copy of the despatch of the Secretary of State for the Colonies to Governor DesVœux, dated February 11th, 1887, and referred to in the despatch of Governor DesVœux dated March 19, 1887.

Mr. MORINE also gave notice that he would on to-morrow ask the Premier if any correspondence took place between His Excellency the Governor and the Secretary of State, concerning the *modus vivendi*, between the despatches dated February 15, 1890, and March 5, 1890, respectively laid on the table of the House; and if so, if he will, before the adjournment to-morrow, lay upon the table copies of any such correspondence.

Mr. MORINE also gave notice that he would on to-morrow ask the Premier to lay upon the table of the House a report of the Railway Commission upon work done from January 1st, 1890, to date, and a statement of expenditure during the same period.

Mr. MORINE also gave notice that he would on to-morrow ask the Colonial Secretary (1) for a statement of the names of all newspapers in England, the United States, and Canada, in which have been inserted advertisements asking for tenders for the construction and operation of the Hall's Bay railway; (2) the date when orders were sent for the insertion of such advertisements; (3) the date of their insertion; (4) the number of them and up to what date ordered to be inserted; (5) copies of such advertisements; (6) whether any tenders have yet been received, either in answer to such advertisements or otherwise.

Pursuant to order of the day, the House then resolved itself into committee of the whole on the Manhood Suffrage Bill.

Mr. SPEAKER left the chair.

Mr. WHITELEY took the chair of the committee.

Mr. SPEAKER resumed the chair.

The chairman from the said committee of the whole reported that they had considered the said bill, had made some progress, and had instructed him to ask leave to sit again to-morrow.

Ordered that the said report be received, and that said committee have leave to sit again on to-morrow.

Ordered that the following be deferred till to-morrow:—

Second reading of Medicine and Surgery Bill ;

Second reading of bill for the protection of woods against fires;

Second reading of bill to amend the Crown Lands' Acts ;

Second reading of bill to regulate the mode of taking codfish in traps, codseines, codnets and bultows.

Motion of Mr. Murray for committee of the whole House on resolution to provide for the more effective registration of births and deaths in this colony.

Motion of Mr. Whiteley for committee of the whole House to consider the report of the Fisheries' Commission be deferred till to-morrow.

On motion of Mr. MORINE, pursuant to order of the day, it was ordered that the bill respecting Commissioners of the Poor and payments in relief of paupers be now read a second time.

The said bill was accordingly read a second time, and it was ordered that the same be referred to committee of the whole House on to-morrow.

Pursuant to notice, and by leave granted, and on motion of Mr. McGRATH, a bill to repeal an Act passed in the 51st year of the reign of Her present Majesty, entitled "An Act respecting the abolition of codtraps," was read a first time and ordered that the same be read a second time on to-morrow.

Mr. McGRATH gave notice that on to-morrow he would move the suspension of the rules of the House in reference to the said bill to amend the said Act entitled "An Act respecting the abolition of codtraps."

Mr. WOOFORD gave notice that he would on to-morrow ask the Hon. the Premier to lay on the table of this House a detailed statement of the cost of the railway pier at Placentia.

Mr. WOODFORD also gave notice that he would on to-morrow ask the Chairman of the Board of Works to lay on the table of this House a detailed statement of the cost of the new bridge at Colinet.

Mr. MURRAY asked leave to lay on the table of the House extracts from a letter, dated Edinburgh, March 3rd, 1890, from Geddes to Mr. James Murray.

Ordered that the same lie on the table.

The following petitions were presented and received, namely:—

By Mr. MURPHY, from John Lindberg, on the subject of the license laws relating to malt liquors;

Also, from Patrick Quigley, of Torbay, on the subject of roads;

Also, from John Quigley and others, of Torbay, on the same subject;

Also, from Philip Leamy and others, of Portugal Cove, on the subject of trespasses by swine;

Also, from John Moulton and others, of Pouch Cove, on the subject of roads.

By Dr. DEARIN, from Charles Pippy and others, of Pouch Cove, on the subject of codtraps;

Also, from Thomas Murphy and others, of Portugal Cove, on the subject of roads;

Also, from Henry Kirby and others, of Pouch Cove, on the same subject;

Also, from William Strugwell and others of the same place, on the same subject;

Also, from Alfred Moores and others of same place, on the same subject;

Also, from Thomas Kersey and others of Windsor Lake, on the same subject.

By Hon. SURVEYOR GENERAL, from John Follett and others of Western Bay, on the subject of bultows.

By Mr. McGRATH, from Richard McGrath and others of Little Harbor, on the subject of roads;

Also, from Michael Davis and others of Fox Harbor, on the subject of codtraps;

Also, from Patrick Murphy and others of Little Placentia, on the same subject;

Also, from R. O'Donnell and others of St. Mary's and vicinity, on the same subject.

By CAPTAIN WHITE, from John O'Neil and others of Bay-de-Verde, on the subject of codtraps.

By the FINANCIAL SECRETARY, from William Yarn and others of Mose Ambrose, on the subject of a breakwater;

Also, from Robert Fiander and others of English Harbor, on the same subject.

By Mr. WEBBER, from William Stanford and others of Little Catalina, on the subject of roads.

By Mr. DUFF, from Nicholas Peddle and others of Mosquito, on the same subject;

Also, from James Walsh and others of district of Carbonear, on the subject of a well;

Also, from George V. Parsons of Carbonear, on the subject of roads.

By Mr. MORRIS, from Martin Kennedy and others of Conception Harbor and vicinity, on the subject of codtraps.

Hon. the PREMIER presented the following petitions on the subject of codtraps:—

From George Fleet and others of Trinity and its vicinity;

Also, from W. A. Gabriel and others of the district of Bonavista;

Also, from James Strong and others of Lance Cove and Whale Brook;

Also, from Azariah March and others of Lance Cove;

Also, from Wm. Henry Field and others of New Bonaventure and neighborhood;

Also, from Alexander Clarke and others of British Harbor and vicinity;

Also, from Abram Sparks and others of Sibley Cove;

Also, from John Stone and others of Old Bonaventure and vicinity.

Ordered that the said several petitions do lie upon the table.

Hon. COLONIAL SECRETARY laid on the table of the House the following documents:—

Despatch from Secretary of State for the Colonies, dated 16th January, 1890, in reference to Act constituting Fisheries Commission;

Despatch from Secretary of State for the Colonies, dated 11th August, 1889, in reference to appointments to the Legislative Council;

Statement of expenditure for the poor, 1889;

Statement of expenditure for Shipwrecked Crews, 1889;

Annual report of Newfoundland Furniture and Moulding Company (Limited);

Statement of Floating Dry Dock Company, 1889;

Annual report of the Newfoundland Boot and Shoe Manufacturing Company (Limited), 1889;

Statement of Newfoundland Steam Sealing and Whaling Company (Limited), 1889;

Annual report of Masonic Hall Joint Stock Company, 1889;

Annual report of St. John's Electric Light Company, 1889;

Statement of Harbor Grace Banking Company, 1889;

Report, estimates, &c., of St. John's Municipal Council;

Copy of correspondence in reference to the Bonavista break-water.

Ordered that this House, on rising, do adjourn until to-morrow at four of the clock in the afternoon.

Then the House adjourned till to-morrow at four of the clock in the afternoon.

TUESDAY, April 1, 1890.

The following petitions were presented:—

By **HON. COLONIAL SECRETARY**, from Thomas Fowlow and others, of Trinity, East, on the subject of roads;

Also, from **J. P. King** and others, of Deer Harbor, on the same subject;

Also, from **David Peddle** and others, of Hodge's Cove, on the same subject;

Also, from **Richard Seward** and others, of Gooseberry Cove, on the same subject.

By **Dr. DEARIN**, from Philip Grouchy and others, of Pouch Cove, on the same subject.

By **Mr. HALLAREN**, from William Field and others, of Torbay, on the subject of roads;

Also, from **Rev. M. J. Clarke** and others, on the subject of a landing place at Flat Rock.

By **Mr. MORINE**, from Eli Oldford and others, of Squid Tickle, on the subject of roads.

Ordered that the said petitions lie upon the table.

Pursuant to order of the day, the House resolved itself into committee of the whole on the Manhood Suffrage Bill.

Mr. SPEAKER left the chair.

Mr. WHITELEY took the chair of the committee.

Mr. SPEAKER resumed the chair.

The Chairman from the said committee reported that they had considered the matter to them referred and had passed the bill with some amendments, and he handed in the same at the Clerk's table.

Ordered that the said report be received and adopted.

Ordered that the said bill be engrossed and read a third time on to-morrow.

Ordered that the following be deferred till to-morrow:—

Second reading of medicine and surgery bill;

Second reading of bill for the protection of woods against fires;

Second reading of bill to amend the Crown Lands' Acts;

Second reading of bill to regulate the mode of taking codfish in traps, codseines, codnets and bultows;

Committee of the whole on bill respecting commissioners of the poor and payments in relief of paupers;

Motion of Mr. Murray for committee of the whole on resolutions to provide for the more effective registration of births and deaths in the colony;

Motion of Mr. Whiteley for committee of the whole to consider the report of the Fisheries' Commission.

Pursuant to notice, Mr. McGRATH moved the suspension of the rules of the House in reference to the bill now before the House to amend an Act passed in the 51st year of the Reign of Her present Majesty, entitled "An Act respecting the abolition of codtraps."

Ordered (with the unanimous consent of the House) that the rules of the House be suspended in respect of the said bill.

The said bill was then read a second time.

The House resolved itself into committee of the whole on the said bill.

Mr. SPEAKER left the chair.

Mr. GERAN took the chair of the committee.

Mr. SPEAKER resumed the chair.

The Chairman from the said committee of the whole reported that they had passed the said bill without amendment.

Ordered that the said report be received and adopted.

Ordered that the said bill be engrossed and read a third time presently.

And the said bill was read a third time accordingly.

Ordered that the said bill do pass and be 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 Codtraps.'"

Ordered that the said bill be sent to the Legislative Council with an address requesting their concurrence therein.

On motion of the RECEIVER GENERAL, and by unanimous consent of the House, it was ordered that the rules of the House be suspended in respect to the consideration of ways and means.

Ordered that the House do now resolve itself into committee of the whole on ways and means.

Mr. SPEAKER left the chair.

Mr. WHITELEY took the chair of the committee.

Mr. SPEAKER resumed the chair.

The Chairman, from the said committee of the whole on ways and means reported that they had considered the matter to them referred, had made some progress, and had directed him to ask leave that the said committee sit again on Tuesday next.

Ordered that the said committee have leave to sit again on Tuesday next, and that the same stand first on the order of the day.

Mr. MORISON gave notice that on to-morrow he would ask the Hon. Receiver General to lay on the table a statement of the names of all persons who have passed entries during the past month for goods taken out of bond, the description, value, and quantities of goods, and the amounts paid for duties.

Ordered that this House, on rising, adjourn till Tuesday next, at four of the clock in the afternoon.

Then the House adjourned until Tuesday, the eighth instant, at four of the clock in the afternoon.

TUESDAY, April 8, 1890.

Mr. WEBBER presented a petition from John G. Hart and others, of King's Cove, on the subject of steam service on Trinity and Bonavista Bays, which petition was read.

Ordered that the said petition lie on the table.

Pursuant to order of the day, the manhood suffrage bill was read a third time.

Ordered that the said bill do pass and be entitled "An Act to amend chapter 3 of the Consolidated Statutes, (second series), entitled 'The Election Act, 1889.'"

Ordered that the said bill be sent to the Legislative Council with an address requesting their concurrence therein.

Committee of the whole House on ways and means standing next on the order of the day, on the question being put by Mr. SPEAKER "that I do now leave the chair," it was moved by Mr. MORINE, in amendment of the resolution submitted by the Hon. RECEIVER GENERAL on ways and means, and it was seconded by Mr. MORISON, that the following resolution be substituted:—

"*Resolved*,—That the tariff of Customs' duties heretofore in force has borne unfairly upon the fishing and laboring classes, and should be re-arranged; and that as a great number of our people can with but difficulty obtain the food and clothing necessary to their existence, no increase of taxation upon the necessaries of life should be made, while upon flour, molasses, and tea especially, the rate of duty should be decreased."

And the amendment being put, the House divided thereon, when there appeared for the amendment, 5; against it, 24.

For the Amendment.

Mr. Morine,
 " Morison,
 " Greene,
 " Rolls,
 " Munn,

Against the Amendment.

Hon. the Premier,
 " Receiver General,
 " Surveyor General,
 " E. P. Morris,
 The Chairman Board of Works,
 The Financial Secretary,
 Mr. Murphy, Mr. Dawe,
 " Thompson, " Clift,
 " Burgess, " Hallaren,
 " Geran, " F. Morris,
 " Webber, " Woodford,
 " Peyton, " Rothwell,
 " White, Dr. Tait,
 " Duff, Mr. Fearn,
 " Whiteley, " Murray,

So it passed in the negative, and the motion that the SPEAKER do now leave the chair being put, it passed in the affirmative on a like division, and was ordered accordingly.

The Hon. RECEIVER GENERAL, before the House resolved itself into committee of the whole on ways and means, laid on the table, by command of His Excellency, the following documents, namely:—

1. Financial statement of the affairs of the Colony of Newfoundland for the year 1890;
2. Detailed statement of salaries to Stipendiary Magistrates, &c., for 1890;

3. Estimate of maintenance of Newfoundland lights for the year 1890;
4. Statement of balances in Treasury Department on 31st December, 1889;
5. Statement of public debt of Newfoundland on 31st December, 1889;
6. Statement shewing the total amount of revenue for 1889;
7. Consolidated account of dutiable goods for 1889;
8. Return of ships built, the bounty thereon, and to whom paid, for the year 1889;
9. Consolidated account of receipts and payments for 1889;
10. Treasury accounts, 1889;
11. Estimate for defraying part of the public expenditure for the year 1890.

The House then resolved itself into committee of the whole on ways and means.

Mr. SPEAKER left the chair.

Mr. WHITELEY, took the chair of the committee.

Mr. SPEAKER resumed the chair.

The Chairman from the said committee on ways and means reported that the committee had considered the matter to them referred, had made some progress, and had instructed him to ask leave to sit again on to-morrow.

Ordered that the report be received, and that the said committee have leave to sit again to-morrow.

Pursuant to the order of the day, the House then resolved itself into committee of the whole on the bill respecting Commissioner of the Poor and payments in relief of paupers.

Mr. SPEAKER left the chair.

Dr. TAIT took the chair of the committee.

Mr. SPEAKER resumed the chair.

The Chairman from the said committee reported that they had made some progress in the matter of the said bill and had instructed him to ask leave to sit again to-morrow.

Ordered that the said report be received and that the said committee have leave to sit again to-morrow.

Ordered that second reading of Medicine and Surgery bill be deferred.

On motion of Mr. MURPHY, it was ordered that the bill for the protection of woods against fires be read a second time.

The said bill was then read a second time and ordered that the same be committed to committee of the whole House on to-morrow.

On motion of the Hon. SURVEYOR GENERAL (and by consent of the House because the bill was not yet printed) it was ordered that the bill to amend the Crown Lands' Act, 1884, and the Acts in amendment thereof, be read a second time.

The said bill was then read a second time and ordered that the same be committed to committee of the whole House on to-morrow.

Ordered that the second reading of bill to regulate the mode of taking codfish in traps, codseines, codnets and bultows be deferred.

On motion of Mr. MURRAY, seconded by Mr. MURPHY, the House resolved itself into committee of the whole on certain resolutions to provide for the more effective registration of births, marriages and deaths within this colony.

Mr. SPEAKER left the chair.

Mr. WEBBER took the chair of the committee.

Mr. SPEAKER resumed the chair.

The Chairman from the said committee reported that they had considered the matter to them referred, and had passed the resolutions with an amendment, and he handed in the same at the Clerk's table.

On motion that the said report be received, it was moved in amendment by Mr. MORINE, and seconded by Mr. MORISON, that the said resolutions be amended by erasing therefrom from the words "whereas it is highly desirable" to the words "cents shall be charged," and that the subject of said report be referred to a select committee of this House, and that the ninth resolution do stand as the report.

And the amendment being put, the House divided thereon, when there appeared for the amendment, 3; against it, 14.

For the Amendment.

Mr. Morine,
" Morison,
" Munn.

Against the Amendment.

Hon. the Premier,
" Colonial Secretary,
" Receiver General,
" Surveyor General,
The Chairman Board of Works.
Mr. Thompson,
" Geran, Mr. F. Morris,
" Webber, Dr. Tait,
" Peyton, Mr. Fearn,
" Whiteley, Mr. Murray.

So it passed in the negative, and, the motion that the report of the committee be received being put, it passed in the affirmative on a like division, and was ordered accordingly.

Pursuant to the said ninth resolution, it was ordered that a select committee be appointed for the purpose of preparing a bill according to the principles contained in the resolution as reported from the said committee of the whole on the more effective registration of births, marriages and deaths within the colony, and that the following gentlemen do form the select committee:—Mr. Murray, Hon. Premier, Mr. Murphy, Mr. Morison, Dr. Tait, Hon. Colonial Secretary and Mr. Munn.

Ordered that motion for committee of the whole to consider the report of the Fisheries' Commission be deferred.

Mr. FEARN gave notice that on to-morrow he would ask the Hon. Receiver General to lay upon the table of this House a detailed statement of all the fines, confiscations, &c., made during 1888 and 1889 for breach of the Customs' laws, together with the names of the officers by whom the seizures were actually made, and how the amounts realized were disposed of, and to whom; also that he would on this day week ask leave to introduce a bill, entitled "An Act for the regulation of appointments to the civil service."

Mr. MORINE gave notice that he would on to-morrow ask the Premier (1) if the announcement concerning the manner of carrying out the Bait Act, made by the Hon. A. W. Harvey in the Legislative Council and by him in this House, was authorized by or the result of a decision by the Governor in Council; and (2) if the members of the Executive Council have been sworn to secrecy.

Mr. MORINE also gave notice that on to-morrow he would draw the attention of the Premier to a letter published in the *Telegram* newspaper of the 7th instant, over the signatures of several citizens of Placentia, and will ask him if it be true or not, as therein stated, that "H. C. Burchell, Government engineer, has deliberately stated "to the Railway Commissioners that two young men, surveyors, "named Powell and Joyce, were hounded out of Placentia by the "people on account of their religion." If so, to what Commissioners and upon what occasion such statement was made, and by whom and upon what occasion such statement was made public; and also if the Government intend to make any enquiry or take any action concerning said report.

Mr. MORISON gave notice that on to-morrow he would ask the Hon. the Premier if it is the intention of the Government to introduce a bill during the present session for the application of the principle of local self-government to the expenditure of road moneys; and if so, whether the said bill will include the expenditure for poor relief;

Also, that he would on to-morrow ask the Hon. Financial Secretary to lay on the table a detailed statement of the amount expended by the present Board of Health from the time of their appointment to this date;

Also, that he would on to-morrow ask the Hon. the Colonial Secretary to lay on the table an itemized statement of all amounts paid for poor relief in the district of Bonavista from the 15th day of December to this date;

Also, that he would on to-morrow ask the Hon. the Premier to lay on the table of this House a copy of the commission issued to T. R. Bennett, Esq., J.P., to enquire into the operation of the Bait Act; also a copy of the instructions given to said T. R. Bennett.

The Hon. the PREMIER asked leave to present a petition from David Blain and others of Toronto, Canada, praying that a bill be enacted by this House conferring on them, as an incorporated Company, certain powers as to construction of a railway on Labrador.

Ordered that such petition be received and laid on the table.

The Hon. the PREMIER gave notice that on to-morrow he would move the appointment of a select committee in the matter of the said petition, to whom the same be referred to prepare a bill, as therein asked.

Ordered that this House, on rising, do adjourn until to-morrow at four of the clock in the afternoon.

Then the House adjourned till to-morrow, at four of the clock in the afternoon.

WEDNESDAY, April 9, 1890.

Mr. ROLLS presented the following petitions:—

From Timothy Collins and others of Seldom-come-by, on the subject of roads;

From James Fitzgerald, J. P., and others of Fogo, on the subject of a public well;

From William Cull and others of Barred Islands, on the subject of roads;

From the Rev. Alfred Skinner and others of Western Arm, Rocky Bay, on the subject of roads;

From John Day and others of same place, on the same subject;

From George Cuff and others of same place, on the same subject;

From Michael Greene and others of Tilton Harbor, on the subject of a bridge;

From Charles White and others of Voggin Cove, on the subject of roads;

From Thomas M. Anthony and others of Barred Islands, on the subject of a bridge or roadway;

From John Rowe and others of Seldom-come-by, on the subject of a well;

From John West and others of Western Arm, Rocky Bay, on the subject of a bridge;

From Lawrence Hurley and others of Tilton Harbor, on the subject of roads.

Mr. THOMPSON presented the following petitions:—

From Matthias Glaveen and others of Fortune Harbor, on the subject of a public wharf;

From Helen Scott and others of Twillingate, on the subject of the Twillingate Dorcas Society.

The FINANCIAL SECRETARY presented a petition from the Star Lobster Packing Company and others of Fox Cove, Fortune Bay, on the subject of a breakwater.

Mr. MORISON presented a petition from Geo. Arnold and others of Glover Town, on the subject of roads.

Mr. WHITELEY presented a petition from J. H. Evans and others of Bay Roberts and Spaniard's Bay, on the subject of a ferry boat.

Ordered that the said petitions do lie on the table.

Mr. MORINE gave notice that he would on to-morrow ask the Hon. the Premier when His Excellency the Governor will express his assent to the Act repealing the Act prohibiting the use of codtraps.

The FINANCIAL SECRETARY laid on the table of the House Consolidated Statement of Expenditure for the year ending December 31st, 1889;

Also, Detailed Statement of Expenditure for 1889;

Also, Consolidated Statement of Local Roads for 1889.

The CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD OF WORKS laid on the table of the House the following documents:—

Report of Drs. Shea and Harvey, as to Hospital, for the year 1889;

Report of Superintendent of Poor Asylum;

Report of Mr. Nevill, on Light-houses and Public Buildings, '89;

Detailed statement of expenditure on public works, 1889;

Detailed statement of expenditure on light-houses, 1889;

Detailed statement of expenditure on public institutions, 1889;

Detailed and consolidated statement of expenditure on Saint John's and main roads, 1889.

On motion of the Hon. RECEIVER GENERAL, ordered that the committee of the whole House on ways and means stand over until Friday next, and that it then stand first on the order of the day.

Pursuant to notice, and on motion of Mr. WHITELEY, the House resolved itself into committee of the whole to consider the report of the Fisheries' Commission.

Mr. SPEAKER left the chair.

Mr. CLIFT took the chair of the committee.

Mr. SPEAKER resumed the chair.

The Chairman from the said committee reported that they had made some progress in the matter to them referred, and had instructed him to ask leave to sit again to-morrow.

Ordered that the said report be received.

Ordered that the said committee have leave to sit again on to-morrow.

Pursuant to notice, the Hon. ATTORNEY GENERAL moved the appointment of a select committee on the petition of David Blain and others, praying for a bill to incorporate himself and others as a Company, with certain rights as to construction of railways on Labrador.

Ordered that the following gentlemen form the said committee:—Hon. the Premier, Hon. E. P. Morris, Mr. Burgess, Mr. Fearn, Mr. Greenc, Mr. Murray, and Mr. Morison.

Mr. WHITELEY gave notice that on to-morrow he would move the House into committee of the whole upon the rules and regulations made and prescribed by the Fisheries' Commission under "An Act to provide for the formation of a Fisheries' Commission, and for other purposes," and laid upon the table by virtue of section 18 of the said Act.

The Hon. COLONIAL SECRETARY, by command of His Excellency, laid upon the table of the House the following documents:—

1. Returns relative to Newfoundland Constabulary;
2. Statement of the Townships' Timber and Land Company for the year ending December 31st, 1889;
3. Detailed accounts of St. John's Municipal Council.

Mr. MORISON gave notice that on to-morrow he would ask leave to introduce a bill to amend the law relating to the Post Office.

Mr. MORINE gave notice that on to-morrow he would ask the Colonial Secretary to lay upon the table of the House (1) a copy of all correspondence between the Government and Judge Conroy relative to the dismissal of the late Board of Health for St. John's; (2) a copy of all correspondence between the Government, the railway commissioners and any other person, in reference to the dismissal of W. H. Siteman from the position of station-master at Placentia.

Mr. MORINE also gave notice that on to-morrow he would ask the Receiver General to lay upon the table of the House a copy of the contract or arrangement under which uniforms for Customs' officers are being made.

Mr. MORINE also gave notice that he would on to-morrow move an address to His Excellency, requesting that a copy of the minute of Council appointing Dr. Hubert to be Medical Health Officer of St. John's, be transmitted to this House.

Ordered that the following be deferred:—

Committee of the whole on bill respecting Commissioners of the Poor and payments in relief of paupers;

Committee of the whole on bill for the protection of woods against fires;

Committee of the whole on bill to amend the Crown Lands' Act;

Second reading of Medicine and Surgery Bill;

Second reading of bill to regulate the mode of taking codfish in traps, codseines, codnets and bultows.

And it being ten minutes after twelve of the clock in the forenoon of Thursday, the tenth day of April, it was ordered that this House, on its rising, do adjourn until this day at four of the clock in the afternoon.

Then the House adjourned until four of the clock in the afternoon of this tenth day of April, instant.

THURSDAY, April 10, 1890.

The following petitions were presented :

By Mr. CLIFT, from William Norman and others of Cupids, on the subject of roads;

From Moses Bartlett and others of the district of Port-de-Grave, on the subject of the Labrador fishery.

By Mr. FEARN, from Rev. C. W. Hollands and others of Bonne Bay, on the subject of a bridge;

From the same, on the subject of a house of shelter;

From James Butt and others of Trout River, on the subject of a bridge;

From J. A. Squires and others of Norris Point, Bonne Bay, on the subject of schools.

By Mr. MURRAY, from John Penney & Sons and others of Ramea, on the subject of a light-house;

From George Q. Hunt and others of Burgeo and LaPoile, on the subject of a public wharf;

From George J. Cotter and others of same place, on the subject of the mail service;

From H. B. Allen and others of same place, on the same subject;

From Renouf, Clement & Co., and others of same place, on the same subject;

From P. T. Filleul and others of the West Coast, on the subject of steam communication with Canada;

From Job Ridout and others of the same place, on the same subject;

From Renouf, Clement & Co., of same place, on the same subject;

From Ernest Rennie and others of same place, on same subject.

By Mr. THOMPSON, from Charles Mayne and others of Twillingate, on the subject of roads.

By Mr. MUNN, from Josiah Gosse and others, of Spaniard's Bay, on the subject of codtraps.

By Mr. MORINE, from Samuel Mifflin and others of Bonavista, on the subject of a hauling place.

By Mr. MORISON, from Malachi Yetman and others of Norton's Cove, on the subject of roads.

By Mr. DUFF, from Lawrence Mackey and others of Carbonear, on subject of relief.

By Mr. HALLAREN, from Daniel Murrant and others of Pouch Cove, on the subject of roads.

By the FINANCIAL SECRETARY, from John J. Burke and others of the West Coast, on the subject of steam communication with Canada;

From the Rev. G. H. Field and others of the West Coast, on the same subject;

From Edwin G. Collis and others, of Harbor Mille, on the subject of roads.

By the Hon. RECEIVER GENERAL, from James Costello and others of Holyrood, St. Mary's, on the subject of codtraps.

By the Hon. the PREMIER, from David Reid and others of Russel Cove, on the same subject;

From George Austin and others of same place, on the subject of roads.

Ordered that the said several petitions lie upon the table.

Mr. CLIFT gave notice that on to-morrow he would move an address to His Excellency the Governor on the subject-matter of the petition of Moses Bartlett and others, presented to-day.

Hon. the PREMIER, by command of His Excellency the Governor, laid on the table of the House report as to the St. John's Penitentiary, for 1889.

The Hon. COLONIAL SECRETARY, by command of His Excellency the Governor, laid on the table of the House the following documents :

Annual report of the St. John's Nail Manufacturing Company, for 1889;

Report of the Examiner-in-Chief of Masters and Mates;

Report of Board of Agriculture;

General statement of affairs of Union Bank, for 1889.

General statement of affairs of Commercial Bank, for 1889.

Statement of Newfoundland Savings' Bank, for 1889.

Mr. CARTY gave notice that on to-morrow he would ask the Hon. Colonial Secretary to lay upon the table of the House a copy of correspondence between R. T. Squarey and the Government of this colony, and between Governor Blake and the Imperial Government, in reference to the southern boundary of that part of the coast on which the French have certain Treaty rights.

Mr. MORINE gave notice that on to-morrow he would ask the Hon. the Premier to lay upon the table of the House a statement of the

names of all persons employed in connection with the Hall's Bay railway on March 31st, ultimo, shewing the positions they occupied, and the rate of wages they received.

Pursuant to the order of the day, the House resolved itself into committee of the whole on bill respecting Commissioners of the Poor and payments in relief of paupers.

Mr. SPEAKER left the chair.

Mr. WHITELEY took the chair of the committee.

Mr. SPEAKER resumed the chair.

The chairman from the said committee reported that they had considered the matter to them referred, had made some progress and had instructed him to ask leave to sit again.

Ordered that the said report be received.

Ordered that the said committee have leave to sit again to-morrow.

Ordered that this House, on rising, adjourn until to-morrow at four of the clock in the afternoon.

Then the House adjourned till to-morrow at four of the clock in the afternoon.

FRIDAY, April 11, 1890.

The following petitions were presented:—

By Captain BLANDFORD, from Daniel A. Ryan and others of King's Cove, on the subject of a lighthouse on the western head of King's Cove.

By Mr. DUFF, from John Rorke and others of Carbonear, on the subject of roads.

From Rev. Theodore Clift and others of Carbonear, on the same subject.

By Dr. DEARIN, from George Hudson and others of Pouch Cove, on the same subject.

From William Dodd and others of Torbay, on the same subject.

From James Grace and others of Torbay, on the same subject.

From Richard Skiffington and others of Quidi Vidi, on the same subject.

From William Goss and others of Torbay, on the same subject.

By Mr. GREENE, from Rev. N. Roche and others of Bay Bulls, on the same subject.

Ordered that said several petitions lie upon the table.

Pursuant to the order of the day, the House resolved itself into committee of the whole on ways and means.

Mr. SPEAKER left the chair.

Mr. WHITELEY took the chair of the committee.

Mr. SPEAKER resumed the chair.

The Chairman from the said committee reported that they had considered the matter to them referred, had made some progress, and had instructed him to ask leave to sit again on Tuesday next, and that same do then stand first on order of the day.

Ordered that said report be received, and that said committee have leave to sit again on Tuesday next, and that same stand first on order of the day.

Ordered that the following be deferred:—

Committee of the whole on bill respecting Commissioners of the Poor and payments in relief of paupers.

Committee of the whole on bill for the protection of woods against fires.

Second reading of Medicine and Surgery bill.

Second reading of bill to regulate the mode of taking codfish in traps, codseines, codnets and bultows.

Moved by Hon. SURVEYOR GENERAL, seconded by Hon. Mr. MORRIS, that in lieu of committee of the whole on bill to amend the Crown Lands' Acts, the matter of the said bill be referred to a select committee of this House.

Ordered that the matter of the said bill be referred to a select committee of this House.

Ordered that the following gentlemen do form said select committee:—Hon. the Premier, Hon. the Surveyor General, Hon. Receiver General, Mr. Burgess, Mr. Murray, Mr. Munn and Mr. Fearn.

On motion of Mr. WHITELEY, ordered that committee of the whole to consider report of the Fisheries' Commission be discharged from the order of the day.

Mr. MORISON gave notice (in lieu of his motion for a bill to amend the law relating to the Post Office) that on to-morrow he would move

the House into committee of the whole to consider certain resolutions touching the amendment of the law relating to the Post Office.

Ordered that motion of Mr. Morine for an address to His Excellency the Governor, requesting that a copy of the minute of Council appointing Dr. Hubert to be Health officer for St. John's be transmitted to this House, be deferred.

Mr. MURPHY presented the following petitions:—

From John Moulton and others of Pouch Cove, Flat Rock and Torbay, on the subject of a butterine factory;

Also, from Thomas W. Cragg and others of St. John's, on the subject of duties on bookbinding material;

Also, from John Gallishaw and others of St. John's, on the subject of pilotage rates.

Ordered that said petitions lie on the table.

The FINANCIAL SECRETARY gave notice that on to-morrow he will ask the Hon. Colonial Secretary why the lighthouse provided by the resolution of this House, dated May 11, 1887, to be erected at St. Jacques, has not been built, and if it is the intention of the Government to have said lighthouse constructed at an early date.

Mr. GERAN gave notice that on to-morrow he will ask the Chairman of the Board of Works to lay on the table of the House a statement shewing the number and names of the servants employed in the Lunatic Asylum during the years 1888 and 1889; also the amount of wages paid to each servant.

Mr. MURPHY gave notice that he would on to-morrow ask leave to introduce a bill to amend an Act passed in the 52nd year of Her Majesty's Reign, and numbered chapter 18 thereof.

Ordered that this House, on rising, adjourn till Monday next, at four of the clock in the afternoon.

Then the House adjourned until Monday next, the 14th instant, at four of the clock in the afternoon.

MONDAY, April 14, 1890.

The following petitions were presented :—

By Mr. WEBBER, from R. S. Bremner and others of Trinity, on the subject of the *modus vivendi* relating to lobster catching.

By Mr. MUNN, from William Dunn, on the subject of compensation for loss through quarantine;

Also, from John Callahan and others of Riverhead Harbor Grace, on the subject of roads.

By Mr. MURPHY, from David Whelan and others of Pouch Cove, on the same subject;

Also, from Francis Sullivan and others of the same place, on the same subject;

Also, from Thomas Woodfine and others of Torbay, on the same subject;

Also, from Abraham Mundy and others of Pouch Cove, on the same subject;

Also, from John White and others of Portugal Cove, on the same subject;

Also, from P. Drohan and others of Torbay, on the same subject;

Also, from M. Constantine and others of Pouch Cove, on the same subject;

Also, from Clement Hudson and others of same place, on the same subject;

Also, from William Sullivan and others of same place, on the same subject;

Also, from James Gould and others of same place, on the same subject.

By Mr. FEARN, from Rev'd. C. W. Hollands and others of Bonne Bay, on the subject of a light-house on Lobster Cove Head;

Also, from George Ollerhead and others of St. Anthony, on the subject of roads.

By Mr. MORINE, from Alexander Shirran and others of Bonavista, on the subject of a well.

By Mr. WOODFORD, from James Wade and others of Conception Harbor, on the subject of roads.

By Mr. WHITE, from Ebenezer Froude and others of Old Perlican, on the same subject;

From Thomas Moores and others of Bay-de-Verd, on the same subject;

From Reuben Sillars and others of Western Bay, on the same subject;

From Samuel Moores and others of Freshwater, on the same subject.

By CAPT. BLANDFORD, from Abraham Kean and others of Norton's Cove, on the subject of the calling of the mail steamer at Pool's Island or Wesleyville;

Also, from George Green and others of Inner Islands, on the subject of widening a channel;

Also, from Moses Davis and others, of same place, on the subject of bridges.

Ordered that the said petitions lie on the table.

Mr. CARTY gave notice that on to-morrow he would ask the Hon. the Premier (1) if Her Majesty's subjects in the districts of St. George and St. Barbe have been notified, by the Government of this colony, of the arrangement lately entered into between the Governments of Great Britain and France, which prevents the people of those districts, who have lobster factories erected since 1st July last, from carrying on the prosecution of the lobster fishery; (2) if the Government of this Colony has given directions forbidding the erection of lobster factories in said districts, or authorized any person to give said directions; (3) if the inhabitants of the said districts who had arranged to carry on the lobster fishery during the coming season, and who had fishermen and servants employed, will receive compensation for all losses and damages which they may have sustained, or may sustain, by reason of the enforcing of the *modus vivendi*.

Mr. MORINE gave notice that he would on to-morrow ask the Premier (1) if the joint select committee of the Legislative Council and Legislative Assembly to prepare an address to Her Majesty concerning the *modus vivendi*, has ever met; (2) if not, when the committee will meet, and at about what time this House will be called upon to deal with the matter; also why the correspondence concerning this matter, so long promised this House, has not yet been submitted.

Mr. MORINE gave notice that he would on to-morrow ask the Premier to lay upon the table of the House a copy of all correspondence between the Secretary of State for the Colonies and the Governor of this colony since the fifteenth day of March last past.

Mr. MORINE gave notice that he would on to-morrow ask the Premier (1) whether the British Government has invited the Government of this colony to send delegates to London to consult upon matters affecting this colony; (2) whether such invitation has been accepted; (3) who are to be delegates; and (4) when they will leave this colony upon their mission.

Mr. FEARN gave notice that on to-morrow he would move this House into committee of the whole to consider certain resolutions in reference to the civil service.

Mr. FEARN gave notice that on to-morrow he would move that it be an instruction to the Fisheries' Commission to take into their earnest and favorable consideration the advisability of appointing two or more suitable young men to act as students under Mr. Adolph Neilsen, with the object of becoming fully qualified as pisciculturists and fish-curers.

Pursuant to order of the day, the House resolved itself into committee of the whole upon the rules and regulations made and prescribed by the Fisheries' Commission under "An Act to provide for the formation of a Fisheries' Commission, and for other purposes," and laid upon the table by virtue of section 18 of said Act.

Mr. SPEAKER left the chair.

Mr. MORRIS took the chair of the committee.

Mr. SPEAKER resumed the chair.

The Chairman from the said committee reported that the said committee had considered the matter to them referred and had passed a certain resolution in reference thereto, and he handed in the same at the Clerk's table, where it was read as follows:—

Resolved,—That the rules and regulations of the Fisheries' Commission be submitted to a select committee of this House to report thereon as soon as possible, and with power to take evidence and send for any witnesses and papers in relation thereto. That the report of the select committee as to the rules and regulations for the lobster fishery be made this week."

Ordered that the said report be received and the said resolution adopted.

Ordered that the following gentlemen do form the select committee:—Mr. Whiteley, Hon. the Premier, Captain Blandford, Mr. Dawe, Mr. Munn, Mr. Rolls, Mr. Murray, Mr. Duff, Mr. Fearn and Hon. the Speaker.

Mr. FEARN requested to be excused from serving on said committee.

Ordered that Mr. Fearn be excused accordingly, and that Mr. Burgess be substituted for him.

Ordered that the following be deferred, namely:—

Committee of the whole on bill respecting Commissioners of the Poor and payment in relief of paupers.

Committee of the whole on bill for the protection of woods against fires.

Second reading of Medicine and Surgery bill.

Second reading of bill to regulate the mode of taking codfish in traps, codseines, codnets and bultows.

Ordered that the motion of Mr. Morison for committee of the whole to consider certain resolutions touching amendment of the law relating to the Post Office be deferred; also that motion of Mr. Morine for an address to His Excellency, requesting that a copy of minute of Council appointing Dr. Hubert to be Health officer for St. John's be transmitted to this House, be deferred; also that motion of Mr. Murphy for bill to amend the Act, chapter 18, passed in the 52nd year of the reign of Her present Majesty be deferred.

Ordered that this House, on rising, do adjourn until to-morrow, Tuesday, at four of the clock in the afternoon.

Then the House adjourned until to-morrow, at four of the clock in the afternoon.

TUESDAY, April 15, 1890.

On motion of Hon. COLONIAL SECRETARY, ordered that Mr. White be added to the select committee appointed to consider the rules and regulations made and prescribed by the Fisheries' Commission.

The following petitions were presented:—

By Mr. DAWE, from G. W. R. Hierlihy, of Bay Roberts, on the subject of certain compensation to petitioner.

By Mr. THOMPSON, from Samuel Mills and others of Herring Neck, on the subject of roads.

By the Hon. RECEIVER GENERAL, from Rev'd. W. Born and others of Trepassey, on the subject of codtraps;

Also, from Michael Lundrigan and others of Peter's River, on the same subject.

By Mr. HALLAREN, from Walter Clouston, on the subject of duties on oil-clothes manufactures.

Ordered that the said petitions lie on the table.

The Hon. COLONIAL SECRETARY, by command of His Excellency, laid on the table of the House the following documents:—

Report of Methodist public schools, for 1889;

Report of Postmaster-General, for 1889;

Report of Postmaster-General, money order office, 1889;
 Account of Postmaster-General with local government, 1889;
 Postmaster-General's statement of inland and Imperial postage,
 1889;

Postmaster-General's statement of gross revenue in postage and
 postage stamps, 1889;

Report of Postmaster-General of payments to postmasters, way
 officers, &c., 1889.

Statement of payments to contractors and others, for conveyance
 of the mails;

Statement of number of registered letters, 1889

Mr. MORINE gave notice that he would on to-morrow ask the
 Colonial Secretary to lay upon the table of the House (1) a copy of
 the correspondence between the Secretary of State for the Colonies
 and the Governor of this colony, in the year 1889, concerning the re-
 moval of the lobster factory of Messrs. Murphy and Andrews from
 Hauling Point, Notre Dame Bay; also, (2) copy of address of the
 people of St. George's Bay to the Secretary of State, in 1888; of the
 reply thereto, and of the despatch to the Governor conveying the
 same.

Pursuant to order of the day, the House resolved itself into
 committee of the whole on ways and means.

Mr. SPEAKER left the chair.

Mr. WHITELEY took the chair of the committee.

Mr. SPEAKER resumed the chair.

The Chairman from the said committee of the whole reported
 that they had considered the matter to them referred, and had passed
 certain resolutions, and he handed the same in at the Clerk's table,
 where they were read as follows:—

Resolved,—That it is the opinion of this committee that the table
 of duties upon goods, wares and merchandize imported into New-
 foundland and its dependencies, as prescribed in an Act of the
 General Assembly passed in the 50th year of the reign of Her
 present Majesty, chapter 2, entitled "An Act for granting to Her
 Majesty certain duties on goods, wares and merchandize, imported
 into this colony and dependencies," which Act was continued by an
 Act passed in the 51st year of the reign of Her present Majesty,
 chapter 1, and further continued, as amended, by an Act passed in
 the 52nd year of the reign of Her present Majesty, chapter 2, be
 adopted, except as mentioned in the following resolutions:—

Resolved,—That the duties set forth and opposite the articles hereinafter mentioned shall be raised, levied and collected, and paid in lieu of the duties upon the said articles imposed by the said Act, chapter 2, passed in the 50th year of the reign of Her present Majesty, and the said Acts in continuation, and in continuation and amendment thereof, respectively, viz.:—on

Ale, porter, cider, and perry, the gallon.....	\$0 30
Animals, namely: calves, pigs, and sheep, each.....	0 60
Horses, mares, &c., each.....	6 00
Oxen, cows, and bulls, <i>ad valorem</i>	20 pr ct.
Apples, the barrel.....	0 50
Brooms and whisks (manufactured partially or wholly of corn), <i>ad valorem</i>	35 pr ct.
Butter, oleomargarine, and other compounds representing butter, the cwt.....	3 00
Cans imported in a manufactured state for hermetically sealed goods, including the cases in which they are contained, <i>ad valorem</i>	40 pr ct.
Cheese, the cwt.....	3 00
Cigars, ten per cent. <i>ad valorem</i> , and the M.....	6 00
Cigarettes, twenty per cent. <i>ad valorem</i> , and the M.....	1 20
Confectionery, not including confectioners' ornaments, the cwt.....	6 50
Jams and preserves, twenty per cent. <i>ad valorem</i> , and the lb.....	0 05

SPIRITS, viz.:—

Brandy and other spirits not herein defined or enumerated and not exceeding the strength of proof by Sykes' hydrometer, and so in proportion for any greater strength than the strength of proof, the gallon.....	3 00
All other spirits of greater strength than 43 per cent. over-proof shall be deemed to be undefined spirits, and be subject to duty accordingly, the gallon.....	3 00
Rum,—not exceeding the strength of proof by Sykes' hydrometer, and so in proportion for any greater strength than the strength of proof, the gallon.....	1 85
Gin,—not exceeding the strength of proof by Sykes' hydrometer, and so in proportion for any greater strength than the strength of proof, the gallon.....	2 10
Whisky,—not exceeding the strength of proof by Sykes' hydrometer, and so in proportion for any greater strength than the strength of proof, the gallon.....	2 40
Cordials, shrub, and other spirits, being sweetened or mixed so that the degree of strength cannot be ascertained, the gallon.....	2 00

WINES, viz.:—

Champagne, the gallon.....	4 00
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Claret, the gallon.....	\$0 50
Hock, Burgundy and light Rhenish wines, the gallon.....	1 00
Port and Madeira, the gallon.....	1 65
All other wines, (except Malaga and Montilla, Sherry and Manzanilla, Spanish red, Denia, Sicilian, Figueira, red Lisbon, Cape, and Lisbon common,) 15 per cent. <i>ad valorem</i> , and the gallon.....	1 10
Fresh meat, poultry, the lb.....	0 01½
Live poultry, <i>ad valorem</i>	10 pr ct.
Dories, dory oars, hay, straw, leather, nails (cut), <i>ad val.</i> ..	20 pr ct.
Olein oil, <i>ad valorem</i>	20 pr ct.
Blocks, cabinet wares, candles, carriages, waggons, sleighs and harness, casks in which dry goods are imported, when fit to hold liquid; manufactures of wood (except musical instruments), staves, manufactured and dressed, <i>ad valorem</i>	30 pr ct.
Stockings, shirts and drawers, made by hand; ready-made clothing, viz.: coats, jackets, trousers, waistcoats, south-westerns, oil clothes, mantles, dresses, cloaks and sacques, <i>ad valorem</i>	30 pr ct.
Goods, wares and merchandize not otherwise enumerated, described or charged with duty, and not otherwise exempt, <i>ad valorem</i>	25 pr ct.

LOCAL DISTILLATION.

The following articles distilled or brewed in this Colony:—

Brandy,—not exceeding the strength of proof by Sykes' hydrometer, and so in proportion for any greater strength than the strength of proof, the gallon.....	2 35
Whisky,—not exceeding the strength of proof by Sykes' hydrometer, and so in proportion for any greater strength than the strength of proof, the gallon.....	1 85
Gin,—not exceeding the strength of proof by Sykes' hydrometer, and so in proportion for any greater strength than the strength of proof, the gallon.....	1 75
Rum,—not exceeding the strength of proof by Sykes' hydrometer, and so in proportion for any greater strength than the strength of proof, the gallon.....	1 50
Ale, porter, Bavarian beer, botanic beer, and all other malt and dextrinous liquors, the gallon.....	0 07

Resolved,—That the table of exemptions be amended by adding thereto the words following, namely:—“Patented machinery (for new industries in this colony) which cannot be manufactured in this colony;

Mowing Machines;

All live stock imported by agricultural societies and Boards, for improving the breed of stock in this country;

Artificial limbs;

Stumping Machines.”

Resolved,—That in lieu of a preventive officer at Nipper's Harbor at two hundred and twenty dollars per year and ten per cent. on all duties collected, there be allowed and paid annually to a sub-collector at Tilt Cove and Nipper's Harbor, to defray all expenses of remuneration for collecting the public revenue there, and charges incidental thereto, the sum of \$340 and 2½ per cent. on all duties collected.

That there be allowed and paid annually to a preventive officer at Lawn, to defray all expenses of remuneration for collecting the public revenue there, and charges incidental thereto, the sum of \$120 and 10 per cent. on all duties collected.

Resolved,—That there shall be allowed and paid annually for revenue protection on the south coast a sum not exceeding \$6,000.

Resolved,—That, whenever under the provisions of 50 Vic., cap. 3, sec. 2, a bond shall be taken in security for duties, interest at the rate of six dollars per centum per annum shall be payable on the sum thereby secured and shall be included in the bond.

Resolved,—That all duties and charges payable under these resolutions and under the Revenue Act hereafter to be enacted, and all exemptions thereby provided, shall take effect on and after the 2nd day of April, Anno Domini, one thousand eight hundred and ninety.

Resolved,—That there shall be a drawback allowed on all native berries, and herring, and all other edible fish packed in hermetically sealed cans, (except lobsters) per 96 lbs. exported; if packed in 1-lb. cans, 20 cts. per 96 lbs.; if packed in 2-lb. cans, 15 cts. per 96 lbs; if packed in larger cans, 10 cts. per 96 lbs."

On motion that the said report be adopted, it was moved in amendment by Mr. MORINE, and seconded by Mr. ROLLS, "that the duty on flour be altered from thirty cts. per barrel to five per ct. upon the value; that the duty upon molasses be reduced from seven cts. per gallon to two cts. per gallon; that the duty upon tea be reduced from twenty per ct. *ad valorem*, and six cts. per pound, to twenty per ct. *ad valorem* only, and that salt in bulk, now twenty cts. per ton, be free."

And the amendment being put, the House divided thereon, when there appeared for the amendment, 4; against it, 17.

For the Amendment.

Mr. Morine,
" Morison,
" Rolls,
" Carty.

Against the Amendment.

Hon. Colonial Secretary,
" Receiver General,
" Surveyor General,
The Financial Secretary,
Mr. Murphy, Mr. Clift,
" Thompson, " Hallaren,
" Burgess, " Woodford,
" Geran, " Rothwell,
" Webber, Dr. Tait,
" Duff, Capt. Blandford.
" Dawe,

So it passed in the negative, and on the original motion being put, it was moved in amendment by Mr. MORISON, seconded by Mr. MORINE, "that the duties set opposite the articles hereinafter mentioned shall be raised, levied, collected and paid in lieu of the duties upon the said articles proposed to be imposed by the said resolutions, that is to say; animals, namely:—calves, pigs and sheep, each, thirty cents; horses, mares, &c., *ad valorem*, five per cent.; oxen and bulls, *ad valorem*, ten per cent.; cows, *ad valorem*, five per cent.; butter, oleomargarine, and other compounds representing butter, the cwt., two dollars; leather, *ad valorem*, ten per cent.; musical instruments *ad valorem*, thirty per cent; and, that a drawback at the rate of five per cent. be given upon all material used in the manufacture of oil-clothing in this colony, such drawback to be paid upon the filing with the Receiver General of a sufficient affidavit, setting forth the quantities of the material so used."

And the amendment being put, the House divided thereon, when there appeared for the amendment, 4; against it, 18.

For the Amendment.

Mr. Morison,
" Morine,
" Carty,
" Rolls.

Against the Amendment.

Hon. Colonial Secretary,	
" Receiver General,	
" Surveyor General,	
The Financial Secretary.	
Mr. Murphy,	Mr. Dawe,
" Thompson,	" Clift,
" Burgess,	" Hallaren,
" Geran,	" Woodford,
" Webber,	" Rothwell,
" Duff,	Dr. Tait,
" Whiteley,	Capt. Blandford.

So it passed in the negative, and the original motion being put, the House divided, and the vote was upon the same division as in the amendment proposed by Mr. Morison, namely:—for the motion, eighteen; against the motion, four; and it was ordered that the said report be adopted, and the same was adopted accordingly.

And the House having sat after twelve of the clock,

WEDNESDAY, April 16, 1890.

The Hon. RECEIVER GENERAL, in accordance with the resolutions reported from the committee of the whole on ways and means, and on leave granted, presented a bill for granting to Her Majesty certain duties on goods, wares and merchandize imported into this colony and its dependencies, which was read a first time.

Ordered that the said bill be read a second time after four of the clock in the afternoon of this day.

Hon. the RECEIVER GENERAL gave notice that on Friday next, the 18th instant, he would move that a Supply be granted to Her Majesty.

On motion of Mr. MURPHY, leave being granted, a bill to amend the Act, chapter 18, passed in the 52nd year of the reign of Her present Majesty was read a first time.

Ordered that the same be read a second time on this sixteenth day of April, after four of the clock in the afternoon.

Ordered that this House, on rising, adjourn until four of the clock in the afternoon of this sixteenth day of April.

Then the House adjourned till this sixteenth day of April at the hour of four of the clock in the afternoon.

WEDNESDAY, April 16, 1890.

(Continued.)

The House having met at four of the clock, p.m., pursuant to adjournment,

The Hon. RECEIVER GENERAL, by command of His Excellency, laid on the table of the House the following documents :—

Return of licenses issued under the the *modus vivendi*, for 1889;

Return shewing number of vessels fitted out in Newfoundland, in the year 1889, for the bank fishery.

Mr. CARTY presented the following petitions :—

From John Petipas and others of Bay of Islands, on the subject of the barring of herring.

Ordered that the said petition do lie on the table.

On motion of Mr. CARTY, ordered that the said petition be referred to the Fisheries' Commission.

The following petitions were also presented :—

By Mr. WEBBER, from Matthias Martin and others of Random, (South,) on the subject of a commissioner.

By Mr. BURGESS, from C. O'B. Reddin and others of Little Bay, on the subject of roads.

By Mr. DUFF, from Thomas Cullen and others of Carbonear West, on the subject of a public wharf;

Also, from John George and others of Crocker's Cove, on the subject of roads;

Also, from John Westcott and others of Victoria Village, on the same subject;

Also, from John Rorke and others of Irish Town, on the same subject.

By Capt. BLANDFORD, from Rev'd. A. E. Bayley and others of Bonavista, on the same subject;

From George Andrews and others of Wesleyville, on the subject of bridges;

From John Carroll and others of Knight's Cove, on the subject of roads;

From Kenneth Burden and others of Salvage, on the subject of a ferry.

By Mr. SHEA, from William Kelly and others of Witless Bay, on the subject of roads;

From Peter Power and others of Bay Bulls, on the same subject.

By Mr. MUNN, from Thomas Kitchen and others of Harbor Grace, on the same subject.

By Mr. DAWE, from Elisha Barrett and others of Spaniard's Bay, for a plough.

By Mr. WHITELEY, from Jeffrey Ryan and others of Spaniard's Bay, on the same subject.

From John Shute and others of Harbor Grace, on the subject of roads.

By Mr. CARTY, from C. Fisher and others of Bay of Islands, on the same subject.

By Mr. HALLAREN, from James Wheeler of Torbay road, on the subject of roads;

Also from Edward Baldwin and others of Pouch Cove, on the same subject.

Ordered that said petitions lie upon the table.

The Hon. COLONIAL SECRETARY, by command of His Excellency, laid on the table of the House a letter dated April 3rd, 1890, addressed to him by the Chairman of the Municipal Council of St. John's.

On motion of Mr. MORISON, his notice of motion for committee of the whole to consider certain resolutions touching amendment of the law relating to the Post office was discharged, the consent of the Crown to such committee not having been obtained.

Ordered that the following be deferred, namely:—

Motion of Mr. Morine for an address to His Excellency respecting copy of minute of Council appointing Dr. Hubert to be Health officer for St. John's;

Motion of Mr. Fearn for committee of the whole to consider certain resolutions in reference to the civil service;

Committee of the whole on bill respecting Commissioners of the Poor and payments in relief of paupers;

Second reading of bill to regulate the mode of taking codfish in traps, codseines, codnets and bultows.

Pursuant to order of the day, the House resolved itself into committee of the whole on bill for the protection of woods against fires.

Mr. SPEAKER left the chair.

Mr. GERAN took the chair of the committee.

Mr. SPEAKER resumed the chair.

The Chairman from the said committee reported that they had considered the matter to them referred, and had passed the bill with some amendments, and he handed in the same at the Clerk's table.

Ordered that the said report be received and adopted.

Ordered that the said bill, as amended, be engrossed and read a third time on to-morrow.

Ordered that the second reading of bill to amend title 26, chap. 100, of the Consolidated Statutes, entitled "Of Pilots and Pilotage for the port of St. John's," be deferred until to-morrow.

On motion of the Hon. RECEIVER GENERAL the bill for granting to Her Majesty certain duties on goods, wares and merchandize, imported into this colony and its dependencies, was read a second time.

Ordered that the same be committed to committee of the whole House on to-morrow.

Mr. FEARN gave notice that on the day after this House has passed Supply he would move the House into committee of the whole to consider an address to His Excellency the Governor on the subject of the advisability of appointing suitable persons as students under Mr. Adolph Neilsen.

Mr. MURRAY, chairman of the select committee appointed to consider and report upon the rules and regulations recommended by the

Fisheries' Commission, presented the report of the said committee referring to that part of the said rules and regulations which relates to the lobster canning industry.

Ordered that the said report be received.

Mr. WHITELEY gave notice that on to-morrow he would move the House into committee of the whole for the consideration of the report of the select committee on that part of the rules and regulations suggested by the Fisheries' Commission which relates to the lobster canning industry; and he moved that the same stand first on the order of the day. Ordered accordingly.

Mr. DAWE gave notice that on to-morrow he would move that a select committee be appointed to consider the petition of G. W. R. Hierlihy.

Ordered that this House, on rising, adjourn till four of the clock on to-morrow.

Then the House adjourned till four of the clock in the afternoon of to-morrow.

THURSDAY, April 17, 1890.

The following petitions were presented :—

By Mr. THOMPSON, from John Roberts and others of Rabbitt's Arm, on the subject of roads.

By Hon. the SURVEYOR GENERAL, from Richard Colford and others of Redland's Bay, on the subject of bridges;

Also, from John Pratt and others of Black Head, on the subject of a wharf;

Also, from Rev. W. Kendall and others of Lower Island Cove, on the subject of a landing-place.

By Mr. WEBBER, from Jacob Wooldridge and others of south side Trinity, on the subject of a wharf.

By Mr. BURGESS, from B. T. Boyles and others of Little Bay, on the same subject.

By Mr. HALLAREN, from John Bolger and others of Torbay, on the subject of roads;

Also, from Thomas Larkin and others of same place, on the same subject;

Also, from Philip Yeo and others of same place, on the same subject.

By Mr. WOODFORD, from Maurice Wade and others of Conception Harbor, on the same subject.

By the FINANCIAL SECRETARY, from B. Burfitt and others of Bay-du-Nord, on the subject of mail communication.

Ordered that said petitions lie on the table.

Pursuant to the order of the day, the bill for protection of woods against fires was read a third time.

Ordered that the said bill do pass and be entitled "An Act for the protection of woods against fires."

Ordered that the said bill be sent to the Legislative Council, with an address requesting its concurrence therein.

On motion of Mr. WHITELEY, pursuant to notice, the House resolved itself into committee of the whole to consider the report of select committee on that part of the rules and regulations recommended by the Fisheries' Commission which relates to the lobster canning industry.

Mr. SPEAKER left the chair.

Mr. HALLAREN took the chair of the committee.

Mr. SPEAKER resumed the chair.

The Chairman from the said committee reported that they had considered the matter to them referred, had made some progress, and had instructed him to ask leave to sit again.

Ordered that the said report be received and that the said committee have leave to sit again to-morrow.

Pursuant to the order of the day, the House resolved itself into committee of the whole on bill for granting to Her Majesty certain duties on goods, wares and merchandize imported into this colony and its dependencies.

Mr. SPEAKER left the chair.

Mr. WHITELEY took the chair of the committee.

Mr. SPEAKER resumed the chair.

The chairman from the said committee reported that they had considered the said bill and had passed the same without amendment.

Ordered that the said report be received and adopted, and that the said bill, being engrossed, be read a third time to-morrow.

Ordered that committee of the whole on bill respecting Commissioners of the Poor and payments in relief of paupers be deferred.

It was moved by Mr. WHITELEY, and seconded by Mr. MURRAY, that the bill to regulate the mode of taking codfish in traps, codseines, codnets and bultows, be now read a second time.

It was moved in amendment by Mr. MORISON, and seconded by Mr. FEARN, that the said bill be referred to the select committee of this House on the subject of the rules and regulations recommended by the Fisheries' Commission.

And the said amendment being put (and by the consent of the mover and seconder of the second reading of the said bill), the amendment was carried unanimously, and it was ordered accordingly.

Ordered that second reading of bill to amend Act, chapter 18, passed in the 52nd year of the reign of Her present Majesty, be deferred.

Ordered that the motion of Mr. Morine for an address to His Excellency, requesting that a copy of the minute of Council appointing Dr. Hubert to be health officer for St. John's be transmitted to this House, be deferred.

Pursuant to notice and on motion of Mr. FEARN, the House resolved itself into committee of the whole to consider a certain resolution in reference to the civil service.

Mr. SPEAKER left the chair.

Mr. WHITELEY took the chair of the committee.

Mr. SPEAKER resumed the chair.

The Chairman from the said committee reported that they had considered the resolution to them referred, had passed the same without amendment, and he handed in the same at the Clerk's table, where it was read as follows:—

“Whereas it is essential to the efficiency of the public service that only duly qualified persons should be appointed as officials in the various departments of the Government; and

Whereas it is desirable to encourage the youth of this colony to fit themselves educationally and otherwise for the various positions referred to; and

Whereas the attainment of these objects can be best accomplished by the establishment of a system of competitive examination open to all of suitable age; and

Whereas it is desirable to provide a retiring allowance under certain conditions in case of officials becoming unfit to discharge their duties, by accident, age, or infirmity.

Resolved,—That this Committee is of opinion that a select committee be appointed from the Legislative Assembly to take evidence upon the Civil Service and to report the best method to be adopted to secure a well qualified class of officials and to provide retiring allowances in cases hereinbefore mentioned.

Ordered that the report be received and adopted.

Ordered that the following gentlemen do form the select committee referred to in said resolution:—Mr. Fearn, Hon. Colonial Secretary, Hon. Receiver General, Hon. Surveyor General, Hon. Mr. Morris, Mr. Burgess, Mr. Morison and Mr. Murray.

Pursuant to notice, Mr. Dawe moved the appointment of a select committee to consider the petition of G. W. R. Hierlihy.

Ordered that the following be the committee:—Messrs. Dawe, Whiteley, Morison, Shea, and Hon. E. P. Morris.

HON. COLONIAL SECRETARY, by command of His Excellency and in reply to a question, laid on the table of the House copy of a despatch dated April 10, 1888, from Governor Blake to the Secretary of State for the Colonies, and copy of a despatch dated June 29, 1888, from the Secretary of State to Governor Blake.

Mr. MORISON gave notice that on to-morrow he would ask the Hon. Colonial Secretary to lay on the table copies of all despatches which have been laid before the joint committee of both branches of the Legislature appointed to prepare an address to Her Majesty touching the *modus vivendi* entered into relative to the lobster fishery, of which copies have not already been laid on the table of this House.

Ordered that this House, on rising, adjourn until to-morrow, at four of the clock in the afternoon.

Then the House adjourned until to-morrow, at four of the clock in the afternoon.

FRIDAY, April 18, 1890.

Mr. MORISON gave notice that on to-morrow he would ask the Hon. Colonial Secretary to lay on the table of this House a copy of the report of Judge Couroy, concerning an investigation into the working of the Poor Asylum, and of the evidence attached to said report.

Mr. MORINE gave notice that on to-morrow he would ask the Financial Secretary (1) whether the accounts of the Board of Health for St. John's are paid directly by the chairman's cheque upon a fund to the credit of the Board, or by the warrant of the Financial Secretary; (2) in either case, to state the amount paid from 1st January, 1890 to date.

Hon. Mr. MORRIS gave notice that on Thursday next, the 24th instant, he would move the House into committee of the whole to consider the report of the St. John's Municipal Council, and the accounts and estimates of the same; also, the proposal of the said Council to raise its income by direct taxation, which said report, estimates and proposals have been laid on the table of this House.

Hon. the PREMIER gave notice that on to-morrow he would ask leave to introduce a bill, entitled "An Act to provide for the commutation of sentences of prisoners confined in the penitentiary, in cases of industry and good behaviour."

Hon. Mr. MORRIS gave notice that on Thursday next he would ask leave to introduce a bill to provide for local self-government, or the election of local road boards for the various districts of this colony.

Hon. COLONIAL SECRETARY, by command of His Excellency, laid on the table of the House a copy of telegraphic correspondence since March 15th, 1890, relative to *modus vivendi* as to lobster catching; also, report of Commander Robinson, on the subject of ice, currents, and tidal streams on coasts of this colony.

The following petitions were presented and ordered to lie upon the table:—

By Mr. THOMPSON, from Thomas Wheeler and others of Dildo, on the subject of roads;

Also, from G. G. Williams and others of Twillingate, on the subject of traffic by mail steamers on Sunday.

By Mr. MORRIS, from Edward Murray and others of Harbor Main, on the subject of roads.

By Mr. MURRAY, from Richard White of St. John's, on the subject of compensation.

Mr. THOMPSON gave notice that on to-morrow he would move an address to His Excellency the Governor in Council, on the subject of the petition presented from the inhabitants of Twillingate in reference to Sunday traffic by the coastal steamers.

Pursuant to notice, the Hon. RECEIVER GENERAL moved that a Supply be granted to Her Majesty, and that the House do now resolve itself into committee of the whole on Supply.

Ordered accordingly.

Then the House resolved itself into committee of the whole on Supply.

Mr. SPEAKER left the chair.

Mr. WHITELEY took the chair of the committee.

Mr. SPEAKER resumed the chair.

The Chairman from the said committee reported that they had considered the matter to them referred, had made some progress and had instructed him to ask leave to sit again on Tuesday next.

Ordered that said report be received, and that said committee have leave to sit again on Tuesday next, and that same stand first on order of the day.

Pursuant to the order of the day, the bill 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.

Ordered that the said bill do pass and be entitled, "An Act for granting to Her Majesty certain duties on goods, wares and merchandize, imported into this colony and its dependencies."

Ordered that the said bill be sent to the Legislative Council, with an address, requesting their concurrence therein.

The following were ordered to be deferred :—

Committee of the whole to consider report of select committee on that part of the rules and regulations recommended by the Fisheries' Commission, which relates to the lobster canning industry;

Committee of the whole on bill respecting Commissioners of the Poor and payments in relief of paupers;

Second reading of bill to amend 52 Vic., cap. 18;

Notice of Mr. Morine to move an address to His Excellency, requesting that a copy of minute of Council appointing Dr. Hubert to be Health officer for St. John's, be transmitted to this House.

Ordered that this House, on rising, adjourn until Monday next at four of the clock in the afternoon.

Then the House adjourned until Monday next at four of the clock in the afternoon.

MONDAY, April 21, 1890.

The following petitions were presented and ordered to be laid on the table:—

By SURVEYOR GENERAL, from M. Killaway and others of Perry's Cove, on the subject of roads;

Also, from John Hatch and others of Red Head Cove, on the same subject;

Also, from Joseph Halfyard and others of Ochre Pit Cove, on the same subject;

Also, from George Hudson and others of Adams Cove, on the same subject.

By Mr. MORINE, from Rev. A. E. Bayley and others of Bonavista, on the subject of education;

From Rev. W. Kirby and others of King's Cove, on the same subject;

From W. Gabriel and others of Amherst Cove, on the same subject;

From Thomas Moss and others of James' Cove, on the same subject;

From William Turner and others of Happy Adventure, on the same subject;

From Joseph House and others of Gooseberry Island, on the same subject;

From Frederic Shears and others of Open Hall, on the same subject.

By Mr. MURRAY, from Rev. J. Cunningham and others of Burgeo, on the same subject;

From Rev. D. Horner and others of Rose Blanche, on the same subject;

From R. Stickland and others of Burgeo and LaPoile, on the same subject;

From John Cake and others of Little Harbor, on the same subject;

From W. T. Gillet and others of Isle aux Morts, on the same subject;

From John Penney and others of Ramea, on the same subject.

By Mr. FEARN, from Rev. S. J. Andrews and others of White Bay, on the same subject;

From John A. Squires and others of St. Barbe, on the same subject.

By Dr. DEARIN, from William Long and others of Pouch Cove, on the same subject;

From Thomas Rees and others of Belle Isle, on the same subject;

From John Codner and others of Torbay, on the same subject.

By Mr. FEARN, from Rev. John Pye and others of Bonne Bay, on the subject of bridges.

By Mr. WHITE, from P. Hogan and others of Bay-de-Verde, on the subject of roads;

From Simeon Pike and others of Old Perlican, on the same subject;

From Charles Moores and others of Adams Cove, for a well.

By Mr. BURGESS, from F. W. Andrews and others of Pilley's Island, on the subject of roads;

From R. M. Hamilton and others of Fortune Harbor, on the subject of a wharf and ferry.

By Mr. MURPHY, from Eli Langmead and others of Pouch Cove, on the subject of roads;

From Thomas Shine and others of Logy Bay, on the same subject;

From John Roche and others of Middle Cove, on the same subject;

From P. Hickey and others of Outer Cove, on the same subject;

From M. Carew and others of Pouch Cove, on the same subject;

From James Langmead and others of same place, on the same subject.

By the Hon. RECEIVER GENERAL, from H. Fitzpatrick and others of West Coast, on the subject of steam communication with Canada.

By Dr. DEARIN, from John Coady and others of Outer Cove, on the subject of roads;

From Michael Martin and others of Torbay, on the same subject;

From William Kennedy and others of Belle Isle, on the same subject.

The following message was received from the Legislative Council:—

“*Mr. Speaker*,—The Legislative Council acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have passed the bill sent up from the Assembly, entitled “An Act respecting liens of mechanics and

others," with some amendments, to which they request the concurrence of the Legislative Assembly."

The said amendments were then read a first time, and ordered that the same be read a second time to-morrow.

Pursuant to order of the day, the House resolved itself into committee of the whole to consider report of select committee on that part of the rules and regulations recommended by the Fisheries' Commission which relates to the lobster canning industry.

Mr. SPEAKER left the chair.

Mr. GERAN took the chair of the committee.

Mr. SPEAKER resumed the chair.

The Chairman from the said committee reported that they had passed the said rules and regulations relating to the lobster canning industry, with some amendments, and had instructed him to ask leave for them to sit again on to-morrow, to consider the said report on that part of the said rules and regulations which relates to the codfishery.

Ordered that the said report be received and adopted.

Ordered that the said committee have leave to sit again to-morrow to consider the said report on that part of the said rules and regulations which relates to the codfishery.

Ordered that committee of the whole on the bill respecting Commissioners of the Poor and payments in relief of paupers be deferred.

The bill to amend Act 52 Victoria, chapter 18, was then read a second time, and it was ordered that the same be referred to a select committee to consider the same and report thereon to this House.

Ordered that the following gentlemen do form the said committee:—Mr. Murphy, Mr. Hallaren, Captain Blandford, Mr. Shea, Hon. Mr. Morris, Hon. Surveyor General, and Mr. Murray.

On motion of Hon. E. P. MORRIS, the second reading of Medicine and Surgery bill was discharged from the order of the day.

Pursuant to notice, and by leave granted, the Hon. ATTORNEY GENERAL moved the first reading of a bill entitled, "An Act to provide for the commutation of sentences of prisoners in the penitentiary, in cases of industry and good behaviour."

The said bill was then read a first time and ordered that the same be read a second time to-morrow.

The following notices of motion were deferred:—

Of Mr. Morison, to ask the Hon. Colonial Secretary to lay on the table copies of all despatches which have been laid before the joint committee of both branches of the Legislature appointed to prepare an address to Her Majesty touching the *modus vivendi* entered into in relation to lobster fishery, and copies of which have not been already laid on the table of this House;

Of Mr. Morine, for address to His Excellency requesting that a copy of the minute of Council appointing Dr. Hubert to be Health officer for St. John's be transmitted to this House;

Of Mr. Morison, to ask the Hon. Colonial Secretary to lay on the table of the House a copy of the report of Judge Conroy concerning an investigation into the working of the Poor Asylum, and of the evidence attached to that report;

Of Mr. Morine, to ask the Financial Secretary (1) whether the accounts of the Board of Health for St. John's are paid directly by the Chairman's cheque upon a fund to the credit of the Board, or by the warrant of the Financial Secretary; (2) in either case, to state the amount paid from January 1st, 1890, to date.

Mr. THOMPSON, pursuant to notice, and by leave granted, moved an address to His Excellency the Governor in Council on the subject of the petition of the inhabitants of Twillingate, relative to Sunday traffic by the coastal steamers.

Ordered that the said address do pass.

Ordered that the said address be engrossed and be presented to His Excellency by such members of this House as are of the Executive Council.

The said address is as follows:—

*“ To His Excellency Sir J. TERENCE N. O'BRIEN,
Lieut.-Col., 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 Assembly having had under consideration the petition of G. G. Williams and others of Twillingate, praying for the passing of an Act to prevent the owners of the coastal steamers carrying on their work in any harbor on Sundays, between the hours of twelve o'clock on Saturday and six o'clock on Monday morning,

requests that your Excellency will be pleased to take the same into your favourable consideration and make such order thereon as may be deemed reasonable."

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY, }
April 21st, 1890. }

G. H. EMERSON,
Speaker."

Mr. MORISON gave notice that on to-morrow he would move the appointment of a select committee to take into consideration the petition of Richard White for arrears of salary, and to report to this House.

Mr. DUFF gave notice that on to-morrow he would ask the Hon. Attorney General what the costs in the suit between the Railway company and the Government have been up to date, and what is the probability of a speedy termination of the suit.

Mr. MORISON gave notice that on to-morrow he would move an address to His Excellency the Governor respectfully requesting that he will be pleased to lay before this House copies of all despatches and correspondence which have passed between him and the Imperial Government relative to the recent *modus vivendi*, copies of which have not already been laid on the table of this House.

Mr. MORISON gave notice that on to-morrow he would ask the Hon. Colonial Secretary to lay on the table copies of all tenders which have been received by the Government for the construction of a railway to Hall's Bay.

Mr. MORINE gave notice that on Monday, the 28th instant, he will move the appointment of a select committee to enquire into and report upon the effect upon the trade of this colony in foreign markets of French bounties on codfish, and that the same stand first on the order of the day.

Mr. MORINE gave notice that on to-morrow he would ask the Hon. Colonial Secretary to lay upon the table of this House (1) a copy of the opinion of the law officers of the Crown in Great Britain relative to the claims of the French to take lobsters on the coasts of this colony; (2) A copy of the reply of His Excellency the Governor to the despatch of the Secretary of State for the Colonies, dated January 16, 1890, *in re* the Fisheries' Commission Act.

Hon. Mr. MORRIS gave notice that on Friday next he would ask leave to introduce a bill to amend the Judicature Act of 1889.

Ordered that the House, on rising, do adjourn until to-morrow at four of the clock.

Then the House adjourned until to-morrow at four of the clock in the afternoon.

TUESDAY, April 22, 1890.

The following petitions were presented and ordered to be laid on the table:—

By Captain **BLANDFORD**, from Daniel Ryan and others of King's Cove, on the subject of a road near the public wharf.

Also, from the following, on the subject of education, namely:—

Rev. Wm. Kirby and others of King's Cove;

Rev. L. Amor and others of Greenspond;

Daniel Greene and others of Pinchard's Island;

John Prince and others of Seal Cove;

Kenneth Burden and others of Salvage;

Edward Bishop and others of Swain's Island;

Thomas Connor and others of Pool's Island;

Moses Davis and others of Inner Pinchard's Island.

By Mr. **ROTHWELL**, from Rev. Thomas Winsor and others of the West Coast, on the subject of steam communication with Canada;

From James Wilson and others of the same place, on the same subject;

From George A. Buffett and others of the same place, on the same subject;

Also, from W. B. Payne and others of Burin, on the subject of education, and

From George Skiffington and others of Great St. Lawrence, on the same subject.

By Mr. **F. MORRIS**, from James Parmiter and others of Topsail, on the same subject;

From Rev. E. Caldwell and others of The Gullies, on the same subject;

From F. F. Furneaux and others of Kelligrews, on the same subject;

From Matilda P. Carter and others of Long Pond, on the same subject.

By Mr. MORISON, from J. H. Edgar and others of Ship Island and Newell's Island, on the subject of ferries.

By Hon. Mr. MORRIS, from Edgar Bowring and others, on the subject of the game laws.

By Dr. DEARIN, from P. Larkin and others of Torbay, on the subject of roads.

By Mr. DUFF, from Rev. T. W. Clift and others of Carbonear, on the subject of education.

By Mr. WHITELEY, from George Parsons and others of Harbor Grace, on the subject of roads.

By Mr. MURPHY, from H. W. LeMessurier and others of St. John's, on the subject of education;

From F. W. Rendell and others of same place, on the same subject.

By Mr. MORINE, from Rev. G. C. Frazer and others of Bonavista, on the subject of education;

Also, from R. Taylor and others of Tickle Cove, on the subject of roads.

By the FINANCIAL SECRETARY, from the following persons, on the subject of education:—

From James Lorenzen and others of Garnish;

From George Reeves and others of same place;

From E. E. Bulley and others of Pass Island;

From J. B. Stratten and others of English Harbor;

From Thomas Farrell and others of St. Jacques;

From Samuel Vallis and others of Fortune Bay;

From E. G. Collis and others of Harbor Mille;

From Rev. W. A. Haynes and others of Belleoram.

From W. R. Pitcher and others of Fortune Bay;

From Rev. G. H. Field and others of Harbor Britain;

From Thomas Durnford and others of Rencontre;

From Henry Camp and others of Pushthrough;

From A. Miles and others of Fortune Bay;

From Jesse Thornton and others of Bay l'Argent.

By the Hon. the PREMIER, from the Right Reverend the Bishop of Newfoundland and others of St. John's, on the subject of education.

The following messages were received from the Legislative Council:—

“ COUNCIL CHAMBER, 21st April, 1890.

Mr. Speaker,—The Legislative Council acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have passed the bill sent up from the Assembly, 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 codtraps,’ without amendment.

E. D. SHEA,
President.”

“ COUNCIL CHAMBER, 22nd April, 1890.

Mr. Speaker,—The Legislative Council acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have passed the bill sent up from the Assembly, entitled “ An Act to amend chapter III. of the Consolidated Statutes, second series, entitled ‘ The Election Act, 1889,’ ” without amendment.

E. D. SHEA,
President.”

Pursuant to the order of the day, the House resolved itself into committee of the whole on supply.

Mr. SPEAKER left the chair.

Mr. WHITELEY took the chair of the committee.

Mr. SPEAKER resumed the chair.

The Chairman from the said committee reported that they had considered the matter to them referred, had made some progress, and had instructed him to ask leave to sit again on Friday next, and to stand first on the order of the day.

Ordered that the report be received, and that the said committee have leave to sit again on Friday next, and stand first on the order of the day.

Ordered that the following be deferred:—

Committee of the whole to consider report of select committee on rules as to codfishery.

Committee of the whole on bill respecting Commissioners of the Poor.

Second reading of bill to provide commutation of sentences of prisoners.

Second reading of Council's amendments on Mechanics' Lien Bill.

Motion of Mr. Morine for an address to His Excellency, requesting that a copy of minute of Council appointing Dr. Hubert to be health officer for St. John's be transmitted to this House.

Motion of Mr. Murray for appointment of select committee to take into consideration the petition of Richard White for arrears of salary.

Pursuant to notice, Mr. Morison moved an address to His Excellency the Governor, respectfully requesting that he will be pleased to lay before the House copies of all despatches and correspondence which have passed between him and the Imperial Government relative to the recent *modus vivendi*, copies of which have not already been laid on the table of this House.

Ordered that the said address do pass and be presented to His Excellency by such members of this House as are of the Executive Council.

Mr. MORINE gave notice that on to-morrow he would ask the Hon. Colonial Secretary (1) whether an investigation is being held into the management of the Insane Asylum; (2) if so, by whom the investigation is being held; (3) if witnesses are being examined on oath, under the Public Enquiries Act; (4) if the Superintendent of the Asylum is allowed to be present at the investigation, personally, or by counsel, and (5) to lay upon the table of this House a copy of the commission given to the persons holding the investigation.

Mr. MORISON gave notice that on to-morrow he would ask the chairman of the committee on the contingencies of this House if any of the reporters of this House have been suspended; and if so, how many, for what cause, by whom, and for how long.

Ordered that this House, on rising, adjourn till four of the clock on to-morrow.

Then the House adjourned till four of the clock in the afternoon of to-morrow.

WEDNESDAY, April 23, 1890.

The following petitions were presented and ordered to be laid on the table, namely:—

On the subject of education,—

By Mr. THOMPSON, from Rev. R. Temple and others of Twillingate;

From Rev. G. S. Chamberlain and others of Herring Neck;

From Rev. W. Rex and others of Change Islands;
 From Rev. P. G. Snow and others of Exploits;
 From Rev. J. Heyfield and others of Moreton's Harbor;
 From Rev. Jas. Nurse and others of Exploits;
 From N. Chafe and others of Moreton's Harbor;
 From Uriah Martin and others of Leading Ticks;
 From John Foster and others of Shoe Cove.

By Mr. MUNN, from Rev. L. Curtis and others of Harbor Grace;
 From Rev. T. H. James and others of same place.

By Hon. the PREMIER, from Rev. J. Godden and others of Trinity;
 From Rev. A. C. Waghorne and others of New Harbor;
 From Rev. W. S. Romilly and others of Heart's Ease;
 From Rev. W. S. Romilly and others of Smith's Sound;
 From Rev. J. G. Cragg and others of Catalina;
 From Rev. H. C. H. Johnson and others of Heart's Content;
 From Rev. W. Weaver and others of Trinity;
 From Robert Smith and others of New Harbor;
 From H. G. Batson and others of English Harbor;
 From Thomas Frampton and others of Smith's Sound;
 From Moses King and others of New Bonaventure;
 From F. Gover and others of Trouty;
 From S. Mitcham and others of Green's Harbor;
 From P. J. Murphy and others of Whitbourne;
 From H. C. Morris and others of Scilly Cove;
 From Henry Gardner and others of British Harbor;
 From Esau Nurse and others of Salmon Cove;
 From Arthur Watts and others of Heart's Delight;
 From Luke Pittman and others of New Perlican.

By Mr. MURRAY, from John Anderson and others of LaPoile;
 From James Smith and others of Petites;
 From Rev. Chas. Lench and others of Burgeo District;
 From Joseph Small and others of same place.

By Mr. WHITELEY, from Rev. A. Evans and others of Spaniard's
 Bay;

From Rev. J. Saunderson and others of Upper Island Cove;
 From Rev. J. M. Noel and others of Harbor Grace;
 From F. J. C. T. W. Bancroft and others of Bay Roberts;
 From William Dawe and others of Coley's Point;
 From J. R. Barrett and others of Bishop's Cove;
 From S. Noseworthy and others of Bryant's Cove;

From S. Gosse and others of Tilton;
From Henry Mercer and others of Bay Roberts.

By Mr. CLIFT, from Rev. T. G. Netten and others of Brigus;
From Rev. H. Elrington and others of Bareneed;
From Rev. Josiah Darrell and others of Salmon Cove;
From John Mugford and others of Port-de-Grave;
From George Newell and others of same place;
From H. C. Dawe and others of North River.

By Mr. MURRAY, from Dr. John G. Skelton of Bonavista, on the subject of remuneration for services.

By Mr. WOODFORD, from Rev. E. Colley and others of Chamberlain's, on the subject of roads.

By Hon. the PREMIER, on the subject of roads:—

From Francis Pearce and others of Bird Island Cove;
From Robert Francis and others of Hant's Harbor;
From W. Flynn and others of Bird Island Cove;
From Richard Conway and others of Turk's Cove;
From William Wiseman and others of Heart's Delight;
From James Strong and others of Lance Cove;
From George Porter and others of Bird Island Cove;
From Uriah Thorne and others of Collier's Bay;
From Ronald Porter and others of Bird Island Cove;
From Rev. F. G. Willey and others of Russell's Cove;
From Rev. F. G. Willey and others of Sibley's Cove;
From N. Mills and others of Ireland's Eye, for a ferry;
From J. P. Smith and others of Smith Sound, for a ferry;
From James Gulliford and others of Hant's Harbor, on the subject of codtraps;

From Jacob Smith and others of Chapel Arm, on the same subject.

By Captain BLANDFORD, from Rev. A. E. Bayley and others of Bonavista, on the subject of steam communication.

By Mr. DUFF, from John Rorke and others of Carbonear, on the subject of railway extension.

By Mr. GREENE, from Michael Cashin and others of Cape Broyle, on the subject of roads.

Ordered that the notice of Mr. Morine to move for an address to His Excellency requesting that a copy of the minute of Council

appointing Dr. Hubert to be health officer for St. John's be transmitted to this House, be struck off the order paper.

Pursuant to notice, Mr. MURRAY moved the appointment of a select committee to take into consideration the petition of Richard White for arrears of salary. It was seconded by the Hon. COLONIAL SECRETARY and ordered that a select committee be appointed for the said purpose, and that the following gentlemen do form the committee, namely: Mr. Murray, Hon. Surveyor General, Dr. Tait, Mr. Greene and Mr. Geran.

Mr. MURRAY, from the select committee on rules and regulations recommended by the Fisheries Commission, presented the following report:—

“ COMMITTEE ROOM, April 21st, 1890.

The select committee appointed to consider and report on the rules and regulations submitted by the Fisheries' Commission in relation to the cod fishery, beg to make the following recommendations:—

1. They report against the licensing of codtraps, because they consider if codtraps were once licensed in a special manner, and it should be expedient hereafter to prohibit their use and abolish them entirely, the licensees might raise the question of vested rights and claim compensation.

2. They recommend that codtraps be allowed in use for the current year, with the clear understanding that they may hereafter be abolished at any time, and that their present use is sanctioned that the owners may wear out the old traps now in their possession.

3. They recommend that measures should be taken to enforce the law requiring the mesh of all codtraps to be not less than four inches, and that any codtrap used in violation of the law shall be declared forfeited on view, and the owner fined in a penalty not exceeding one hundred dollars in addition.

4. They recommend that no person shall be allowed to place in the waters along the coast of Newfoundland any codtrap or codtrap mooring before the 15th June in any year, or in the waters along the Labrador coast before the 1st July in any year, under a penalty not exceeding one hundred dollars and forfeiture of the codtrap on view in every case.

5. They recommend that codseines be allowed in use for the current season, with the condition that the mesh in any portion of the

same shall not be less than three-and-one-half inches, under a penalty not exceeding one hundred dollars and the forfeiture of the seine on view in every case.

6. They recommend that no person shall be allowed to use a herring seine to take or haul codfish, under the penalties already stated.

7. They recommend that one-half of all penalties thus provided for shall be the property of the prosecutor, and that all such penalties may be recovered in a summary manner before any Justice of the Peace.

8. They recommend that the principle of local option is not suited to the circumstances of fishery legislation.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

JAMES MURRAY.
W. H. WHITELEY.
WILLIAM DUFF.
E. R. BURGESS.
ROBERT S. MUNN.

W. V. WHITEWAY, approving only of section 1; but, for reasons given, not approving of sections 3 and 6, and disapproving of residue of report."

Ordered that the same lie on the table.

Ordered that committee of the whole to consider the report of select committee on that part of the rules and regulations recommended by the Fisheries' Commission which relates to the codfishery be deferred until to-morrow, then to stand first on the order of the day.

Ordered that the following be deferred:—

Committee of the whole on bill respecting Commissioners of the Poor;

Second reading of commutation of sentences bill;

Second reading of Council's amendments on Mechanics' Lien Bill.

The Hon. COLONIAL SECRETARY, by command of His Excellency, laid on the table of the House the report of Superintendent of Roman Catholic Schools for 1889.

Hon. Mr. MORRIS gave notice that on to-morrow he would ask leave to introduce a bill to amend Act, chapter 9, passed in the 49th year of Her Majesty's reign.

Mr. MURRAY gave notice that on to-morrow he would move the appointment of a select committee to consider the petition of Dr. John G. Skelton, for arrears of salary.

Hon. SURVEYOR GENERAL gave notice that on to-morrow he would move the House into committee of the whole to consider certain resolutions relating to the encouragement of the cultivation of flax in this colony.

Ordered that this House, on rising, adjourn until to-morrow at four of the clock in the afternoon.

Then the House adjourned until to-morrow at four of the clock in the afternoon.

THURSDAY, April 24, 1890.

The following petitions were presented and ordered to be laid on the table, namely:—

By Capt. BLANDFORD, from George Ryan and others of Birchy Cove, on the subject of roads;

From John Templeman and others of Bonavista, on same subject;

From John Lander and others of same place, on same subject;

From P. Mahoney and others of Stock Cove, on same subject.

By Mr. THOMPSON, from John Pardy and others of New Bay, asking that a law officer be appointed;

From Abraham Knight and others of Moreton's Harbor, on the subject of the seal fishery;

From George Jones and others of Exploits, on same subject;

From W. Lethbridge and others of Twillingate, on same subject.

By the Hon. SURVEYOR GENERAL, from Rev. W. How and others, on the subject of roads.

By Mr. HALLAREN, from Simon Roach and others of Middle Cove, on the same subject;

From Jas. Wall and others of Pouch Cove, on the same subject.

By Dr. DEARIN, from R. J. Chancey and other of Thorburn Turnpike, on the subject of roads;

From John T. Sullivan and others of Pouch Cove, on the same subject.

By Mr. DUFF, from P. White and others of Carbonear, on the same subject.

By Mr. MORISON, from William Blundon and others of Brooklyn, on the same subject;

From Rev. W. Kirby and others of Tickle Cove, on the same subject;

From Richard Hicks and others of Bonavista, on the same subject.

Pursuant to the order of the day, the House then resolved itself into committee of the whole to consider the report of select committee on that part of the rules and regulations recommended by the Fisheries' Commission which relates to the codfishery.

Mr. SPEAKER left the chair.

Mr. GERAN took the chair of the committee.

Mr. SPEAKER resumed the chair.

The chairman from the said committee reported that they had considered the matter to them referred, had made some progress, and he asked leave that the said committee sit again.

Ordered that the said report be received, and that the said committee have leave to sit again to-morrow.

Ordered that the following be deferred, namely:—

Committee of the whole on bill respecting Commissioners of the Poor and payments in relief of paupers;

Second reading of commutation of sentences bill;

Motion for committee of the whole to consider report of the St. John's Municipal Council, and the accounts, estimates and proposal of the same.

The amendments of the Council on Mechanics' Lien Bill were read a second time.

Ordered that the same be committed to committee of the whole House on to-morrow.

Pursuant to notice, and leave being granted, the Hon. Mr. MORRIS moved the first reading of a bill, entitled "An Act to provide for local self-government of the affairs of the towns and settlements in the island of Newfoundland, and for other purposes."

Ordered accordingly.

The said bill was then read a first time, and it was ordered that the same be read a second time to-morrow.

Pursuant to notice, Mr. MORRIS asked leave to introduce a bill

to amend 49 Victoria, chapter 9, entitled "An Act for the preservation of game."

The said bill was then read a first time.

Ordered that the same be read a second time to-morrow.

Mr. MURRAY, pursuant to notice, moved the appointment of a select committee to consider the petition of Dr. John G. Skelton, for arrears of salary, and thereon to report to this House.

The following gentlemen were appointed as such committee:—
Mr. Murray, Hon. the Premier, Hon. Mr. Morris, Mr. Whiteley, Mr. Clift, Hon. Surveyor General, and Captain Blandford.

Hon. the Premier desired to be excused from serving on said committee, and it was ordered accordingly.

Ordered that motion of Hon. Surveyor General for committee of the whole to consider resolutions relating to the raising of flax, be deferred.

Hon. COLONIAL SECRETARY, by command of His Excellency, laid on the table of the House:—

Report of Judge Conroy respecting the Poor Asylum, and evidence taken as to same.

Copy of despatch of His Excellency the Governor to the Secretary of State for the Colonies, dated February 11, 1890.

Mr. DAWE, from the select committee appointed to consider and report upon the petition of G. W. R. Hierlihy, presented the report of said committee.

Ordered that the said report be received.

Mr. DAWE gave notice that on to-morrow he would move the House into committee of the whole for the consideration of the report of the said select committee.

Mr. MORISON gave notice that on to-morrow he would ask the Hon. the Premier to lay on the table a copy of a letter from His Excellency the Governor to Sir W. V. Whiteway, K.C.M.G., as to the subject of recent "codfish legislation;" also a copy of the reply of Sir W. V. Whiteway, K.C.M.G., to said letter.

Ordered that the House, on rising, adjourn until to-morrow at four of the clock.

Then the House adjourned until to-morrow at four of the clock in the afternoon.

FRIDAY, April 25, 1890.

The following petitions were presented:—

By Mr. MORINE, from Samuel Coffin and others of Keels, on the subject of roads;

From J. C. Dominy and others, on the subject of site of telegraph office at Gambo;

From O. Knee and others of Pool's Island, on the subject of port of call for mail steamer;

From Kenneth Burden and others of Salvage, on the subject of telegraph extension.

By Capt. BLANDFORD, from Wm. Stares and others of Brooklyn, on the subject of roads.

By Mr. MORISON, from John Hounsell and others of Pound Cove, on the subject of bridges;

From George White and others of Greenspond, on the subject of roads;

From John Vincent and others of Sloop Run, on the subject of cutting a channel.

By Mr. GREENE, from Rev'd. L. Vereker and others of Cape Broyle, on the subject of call of mail steamer.

By the Hon. SURVEYOR GENERAL, from G. E. Davis and others of Freshwater, on the subject of roads;

From Thomas Moore, junior, of Bay-de-Verde, on the same subject;

From M. Forristall and others of Gussett's Cove, on same subject;

From Thomas Pike and others of Clown's Cove, on same subject;

From M. Trickett and others of Spout Cove, on the same subject.

By Mr. THOMPSON, from Exploit's Lumbering Company and others, on the subject of telegraph extension.

By Mr. MURRAY, from J. C. LeSeeleur and others of Little Harbor, on the subject of ferries;

From Rev. W. S. Rafter and others of West Coast, on the subject of steam communication with Canada.

By the Hon. COLONIAL SECRETARY, from Thomas McCormack and others of Catalina, on the subject of roads;

From Reuben Pippy and others of Hant's Harbor, on same subject;

From William Jerrett and others of Shoal Bay, on same subject;

From same and others of the same place, on same subject;

From Alfred Miller of Old Shop, on same subject;

From James Baker and others of Snook's Harbor, on the same subject;

From Solomon Miller and others of Chance Cove, on the same subject;

From John Loder and others of Snook's Harbor, on the same subject;

From James Bursey and others of Russell's Cove, on the same subject;

From Samuel Mitcham and others of Green's Harbor, on the same subject.

Ordered that the said petitions lie on the table.

Pursuant to order of the day, the House resolved itself into committee of the whole on supply.

Mr. SPEAKER left the chair.

Mr. WHITELEY took the chair of the committee.

Mr. SPEAKER resumed the chair.

The Chairman from the said committee reported that they had considered the matter to them referred, and had passed certain resolutions, and he handed in the same at the Clerk's table, where they were read as follows:—

Resolved,—That it is the opinion of this committee that there should be granted to Her Majesty, her heirs and successors, the following sums of money to defray the civil expenditure of the colony for the year ending on the 31st day of December, 1890, and for other purposes, viz.:—

The Private Secretary to the Governor, nine hundred and twenty-four dollars.

The Governor's orderly, three hundred dollars.

The gate keeper, Government House, two hundred and seventy-seven dollars.

The first clerk in the Colonial Secretary's office, one thousand one hundred and twenty-four dollars.

The second clerk in the Colonial Secretary's office, one thousand dollars.

The office keeper and messenger in the Colonial Secretary's office, Six hundred and eighty dollars.

The clerk in the Receiver General's office, one thousand three hundred dollars.

The clerk in the Financial Secretary's office, one thousand dollars.

The assistant clerk and messenger in the Board of Works' office, five hundred dollars.

The Superintendent of public buildings and light-houses, one thousand two hundred dollars; and clerk, one thousand dollars.

The Geological and Topographical Surveyor in the Crown Lands' office, one thousand two hundred dollars.

The keeper of the museum, four hundred dollars.

The first clerk and draughtsman in the Crown Lands' office, one thousand one hundred and twenty-four dollars.

The second clerk in the Crown Lands' office, nine hundred dollars.

The surveyor in the Crown Lands' office, eight hundred dollars.

The third clerk in the Crown Lands' office, six hundred dollars.

Three junior clerks in the Crown Lands' office, one thousand three hundred and sixty dollars; two at five hundred dollars each, and one at three hundred and sixty dollars.

The messenger in the Crown Lands' office, two hundred and eighty-six dollars.

The Government Engineer, two thousand four hundred dollars.

The clerk in the Government Engineer's office, six hundred and forty dollars.

The keeper of the Colonial Building, three hundred dollars.

The keeper of the half-way house, Salmonier, one hundred and sixty-two dollars.

The sum of ninety-three dollars towards defraying the salary of Inspector of Weights and Measures.

The sum of two hundred and fifty dollars towards defraying the salary of Inspector of Meats.

The sum of one thousand, nine hundred and twenty dollars to defray the salary of the Chief Examiner of Masters and Mates and Harbor Master.

The sum of six hundred dollars to defray the expenses of Assistant Examiners and boat hire.

The Sheriff's Bailiff in the Central District and Keeper of the Court House, six hundred and fifty dollars.

The Chief Clerk and Registrar of the Supreme Court, two thousand dollars: Provided that all fees, perquisites and emoluments received, or that shall be received, by the said Chief Clerk and Registrar in and by virtue of the said office, or in any way connected therewith, shall be accounted for and paid over quarterly to the Receiver General: Provided also, that the Clerk of the Supreme Court shall not, whilst in the occupation of the said office, practice or act as Barrister, Attorney, Advocate, Solicitor, Proctor or Notary Public, or demand or receive any fees or compensation in connection with the said office.

The first clerk in the Chief Clerk and Registrar's Office, eight hundred dollars.

The second clerk in the Chief Clerk and Registrar's Office, six hundred dollars.

The sum of two hundred dollars for stationery for Registrar's Office.

The Crier and Tipstaff of the Supreme Court, St. John's, five hundred dollars.

To defray the expenses of Crown Prosecutions, four thousand dollars.

To defray the expenses of Magisterial enquiries, four hundred dollars.

The sum of five thousand, five hundred dollars towards defraying the expenses of Judges and Officers on Circuit and of Crown prosecutions thereon, which sum of money includes table money and means of conveyance and payments of rent of any Court room, where Court houses may not be erected: Provided that passages shall be allowed and provided on board each vessel engaged by the Government proceeding on their respective circuits to such members of the Bar as may desire to proceed thereon: Provided, further, that the amount of table money and travelling expenses hereinbefore provided for the said Judges and Officers of the Court on Circuit, shall be apportioned for the said Judges and Officers, respectively, by the Governor in Council.

The sum of six hundred dollars towards defraying the travelling expenses of the District Judges.

The sum of fifty thousand dollars for Inspector and Police, and incidentals under the "Police Regulation Act."

The Clerk of the Peace and Clerk of the Central District Court, One thousand, two hundred dollars, and three hundred and seventy dollars for collecting the license fund: Provided that all fees of office shall be paid into the Treasury quarterly.

The Governor of the Penitentiary, St. John's, nine hundred dollars.

The first turnkey of Penitentiary, St. John's, three hundred and twenty dollars.

The second turnkey of Penitentiary, St. John's, three hundred and twenty dollars.

Two assistant turnkeys of Penitentiary, St. John's, five hundred and sixty dollars.

One Trades' Warden of Penitentiary, St. John's, three hundred and twenty dollars.

The keeper of the Court House, Harbor Grace, fifty dollars.

The sum of sixteen thousand, one hundred and thirty-five dollars to defray the salaries of the undermentioned outport Magistrates, as follows:—

A Magistrate at La Scie, four hundred dollars.

A Magistrate at Little Bay, eight hundred dollars.

A Magistrate at Twillingate, eight hundred and thirty dollars.

A Magistrate at Fogo, seven hundred dollars.

A Magistrate at Greenspond, six hundred and ninety-three dlrs.

A Magistrate at Bonavista, eight hundred and thirty dollars.

A Magistrate at Trinity, eight hundred and thirty dollars.

A Magistrate at Old Perlican, seven hundred dollars.

A Magistrate at Carbonear, eight hundred and thirty dollars.

A Magistrate at Brigus, eight hundred and thirty dollars.

A Magistrate at Ferryland, eight hundred dollars.

A Magistrate at Trepassey, six hundred dollars.

A Magistrate at St. Mary's, four hundred dollars.

A Magistrate at Placentia, eight hundred and thirty dollars.

A Magistrate at Placentia, West, five hundred dollars.

A Magistrate at Burin, eight hundred dollars.

A Magistrate at Grand Bank, seven hundred dollars.

A Magistrate at Harbor Breton, four hundred and sixty-two dollars.

A Magistrate at Burgeo, five hundred dollars.

A Magistrate at Channel, seven hundred dollars.

A Magistrate at Bay St. George, one thousand dollars.

A Magistrate at Bay of Islands, one thousand dollars.

A Magistrate at Bonne Bay, four hundred dollars.

The sum of one thousand two hundred and fifty dollars towards defraying the salaries of the undermentioned Clerks of the Peace, as follows:—

A Clerk of the Peace for Harbor Grace, six hundred and fifty dollars: Provided that all fees of office received by the said Clerk of the Peace shall be accounted for and paid over quarterly to the Receiver General.

A Clerk of the Peace for Carbonear, six hundred dollars.

The sum of one thousand, eight hundred and sixty dollars towards defraying the salaries of Outport Constables, as follows:—

One Constable, Salvage, fifty-six dollars.

One Constable, Tickle Cove, fifty-six dollars.

One Constable, King's Cove, ninety-three dollars.

One Constable, Catalina, one hundred and sixteen dollars.

Two Constables, Trinity, one hundred and seventy-two dollars.

One Constable, Heart's Content, ninety-three dollars.

One Constable, Lower Island Cove, fifty-six dollars.

Two Constables, Brigus and Port-de-Grave, two hundred and seventy-eight dollars.

One Constable, Cat's Cove, ninety-three dollars.

One Constable, Harbor Main, ninety-three dollars.

One Constable, South Shore, one hundred and sixteen dollars.

One Constable, Torbay, ninety-three dollars.

One Constable, Ferryland, one hundred and sixteen dollars.

One Constable, Brigus South, fifty-six dollars.

One Constable, Fermeuse, fifty-six dollars.

One Constable, Trepassey, ninety-three dollars.

One Constable, Audierne, fifty-six dollars.

One Constable, Lamaline, fifty-six dollars.

One Constable, Gaultois, fifty-six dollars.

One Constable, Channel, fifty-six dollars.

The sum of one thousand, two hundred and four dollars towards defraying the salaries of the undermentioned outport Gaolers, as follows:—

One Gaoler at Little Bay, forty dollars.

One Gaoler at Twillingate, forty dollars.

One Gaoler at Greenspond, eighty-four dollars.

One Gaoler at Bonavista, forty dollars.

One Gaoler at Trinity, forty dollars.

One Gaoler at Harbor Grace, five hundred dollars: Provided that all fees of office received by him shall be accounted for and paid over to the Receiver General.

One Gaoler at Brigus and Port-de-Grave, sixty dollars.

One Gaoler at Ferryland, one hundred and forty dollars.

One Gaoler at Placentia, one hundred and forty dollars.

One Gaoler at Burin, forty dollars.

One Gaoler at Harbor Breton, forty dollars.

One Gaoler at Channel, forty dollars.

The sum of one thousand, three hundred and eighty-five dollars, to defray the salary of the Commissioner of the Poor.

The sum of eight hundred dollars to defray the salary of an Inspector of the Poor.

The sum of four hundred dollars to defray the salary of an Assistant Inspector of the Poor.

The District Surgeons, St. John's, including provision for Medicines, nine hundred and twenty-five dollars: Provided that a return be made, at the end of each quarter, of the number of cases visited and the nature of the disease.

The Gaol Surgeon of Conception Bay, one hundred and thirty-nine dollars.

The District Surgeon of Conception Bay, four hundred and sixty-two dollars: Provided that a return be made, at the end of each quarter, of the number of cases visited and the nature of the disease.

The Physician of the Lunatic Asylum, one thousand, three hundred and eighty-five dollars.

The Resident Physician, St. John's Hospital, and attendance as Gaol Surgeon, and attendance at Fever Hospital and on the Police Force, two thousand dollars.

The Attendant Physician, St. John's Hospital, four hundred dollars.

The sum of four hundred dollars to defray the salary of the Keeper of the Poor Asylum.

The sum of one hundred and fifty thousand dollars towards defraying the relief of the permanent and casual poor, St. John's and the Outports.

The sum of twenty thousand dollars towards defraying the expenses of servants and indigent inmates of Lunatic Asylum.

The sum of nine thousand dollars towards defraying the expenses of servants and paupers, Poor Asylum.

The sum of nine thousand dollars towards defraying the expenses of servants and indigent persons, St. John's Hospital.

The sum of three thousand dollars towards the expenses of shipwrecked crews.

The sum of two hundred and thirty-one dollars towards the support of the Dorcas Society, St. John's.

The sum of one hundred and twenty dollars towards the support of the Dorcas Society, Harbor Grace.

The sum of one hundred and sixteen dollars towards the support of the Dorcas Society, Carbonear.

The sum of one hundred dollars towards the support of the Dorcas Society, Twillingate.

The sum of four hundred and sixty-two dollars to the St. John's Factory.

The sum of two hundred and thirty-one dollars towards the support of the Industrial Department, Saint Patrick's Hall.

The sum of two hundred and thirty-one dollars to the Ladies' St. Vincent de Paul Society, St. John's.

The sum of one hundred and twenty dollars to the Ladies' St. Vincent de Paul Society, Harbor Grace.

The sum of four hundred and sixty-two dollars to the General Protestant Industrial Department, St. John's.

The sum of five thousand and seventy-six dollars towards defraying the salaries of the undermentioned Ferrymen:—

A Ferryman at Bonne Bay, one hundred dollars.

A Ferryman at White Bay, one hundred dollars.

A Ferryman at Exploits, Burnt Island, eighty dollars.

A Ferryman at Gillard's Cove to Tizzard's Harbor, eighty dollars.

A Ferryman at Herring Neck to Little Harbor, one hundred and twenty dollars.

A Ferryman at Ragged Harbor, eighty dollars.

A Ferryman at Deadman's Bay, forty-seven dollars.

A Ferryman at Windmill Brook, Cat Harbor, eighty dollars.

A Ferryman at Greenspond to Ship Island, one hundred and twenty dollars.

A Ferryman from Greenspond to mainland, eighty dollars.

A Ferryman at Badger's Quay, two hundred dollars.

A Ferryman at King's Cove to Amherst Cove, one hundred and sixteen dollars.

A Ferryman at Trinity Harbor, one hundred and thirty-nine dollars.

A Ferryman at Trinity, South West Arm, one hundred and forty dollars.

A Ferryman at Random Sound, one hundred and eighty dollars.

A Ferryman at Harbor Grace, one hundred and eighty dollars.

A Ferryman at Bay Roberts, one hundred and sixty dollars.

Two Ferrymen at Chapel Cove to Duff's, one hundred dollars.

Two Ferrymen at Holyrood, one hundred dollars.

A Ferryman at Belle Isle to Topsail, one hundred and thirty-six dollars.

A Ferryman at Portugal Cove to Belle Isle, one hundred and eighty dollars.

A Ferryman at Aquaforte, ninety-four dollars.

A Ferryman at Trepassey, sixty dollars.

A Ferryman at Holyrood, St. Mary's, eighty dollars.

A Ferryman at Riverhead, St. Mary's, fifty dollars.

A Ferryman at Mall Bay, eighty dollars.

Two Ferrymen at Salmonier, one hundred and sixteen dollars.

A Ferryman at Admiral's Cove, eighty dollars.

A Ferryman at Branch, sixty dollars.

A Ferryman at Barachois, twenty dollars.

A Ferryman at Great Placentia, one hundred and eighty dollars.

Two Ferrymen at Big Head to Spanish Room, one hundred and fifty-six dollars.

Two Ferrymen at Burin to Mud Cove, one hundred and fifty-six dollars.

A Ferryman at Corbin, forty dollars.

A Ferryman at Little St. Lawrence, eighty-seven dollars.

A Ferryman at Grand Beach, forty dollars.

A Ferryman at Bay de L'Eau, one hundred and ten dollars.

Two Ferrymen at Jersey Harbor to Harbor Breton, (carrying mails, Bay de L'Eau Ferry), ten dollars.

A Ferryman at Little Bay to Coomb's Cove, eighty dollars.

A Ferryman at Harbor Briton, one hundred and twenty dollars.

A Ferryman at Harbor Briton to Jersey Harbor, one hundred and forty dollars.

A Ferryman at Connaigre Bay, one hundred and thirty-nine dollars.

A Ferryman at LaPoile Harbor, one hundred and forty dollars.

A Ferryman at Harbor LeCou, one hundred dollars.

A Ferryman at Grandy's Passage, one hundred dollars.

A Ferryman at Grand Bay, one hundred and twenty dollars.

A Ferryman at Highlands, twenty dollars.

A Ferryman at Crabb's Brook, sixty dollars.

A Ferryman at Robinson's Head, sixty dollars.

A Ferryman at Fishell's Brook, sixty dollars.

The sum of one hundred dollars to defray the expenses of two men at Fort Amherst, for fog gun.

The sum of forty-eight dollars to defray the expenses of one man at Signal Hill, for firing noon-day gun.

The sum of eight hundred dollars to defray the cost of ammunition for firing fog and noon-day guns.

The sum of four hundred and twenty dollars for salaries of two men at the Block House, Signal Hill, viz.:—one at two hundred and twenty dollars and the other at two hundred dollars.

The sum of seventy dollars for fuel and light of Block House Signal Station.

The sum one hundred dollars for chronometer time.

The sum of one thousand, five hundred dollars towards defraying the expenses of the repairs on the St. John's Court House and Penitentiary.

The sum of two thousand, eight hundred and thirty dollars towards defraying the expenses of repairs on the outport Court Houses and Gaols.

The sum of one thousand, two hundred dollars towards defraying the expenses of repairs on the Lunatic Asylum.

The sum of five hundred dollars towards defraying the expenses of repairs on the Poor Asylum.

The sum of six hundred and fifty dollars towards defraying the expenses of repairs on the St. John's Hospital, Quidi Vidi.

The sum of six hundred and fifty dollars towards defraying the expenses of repairs on the Fever Hospital, St. John's.

Towards defraying the expenses of repairs on Custom House, St. John's, the sum of three hundred and fifty dollars.

Towards defraying the expenses of repairs on the Colonial Building, the sum of five hundred and fifty dollars.

Towards defraying the expenses of repairs on the Block House, the sum of two hundred dollars.

Towards defraying the expenses of repairs on Imperial property, the sum of seven hundred dollars.

Towards defraying the expenses of repairs on the kerosene oil store, the sum of fifty dollars.

Towards defraying the expenses of repairs on the Custom House, Harbor Grace, the sum of fifty dollars.

Towards defraying the expenses of repairs on the drill shed, the sum of one hundred dollars.

Towards defraying the expenses of repairs on Government House, the sum of two thousand five hundred dollars.

Towards defraying the expenses of the Penitentiary fence, the sum of six hundred dollars.

Towards defraying the expenses of the alterations to the Quidi Vidi Hospital, the sum of three thousand two hundred and fifty-nine dollars.

Towards defraying the expenses of fuel and light for the St. John's Custom House, the sum of four hundred dollars.

Towards defraying the expenses of fuel and light at Government House, the sum of one thousand two hundred dollars.

Towards defraying the expenses of fuel and light for the Colonial Building, the sum of eight hundred and fifty dollars.

Towards defraying the ordinary expenses of Court Houses and Gaols, the sum of eleven thousand dollars.

Towards defraying the expenses of postal steam winter service to Halifax, the sum of eleven thousand seven hundred and sixty dollars.

Towards defraying the expenses of postal steam from Liverpool to St. John's, Halifax and America, fifty-seven thousand six hundred dollars.

Towards defraying the expenses of coastal steam to the north, west and south, fifty-eight thousand seven hundred dollars.

Towards defraying the expenses of coastal steam to Labrador, nine thousand dollars.

The sum of sixty thousand dollars towards defraying the expenses of the postal service of this Colony, to be expended under and by virtue of the provisions of title 17, chapter 66, of the Consolidated Statutes, entitled "Of the Post Office," and of an Act passed in the thirty-eighth year of Her Majesty's reign, entitled "An Act to amend title 16, chapter 58, of the Consolidated Statutes, entitled "Of salaries of certain officers": Provided always that out of the said sum there shall be expended the sum of ninety-three dollars towards defraying the expenses of carrying newspapers and printed papers to and from this Colony, subject to certain rules and regulations made or to be adopted in relation thereto by the Governor in Council.

The sum of six thousand dollars for geological, mineral and land surveys.

The sum of eight thousand dollars towards defraying the expenses of printing and stationery.

The sum of two thousand dollars towards defraying the expenses of postages, telegrams and incidentals.

The sum of three thousand dollars towards defraying the expenses of insuring public buildings.

The sum of two thousand five hundred dollars to defray unforeseen contingencies.

The sum of five hundred dollars towards the expenses of lighting Harbor Grace with gas: Provided that the Inspector of Police at Harbor Grace shall report at the end of each quarter that the lamps have been efficiently lighted.

The sum of one thousand, seven hundred dollars for the encouragement of agriculture and improvement of the breed of farm stock in the Island (not including Conception Bay), to be expended under the direction of the Governor in Council.

The sum of four hundred and sixty-two dollars for the encouragement of agriculture in Conception Bay, to be divided according to population of each district.

The sum of two hundred dollars towards defraying the expenses of the town clock and attendance on clocks in public offices.

The sum of thirty-six thousand dollars to be expended in and about public works to be apportioned equally for the eighteen electoral districts.

The sum of two hundred dollars to encourage instructors of masters and mates.

The sum of thirty thousand dollars for the protection of the western herring fishery.

The sum of five hundred dollars for the education of the deaf and dumb.

The sum of three hundred dollars for the education of the blind.

The sum of twelve thousand dollars to defray the expense of maintenance of telegraph lines.

The sum of forty-two thousand dollars in aid of maintenance of general light-houses.

The sum of one hundred and sixty dollars to defray the expenses of an observatory.

The sum of one thousand one hundred and eighty dollars, for the hire of public offices, Athenæum Building.

The sum of three hundred dollars for fuel and attendance, public offices, Athenæum Building.

The sum of one thousand, four hundred and forty dollars to Paul Carty, late Inspector of Police.

The sum of one hundred and sixteen dollars to the widow of the late William Buckley, killed in the discharge of his duty as a volunteer fireman, and her children during her widowhood; and in the event of her death or marriage, then to the use of the said children until they respectively attain the age of sixteen years.

The sum of eighty dollars to widow Fennessey.

The sum of two hundred dollars to Harriett, widow of the late Robert Oke.

The sum of one hundred dollars to Rebecca, widow of the late Austin Oke.

The sum of one hundred and eighty dollars to Thomas Lawlor.

The sum of eight hundred dollars towards defraying the expenses of medical attendance on Labrador Coast, &c.

The sum of five thousand dollars for defraying expenses of the consolidation of the laws.

The sum of fourteen thousand dollars towards defraying the expenses of bay steam.

The sum of nine thousand dollars towards defraying the expenses of fish hatcheries.

The sum of two thousand dollars towards defraying the expenses of the western steam and extra mail subsidies.

The sum of six thousand dollars towards defraying the expenses of elections.

The sum of thirty-two thousand dollars towards defraying the expenses of dredging.

The sum of eight hundred dollars towards defraying the expenses of fitting up the Museum.

The sum of fourteen thousand dollars towards the maintenance of the Placentia railway.

The sum of five hundred dollars towards defraying the expenses of the protection of fisheries.

The sum of four hundred dollars towards defraying the expenses of the conveyance of sick fishermen from Labrador.

The sum of twelve hundred dollars towards defraying the expenses of Customs' patrol from Bonne Bay to La Scie.

The sum of one hundred dollars for dry dock water rates.

Ordered that the said report be received and that the said resolutions be adopted.

On motion of the Hon. RECEIVER GENERAL, 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 on the 31st day of December, 1890," was read a first time.

Ordered that the said bill be read a second time to-morrow.

Ordered that the following be deferred:—

Committee of the whole to consider report of select committee on rules recommended by Fisheries' Commission;

Committee of the whole on bill respecting Commissioners of the Poor.

Pursuant to order of the day, the House resolved itself into committee of the whole on the amendments made by the Council in the Mechanics' Lien Bill.

Mr. SPEAKER left the chair.

Mr. ROTHWELL took the chair of the committee.

Mr. SPEAKER resumed the chair.

The Chairman from the said committee reported that they had considered the matter to them referred, had made some progress, and had instructed him to ask leave to sit again.

Ordered that the said report be received.

Ordered that the said committee have leave to sit again on Monday next.

Ordered that second reading of bill to provide for commutation of sentences of prisoners be deferred.

On motion of Hon. Mr. MORRIS the bill, entitled "An Act to provide for the local self-government of the affairs of the towns and settlements in the island of Newfoundland, and for other purposes," was read a second time.

On the like motion it was ordered that the said bill be referred to a select committee of this House to consider and report thereon, and that the following gentlemen do form such committee, namely:—Hon. the Premier, Hon. Colonial Secretary, Hon. Surveyor General, Hon. Mr. Morris, Mr. Fearn, Mr. Burgess, Mr. Duff, Mr. Dawe, Mr. Munn, Mr. Hallaren, Mr. Murray, and Dr. Tait; and that any five do form a quorum.

On request of Mr. Murray it was ordered that he be excused from serving on the said committee.

Ordered that second reading of bill to amend 49 Victoria, cap. 9, be deferred.

On motion of Hon. the PREMIER, seconded by Hon. Mr. MORRIS, it was ordered that the order to-day made for deferring of second reading of bill to provide for commutation of sentences be reconsidered, and thereupon, it being the unanimous wish of the House, it was ordered that the said bill be now read a second time.

The said bill was then read a second time, and ordered that the same be referred to committee of the whole House on to-morrow.

Pursuant to notice, and on motion of Hon. Mr. MORRIS, and leave being granted, a bill entitled "An Act to amend the Judicature Act of 1889" was read a first time and it was ordered that the same be read a second time on to-morrow.

Pursuant to notice, and on motion of Mr. DAWE, the House resolved itself into committee of the whole to consider report of select committee on petition of G. W. R. Hierlihy.

Mr. SPEAKER left the chair.

Mr. HALLAREN took the chair of the committee.

Mr. SPEAKER resumed the chair.

The Chairman from the said committee reported that they had considered the matter to them referred, had made some progress, and had instructed him to ask leave to sit again.

Ordered that the said report be received and that the said committee have leave to sit again to-morrow.

Ordered that the following be deferred, namely:—

Motion of Hon. Mr. Morris to consider report of the St. John's Municipal Council, and the accounts, estimates and proposal of the same;

Motion of Hon. Surveyor General to consider certain resolutions as to the encouragement of flax raising.

The Hon. Surveyor General, from select committee upon Crown Lands' Act presented their report.

Ordered that the said report be received.

Hon. SURVEYOR GENERAL gave notice that he would on to-morrow move the House into committee of the whole to consider the report of the said committee on Crown Lands' bill, and he asked that the same stand first on the order of the day;

Also, that he would on to-morrow move the suspension of the rules of the House in relation to the same.

Hon. ATTORNEY GENERAL, by command of His Excellency, laid on the table of the House detailed statement of expenses of the suit between the Newfoundland Railway Company and the Government of Newfoundland to date.

Hon. the PREMIER presented the following petitions, namely:—

From Rev. W. Hutcheson and others of Trinity district, on the subject of education.

From Rev. A. Stoney and others of same place, on same subject.

Ordered that the said petitions lie on the table.

Ordered that this House, on rising, adjourn until Monday next at four of the clock in the afternoon.

Then the House adjourned until Monday next at four of the clock in the afternoon.

MONDAY, April 28, 1890.

The following petitions were presented:

By Mr. BURGESS, from A. Whyte and others of Little Bay, on the subject of education;

From S. J. Blackler and others of Cape Shore, on same subject;
From W. R. Thoms and others of Tilt Cove, on same subject.

By Mr. CARTY, from Rev. M. F. Howley and others of Bay St. George, on the subject of *modus vivendi* in relation to the lobster industry;

Also from the following on the subject of education:—

George Sheppard and others of Bay of Islands;

L. McLean and others of same place;

Rev. F. W. Colley and others of same place;

Rev. C. Jeffrey and others of Robinson's Head;

William White and others of Codroy;

Amos Cutler and others of Bay St. George.

By Capt. BLANDFORD, from William Ryan of Southern Bay, on the subject of ferries.

By Mr. WEBBER, from H. C. Morris and others of Scilly Cove, on the subject of light-houses.

By Mr. CLIFT, from W. Goodchild and others of Port-de-Grave, on the subject of roads;

Also from the following on the subject of education:—

W. Goodchild and others of Port-de-Grave;

Rev. H. J. Indoe and others of Port-de-Grave.

By Hon. SURVEYOR GENERAL, from the following on the subject of roads:—

Joseph Reed and others of Lower Island Cove;

Joseph T. Bishop and others of Bradley's Cove;

Edward King and others of Perry's Cove;

Also, from James Moore of Bay-de-Verds, on the subject of a standard weight for green fish.

By Mr. ROTHWELL, from W. B. Payne and others of Garnish, on the subject of a house of shelter;

Also, from Messrs. Bishop and others of Burin, for a fog alarm on Dodding Head;

Also, from William Paul and others of same place, on the same subject.

By the FINANCIAL SECRETARY, from John Jackman and others of Grole, for a public wharf;

Also, from Robert Roberts and others of Hermitage Cove, on the same subject;

Also, from Henry Carter and others of Gaultois, on the same subject.

By Mr. MURPHY, from the following, on the subject of roads:—

William Long and others of Pouch Cove;

D. Baldwin and others of same place;

John Sullivan and others of same place;

Thomas Sullivan and others of same place;

Richard Sullivan and others of same place;

Edward Sullivan and others of same place;

Richard Ready, of Torbay;

Michael Ready and others of same place;

G. H. Parsons and others of Belle Isle.

Ordered that the said petitions lie on the table.

On motion of Mr. CARTY, it was ordered that the said petition of Rev. M. F. Howley and others of Bay St. George, be referred to the joint select committee appointed to prepare an address to Her Majesty on the subject of the said *modus vivendi*.

The CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD OF WORKS gave notice that on to-morrow he would move the House into committee of the whole on Roads and Bridges.

Pursuant to notice, and on motion of Hon. SURVEYOR GENERAL, it was ordered that the rules of this House be suspended in relation to consideration of the bill reported by the select committee on the subject of the Crown Lands.

Then, on motion of the Hon. SURVEYOR GENERAL pursuant to notice, the House resolved itself into committee of the whole to consider the bill reported by the select committee on the subject of Crown Lands.

Mr. SPEAKER left the chair.

Mr. WHITELEY took the chair of the committee.

Mr. SPEAKER resumed the chair.

The Chairman from the said committee reported that they had considered the matter to them referred, and had passed the said bill, with some amendments, and he handed in the same at the Clerk's table.

Ordered that the said report be received and adopted.

Ordered that the said bill be read a third time presently.

The said bill was then read a third time.

Ordered that the said bill be engrossed and that the same do pass and be entitled "An Act to amend the Crown Lands' Act, 1884, and the Acts in amendment thereof."

Ordered that the said bill be sent to the Legislative Council, with an address requesting their concurrence in its provisions.

Pursuant to order of the day, the House resolved itself into committee of the whole to consider the report of select committee on the rules and regulations recommended by the Fisheries' Commission

Mr. SPEAKER left the chair.

Mr. GERAN took the chair of the committee.

Mr. SPEAKER resumed the chair.

The Chairman from the said committee reported that they had considered the matter to them referred, and had passed the said rules and regulations, with some amendments, and he handed in the same at the Clerk's table

Ordered that the said report be received and adopted.

Mr. WHITELEY gave notice that he will on to-morrow move the following resolution:—

Resolved, That the Legislative Assembly having had under consideration the accompanying rules and regulations made by the Fisheries' Commission, under section 18 of chapter 7, 52 Vic., hereby confirms the same with some amendments."

And the House having sat till twelve o'clock,

TUESDAY, April 29, 1890,

The Speaker declared the House adjourned till this day at four of the clock in the afternoon, for want of a quorum.

TUESDAY, April 29, 1890.

The House being counted at twenty-five minutes after four of the clock in the afternoon, there were present, Honourable Mr. Morris, Dr. Dearn, Mr. Thompson, Mr. Whiteley, Mr. Dawe, Mr. Burgess, Captain Blandford and Mr. Peyton; then the Speaker declared the House adjourned for want of a quorum until to-morrow at four of the clock in the afternoon.

WEDNESDAY, April 30, 1890.

The following petitions were presented:—

By Mr. THOMPSON, from Rev. G. S. Chamberlain and others of Herring Neck, on the subject of telegraph extension;

From Philip Pippy and others of Twillingate, on the subject of a river wall;

From Thomas Goss and others of Indian Cove, on the subject of roads.

By Captain BLANDFORD, from Rev. A. E. Bayley and others, on the subject of a lighthouse at King's Cove.

By Dr. DEARIN, on the subject of roads, from William Shea and others of Pouch Cove;

From George Gould and others of same place;

From John Butler and others of Torbay;

From William Shea and others of Pouch Cove, for a public wharf;

From Edward Fleming and others of Torbay, for compensation for injuries through exposure in a dory.

By the FINANCIAL SECRETARY, from Charles Way and others of Pass Island, on the subject of a wharf and call of the mail steamer at Hermitage Cove.

By Mr. F. MORRIS, from Rev. E. Colley and others of Long Pond, on the subject of bridges.

By the Hon. SURVEYOR GENERAL, from S. Crummy and others of Western Bay, on the subject of roads;

From Rev. James Pincock and others of same place, on the subject of call of the mail steamer.

By Mr. ROTHWELL, from G. Skiffington and others of Great St. Lawrence, on the subject of roads;

From the same, of the same, on the subject of bridges.

By Hon. the PREMIER, from Robert Fowlow and others of Trinity, on the subject of a light at the Horsechops;

From Alexander Ploughman and others of the same place, on the subject of a light on Skerwink;

From Halifax Institution for Deaf and Dumb for a grant towards its funds.

By the Hon. COLONIAL SECRETARY, on the subject of education, from the Methodist Special Conference Committee;

Also, from Rev. F. G. Willey and others of Hant's Harbor;

Also, from Rev. H. Scott and others of Trinity Bay;

Also, from Rev. S. Matthews and others of Heart's Content;

By Mr. ROLLS, on the same subject, from Methodist Education Board at Fogo;

From Rev. N. Skinner and others of Seldom-come-by;

From P. Newell and others of same place, on the same subject;

From H. J. Earle and others of Fogo;

From George Porter and others of Change Islands;

From Philip Curnew and others of Joe Batt's Arm;

Ordered that said several petitions lie upon the table.

Dr. DEARIN gave notice that on to-morrow he would move an address to His Excellency the Governor on the petition of the Fleming brothers, of Torbay.

The following message was received from the Honorable the Legislative Council:—

*“ Mr. Speaker,—*The Legislative Council acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have passed the bill sent up from the Assembly, entitled ‘ An Act for granting to Her Majesty certain duties on goods, wares and merchandize imported into this colony and its dependencies,’ without amendment.

E. D. SHEA,
President’

Pursuant to notice, and on motion of the Hon. Mr. MORRIS, the House resolved itself into committee of the whole to consider the report of the St. John's Municipal Council, and the accounts and estimates of the same; also, the proposal of the said Council to

raise, by direct taxation, the income of the said Council, which said report, accounts, estimates and proposal have been laid on the table of this House.

Mr. SPEAKER left the chair.

Mr. WEBBER took the chair of the committee.

Mr. SPEAKER resumed the chair.

The Chairman from the said committee reported that they had considered the matter to them referred, and had passed a certain resolution which he handed in at the Clerk's table, where it was read as follows:—

“ *Whereas* the increase in the expenditure on the Municipal affairs of St. John's, and the consequent increase of taxation proposed to the Legislature through the communication of the chairman of the St. John's Municipal Council, James Goodfellow, Esquire, to the Hon. Colonial Secretary, of date the third day of April, 1890, call for an immediate enquiry and investigation at the hands of this House;

“ *Resolved*,—That a select committee be appointed by this House to examine into the accounts and expenditure of the St. John's Municipal Council from the date at which the said Council assumed office to this date, with power to examine witnesses, take evidence and report to this House upon such accounts; also, to report all legislation necessary to further provide for the Municipal affairs of the town of St. John's.”

Ordered that the said report be received and adopted.

Ordered that a select committee be appointed according to the terms of the said report, and that the following gentlemen do form the committee:—

Hon. the Premier, Hon. Mr. Morris, Mr. Murray, Mr. Whiteley, Dr. Tait, Mr. Murphy, Mr. Geran, Dr. Dearin, Mr. Hallaren and Mr. Clift.

Ordered that the following be deferred:—

Motion of Hon. Surveyor General for committee upon resolutions relating to raising of hemp and flax;

Motion of Chairman of Board of Works for committee of the whole on roads and bridges;

Motion of Mr. Whiteley for resolution confirming certain rules and regulations as to the fisheries.

Ordered that the committee of the whole on bill respecting Commissioners of the Poor and payments in relief of paupers be discharged from the order of the day.

It was moved by Mr. MORRIS, and seconded by Hon. SURVEYOR GENERAL, that a message be sent the Hon. the Legislative Council asking for a conference between the Houses or committees thereof on the amendments proposed by the Council, in the bill respecting liens of mechanics and others.

Ordered accordingly.

Pursuant to order of the day the House resolved itself into committee of the whole on bill to provide for commutation of sentences of prisoners.

Mr. SPEAKER left the chair.

Mr. WHITELEY took the chair of the committee.

Mr. SPEAKER resumed the chair.

The Chairman from the said committee reported that they had considered the bill to them referred, and had passed the same with some amendments.

Ordered that the said report be received and adopted.

Ordered that the said bill be engrossed, and read a third time on to-morrow.

Pursuant to order of the day, the House resolved itself into committee of the whole on the report of select committee on the petition of G. W. R. Hierlihy.

Mr. SPEAKER left the chair.

Mr. MURRAY took the chair of the committee.

Mr. SPEAKER resumed the chair.

The Chairman from the said committee reported that they had considered the said report and had adopted the same without amendment, and he handed in the same at the Clerk's table, where it was read as follows:—

“COMMITTEE ROOM, April 24th, 1890.

The select committee of the Legislative Assembly appointed to consider and report upon the petition of George W. R. Hierlihy, Esq., of H. M. Customs' at Bay Roberts, beg respectfully to report that they have considered the matter to them referred. The committee have fully gone into the facts and figures upon which Mr. Hierlihy has based his claim, and are clearly of opinion that the claimant has, and has had for many years, a just cause for complaint. They find

that there was a breach of the agreement between Mr. Hierlihy and the Government, arising out of a misconception on the part of the latter of the facts and circumstances under which Mr. Hierlihy accepted his office. Having, therefore, perused the correspondence and other documents in connection with the claim, and inquired into the amount of the receipts of Mr. Hierlihy during the years over which his claim exists, the committee recommend that he should receive the sum of \$600 in full payment and discharge of all claims which he now has upon the Government, or any department thereof.

Respectfully submitted,

GEO. H. EMERSON,
GEORGE SHEA,
ELI DAWE,
W. H. WHITELEY,
D. MORISON.

Ordered that the said report be received and adopted.

Pursuant to order of the day, the supply bill was read a second time, and it was ordered that the same be committed to committee of the whole House to-morrow.

Pursuant to order of the day, the bill to amend 49 Victoria, cap. 9, was read a second time, and it was ordered that the same be committed to a committee of the whole House to-morrow.

Pursuant to order of the day, the bill to amend the Judicature Act of 1889 was read a second time, and it was ordered that the same be committed to committee of the whole House to-morrow.

HON. the RECEIVER GENERAL, by command of His Excellency, laid on the table of the House a detailed statement of exports and imports of the colony for the year 1889.

Mr. MURRAY, chairman of the select committee on the petition of Richard White, for arrears of salary, presented report of the said committee, and it was ordered that the same be received and laid on the table.

Ordered that the said report stand for consideration on a future day.

Mr. MURRAY, chairman of the select committee on the petition of John G. Skelton for arrears of salary, presented report of the said committee, and it was ordered that the same be received and laid on the table.

Ordered that the said report stand for consideration on a future day.

And the House having sat till twelve o'clock,

THURSDAY, May 1, 1890,

Mr. DAWE gave notice that on to-day after 4 p.m. he would move an address to His Excellency the Governor on the petition of G. W. R. Hierlihy, and the report of the select committee thereon adopted by this House.

Mr. MURRAY gave notice that on this day after four in the afternoon he would move the House into committee of the whole on the report of the select committee appointed to consider the petition of Dr. John G. Skelton of Bonavista.

Mr. MURRAY gave notice that on this day after four in the afternoon he would ask leave to introduce a bill to facilitate naturalization of aliens.

Mr. MURRAY gave notice that on this day after four in the afternoon he would ask the Hon. Colonial Secretary to lay on the table of the House a copy of the charter-party or other agreement made with Messrs. Bowring Brothers for the hire of the steamer *Falcon* now in the employment of the Government; also to lay on the table a copy of the charter-party or other agreement made with Messrs. Job Brothers & Co., for the hire of the steamer *Neptune*, now in the employment of the Government.

Ordered that this House on rising adjourn until this day at four of the clock in the afternoon.

Then the House adjourned until this day at four of the clock in the afternoon.

THURSDAY, May 1, 1890.

The following petitions were presented:—

By Mr. ROLLS, from Rev. C. Saddington and others of Seldom-come-by, on the subject of roads;

From John Harris and others of Gander Bay, on same subject;

From John B. Wheeler and others of Musgrave Harbor, for a well;

From Rev. W. Rex and others of Change Islands, on the subject of ferries;

From George Miller and others of Joe Batt's Arm, on the subject of codtraps.

By Mr. HALLAREN, from Peter Power and others of Flat Rock, also, from Wm. Allan and others of same place, both on the subject of roads.

By Mr. BURGESS, from H. M. Herbert and others of Pilley's Island, on the subject of telegraph extension.

By the FINANCIAL SECRETARY, from John Saunders and others of Long Harbor, on the subject of roads.

By Mr. WOODFORD, from Michael Power and others of Topsail Road, on the subject of roads.

By Mr. THOMPSON, from Samuel Baird and others of Twillingate, on the subject of roads;

Also, from A. W. Simms and others of Dark Tickle, for telegraph extension.

By Mr. PEYTON, from George Mercer and others of Bides Cove, on the subject of roads;

From Dr. Stafford and others of Tizzard's Harbor, for a ferry boat.

By Capt. BLANDFORD, from Moses Davis and others of Pinchard's Island, for relief to the poor;

From Thomas White and others of Cottell's Island, on the subject of labor;

Also, on the subject of roads,—

From Samuel Ford and others of Amherst Cove;

From Charles Penney and others of Keels;

From W. A. Gabriel and others of Amherst Cove.

By Mr. ROTHWELL, from Rev. J. Bradshaw and others of Lamineline, on the subject of education.

By Mr. SHEA, from Rev. John Walsh and others of Fermeuse, on the subject of a public wharf.

By Mr. WEBBER, from Peter Carberry and others of Turk's Cove, on the subject of change of road board.

By the Hon. SURVEYOR GENERAL, from Edwin Turner and others of Job's Cove, on the subject of bridges;

From Matthew Gorman and others of Daniel's Cove, for a hauling place;

From M. Bursey and others of Old Perlican, on same subject.

By the Hon. COLONIAL SECRETARY, on the subject of roads:—

From A. Tilley and others of Bird Island Cove;

From A. Pearce and others of same place;

From William Antle and others of Turk's Cove;

From James P. King and others of Deer Harbor, on the subject of codtraps;

From William Single and others of Seal Cove, on same subject;

From Samuel Humphreys and others of Heart's Delight, on the same subject;

From George Moore and others of Heart's Content, on the subject of light-houses;

From James Drover and others of Hodge's Cove, on the subject of bridges;

From John Short and others of Hant's Harbor, on the subject of a breakwater;

From E. Harris and others of Russell's Cove, for a hauling place;

From R. S. Bremner and others of Trinity, on the subject of steam communication;

Also, on the subject of ferries,—

From Isaac Adey and others of Lee Bight;

From Obadiah Laing and others of Salmon Cove.

Ordered that the said petitions lie on the table.

Pursuant to the order of the day, the bill to provide for commutation of sentences of prisoners was read a third time.

Ordered that the said bill do pass and be entitled "An Act to provide for the commutation of sentences for good behaviour and industry of prisoners confined in the penitentiary."

Ordered that the said bill be sent to the Legislative Council, with an address requesting their concurrence in its provisions.

Pursuant to order of the day, the House resolved itself into committee of the whole on the Supply Bill.

Mr. SPEAKER left the chair.

Mr. WHITELEY took the chair of the committee.

Mr. SPEAKER resumed the chair.

The Chairman from the said committee reported that they had considered the matter to them referred, and had passed the bill without amendment.

Ordered that the said report be received and adopted.

Ordered that the said bill be engrossed and read a third time to-morrow.

Ordered that the following be deferred, namely:—

1. Committee of the whole on bill to amend 49 Vic., cap. 9;
2. Committee of the whole on bill to amend the Judicature Act of 1889;
3. Motion of Dr. Dearin for address on petition of the Fleming brothers;
4. Motion of Mr. Whiteley for resolution “that the Legislative Assembly confirm, with some amendments, certain rules and regulations made by the Fisheries’ Commission;
5. Motion of Mr. Murray for committee of the whole on report of select committee on petition of John G. Skelton;
6. Motion of Mr. Murray for bill to facilitate the naturalization of aliens;
7. Motion of Mr. Murray for leave to ask Hon. Colonial Secretary to lay on the table copies of agreements made by the Government respecting hire of steamers *Falcon* and *Neptune*;
8. Motion of the Chairman of the Board of Works for committee of the whole on roads and bridges.

Ordered that said motion respecting roads and bridges stand first on the order of the day to-morrow.

Pursuant to notice, and on motion of Hon. the SURVEYOR GENERAL, the House resolved itself into committee of the whole to consider certain resolutions relating to the encouragement of the raising of flax and hemp in this colony.

Mr. SPEAKER left the chair.

Mr. WHITELEY took the chair of the committee.

Mr. SPEAKER resumed the chair.

The Chairman from the said committee reported that they had considered the matter to them referred, and had passed certain resolutions, and he handed in the same at the Clerk’s table, where they were read as follows:—

“Whereas it is desirable to encourage the cultivation and manufacture of flax and hemp in this Colony,

“Be it therefore resolved:—That a bounty of one hundred dollars per ton shall be allowed and paid on flax, and a bounty of eighty

dollars per ton on hemp raised in this colony: Provided that such bounty shall be payable only on scutched flax prepared and ready for market, in a suitable condition for manufacturing purposes.

Resolved,—That all machinery necessary for the cultivation and manufacture of flax and hemp in this Colony be admitted duty free.

Resolved,—That the Act shall be and remain in force until the 31st day of December, (1893), eighteen hundred and ninety-three, and no longer, unless otherwise provided by the Legislature."

Ordered that the said report be received and adopted.

The Hon. SURVEYOR GENERAL thereupon asked leave to introduce a bill, entitled "An Act to encourage the raising and manufacture of flax and hemp in this Colony," which being granted; it was ordered that the said bill be now read a first time, and the same was read a first time accordingly.

Ordered that the said bill be read a second time to-morrow.

Pursuant to notice, Mr. DAWE moved for an address on petition of G. W. R. Hierlihy and the report thereon adopted by this House.

It was moved in amendment by the Hon. COLONIAL SECRETARY, seconded by Mr. WHITELEY, that the said report be recommitted presently to a committee of the whole House, and it was ordered according to the said amendment.

Then the House resolved itself into committee of the whole for the reconsideration of the said report.

Mr. SPEAKER left the chair.

Mr. WEBBER took the chair of the committee.

Mr. SPEAKER resumed the chair.

The Chairman from the said committee reported that they had considered the matter to them referred, and had passed the following resolution:—

Resolved,—That in the report of the committee of the whole made yesterday on the petition of G. W. R. Hierlihy, the sum of four hundred dollars be substituted for the sum of six hundred dollars."

Ordered that the report of the committee, now made, be received and adopted.

Mr. DAWE gave notice that on to-morrow he would move an address to His Excellency the Governor in Council on the said petition of G. W. R. Hierlihy and the report of the committee of the whole House now made in said matter.

The Hon. SURVEYOR GENERAL gave notice that on to-morrow he would ask leave to introduce a bill to amend "The License Act of 1875," and the Acts in amendment thereof.

Mr. MURPHY, from the select committee appointed to enquire into a bill relating to pilots and pilotage for the port of St. John's presented the report of the said committee.

The same was received and read, and it was ordered that same stand for consideration on a future day.

Mr. MURPHY gave notice that on to-morrow he would move the House in committee of the whole on the bill respecting pilots and pilotage.

And the House having sat till twelve of the clock,

FRIDAY, May 2, 1890,

Ordered that this House on rising adjourn until this day at four of the clock in the afternoon.

Then the House adjourned until this day at four of the clock in the afternoon.

FRIDAY, May 2, 1890.

The following petitions were presented:—

By Hon. E. P. MORRIS, from the following, on the subject of education:

Rev. Edward Botwood and others of St. John's;

Rev. Ambrose Heygate and others of same place;

Rev. George Bond and others of same place;

John Steer and others of same place;

George Squires and others of Broad Cove;

Jacob Bishop and others of Petty Harbor:

From Azariah Tucker and others of Broad Cove, on the subject of a harbor of refuge;

Also, on the subject of roads,—

From Michael Hearn and others of the Goulds;

From Michael Heafey and others of St. John's;

From James Baird and others of St. John's.

By Mr. WHITE, on the subject of roads,—
From John Peach and others of Small Point;
From Urias Reynolds of Caplin Cove.

By Hon. SURVEYOR GENERAL, from Edwin Turner and others of Island Cove, for a launchway.

By Mr. BURGESS, from Jasper Rowsell and others of Sundry Cove Island, for extension of telegraphy.

By Dr. DEARIN, from Margaret Broadhurst of Major's Path, on the subject of roads.

By Mr. ROTHWELL, from P. T. Lake and others of Fortune, for a post office and telegraph station.

Ordered that said petitions lie upon the table.

Hon. COLONIAL SECRETARY, by command of His Excellency the Governor, laid upon the table of the House the report of Mr. Burchell, Government Engineer, on survey of line for Hall's Bay railway.

Pursuant to the order of the day, the Supply bill was read a third time.

Ordered that the said bill do pass and be 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, Anno Domini, one thousand eight hundred and ninety, and for other purposes."

Ordered that the said bill be engrossed and sent to the Legislative Council with an address requesting their concurrence in its provisions.

The following message was received from the Hon. Legislative Council:—

" COUNCIL CHAMBER.

Mr. Speaker,—The Legislative Council acquaint the Legislative Assembly, in reply to their message of May 1st with reference to the amendments sent down from the Council upon the bill, entitled 'An Act respecting liens of mechanics and others,' that they accede to the request of the Assembly, and have appointed the Honourables Messrs. Harvey, Monroe and Rendell, to meet a similar number from the Assembly on the matter. The Council name Monday next at 4.30 p. m., in the Committee Room of the Legislative Council for such meeting.

E. D. SHEA,
President."

Ordered that Hon. the Premier, Hon. Colonial Secretary and Hon. E. P. Morris, be appointed to represent this Assembly in said conference.

Pursuant to order of the day, the House resolved itself into committee of the whole on roads and bridges.

Mr. SPEAKER left the chair.

Mr. WHITELEY took the chair of the committee.

Mr. SPEAKER resumed the chair.

The Chairman from the said committee reported that they had considered the matter to them referred, and had passed certain resolutions, and he handed in the same at the Clerk's table, where they were read as follows :—

“ Resolved, That there be granted to Her Majesty, her heirs and successors, the sum of one hundred and twenty-four thousand five hundred and one dollars and eighty-five cents (\$124,501.85) for making and repairing roads, streets and bridges, in this colony.”

(These resolutions having been subsequently amended in committee of the whole on Road Bill, the details will appear in the appendix.)

Ordered that the said report be received and adopted.

In conformity with the said resolutions, the bill for granting to Her Majesty a sum of money for constructing and repairing roads, streets and bridges in this colony was read a first time.

Ordered that the same be read a second time to-morrow.

Ordered that the following be deferred:—

1. Committee of the whole on pilotage bill;
2. Committee of the whole on bill to amend 49 Vic., cap. 9;
3. Committee of the whole on bill to amend the Judicature Act, 1889. And it was ordered that—

4. Motion of Mr. Whiteley for resolution confirming, with some amendments, certain rules and regulations made by the Fisheries' Commission, under 52 Vic., cap. 7, sec. 18, be deferred until Tuesday next.

Pursuant to order of the day, the bill for the encouragement of the raising and manufacture of flax was read a second time.

Ordered that the said bill be committed to committee of the whole House on to-morrow.

Pursuant to notice, Mr. DAWE moved, and it was ordered that the following address to His Excellency do pass on the subject of the petition of G. W. R. Hierlihy for compensation for services:—

“ To His Excellency Sir J. TERENCE N. O'BRIEN, Lieut.-Col., 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 Assembly having had under consideration the petition of G. W. R. Hierlihy, of Bay Roberts, praying for compensation for services rendered, and having adopted the accompanying report of a select committee of the Legislative Assembly, save that the Assembly has substituted the sum of four hundred dollars for the sum of six hundred dollars mentioned in the said report, requests that Your Excellency will be pleased to take the same into your favourable consideration and make such order thereon as may be deemed reasonable, and this House will make due provision for the same.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY, }
May 2nd, 1890. }

GEO. H. EMERSON,
Speaker.”

On motion of Mr. MURRAY, the House resolved itself into committee of the whole upon report of the select committee on petition of Dr. J. G. Skelton.

Mr. SPEAKER left the chair.

Mr. WHITELEY took the chair of the committee.

Mr. SPEAKER resumed the chair.

The Chairman from the said committee reported that they had considered the matter to them referred, and had passed the report of the said select committee, with some amendment, and he handed in at the Clerk's table the report of the select committee as now amended and passed, where it was read as follows :—

“ That they have examined the evidence in this case hereto annexed and find that petitioner's claim is a good one in equity and they recommend the same to the favorable consideration of the Government with a view to an equitable and satisfactory settlement.”

Ordered that the said report as amended be received and adopted.

Pursuant to notice, on motion of Mr. MURRAY and leave granted, a bill to facilitate the naturalization of aliens was read a first time.

Ordered that the said bill be read a second time to-morrow.

Pursuant to notice, on motion of Hon. SURVEYOR GENERAL, and leave being granted, a bill to amend "The License Act, 1875," and the Acts in amendment thereof, was read a first time.

Ordered that the said bill be read a second time to-morrow.

Mr. MURRAY gave notice that on to-morrow he would move an address to His Excellency the Governor on report of the committee of the whole on the petition of John G. Skelton, of Bonavista, for arrears of salary.

Dr. DEARIN gave notice that on to-morrow he would move the House into committee of the whole on the petition of the Fleming brothers.

Ordered that this House, on rising, adjourn until Monday next at four of the clock in the afternoon.

Then the House adjourned until Monday next at four of the clock in the afternoon.

MONDAY, May 5, 1890.

The following petitions were presented:—

By Mr. ROLLS, from James Fitzgerald and others of Fogo, for the staking of winter paths.

By Mr. WHITELEY, from His Lordship Bishop McDonald and others of Harbor Grace, on the subject of a wharf.

By Mr. MURPHY, from M. Bulger and others of Portugal Cove, respecting damages by sheep;

Also, on the subject of education, from E. Churchill and others of St. John's, East;

From John Reay and others of the same place; and, on the subject of roads, from—

Patrick Leary of St. John's, East;

Edward Walsh and others of Pouch Cove;

Michael Cullen and others of Torbay;

Also, from Euphemia Ross of St. John's, on the subject of encouragement of home-spinning.

By Hon. SURVEYOR GENERAL, from G. E. Parsons and others of Bay-de-Verds, for railway extension.

By Mr. WHITE, from Rev'd. Jabez Hill and others, of Bay-de-Verds, on the subject of road boards.

By Mr. WEBBER, from Revd. A. C. Waghorne of New Harbor, for a grant towards publishing a book.

Ordered that the said petitions lie on the table.

Mr. CLIFT gave notice that on to-morrow he would move an address to His Excellency the Governor on the petition of Edmund Hiscock and others.

Mr. MURRAY gave notice that on to-morrow he would move the House into committee of the whole on certain resolutions on the subject of education.

Pursuant to notice, the House resolved itself into committee of the whole on bill to amend 49 Vic., cap. 9.

Mr. SPEAKER left the chair.

Mr. WHITELEY took the chair of the committee.

Mr. SPEAKER resumed the chair.

The Chairman from the said committee reported that they had considered the bill to them referred, and had passed the same with some amendments, and he handed in the same at the Clerk's table.

Ordered that the said report be received and adopted.

Ordered that the said bill be engrossed and read a third time to-morrow.

Ordered that committee of the whole on bill to amend the Judicature Act, 1889, be deferred.

Pursuant to the order of the day, the House resolved itself into committee of the whole on bill to encourage the raising and manufacture of flax and hemp.

Mr. SPEAKER left the chair.

Mr. WOODFORD took the chair of the committee.

Mr. SPEAKER resumed the chair.

The Chairman from the said committee reported that they had considered the bill to them referred, and had passed the same with some amendments, and he handed in the same at the Clerk's table.

Ordered that the said report be received and adopted.

Ordered that the said bill be engrossed and read a third time to-morrow.

Pursuant to the order of the day, the House resolved itself into committee of the whole on bill respecting pilots and pilotage.

Mr. SPEAKER left the chair.

Mr. MUNN took the chair of the committee.

Mr. SPEAKER resumed the chair.

The Chairman from the said committee reported that they had considered the matter to them referred, and had passed the said bill with some amendments, and he handed in the same at the Clerk's table.

Ordered that the said report be received and adopted.

Ordered that the said bill be engrossed and read a third time to-morrow.

Ordered that the second reading of bill to facilitate the naturalization of aliens be deferred.

Ordered that the second reading of bill to amend "The License Act, 1875," and the Acts in amendment thereof be deferred.

Pursuant to the order of the day, the bill respecting roads and bridges was read a second time.

Ordered that the said bill be committed to committee of the whole House on to-morrow.

Ordered that motion of Dr. Dearn for committee of the whole on petition of the Fleming brothers be deferred.

Pursuant to notice, on motion of Mr. MURRAY, it was ordered that the following address do pass to His Excellency the Governor in the matter of the petition of Dr. John G. Skelton for compensation for services rendered, and on the report of select committee of this House as amended in committee of the whole House:—

"To His Excellency Sir J. TERENCE N. O'BRIEN, Lieut.-Col., 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 Assembly having had under consideration the accompanying petition of Dr. John G. Skelton, of Bonavista, praying for compensation for services, and the report of the select committee of this House appointed to consider the matter of said petition, requests that Your Excellency will be pleased to take the same into your favourable consideration, with a view to an equitable and satisfactory settlement, and this House will make due provision for the same.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY, }
May 5th, 1890. }

GEO. H. EMERSON,
Speaker."

Ordered that motion of Mr. Fearn for committee of the whole to consider address as to the advisability of appointing persons as students under Mr. Adolph Neilsen be deferred.

Mr. MURRAY, from the select committee appointed to consider the bill to provide for the effective registration of births, marriages and deaths, presented report of said committee and bill thereto annexed.

Ordered that the said report be received.

Mr. MURRAY gave notice that on to-morrow he would move the first reading of the said bill.

Ordered that this House, on rising, adjourn until to-morrow at four of the clock in the afternoon.

Then the House adjourned until to-morrow at four of the clock in the afternoon.

TUESDAY, May 6, 1890,

The following petitions were presented:—

By the Hon. SURVEYOR GENERAL, from Jeremiah Quinlan and others of Red Head Cove, on the subject of bridges.

By Mr. FEARN, on the subject of education,—

From Rev. C. W. Hollands and others of Bonne Bay;

From Rev. John Pye and others of same place.

By Mr. WHITELEY, on the subject of roads, from Joseph Reed and others of Spaniard's Bay.

By Dr. TAIT, on the subject of education,—

From Rev. J. C. Sidey and others of Burin;

From G. M. Goddard and others of same place;

From James Wilson and others of same place;

From Rev. W. Swann and others of Grand Bank.

By Mr. MURPHY, from Richard Cuddihy and others of Torbay, on the subject of roads;

From Robert Mundy and others of Pouch Cove, on the same subject.

Ordered that the said petitions lie on the table.

Pursuant to the order of the day, the following bills were read a third time, namely:—

Bill to amend 49 Vic., cap. 9;

Bill to encourage the raising and manufacture of flax and hemp;

Bill respecting pilots and pilotage.

Ordered that the said bills do pass and be entitled, respectively:—

“ An Act to amend the Act 49 Vic., cap. 9, entitled ‘ An Act for the Preservation of Game,’ and the Act 52 Vic., cap. 2, entitled ‘ An Act for the Preservation of Deer.’ ”

“ An Act to amend the Act 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.’ ”

“ An Act for the encouragement of the cultivation and manufacture of flax and hemp.”

Ordered that the said bills be sent to the Legislative Council, with an address respectfully requesting their concurrence in the provisions thereof.

Ordered that the following be deferred:—

Committee of the whole on bill to amend the Judicature Act of 1889;

Committee of the whole on road bill.

Pursuant to the order of the day, it was moved by Mr. MURRAY, seconded by Mr. MURPHY, that the bill entitled “ An Act to facilitate the naturalization of aliens in the Colony of Newfoundland,” be now read a second time.

And the motion being put, the House divided thereon, when there appeared for the motion 8 ; against it, 10.

For the Motion.

Mr. Murray.
 “ Murphy,
 Hon. Colonial Secretary,
 “ Surveyor General,
 The Chairman Board of Works,
 The Financial Secretary,
 Mr. Burgess,
 Dr. Tait.

Against the Motion.

Hon. the Premier,
 Mr. Thompson,
 “ Geran,
 “ Webber,
 “ White,
 “ Whiteley,
 “ F. Morris,
 “ Rothwell,
 “ Fearn,
 “ Rolls.

So it passed in the negative, and it was ordered accordingly.

Pursuant to the order of the day, it was moved Hon. by SURVEYOR GENERAL, seconded by Dr. TAIT, that the bill, entitled "An Act to amend 'The License Act, 1875,' and the Acts in amendment thereof" be now read a second time.

And the motion being put, the House divided thereon, when there appeared for the motion 10; against it, 15.

For the Motion.

Hon. Surveyor General,
 Dr. Tait,
 Hon. the Premier,
 " Colonial Secretary,
 The Chairman Board of Works,
 Mr. Thompson,
 " White,
 " Whiteley,
 " Murray,
 " Burgess.

Against the Motion.

Hon. E. P. Morris, The Financial Secretary, Mr. Murphy, " Webber, " Peyton, " Duff, " Dawe, " Clift, " Hallaren,	Mr. F. Morris, " Woodford, " Rolls, " Munn, " Shea, " Fearn.
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So it passed in the negative, and it was ordered accordingly.

Ordered that motion of Dr. Dearin for committee of the whole on petition of the Fleming brothers be deferred.

Pursuant to notice and on leave granted, on motion of Mr. MURRAY, a bill respecting the registration of births, marriages and deaths was read a first time.

Ordered that same be read a second time to-morrow.

Pursuant to notice, and on motion of Mr. Fearn, the House resolved itself into committee of the whole to consider an address to His Excellency the Governor on the subject of the advisability of appointing suitable persons as students under Mr. Adolph Neilsen.

Mr. SPEAKER left the chair.

Mr. WHITELEY took the chair of the committee.

Mr. SPEAKER resumed the chair.

The Chairman from the said committee reported that they had considered the matter to them referred, and had passed a resolution that an address be presented to His Excellency the Governor in the said matter, requesting that His Excellency will be pleased to take into his favorable consideration the advisability of appointing suitable persons as students under Mr. Adolph Neilsen, Superintendent of Fisheries, and would make such order concerning the same as might be deemed reasonable.

Ordered that the said report be received and adopted.

Ordered that an address do pass accordingly, and that the same be presented to His Excellency by such members of this House as are of the Executive Council.

Ordered that motion of Mr. Whiteley for a resolution of this Assembly confirming certain rules and regulations made by the Fisheries' Commission be deferred until Thursday next.

Ordered that the motion of Mr. Murray for committee of the whole on certain resolutions on the subject of education be deferred until to-morrow.

Mr. CLIFT gave notice that on to-morrow he would move the House into committee of the whole on petition of Edmund Hiscock and others.

Mr. DUFF gave notice that on to-morrow he would move the House into committee of the whole to consider the best means of regulating the branding and inspection of herring and other pickled fish, the produce of this colony.

Ordered that this House, on rising, adjourn until to-morrow, at four of the clock in the afternoon.

Then the House adjourned until to-morrow at four of the clock in the afternoon.

WEDNESDAY, May 7, 1890.

The following petitions were presented:—

By Hon. the PREMIER, from William Palmer and others of Random Sound, on the subject of roads.

By Hon. Mr. MORRIS, from Robert Templeton and others of St. John's, on the same subject.

By Mr. FEARN, from J. R. Roberts and others of Bonne Bay, on the subject of bridges.

Also, on the subject of education, by the Hon. SURVEYOR GENERAL, from—

Rev. J. Pratt and others of Bay-de-Verds;

Rev. J. Pincock and others of Western Bay;

Rev. Wm. How and others of Bay-de-Verds;

Rev. W. Kendall and others of Lower Island Cove;

Rev. Anthony Hill and others of Old Perlican;
A. B. Parsons and others of Bay-de-Verds.

Ordered that the said petitions lie upon the table.

The following messages were received from the Hon. Legislative Council:—

“ COUNCIL CHAMBER, 7th May, 1890.

Mr. Speaker,—The Legislative Council acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have passed the bill sent up from the Assembly entitled ‘ An Act for the protection of woods against fires,’ with some amendments, to which they request the concurrence of the Legislative Assembly.

E. D. SHEA,
President.”

“ COUNCIL CHAMBER, 7th May, 1890.

Mr. Speaker,—The Legislative Council acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have passed the bill sent up from the Assembly, 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,’ without amendment.

E. D. SHEA,
President.”

Pursuant to notice and on motion of Dr. DEARIN, the House resolved itself into committee of the whole on petition of the Fleming brothers.

Mr. SPEAKER left the chair.

Mr. WHITELEY took the chair of the committee.

Mr. SPEAKER resumed the chair.

The Chairman from the said committee reported that they had considered the matter to them referred, and had resolved that an address to His Excellency the Governor do pass in the matter of the said petition, as follows:—

“ *To His Excellency Sir J. TERENCE N. O'BRIEN, Lieut.-Col., 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 Assembly having had under consideration the petition of the Fleming brothers of Torbay, praying for a sum of

money to be granted to them to enable them to support themselves and their families, requests that Your Excellency will be pleased to take the same into your favorable consideration and make such order thereon as may be deemed reasonable, and this House will make due provision for the same.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY, }
May 7th, 1890. }

GEO. H. EMERSON,
Speaker.

Ordered that the said report be received and adopted.

Ordered that said address do pass and be presented to His Excellency the Governor by such members of this House as are of the Executive Council.

Ordered that motion of Mr. Murray for committee of the whole on certain resolutions on the subject of education be postponed.

Pursuant to notice, and on motion of Mr. DUFF, the House resolved itself into committee of the whole to consider the best means of regulating the branding and inspection of herring and other pickled fish, the produce of this colony.

Mr. SPEAKER left the chair.

Mr. WHITELEY took the chair of the committee.

Mr. SPEAKER resumed the chair.

The chairman from the said committee reported that they had considered the matter to them referred, and had passed a certain resolution, and he handed in the same at the Clerk's table were it was read, as follows:—

“Resolved,—That this committee is of opinion that the action of the late Government in not carrying out the provisions of the Acts providing for the inspection of pickled fish has been detrimental to the interests of the colony, and that the law relating to this subject should be rigidly enforced.”

Ordered that the said report be received and adopted.

Pursuant to notice, and on motion of Mr. CLIFT, the House resolved itself into committee of the whole on petition of Edmund Hiscock and others.

Mr. SPEAKER left the chair.

Mr. GERAN took the chair of the committee.

Mr. SPEAKER resumed the chair.

The Chairman from the said committee reported that they had considered the matter to them referred, and had resolved that an

address to His Excellency the Governor do pass in the matter of the said petition, as follows:—

*“ To His Excellency Sir J. TERENCE N. O'BRIEN,
Lieut.-Col., 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 Assembly having had under consideration the petition of Edmund Hiscock and others of Brigus, praying that a steamer may be sent to the northern coast of Labrador for the purpose of surveying the same, requests that Your Excellency will be pleased to take the same into your favourable consideration, and make such order thereon as may be deemed reasonable.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY, }
May 7th, 1890. }

GEO. H. EMERSON,
Speaker.”

Ordered that the said report be received and adopted.

Ordered that the said address do pass, and that the same be presented to His Excellency by such members of this House as are of the Executive Council.

Ordered that motion of Mr. Murray for committee of the whole on certain resolutions on the subject of education be deferred until tomorrow, and that the same then stand first on the order of the day.

Ordered that the following be deferred:—

Committee of the whole on bill to amend Judicature Act:

Second reading of bill respecting registration of births, marriages and deaths.

Pursuant to the order of the day, the House resolved itself into committee of the whole on road bill.

Mr. SPEAKER left the chair.

Mr. WHITELEY took the chair of the committee.

Mr. SPEAKER resumed the chair.

The Chairman from the said committee reported that they had considered the bill to them referred, and had passed the same with some amendments, and he handed in the same at the Clerk's table.

Ordered that the said report be received and adopted.

Ordered that the said bill as amended be engrossed and read a third time to-morrow.

(For details of Bill see Appendix).

On motion of Mr. MURPHY, the House resolved itself into committee of the whole on the amendments made by the Legislative Council in the bill for the protection of woods against fires.

Mr. SPEAKER left the chair.

Mr. DAWE took the chair of the committee.

Mr. SPEAKER resumed the chair.

The chairman from the said committee reported that they had considered the said amendments, and had passed the same without amendment.

Ordered that the said report be received and adopted.

Ordered that a message be sent to the Legislative Council acquainting them that the Assembly had concurred in the said amendments, and had passed the same without amendment.

Ordered that this House, on rising, adjourn until to-morrow, at four of the clock in the afternoon.

Then the House adjourned until to-morrow at four of the clock in the afternoon.

THURSDAY, May 8, 1890.

The following petitions were presented:—

By Mr. MURRAY, from Rev. W. S. Rafter and others of Channel, on the subject of education.

By Mr. THOMPSON, on the same subject, from—

J. W. Cullen and others of Flat Islands;

Rev. S. Jennings and others of Nipper's Harbor;

Rev. R. W. Freeman and others of Twillingate.

By Hon. SURVEYOR GENERAL, from Rev. J. Pratt and others of Bay-de-Verds, for railway extension;

Also, from the Rev. James Pincock and others of Western Bay, on the subject of a wharf.

By Mr. BURGESS, from J. P. Diem and others of Little Bay, on the same subject.

Ordered that the said petitions lie on the table.

Hon. Mr. MORRIS gave notice that on to-morrow he would ask leave to introduce a bill to amend 52 Vic., Cap. 24.

Pursuant to the order of the day, the Road Bill was read a third time.

Ordered that the said bill do pass and be entitled "An Act for granting to Her Majesty a sum of money for constructing and repairing roads, streets, bridges, and other public works within this colony, and to make provision for the protection and preservation of the same."

Ordered that the said bill be sent to the Legislative Council, with an address requesting their concurrence in its provisions.

Pursuant to the order of the day, the House resolved itself into committee of the whole on certain resolutions submitted by Mr. Murray, on the subject of education.

Mr. SPEAKER left the chair.

Mr. WHITELEY took the chair of the committee.

Mr. SPEAKER resumed the chair.

The Chairman from the said committee reported that they had considered the matter to them referred, and had passed a certain resolution, which he handed in at the Clerk's table where it was read, as follows:—

Resolved,—That a select committee of this House be appointed to take evidence upon the subject of the present school system and its operation, and to report thereupon, and that the committee have power to sit during recess."

Ordered that the said report be received and adopted.

Ordered that the following gentlemen form the select committee under said resolution :—Mr. Murray, Hon. the Premier, Hon. Colonial Secretary, Hon. Surveyor General, Mr. Speaker, Mr. Webber, Dr. Tait, Hon. Mr. Morris, Dr. Dearin, Mr. Clift and Mr. Murphy, with power to sit during recess.

Ordered that this House, on rising, adjourn until to-morrow afternoon at four o'clock.

Then the House adjourned until to-morrow at four of the clock in the afternoon.

FRIDAY, May 9, 1890.

Ordered that committee of the whole on bill to amend the Judicature Act of 1889 be deferred.

Pursuant to the order of the day, the bill to provide for the registration of births, marriages and deaths was read a second time.

Ordered that the said bill be committed to committee of the whole House to-morrow.

Ordered that motion of Mr. Whiteley for resolution respecting confirmation of rules and regulations made by the Fisheries' Commission be deferred.

On motion of Hon. Mr. MORRIS, and leave granted, a bill to amend 52 Vic., cap. 24 was read a first time.

Ordered that the said bill be read a second time to-morrow.

Ordered that this House, on rising, adjourn until Monday next at four of the clock in the afternoon.

Then the House adjourned until Monday next at four of the clock in the afternoon.

MONDAY, May 12, 1890.

Ordered that committee of the whole on bill to amend the Judicature Act of 1889 be deferred.

A message from his Excellency the Governor was delivered by W. F. Rennie, Esquire, the Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod, commanding the immediate attendance of Mr. Speaker and the House in the Council Chamber.

Accordingly, at five of the clock, Mr. Speaker and the House attended His Excellency in the Council Chamber, where His Excellency was pleased in Her Majesty's name to assent to the bill entitled "An Act to amend the Crown Lands' Act, 1884, and the Acts in amendment thereof."

His Excellency then intimated that he reserved his assent to the bill entitled "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 codtraps,' " until Her Majesty's pleasure as to same was made known.

And Mr. Speaker and the House being returned to the Assembly Room, Mr. Speaker acquainted the House of His Excellency's as-

sent to the said Crown Lands' Act, and of his reservation of assent to the said bill respecting codtraps.

Pursuant to the order of the day, the House resolved itself into committee of the whole on bill for the registration of births, marriages and deaths.

Mr. SPEAKER left the chair.

Mr. WHITELEY took the chair of the committee.

Mr. SPEAKER resumed the chair.

The Chairman from the said committee reported that they had considered the bill to them referred, and had made some progress, and he asked leave that said committee sit again.

Ordered that said report be received and that said committee have leave to sit again to-morrow.

Pursuant to the order of the day, the bill entitled "An Act to amend 52 Vic., cap. 24" was read a second time.

Ordered that the said bill be committed to committee of the whole House on to-morrow.

Ordered that motion of Mr. Whiteley for resolution confirming certain rules and regulations made by the Fisheries' Commission, with amendments, be deferred.

Mr. CARTY gave notice that on to-morrow he would ask the hon. the Premier if the statement published in this evening's issue of the *Herald* is correct: "That a French captain, named Bischell, who was summoned to attend the Court at Channel for carrying away a net belonging to an old man an inhabitant of that place, refused to attend Court, and that the constable who was sent on board Bischell's vessel, with a warrant for Bischell's arrest, was carried away in said vessel;" and what steps, if any, have been taken by the Government in connection with this matter.

Mr. THOMPSON gave notice that on to-morrow he would move the House into committee of the whole on an address in reference to extending the telegraph line to Botwoodsville, Exploits Bay.

Hon. the PREMIER, in the absence, through illness, of the Hon. Receiver General, gave notice that on to-morrow he would ask leave to introduce a bill to indemnify His Excellency the Governor for certain sums of money advanced by him out the public treasury for the service of the colony.

Hon. the PREMIER gave notice that on to-morrow he would ask leave to introduce a bill entitled "An Act to amend the Copyright Act of 1888."

Mr. MURRAY gave notice that on to-morrow he would ask leave to introduce a bill to amend cap. 105 of the Consolidated Statutes, entitled "Of Marriage."

Mr. HALLAREN gave notice that on to-morrow he would move the House into committee of the whole on the petition of Joseph L. Ross and Euphemia, his wife.

The following messages were received from the Hon. Legislative Council:—

"COUNCIL CHAMBER, May 12th, 1890.

Mr. Speaker,—The Legislative Council acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have passed the bill sent up from the Assembly entitled 'An Act to provide for the commutation of sentences for good behaviour and industry of prisoners confined in the penitentiary,' without amendment.

E. D. SHEA,
President."

"COUNCIL CHAMBER, 12th May, 1890.

Mr. Speaker,—The Legislative Council acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have passed the bill sent up from the Assembly entitled 'An Act for the encouragement of the cultivation and manufacture of flax and hemp,' with an amendment, to which they request the concurrence of the Legislative Assembly.

E. D. SHEA,
President."

The said amendment was then read, and it was ordered that the same be adopted.

Hon. Mr. MORRIS, chairman of select committee on bill entitled "An Act to provide for the local self-government of towns and settlements within this colony," presented report of said committee and bill thereto annexed.

Ordered that the said report be received, and that the said bill be referred to committee of the whole House on to-morrow.

Ordered that this House, on rising, adjourn until to-morrow at four of the clock in the afternoon.

Then the House adjourned until to-morrow at four of the clock in the afternoon.

TUESDAY, May 13, 1890.

The following petitions were presented:—

By Captain BLANDFORD, from Rev. J. Parkins and others of Greenspond, on the subject of education;

Also, from Frederic Shears and others of Open Hall, on the subject of call of mail steamer.

By Mr. WEBBER, from Robert S. Bremner and others of Trinity, on the subject of education.

By Mr. ROLLS, from Rev. R. M. Walker of Tilton Harbor, on the subject of call of mail steamer.

By Mr. WHITELEY from John Bow and others of Harbor Grace, on the subject of a road board;

From Rev. F. Smart and others of Harbor Grace, on the subject of education.

By Mr. DAWE, from Right Rev. Bishop McDonald and others of Harbor Grace, on the subject of the *modus vivendi* as to lobsters;

From William Warren and others of same place, on the same subject;

From G. F. Parsons and others of same place, on the same subject;

From Thomas Hanrahan and others of same place, on the same subject;

From M. Morrissey and others of same place, on the same subject.

Ordered that the said petitions lie upon the table.

Ordered that committee of the whole on bill to amend the Judicature Act, 1889, be deferred till Monday next.

Ordered that the following be deferred:—

Committee of the whole on bill for the registration of births, marriages and deaths;

Committee of the whole on bill to amend 52 Vic., Cap. 24;

Committee of the whole on local government bill;

Motion of Mr. Whiteley for resolution confirming with amendments certain fishery rules and regulations.

Pursuant to notice, and on motion of Mr. THOMPSON, the House resolved itself into committee of the whole on an address in reference to extension of telegraph to Botwoodsville, Exploits Bay.

Mr. SPEAKER left the chair.

Mr. WHITELEY took the chair of the committee.

Mr. SPEAKER resumed the chair.

The chairman from the said committee reported that they had considered the matter to them referred, and had passed an address to His Excellency thereon, and he handed in the address at the Clerk's table where it was read, as follows:—

“ To His Excellency Sir J. TERENCE N. O'BRIEN, Lieut.-Col., 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 Assembly having had under consideration the petition of A. R. Neilson, Winsor Lewis, William Jeans, and others of Exploits Bay, praying for the extension of the telegraph line from Gander Bay to Botwoodsville, Exploits Bay, requests that Your Excellency will be pleased to take the same into your favorable consideration and make such order thereon as may be deemed reasonable, and this House will make due provision for the same.”

Ordered that the said report be received and adopted.

Ordered that the said address do pass, and be presented to His Excellency by such members of this House as are of the Executive Council.

Hon. the PREMIER, pursuant to notice, asked leave to introduce a bill to indemnify His Excellency for certain sums of money advanced by him out of the Colonial treasury for the service of the colony.

Ordered that the said bill be read a first time.

The said bill was read a first time accordingly.

Ordered that the said bill be read a second time to-morrow.

Pursuant to notice, and leave being granted, the Hon. the Premier moved the first reading of a bill, entitled “ An Act to amend the Copyright Act, 1888.”

The said bill was then read a first time, and it was ordered that the same be read a second time to-morrow.

Pursuant to order, and on motion of Mr. HALLAREN, the House resolved itself into committee of the whole on address on the petition of Euphemia Ross and of Joseph L. Ross.

Mr. SPEAKER left the chair.

Mr. WHITELEY took the chair of the committee.

Mr. SPEAKER resumed the chair.

The Chairman from the said committee reported that they had considered the matter to them referred, and had passed an address to His Excellency the Governor, and he handed in the same at the Clerk's table where it was read, as follows:—

“ To His Excellency Sir J. TERENCE N. O'BRIEN, Lieut.-Col., 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 Assembly having had under consideration the petition of Euphemia Ross and Joseph L. Ross, of St. John's, praying for encouragement of the art of weaving woollen goods or home-spuns, by grant of a *per capita* sum to aid in the instruction of pupils learning the said art, requests that Your Excellency will be pleased to take the same into your favourable consideration, and make such order thereon as may be deemed reasonable; and for such grant for the said object as Your Excellency may advance, this House will make due provision.”

Ordered that the said report be received and adopted.

Ordered that said address do pass and be presented to His Excellency by such members of this House as are of the Executive Council.

Pursuant to notice and leave being granted, on motion of Mr. MURRAY, a bill entitled “ An Act to amend chapter 105 of the Consolidated Statutes, entitled “ Of Marriage,” was read a first time.

Ordered that the same be read a second time to-morrow.

Ordered that the select committee of this House appointed in the matter of the Civil Service of this colony have leave to sit during recess of this House.

Hon. the PREMIER, in answer to question of Mr. Carty, notice of which was given yesterday, replied thereto.

The following messages were received from the Hon. Legislative Council:—

“ COUNCIL CHAMBER, May 13th, 1890.

Mr. Speaker,—The Legislative Council acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have passed the bill sent up from the 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. 2, entitled ‘ An Act for the preservation of deer,’ ” with an amendment, to which they request the concurrence of the Assembly.

E. D. SHEA,
President.”

“ COUNCIL CHAMBER, 13th May, 1890.

Mr. Speaker,—The Legislative Council acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have passed the bill sent up from the 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,” with some amendments, to which they request the concurrence of the Assembly.

E. D. SHEA,
President.”

Ordered that the said amendments proposed by the Council stand for consideration to-morrow.

HON. COLONIAL SECRETARY, by command of His Excellency, laid on the table of the House the following documents:—

Copy of despatch dated March 1st, 1890, from the Secretary of State for the Colonies to His Excellency;

Copy of letter from Thomas H. Newman to the Secretary of State, dated November 15th, 1889;

Copy of letter from same and others to same, of same date;

Copy of Act of 1887, as to agreements between landlords and tenants, respecting taxes;

Copy of letter from Thomas H. Newman and others to the Secretary of State, dated February 7th, 1890;

Despatch dated 8th April, 1890, from Secretary of State to His Excellency the Governor, with extracts from “ Journal Officiel ” (and translation) reporting debate in French Senate on the subject of *modus vivendi* as to lobsters;

Report of Newfoundland Consolidated Copper Mining Company for 1888;

Report of Consolidated Foundry Company, 1889;

Report of Inspector of Weights and Measures, 1889;

Report of Mutual Life Insurance Company for 1889;

Report of Inspector of Church of England Schools for 1889.

Ordered that this House, on rising, adjourn until to-morrow afternoon at four of the clock.

Then the House adjourned until to-morrow at four of the clock in the afternoon.

WEDNESDAY, May 14, 1890.

The following petitions were presented:—

By Mr. ROLLS, from Thomas M. Anthony and others of Barred Island, for a breakwater.

By Mr. MUNN, from Clement Sheppard and others of Harbor Grace, on the subject of *modus vivendi* as to lobsters;

From John F. Apsey and others, of same place, on same subject.

By Hon. Mr. MORRIS, from Charles Hutchings and others of St. John's, on the subject of roads.

By Mr. DUFF, from Rev. T. W. Clift and others of Carbonear, on subject of *modus vivendi* as to lobsters;

From William Badcock and others, and from Rev. F. D. McCarthy and others, of same place, on same subject.

Ordered that the said petitions lie on the table.

Ordered that committee of the whole on bill to amend 52 Vic., Cap. 24, be deferred.

Ordered that second reading of bill to amend Copyright Act, 1888, be deferred.

Pursuant to order of the day the House resolved itself into committee of the whole on the Council's amendment on bill for the preservation of game.

Mr. SPEAKER left the chair.

Mr. WHITELEY took the chair of the committee.

Mr. SPEAKER resumed the chair.

The chairman from the said committee reported that they had considered the said amendment, and had adopted the same without amendment.

Ordered that said report be received and adopted.

Ordered that a message be sent to the Legislative Council acquainting them with the concurrence of this House in said amendment.

Pursuant to order of the day the Indemnity Bill was read a second time.

Ordered that the said bill be committed to committee of the whole House to-morrow.

Ordered that the bill to amend Cap. 105 of the Consolidated Statutes be now read a second time and be committed to committee of the whole House to-morrow.

The said bill was read a second time accordingly.

Pursuant to order of the day the House resolved itself into committee of the whole on local government bill.

Mr. SPEAKER left the chair.

Mr. WHITELEY took the chair of the committee.

Mr. SPEAKER resumed the chair.

The chairman from the said committee reported that they had considered the said bill, had made some progress, and had instructed him to ask leave to sit again.

Ordered that said report be received and that said committee have leave to sit again on to-morrow.

Ordered that the following be deferred:—

Committee of the whole on bill for registration of births, marriages and deaths;

Committee of the whole on Council's amendments on bill respecting pilots and pilotage.

Hon. ATTORNEY GENERAL presented a petition from Robert S. Munn, Esquire, of Harbor Grace, praying for a remission of duty on alcohol used in manufacture of glue.

Ordered that said petition lie on the table.

Hon. ATTORNEY GENERAL gave notice that on to-morrow he would move the House into committee of the whole to consider the matter of the said petition.

Hon. ATTORNEY GENERAL presented a petition from Eugene Prosper Bender praying for the passing of an Act to incorporate him

with the Lord Mayor of London and others, under the name of "The North Canadian Atlantic Railway and Steamship Company."

Ordered that the said petition lie on the table.

Hon. the ATTORNEY GENERAL gave notice that on to-morrow he would move the appointment of a select committee to consider and report as to said petition.

Ordered that this house, on rising, adjourn until Friday next at four in the afternoon.

Then the House adjourned until Friday next at four of the clock in the afternoon.

FRIDAY, May 16, 1890,

Ordered that the following be deferred:—

Committee on bill to amend 52 Vic., cap. 24;

Committee on Indemnity bill.

Pursuant to the order of the day, the House resolved itself into committee of the whole on local government bill.

Mr. SPEAKER left the chair.

Mr. WHITELEY took the chair of the committee.

Mr. SPEAKER resumed the chair.

The Chairman from the said committee reported that they had considered the bill to them referred, had made some progress, and had instructed him to ask leave to sit again.

Ordered that the said report be received and that the said committee have leave to sit again to-morrow.

Pursuant to the order of the day, the House resolved itself into committee of the whole on Council's amendments on bill respecting pilots and pilotage.

Mr. SPEAKER left the chair.

Mr. WHITELEY took the chair of the committee.

Mr. SPEAKER resumed the chair.

The chairman from the said committee reported that they had considered the said amendments, and had adopted the same without amendment.

Ordered that the said report be received and adopted.

Ordered that a message be sent to the Legislative Council acquainting them that this House concurs in said amendments.

Pursuant to the order of the day, the House resolved itself into committee of the whole on bill for registration of births, marriages and deaths.

Mr. SPEAKER left the chair.

Mr. WOODFORD took the chair of the committee.

Mr. SPEAKER resumed the chair.

The Chairman from the said committee reported that they had considered the said bill, and had passed the same with amendments.

Ordered that the said report be received and adopted.

Ordered that the said bill as amended be engrossed and read a third time on to-morrow.

Pursuant to the order of the day, the House resolved itself into committee of the whole on bill to amend title 28, chapter 105 of the Consolidated Statutes, entitled "Of marriage."

Mr. SPEAKER left the chair.

Mr. WHITELEY took the chair of the committee.

Mr. SPEAKER resumed the chair.

The Chairman from the said committee reported that they had considered the said bill, had made some progress, and had instructed him to ask leave to sit again.

Ordered that the said report be received, and that said committee have leave to sit again to-morrow.

Pursuant to order of the day, the bill to amend the Copyright Act, 1888, was read a second time.

Ordered that said bill be committed to committee of the whole House on to-morrow.

Pursuant to notice, the Hon. the PREMIER moved the appointment of a select committee in the matter of the petition of Eugene Prosper Bender praying for an Act of incorporation.

Ordered that the following gentlemen do form the committee:—Hon. the Premier, Hon. Surveyor General, Hon. E. P. Morris, Mr. Fearn, Mr. Whiteley, Capt. Blandford, Mr. Munn, Mr. Duff, Mr. Murphy and the Hon. the Speaker.

Pursuant to notice the Hon. the PREMIER moved that the House resolve itself into committee of the whole on petition of Robert S. Munn, Esquire; and it was ordered accordingly.

Then the House resolved itself into committee of the whole in the matter of said petition.

Mr. SPEAKER left the chair.

Mr. WHITELEY took the chair of the committee.

Mr. SPEAKER resumed the chair.

The chairman from the said committee reported that they had considered the matter to them referred, and had passed the following resolution:—

“ *Whereas* it is deemed desirable to encourage the manufacture of fish-glue in this colony—

“ *Be it therefore resolved*,—That it is the opinion of this committee that a bill be introduced, granting to the manufacturers of such glue a remission of the duty on all pure alcohol imported by them and used in such manufacture.”

Ordered that the said report be received and adopted.

Pursuant to said resolution, a bill for the encouragement of the manufacture of fish-glue in this colony was read a first time.

Ordered that the said bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The FINANCIAL SECRETARY, Mr. Studdy, gave notice that on to-morrow he would ask leave to introduce a bill to amend title 23, cap. 79 of the Consolidated Statutes, entitled “Of certain municipal regulations.”

Hon. the PREMIER gave notice that on to-morrow he would move the House into committee of the whole to consider certain resolutions in relation to raising a loan on the credit of the colony.

Ordered that this House, on rising, adjourn until Monday next at four of the clock in the afternoon.

Then the House adjourned until Monday next at four of the clock in the afternoon.

MONDAY, May 19, 1890.

Pursuant to order of the day the bill to provide for the registration of births, marriages and deaths, was read a third time.

Ordered that the said bill do pass and be entitled “An Act to provide for the registration of births, marriages and deaths.”

Ordered that the said bill be sent to the Legislative Council with an address requesting their concurrence in its provisions.

Pursuant to order of the day, the bill to encourage the manufacture of fish-glue in this colony was read a second time.

Ordered that the said bill be committed to committee of the whole House to-morrow.

Pursuant to notice, and leave being granted, on motion of the FINANCIAL SECRETARY, a bill to amend Title XXIII., Chapter 79, of the Consolidated Statutes, entitled "Of certain Municipal Regulations," was read a first time.

Ordered that the same be read a second time to-morrow.

And the House having sat until twelve of the clock midnight,

TUESDAY, May 20, 1890,

Ordered that this House on rising adjourn until Thursday next at four of the clock in the afternoon.

Then the House adjourned until Thursday next at four of the clock, p.m.

THURSDAY, May 22, 1890.

Mr. WHITELEY presented a petition from Henry Gosse and others of Spaniard's Bay, on the subject of the *modus vivendi* relative to the lobster industry.

Ordered that said petition lie on the table.

Pursuant to order of the day the House resolved into committee of the whole on local government bill.

Mr. SPEAKER left the chair.

Mr. WHITELEY took the chair of the committee.

Mr. SPEAKER resumed the chair.

The chairman from the said committee reported that they had passed the bill with some amendments.

Ordered that the said report be received and adopted.

Ordered that the said bill as amended be engrossed and read a third time to-morrow.

The following message was received from Legislative Council:—

"COUNCIL CHAMBER, 22nd May, 1890.

Mr. Speaker, the Legislative Council acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have passed the bill sent up entitled, 'An Act

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,' without amendment.

E. D. SHEA,
President

The following orders were deferred, namely:—

Committee of the whole on bill to amend 52 Vic., cap. 24;

Committee of the whole on Indemnity bill;

Committee of the whole on bill to amend cap. 105 of the Consolidated Statutes, entitled "Of marriage;"

Committee on bill to amend the Copyright Act, 1888;

Committee on bill to amend the Judicature Act, 1889;

Committee on bill for encouragement of manufacture of fish-glue;

Motion of Mr. Whiteley for resolution confirming certain rules made by the Fisheries' Commission, as amended;

Motion of Hon. Attorney General for committee of the whole on resolutions in relation to raising a loan on the credit of the colony.

Pursuant to order of the day, the bill entitled, "An Act to amend title 23, cap. 79 of the Consolidated Statutes, entitled "Of certain municipal regulations," was read a second time.

Ordered that said bill be committed to committee of the whole House to-morrow.

Mr. MURRAY gave notice that on to-morrow he would ask the Hon. Colonial Secretary if any agreement exists between the Government and private parties for lease of the waters of Upper Long Pond; if so, what is the nature of such agreement and the term thereof, and whether it includes an exclusive right of fishing in said waters, and what consideration was paid for such right. Also, to lay a copy of said agreement on the table of this House.

Mr. MURRAY gave notice that on to-morrow he would ask the Chairman of the Board of Works if it is the intention of the Government to build a light-house on the western side of King's Cove harbor, as announced in the *Trinity Weekly Record* of 17th instant.

Hon. the PREMIER gave notice that on to-morrow he would ask leave to introduce a bill to amend the Act passed in the 52nd year of Her Majesty's reign, entitled "An Act for the encouragement of ship-building, and for other purposes."

The Hon. SURVEYOR GENERAL laid on the table the following documents:—

1. Surveyor General's Report, 1889;
2. Statement of bonuses paid for land cleared;
3. Report of progress of Geological Survey for 1889;
4. Return of Crown Lands' Grants, 1889;
5. Return of applications for mineral lands, 1889;
6. Return of mining grants, leases and licenses, 1889;
7. Return of free grants and licenses, 1889;
8. Return of leases of timber limits, 1889;
9. Surveyor General's consolidated cash statement, 1889;
10. Plan of coal seams, West Coast.

Ordered that this House, on rising, adjourn until to-morrow at four of the clock in the afternoon.

Then the House adjourned until to-morrow at four of the clock in the afternoon.

FRIDAY, May 23, 1890.

Pursuant to order of the day, the local government bill was read a third time.

Ordered that the said bill do pass and be entitled "An Act to provide for the local government of towns and settlements in this colony."

Ordered that the said bill be sent to the Legislative Council, with an address requesting concurrence therein.

Ordered that the bill to amend cap. 105 of the Consolidated Statutes, entitled "Of marriage," be struck off the order.

Pursuant to the order of the day, the House resolved itself into committee of the whole on bill to amend the Copyright Act, 1888.

Mr. SPEAKER left the chair.

Mr. WHITELEY took the chair of the committee.

Mr. SPEAKER resumed the chair.

The chairman from the said committee reported that they had considered the bill, had made some progress, and asked leave to sit again.

Ordered that the said report be received and that the said committee have leave to sit again to-morrow.

Pursuant to the order of the day, the House resolved itself into committee of the whole on bill to amend the Judicature Act, 1889.

Mr. SPEAKER left the chair.

Mr. GERAN took the chair of the committee.

Mr. SPEAKER resumed the chair.

The Chairman from the said committee reported that they had considered the said bill, had made some progress, and asked leave to sit again.

Ordered that the said report be received, and that said committee have leave to sit again to-morrow.

Pursuant to the order of the day, the House resolved itself into committee of the whole on bill to encourage the manufacture of fish-glue.

Mr. SPEAKER left the chair.

Mr. WHITELEY took the chair of the committee.

Mr. SPEAKER resumed the chair.

The Chairman from the said committee reported that they had considered the bill to them referred, and had passed the same with some amendments.

Ordered that the said report be received and adopted.

Ordered that the said bill as amended be engrossed and read a third time on to-morrow.

Ordered that the following be deferred:—

Committee on bill to amend 52 Vic., cap. 24;

Committee on Indemnity bill;

Committee on bill to amend cap. 79 of Consolidated Statutes;

Motion of Mr. Whiteley for resolution confirming, with some amendments, certain rules and regulations recommended by the Fisheries' Commission;

Motion of Hon. Attorney General for committee of the whole on resolution respecting a loan on the credit of the colony.

Pursuant to notice and leave being granted, on motion of the Hon. ATTORNEY GENERAL, a bill to amend an Act passed in the 52nd year of Her Majesty's reign, entitled "An Act for the encouragement of shipbuilding" was read a first time.

Ordered that the same be read a second time to-morrow.

Hon. COLONIAL SECRETARY, in reply to question of Mr. Murray, laid on the table of the House copy of a certain agreement respecting the waters of Upper Long Pond.

Hon. COLONIAL SECRETARY, from select committee appointed to consider and report upon the rules and procedure of this House, presented report of committee.

Ordered that the said report be received.

The Hon. COLONIAL SECRETARY gave notice that on to-morrow he would move the House into committee of the whole to consider the said report.

Mr. ROLLS presented a petition from Mark Howett and others of Wild Cove, on the subject of bridges.

Mr. MURPHY presented a petition from William M. Barnes, of St. John's, praying for compensation.

Ordered that the said petitions lie upon the table.

Mr. MURPHY gave notice that on to-morrow he would move the House into committee of the whole on said petition of William M. Barnes.

Capt. BLANDFORD gave notice that on to-morrow he would ask the Hon. the Premier whether the road at King's Cove, leading from the wharf to the main road, is built and constructed as a private or public right of way; also, the cost of the wharf from commencement to completion, and if any person has any claim to the land or right of way in connection with the same.

Ordered that this House, on rising, adjourn until to-morrow at eleven o'clock a.m.

Then the House adjourned until to-morrow, Saturday, at eleven in the forenoon.

SATURDAY, May 24, 1890.

The following petitions were presented by the Hon. COLONIAL SECRETARY, on the subject of roads:—

From Elias Jerrett and others of Shoal Bay;

From Joshua Goodwin and others of Russel's Cove;

From John Brown and others of Lance Cove;

Also, on the subject of railway extension,
From F. Perry and others of Heart's Content;
And, from F. Peddle of Peddletown, on the subject of a half-way
house.

Ordered that the said petitions lie on the table.

On motion of the Hon. COLONIAL SECRETARY it was ordered
that the bill for the encouragement of the manufacture of fish-glue be
recommitted to committee of the whole House.

Mr. SPEAKER left the chair.

Mr. WHITELEY took the chair of the committee.

Mr. SPEAKER resumed the chair.

The Chairman from the said committee reported that they had
considered the matter to them referred, and had passed the bill with
amendment of title.

Ordered that the said report be received and adopted,—and, it
being the unanimous wish of the House, it was ordered that the said
bill be now read a third time and entitled, "An Act for the encour-
agement of the manufacture of fish-glue, isinglass and gelatine."

The said bill was then read a third time.

Ordered that the said bill do pass and be sent to the Legislative
Council with an address requesting their concurrence in its pro-
visions.

Hon. Mr. MORRIS, from the conference appointed by this House
to meet a deputation of the Legislative Council in the matter of the
Council's amendments on the mechanics' lien bill, reported the amend-
ments made in the said bill by the said conference; the said amend-
ments were then read, and it was ordered that the same be committed
to committee of the whole House to-morrow.

Pursuant to notice and on motion of the Hon. COLONIAL SECRE-
TARY, the House resolved itself into committee of the whole on report
of select committee on rules and procedure of this House.

Mr. SPEAKER left the chair.

Mr. WHITELEY took the chair of the committee.

Mr. SPEAKER resumed the chair.

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

Ordered that said report be received and that said committee have leave to sit again to-morrow.

Ordered that this House, on rising, adjourn until Monday next at four of the clock in the afternoon.

Then the House adjourned until Monday next at four of the clock in the afternoon.

MONDAY, May 26, 1890.

The following petitions were presented:—

By Mr. WHITELEY, from Rev. W. C. Shears and others of Bay Roberts, on the subject of *modus vivendi* as to lobsters.

By Hon. SURVEYOR GENERAL, from George Perry and others of Western Bay, on the subject of a public wharf.

Ordered that the said petitions lie on the table.

Pursuant to the order of the day the House resolved itself into committee of the whole on the bill to amend 52 Vic., cap. 24.

Mr. SPEAKER left the chair.

Mr. WHITELEY took the chair of the committee.

Mr. SPEAKER resumed the chair.

The chairman from the said committee reported that they had considered the said bill, and had passed the same with some amendments.

Ordered that said report be received and adopted.

Ordered that said bill as amended be engrossed and read a third time to-morrow.

Pursuant to the order of the day, the House resolved itself into committee of the whole on bill to amend the Copyright Act, 1888.

Mr. SPEAKER left the chair.

Mr. WHITELEY took the chair of the committee.

Mr. SPEAKER resumed the chair.

The chairman from the said committee reported that they had considered the said bill, and had passed the same with some amendments.

Ordered that the said report be received and adopted.

Ordered that the said bill as amended be engrossed and read a third time to-morrow.

Pursuant to the order of the day, the House resolved itself into committee of the whole on bill to amend the Judicature Act, 1889.

Mr. SPEAKER left the chair.

Mr. WHITELEY took the chair of the committee.

Mr. SPEAKER resumed the chair.

The chairman from the said committee reported that they had considered the said bill, and had passed the same with some amendments.

Ordered that the said report be received and adopted.

Ordered that said bill as amended be engrossed and read a third time to-morrow.

Pursuant to the order of the day, the House resolved itself into committee of the whole on bill to amend title 23, cap. 79 of the Consolidated Statutes, entitled "Of certain municipal regulations."

Mr. SPEAKER left the chair.

Mr. WHITELEY took the chair of the committee.

Mr. SPEAKER resumed the chair.

The chairman from the said committee reported that they had considered the said bill, and had passed the same with some amendments.

Ordered that the said report be received and adopted.

Ordered that the said bill as amended be engrossed and read a third time to-morrow.

Pursuant to the order of the day, the House resolved itself into committee of the whole on rules for the proceedings of this Assembly.

Mr. SPEAKER left the chair.

Mr. GERAN took the chair of the committee.

Mr. SPEAKER resumed the chair.

The chairman from the said committee reported that they had considered the matter to them referred, had made some progress and asked leave to sit again.

Ordered that the said report be received, and that said committee have leave to sit again to-morrow.

Pursuant to order of the day, the bill to encourage shipbuilding was read a second time.

Ordered that the said bill be committed to committee of the whole House to-morrow.

Pursuant to order of the day, the House resolved itself into committee of the whole on the amendments made by the Legislative Council in the bill providing for liens of mechanics and others, and the amendments adopted by conference between both Houses.

Mr. SPEAKER left the chair.

Mr. WHITELEY took the chair of the committee.

Mr. SPEAKER resumed the chair.

The chairman from the said committee reported that they had considered the said amendments, and had adopted the same without amendment.

Ordered that the said report be received and adopted.

Ordered that an address be sent to the Legislative Council acquainting them with the concurrence of this House in said amendments.

Ordered that the following be deferred:—

Committee of the whole on Indemnity bill;

Motion of Mr. Whiteley for resolution confirming, with amendments, certain rules recommended by the Fisheries' Commission;

Motion of Hon. Attorney General for committee of the whole on resolutions in relation to raising a loan on the credit of the colony;

Motion of Mr. Murphy for committee of the whole on petition of William M. Barnes.

HON. COLONIAL SECRETARY laid on the table of the House the following documents:—

Report of officer on fishery protection service, Cape John, for 1889;

Report of Standard Life Assurance Company for 1889.

Mr. WEBBER gave notice that on to-morrow he would move an address to His Excellency the Governor on the petition of Rev. A. C. Waghorne, of New Harbor.

Ordered that this House, on rising, adjourn until to-morrow at four of the clock in the afternoon.

Then the House adjourned until to-morrow at four of the clock in the afternoon.

TUESDAY, May 27, 1890.

Pursuant to order of the day, the following bills were read a third time, namely:—

A bill entitled “An Act to amend 52 Victoria, chapter 24, entitled ‘An Act for the publication of the Consolidated Statutes;’”

A bill entitled “An Act to amend the law relating to copyright;”

A bill entitled “An Act to amend the Judicature Act, 1889;”

A bill entitled “An Act to amend Title 23, chapter 79 of the Consolidated Statutes, entitled ‘Of certain municipal regulations;’”

Ordered that the said bills do pass and be entitled respectively as aforesaid.

Ordered that the said bills be sent to the Legislative Council with an address requesting the Council’s concurrence in their provisions.

Pursuant to order of the day the House resolved itself into committee of the whole on report of select committee on rules for the proceedings of this House.

Mr. SPEAKER left the chair.

Mr. GERAN took the chair of the committee.

Mr. SPEAKER resumed the chair.

The chairman from the said committee reported that they had considered the matter to them referred, had made some progress, and asked leave to sit again.

Ordered that the said report be received, and that said committee have leave to sit again to-morrow.

Pursuant to order of the day the House resolved itself into committee of the whole on bill to amend the Act of last session for the encouragement of shipbuilding.

Mr. SPEAKER left the chair.

Mr. WHITELEY took the chair of the committee.

Mr. SPEAKER resumed the chair.

The chairman from the said committee reported that they had considered the said bill, and had passed the same with some amendments.

Ordered that the said report be received and adopted.

Ordered that the said bill as amended be engrossed and read a third time to-morrow.

Pursuant to notice and on motion of Mr. WEBBER, it was ordered that the following address to His Excellency on the petition of Revd. A. C. Waghorne do pass and be presented to His Excellency by such members of this House as are of the Executive Council:—

*“ To His Excellency Sir J. TERENCE N. O'BRIEN,
Lieut.-Col., 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 Assembly having had under consideration the accompanying petition of the Rev. A. C. Waghorne, of New Harbor, praying for aid in the investigation of the flora of Newfoundland and Labrador, and in the publication of the results obtained from such investigation, requests that Your Excellency will be pleased to take the same into your favorable consideration and make such order thereon as may be deemed reasonable, and this House will make due provision for the same.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY, }
May 27th, 1890. }

GEO. H. EMERSON,
Speaker.”

Pursuant to the order of the day, the House resolved itself into committee of the whole on Indemnity bill.

Mr. SPEAKER left the chair.

Mr. WHITELEY took the chair of the committee.

Mr. SPEAKER resumed the chair.

The chairman from the said committee reported that they had considered the said bill, and had passed the same without amendment.

Ordered that the said report be received and adopted.

Ordered that the said bill be engrossed and read a third time tomorrow.

Pursuant to notice, the Hon. ATTORNEY GENERAL moved that the House resolve itself into committee of the whole to consider certain resolutions in relation to raising a loan on the credit of the colony.

Ordered accordingly.

Then the House resolved itself into committee of the whole to consider said resolutions.

Mr. SPEAKER left the chair.

Mr. WHITELEY took the chair of the committee.

Mr. SPEAKER resumed the chair.

The chairman from the said committee reported that they had considered the matter to them referred, and had passed certain resolutions, and he handed the same in at the Clerk's table where they were read, as follows:—

“*Resolved*,—That it is the opinion of this committee that it is expedient to raise by loan the sum of four hundred and twenty-five thousand dollars (\$425,000) for the public service of the colony, to be applied as follows:—

Balance against the Colony on 31st December, 1889, as per Dr. and Cr. balances.....	\$238,245 80
To reimburse the Treasury for the expenditure upon roads and public works, for year ending 31st December, 1889—\$53,145.62—\$302.62..	53,448 24
For accounts overdrawn under the Act for the encouragement of agriculture and for bonuses up to 31st day of December, 1889, and to provide bonuses payable during the current year.....	40,000 00
For completion of Colinet bridge.....	1,200 00
For repair of Ferryland lighthouse.....	2,500 00
For the promotion of education.....	5,000 00
For completion of public wharf at Catalina.....	1,500 00
For completion of harbor improvements at Fortune....	2,000 00
For bell-buoy for the Baldwin's, Port aux Basques....	375 00
For completion of wharf at Riverhead, St. John's, (interest hereon to be paid by the Municipal Council)	8,000 00
For sums payable under Sewerage Act of 31 Victoria..	69,230 96
To be expended on Twillingate Tickle.....	2,000 00
For repairs to public wharves in the district of Burgeo and LaPoile	1,500 00
	\$425,000 00

Resolved,—That a bill authorizing the raising of the said amount be introduced.”

Ordered that the said report be received and adopted.

Pursuant to said report, the Hon. the ATTORNEY GENERAL asked leave to introduce a bill, entitled “An Act to authorize the raising of a sum of money, by loan, for the public service of the colony.”

The said bill was then read a first time, and it was ordered that the same be read a second time to-morrow.

Mr. MURPHY, pursuant to notice, moved that the House resolve itself into committee of the whole on petition of William M. Barnes.

Ordered accordingly.

Then the House resolved itself into committee of the whole on said petition.

Mr. SPEAKER left the chair.

Hon. Mr. MORRIS took the chair of the committee.

Mr. SPEAKER resumed the chair.

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

Ordered that the said committee have leave to sit again to-morrow.

Ordered that motion of Mr. Whiteley for resolution confirming, with some amendments, certain rules recommended by the Fisheries' Commission be deferred.

Ordered that notice of Captain Blandford to ask the Hon. the Premier certain questions relative to the main road and wharf at King's Cove be deferred.

Mr. MURRAY gave notice that on to-morrow he would ask the Hon. Colonial Secretary if it is the intention of the Government to make provision for a new building for the purposes of Courts of Justice in St. John's.

Also, that on to-morrow he would ask the Hon. Colonial Secretary to lay on the table of the House the report of the select committee appointed to consider the condition of the Lunatic Asylum.

Hon. COLONIAL SECRETARY gave notice that on to-morrow he would ask leave to introduce a bill to amend Act 52 Vic., cap. 17, entitled "Of representation in the Legislative Assembly and of the powers and privileges thereof."

Hon. COLONIAL SECRETARY laid on the table of the House copies of despatches from 1886 to 1890, relative to codtraps.

Ordered that this House, on rising, adjourn until to-morrow at four of the clock in the afternoon.

Then the House adjourned until to-morrow at four of the clock in the afternoon.

WEDNESDAY, May 28, 1890.

Pursuant to notice, and on motion of Hon. COLONIAL SECRETARY, leave being granted, a bill to amend 52 Vic., cap. 17 entitled "Of representation in the Legislative Assembly and of the powers and privileges thereof" was read a first time.

Ordered that the same be read a second time to-morrow.

Pursuant to order of the day, the Indemnity bill was read a third time.

Ordered that the said bill do pass, and be entitled "An Act to indemnify His Excellency the Governor for certain sums advanced by him out of the public treasury for the service of the colony."

Ordered that the said bill be sent to the Legislative Council, with an address requesting their concurrence in its provisions.

Pursuant to order of the day, the bill for encouragement of shipbuilding was read a third time.

Ordered that the said bill do pass and be entitled "An Act for the encouragement of shipbuilding, and for other purposes."

Ordered that the said bill do pass and be sent to the Legislative Council with an address requesting their concurrence in its provisions.

Pursuant to the order of the day, the House resolved itself into committee of the whole on rules for the procedure of this House reported by a select committee.

Mr. SPEAKER left the chair.

Mr. GERAN took the chair of the committee.

Mr. SPEAKER resumed the chair.

The chairman from the said committee reported that they had considered the matter to them referred, and had passed the said rules with some amendments.

Ordered that the said report be received.

Ordered that the said report of committee of the whole stand for consideration to-morrow.

Pursuant to the order of the day, a bill entitled "An Act to authorize the raising by loan of a sum of money for the public service of the colony" was read a second time.

Ordered that the said bill be committed to committee of the whole House to-morrow.

Ordered that the following be deferred:—

Motion of Mr. Whiteley for resolution confirming, with some amendments, certain rules recommended by the Fisheries' Commission;

Notice of Mr. Murray to ask the Hon. Colonial Secretary as to intention of Government as to building a Court House in St. John's;

Notice of Mr. Murray to ask the Hon. Colonial Secretary to lay on the table report as to Lunatic Asylum;

Notice of Capt. Blandford to ask the Hon. the Premier as to cost of public wharf at King's Cove, and as to road thence to main road;

Committee of the whole to consider petition of Wm. M. Barnes.

Mr. MUNN, chairman of select committee appointed on petition of Eugene P. Bender, praying for an Act of Incorporation, presented the report of the said committee, as follows:—

“The select committee appointed to consider the matters contained in the petition of Eugene P. Bender, in reference to the incorporation of a company under the title of ‘The North Canadian Atlantic Railway and Steamship Co’y,’ beg to report, as follows:—

That having considered the matters referred to in the said petition they beg to recommend the enactment of the bill hereto annexed, which bill they hereby request to be received as part of their report.

All of which is respectfully submitted,

ROBERT S. MUNN,
Chairman.

G. C. FEARN, (with reservations.)

W. H. WHITELEY,

E. P. MORRIS,

WILLIAM DUFF,

H. J. B. WOODS,

THOS. J. MURPHY,

S. BLANDFORD.

COMMITTEE ROOM, May 23, 1890.”

Ordered that the said report be received and adopted.

Pursuant to the said report, Mr. MUNN asked leave to introduce a bill, entitled “An Act to incorporate the North Canadian Atlantic Railway and Steamship Company.”

The said bill was then read a first time, and it was ordered that same be read a second time to-morrow.

Hon. ATTORNEY GENERAL gave notice that on to-morrow he would move the suspension of the rules of this House in reference to all bills and other matters now before the House.

Hon. Mr. MORRIS gave notice that on to-morrow he would move an address to His Excellency the Governor on the question of the law relating to the formation, carrying on, and winding-up of incorporated companies of limited and other liability in this colony, with a view to legislation on the subject.

Also, that on to-morrow he would ask leave to introduce a bill to amend 51 Vic., cap. 5.

Ordered that this House, on rising, adjourn until to-morrow, at four of the clock in the afternoon.

Then the House adjourned until to-morrow at four of the clock in the afternoon.

THURSDAY, May 29, 1890.

On motion of the Hon. the PREMIER, it was ordered that the rules of this House be suspended for the remainder of the session in reference to all bills and other matters now before the House.

Pursuant to the order of the day, and there being twenty-four members present in their places in the House, the consideration of the report of committee of the whole on rules and orders for the proceedings of the House was proceeded with.

It was moved by the Hon. COLONIAL SECRETARY, seconded by Hon. E. P. MORRIS, that the report of the said committee of the whole (which was yesterday received and ordered to stand for consideration to-day) be adopted, and, there being twenty-four members present in their seats in the House, it was ordered that the said report be adopted, and that the said rules and orders do pass and be entitled "Rules and orders for the proceedings of the House of Assembly of Newfoundland."

(The rules and orders so passed appear in the Appendix.)

Pursuant to the order of the day, the House resolved itself into committee of the whole on loan bill.

Mr. SPEAKER left the chair.

Mr. WHITELEY took the chair of the committee.

Mr. SPEAKER resumed the chair.

The chairman from the said committee reported that they had considered the said bill and had passed the same without amendment.

Ordered that said report be received and adopted.

Ordered that said bill being engrossed be now read a third time.

The said bill was read a third time accordingly.

Ordered that the said bill do pass and be entitled "An Act to authorize the raising of a sum of money, by loan, for the public service of the colony," and be sent to the Legislative Council with an address requesting their concurrence in its provisions.

Pursuant to the order of the day, a bill to amend 52 Vic., cap. 17, was read a second time.

Ordered that the said bill be now committed to committee of the whole House.

The House then resolved itself into committee of the whole on said bill.

Mr. SPEAKER left the chair.

Mr. WHITELEY took the chair of the committee.

Mr. SPEAKER resumed the chair.

The Chairman from the said committee reported that they had considered the bill to them referred, and had passed the same with some amendments.

Ordered that said report be received and adopted.

Ordered that the said bill be now read a third time.

The said bill as amended was then read a third time.

Ordered that said bill do pass, and be entitled "Of the representation in the House of Assembly, and of the powers and privileges thereof."

Ordered that the said bill be sent to the Legislative Council with an address requesting their concurrence in its provisions.

Pursuant to the order of the day, the bill entitled "An Act to incorporate the North Canadian Atlantic Railway and Steamship Company" was read a second time.

Ordered that the said bill be now committed to committee of the whole House.

The House then resolved itself into committee of the whole on said bill.

Mr. SPEAKER left the chair.

Mr. WHITELEY took the chair of the committee.

Mr. SPEAKER resumed the chair.

The Chairman from the said committee reported that they had considered the said bill, had made some progress, and asked leave to sit again.

Ordered that said committee have leave to sit again to-morrow.

Ordered that committee of the whole on petition of William M. Barnes be deferred.

Ordered that the following notices of motion be deferred:—

Of Mr. Whiteley, to move the following resolution:—“*Resolved* that the Legislative Assembly having had under their consideration the accompanying rules and regulations made by the Fisheries' Commission under section 18 of chapter 7 of 52 Vic., hereby confirm the same with some amendments;”

Of Capt. Blandford, to ask the Hon. Premier whether the road at King's Cove, leading from the wharf to the main road is built and constructed as a private or public right of way; also, the cost of the construction of the wharf from its commencement to its completion, and if any person has any claim to the land or right of way in connection with the same;

Of Mr. Murray, to ask the Hon. Colonial Secretary if it is the intention of the Government to make provision for a new building for the purposes of Courts of Justice in St. John's;

Of Mr. Murray, to ask the Hon. Colonial Secretary to lay on the table of the House the report of the commission appointed to consider the condition of the Lunatic Asylum;

Of Hon. Mr. Morris, for address to His Excellency the Governor on question of the law relating to the formation, carrying on, and winding up of incorporated companies of limited and other liability in this colony, with a view to legislation on this subject;

Of Hon. Mr. Morris, for bill to amend 51 Vic., cap. 5.

Ordered that this House, on rising, adjourn until to-morrow at four of the clock in the afternoon.

Then the House adjourned until to-morrow at four of the clock in the afternoon.

FRIDAY, May 30, 1890.

The following messages were received from the Hon. Legislative Council:—

Mr. Speaker,—The Legislative Council acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have passed the several bills sent up from the Assembly entitled, respectively, ‘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 to amend 52 Vic., cap. 24, entitled ‘An Act for the publication of the Consolidated Statutes;’ and ‘An Act to amend the Judicature Act, 1889,’ without amendment.”

“*Mr. Speaker*,—The Legislative Council acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have passed the bill sent up from the Assembly entitled, ‘An Act for the encouragement of the manufacture of fish-glue, isinglass and gelatine,’ without amendment.”

“*Mr. Speaker*,—The Legislative Council acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have passed the bill sent up from the Assembly entitled, ‘An Act to provide for the local government of towns and settlements in this colony,’ with some amendments, to which they request the concurrence of the Legislative Assembly.”

“*Mr. Speaker*,—The Legislative Council acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have passed the bill sent down entitled, ‘An Act to amend the public health Act 1889,’ to which they request the concurrence of the Legislative Assembly.”

“*Mr. Speaker*,—The Legislative Council acquaint the Legislative Assembly 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,’ to which they request the concurrence of the Legislative Assembly.”

“*Mr. Speaker*,—The Legislative Council acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have passed the bill sent up entitled ‘An Act to amend the law relating to copyright,’ without amendment.”

The Council’s amendments in bill respecting local government of towns and settlements were read a first and second time, and it was ordered that the House resolve itself into committee of the whole on said amendments.

Then the House resolved itself into committee of the whole thereon.

Mr. SPEAKER left the chair.

Mr. WHITELEY took the chair of the committee.

Mr. SPEAKER resumed the chair.

The chairman from the said committee reported that they had passed the said amendments without amendment.

Ordered that the said report be received and adopted.

The said amendments were then read a third time, and it was ordered that the same do pass, and that an address be sent to the Legislative Council acquainting them that this House has passed the said amendments without amendment.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. MORRIS,

Ordered that the bills sent down from the Council entitled, respectively, "An Act to amend the public health Act, 1889;" and "An Act to amend title 28, chapter 109 of the Consolidated Statutes, entitled 'Of masters and servants,'" be now read a first time.

The said bills were then read a first time accordingly.

Ordered that the said bills be read a second time on to-morrow.

Pursuant to order of the day, the House resolved itself into committee of the whole on bill to incorporate "The North Canadian Atlantic Railway and Steamship Company."

Mr. SPEAKER left the chair.

Mr. WHITELEY took the chair of the committee.

Mr. SPEAKER resumed the chair.

The chairman from the said committee reported that they had made some progress in the consideration of the said bill, and asked leave to sit again.

Ordered that the said report be received, and that said committee have leave to sit again to-morrow.

Ordered that the following be deferred:—

Committee of the whole to consider petition of Wm. M. Barnes;

Motion of Mr. Whiteley for resolution confirming, with some amendments, certain rules recommended by the Fisheries' Commission;

Notice of Capt. Blandford to ask the Hon. the Premier as to cost of public wharf at King's Cove, and as to road thence to main road;

Notice of Mr. Murray to ask the Hon. Colonial Secretary as to intention of Government as to building a Court House in St. John's;

Notice of Mr. Murray to ask the Hon. Colonial Secretary to lay on the table report as to Lunatic Asylum;

Notice of Hon. Mr. Morris, for address to His Excellency the Governor on the question of the law relating to the formation, carrying on, and winding-up of incorporated companies of limited and other liability in this colony, with a view to legislation on the subject;

Notice of Hon. Mr. Morris, for bill to amend 51 Vic., cap. 5.

The Hon. COLONIAL SECRETARY laid on the table the following documents :—

Report of Canada Life Assurance Company, 1889;

Report of Equitable Life Assurance Company, 1889;

Report of Newfoundland Coastal Steamship Company, 1889;

Report of Avalon Wood Manufacturing Company, 1889;

Report of Terra Nova Bakery Company, 1889;

Report of Colonial Cordage Company, 1889.

Ordered that this House, on rising, adjourn until to-morrow at four of the clock in the afternoon.

Then the House adjourned until to-morrow at four of the clock in the afternoon.

SATURDAY, May 31, 1890.

The Hon. COLONIAL SECRETARY, by command of His Excellency, laid on the table of the House printed copies of despatches relating to *modus vivendi* and cod-traps on the West Coast.

Mr. CARTY presented the following petitions on the subject of a breakwater:—

From Rev. W. S. Rafter and others of Burgeo and LaPoile;

From R. Conway and others of St. George's;

From John Gillis and others of Codroy;

From Rev. Dr. Howley and others of Bay St. George;

Also, from Rev. Dr. Howley and others of Bay St. George, on the subject of ferries.

Ordered that said petitions lie on the table.

Mr. MORISON gave notice that on to-morrow he will ask the Hon. Premier to lay on the table copy of all telegrams received by the Government relative to the recent reported outrages at St. George's Bay, and of all replies sent thereto;

Also, that on to-morrow he will ask the Hon. the Premier if it is the intention of the committee appointed to examine the accounts of the Municipal Council to report during the present session;

Also, that on to-morrow he will ask the Hon. the Premier if it is the intention of the joint committee appointed to prepare an address to Her Majesty on the subject of French rights and claims on the coast of Newfoundland to present a report during the present session.

Mr. CARTY gave notice that on to-morrow he will ask the Hon. the Premier (1) if Her Majesty's subjects in St. George's Bay have been ordered to take up their herring nets by French naval officers; (2) if French armed marines patrolled the harbor of St. George and (3) if an armed French officer landed at Sandy Point and read a notice to the people that unless their nets were immediately removed, they would be cut loose by the crew of a French man-of-war.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. MORRIS pursuant to notice, and leave being granted, it was ordered that bill to amend 51 Vic., cap. 5, be read a first time.

The said bill was then read a first and second time, and it was ordered that said bill be committed to committee of the whole House on to-morrow.

Pursuant to the order of the day, the House resolved itself into committee of the whole on bill to incorporate "The North Canadian Atlantic Railway and Steamship Company."

Mr. SPEAKER left the chair.

Mr. GERAN took the chair of the committee.

Mr. SPEAKER resumed the chair.

The chairman from the said committee reported that they had considered the said bill, and had passed the same with some amendments.

And the question being thereupon put that the report be received and adopted, it was moved in amendment by Hon. COLONIAL SECRETARY, seconded by Mr. WEBBER, that the said report be received and adopted this day six months.

And the said amendment being put, the House divided thereon, when there appeared for the amendment, 9; against it, 13.

<i>For the Amendment.</i>	<i>Against the Amendment.</i>
Hon. Colonial Secretary,	Hon. the Premier,
“ Surveyor General,	“ E. P. Morris,
The Chairman Board of Works,	Mr. Murphy,
Mr. Geran,	“ Burgess,
“ Webber,	“ Duff,
“ Peyton,	“ Dawe,
“ Woodford,	“ Clift,
“ Carty,	“ Hallaren,
“ Murray.	“ Rothwell,
	“ Fearn,
	“ Morison,
	“ Munn,
	Dr. Tait.

So it passed in the negative; and the original question being put, it passed in the affirmative on a like division, and it was ordered accordingly.

Ordered that the said bill be now read a third time.

The said bill was then read a third time, and it was ordered that the same do pass and be entitled “An Act to incorporate the North Canadian Atlantic Railway and Steamship Company.”

Ordered that the said bill be sent to the Legislative Council, with an address requesting their concurrence in its provisions.

Ordered that the bill to amend Public Health Act, 1889, be now read a second time.

The same was read a second time accordingly.

Ordered that the said bill be committed to committee of the whole House on to-morrow.

Ordered that the following be deferred:—

Committee on petition of Willam M. Barnes;

Second reading of bill to amend the law relating to masters and servants; also the following notices of motion, namely:—

Of Mr. Whiteley to move a resolution confirming, with some amendments, certain rules and regulations recommended by Fisheries' Commission;

Also, of Mr. Murray to ask the Colonial Secretary if it is the intention of the Government to make provision for the building of a new Court House in St. John's;

Also, of Mr. Murray to ask Colonial Secretary to lay on the

table report of select committee appointed to consider the condition of the Lunatic Asylum.

Pursuant to notice, and on motion of Hon. E. P. Morris, it was ordered that the following address to His Excellency do pass:—

*“ To His Excellency Sir J. TERENCE N. O'BRIEN,
Lieut.-Col., 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 House of Assembly, having had under consideration the law of the colony in relation to the formation, carrying on and winding up of joint stock and other companies of limited liability and otherwise, respectfully requests that your Excellency will be pleased to appoint a commission to enquire into and report upon the statute law of England in relation to such companies, with a view to such legislation as may be considered necessary to make the law of this colony conform to the law of England on this subject.

GEO. H. EMERSON,
Speaker.”

Ordered that said address be presented to His Excellency by such members of this House as are of the Executive Council.

Ordered that the House, on rising, adjourn until Monday next at four of the clock p.m.

Then the House adjourned until Monday next at four of the clock in the afternoon.

MONDAY, June 2, 1890.

Hon. the PREMIER presented a petition from John Reid and others of Bay Bull's Arm, on the subject of codtraps.

Ordered that said petition lie on the table.

The following message was received from the Legislative Council:—

“ Mr. SPEAKER,—

The Legislative Council acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have passed the bill sent up from the Assembly, entitled ‘An Act to provide for the registration of births, marriages and deaths,’ with some amendments, to which they request the concurrence of the Legislative Assembly.

E. D. SHEA,
President.”

The said amendments were read a first and a second time, and it was ordered that the same be committed to committee of the whole House on to-morrow.

Pursuant to order of the day, the House resolved itself into committee of the whole on bill to amend the Public Health Act, 1889.

Mr. SPEAKER left the chair.

Mr. GERAN took the chair of the committee.

Mr. SPEAKER resumed the chair.

The chairman from the said committee reported that they had considered the matter to them referred, and had passed the said bill with some amendments.

Ordered that said report be received and adopted, and that the said bill, as amended, be read a third time to-morrow.

It was moved by Mr. FEARN, seconded by Mr. WOODFORD, that the bill sent down from the Council, entitled "An Act to amend title XXVIII., chapter 109, of the Consolidated Statutes, entitled "Of masters and servants," be now read a second time.

And the motion being put, the House divided thereon, when there appeared for the motion 4 ; against it, 9.

For the Motion.

Mr. Fearn,
" Morison,
" Munn,
" Clift.

Against the Motion.

Hon. the Premier,
" Colonial Secretary,
" E. P. Morris,
The Financial Secretary,
Mr. Hallaren,
" Geran,
" Webber,
" Woodford,
" F. Morris.

So it passed in the negative and it was ordered accordingly.

The Hon. COLONIAL SECRETARY, in reply to question of Mr. MURRAY, laid on the table of the House report of Commission appointed to enquire into the condition of the Lunatic Asylum.

Ordered that the following be deferred:—

1. Committee on petition of W. M. Barnes;
2. Committee on bill to amend 51 Vict., cap. 5;
3. Motion of Mr. Whiteley for resolution confirming, with some amendments, certain rules and regulations made by the Fisheries' Commission.

Mr. MORISON gave notice that on to-morrow he will ask the Hon. the Premier—

(1) If any amount has been fixed or agreed upon as security for the tenders for the construction of a railway to Hall's Bay; (2) if so, what amount; (3) if any of the tenderers have signified his or their readiness to deposit such amount as security; if so, which of them; (4) if any of the tenderers have deposited any amount as security; and if so, the name of such tenderer and the amount of such deposit; (5) how many of the tenders which have been received do the Government intend to place before the Assembly; (6) does the Government intend to recommend the adoption of any of these tenders, and if so, of which tender; and (7) when is it intended to bring the subject matter of these tenders before the Assembly for discussion.

Ordered that this House, on rising, adjourn until to-morrow, at four of the clock in the afternoon.

Then the House adjourned until to-morrow at four of the clock in the afternoon.

TUESDAY, June 3, 1890.

Pursuant to the order of the day, the bill to amend the Public Health Act, 1889, with amendments made in and upon the same by this House, was read a third time.

Ordered that the said bill as amended do pass and be entitled, "An Act to amend the Public Health Act, 1889."

Ordered that an address be sent to the Legislative Council requesting its concurrence in the amendments made in the said bill.

A message was received from the Legislative Council acquainting this House that the Legislative Council concur in the amendments made by the Assembly in and upon the said bill, entitled "An Act to amend the Public Health Act, 1889."

A message was received from the Legislative Council acquainting the House that the Council had passed without amendment the bill sent up from the Assembly entitled, "An Act to authorize the raising of a sum of money by loan for the public service of the colony."

Hon. the PREMIER gave notice that on to-morrow he would ask leave to introduce a bill to amend 52 Vic., cap. 2, entitled "An Act to make provision for the construction of a line of railway to Hall's Bay, and for other purposes."

Ordered that the following be deferred:—

Committee on petition of Wm. M. Barnes;

Committee on bill to amend 51 Vic., cap. 5;

Committee on Council's amendments on bill respecting registration of births, marriages and deaths; also the following notices of motion, namely:—

Of Mr. Whiteley, to move the following resolution:—“*Resolved* that the Legislative Assembly, having had under their consideration the accompanying rules and regulations made by the Fisheries' Commission under section 18 of chapter 7 of 52 Vic., hereby confirm the same with some amendments;”

Of Mr. Morison, to ask the Hon. the Premier (1) if any amount has been fixed or agreed upon as security for the tenders for the construction of a railway to Hall's Bay; (2) if so, what amount; (3) if any of the tenderers have signified his or their readiness to deposit such amount as security, if so, which of them; (4) if any of the tenderers have deposited any amount as security, and if so, the name of such tenderer and the amount of such deposit; (5) how many of the tenders which have been received do the Government intend to place before the Assembly; (6) does the Government intend to recommend the adoption of any of these tenders, and if so, which tender; and (7) when it is intended to bring the subject matter of these tenders before the Assembly for discussion.

Ordered that this House, on rising, adjourn until to-morrow at four of the clock in the afternoon.

Then the House adjourned until to-morrow at four of the clock in the afternoon.

WEDNESDAY, June 4, 1890.

Pursuant to order of the day and notice given, the Hon. the Premier asked leave to introduce a bill to amend 52 Victoria, cap. 2, entitled “An Act to make provision for the construction of a line of railway to Hall's Bay, and for other purposes,” and leave being granted, it was ordered that the said bill be now read a first time.

The said bill was then read a first time, and it was ordered that the same be read a second time on to-morrow.

It was moved by Mr. FEARN, seconded by Mr. DUFF, that the bill to amend the law relating to masters and servants be now read a second time.

And the motion being put, the House divided thereon, when there appeared for the motion 10; against it, 7.

So it passed in the affirmative, and it was ordered accordingly.

The said bill was then read a second time, and it was ordered that the same be committed to committee of the whole House on to-morrow.

Ordered that the following be deferred:—

Motion of Mr. Whiteley for resolution confirming, with some amendments, certain rules and regulations recommended by the Fisheries' Commission;

Committee on petition of W. M. Barnes;

Committee on bill to amend 51 Victoria, cap. 5;

Committee on Council's amendments on bill respecting registration of births, marriages and deaths.

Hon. the PREMIER gave notice that on to-morrow he would move the suspension of the rules of the House in respect of all bills and other matters now before this House.

The following message was received from the Legislative Council:—

“MR. SPEAKER,—

The Legislative Council acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have passed the bill sent up from the Assembly entitled “An Act to incorporate the North Canadian Atlantic Railway and Steamship Company,” without amendment.

E. D. SHEA,
President.”

Hon. E. P. MORRIS gave notice that on to-morrow he would ask leave to introduce a bill to amend 52 Victoria, cap. 25.

Mr. MORISON gave notice that on to-morrow he would draw the Hon. PREMIER'S attention to the London edition of the *New York Herald*, dated 27th May last, containing what purports to be an address from the Newfoundland Legislature to Her Majesty the Queen on the subject of the recent *modus vivendi*, and ask him (1) was any such address as is contained in the said paper placed before a joint committee now in session for the purpose of framing an address on the same subject; (2) is the said publication a copy of any draft or proposed address placed before the said joint committee;

(3) if so, is it within the knowledge of the Government how the said address came into the possession of the said newspaper; (4) when the said joint committee will present their report to this House.

Ordered that this House, on rising, adjourn until to-morrow at four of the clock in the afternoon.

Then the House adjourned until to-morrow at four of the clock in the afternoon.

THURSDAY, June 5, 1890.

Pursuant to notice, and on motion of Hon. the PREMIER, it was ordered that the rules of the House be suspended in reference to all bills and other matters now before the House.

Hon. Mr. MORRIS, from select committee appointed to take evidence and report as to the affairs of the Municipal Council, presented the report of the said committee.

Ordered that the said report be received and lie on the table.

Pursuant to the order of the day, the House resolved itself into committee of the whole on bill to amend 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."

Mr. SPEAKER left the chair.

Mr. CLIFT took the chair of the committee.

Mr. SPEAKER resumed the chair.

The Chairman from the said committee reported that they had considered the bill to them referred, and had passed the same with some amendments.

Ordered that said report be received and adopted.

Ordered that the said bill as amended be now read a third time.

The said bill was then read a third time accordingly.

Ordered that the said bill do pass and be 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.'"

Ordered that the said bill be sent to the Legislative Council with an address requesting their concurrence in its provisions.

The following message was received from the Legislative Council:—

“ Mr. SPEAKER,—

The Legislative Council acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have passed the bill sent up from the Assembly entitled, ‘An Act for the encouragement of shipbuilding, and for other purposes,’ with some amendments, to which they request the concurrence of the Legislative Assembly.

E. D. SHEA,
President.”

The said amendments were then read a first and second time, and it was ordered that the same be committed to committee of the whole House on to-morrow.

Pursuant to notice and on motion of Hon. Mr. MORRIS, a bill to amend 52 Vic., cap. 25, was read a first and a second time.

Ordered that the same be committed to committee of the whole House on to-morrow.

Ordered that the following be deferred:—

Committee of the whole to consider petition of Wm. M. Barnes;
Committee on Council’s amendments on bill respecting registration of births, marriages and deaths;

Committee on bill to amend the law relating to masters and servants;

Second reading of bill to amend 52 Vic., cap. 2, entitled “An Act to make provision for the construction of a line of railway to Hall’s Bay, and for other purposes;”

Motion of Mr. Whiteley for resolution confirming, with some amendments, certain rules recommended by the Fisheries’ Commission.

Mr. CARTY presented a petition from Rev. Dr. Howley and others of Bay St. George, on the subject of call of mail steamer.

Ordered that the said petition lie on the table.

Ordered that this House, on rising, adjourn until to-morrow, Friday, at eleven of the clock a.m.

Then the House adjourned until to-morrow, Friday, at eleven of the clock in the forenoon.

FRIDAY, June 6, 1890.

Pursuant to adjournment, the House met at eleven of the clock in the forenoon.

Pursuant to order of the day, the House resolved itself into committee of the whole on Council's amendments on bill respecting registration of births, marriages and deaths.

Mr. SPEAKER left the chair.

Mr. WEBBER took the chair of the committee.

Mr. SPEAKER resumed the chair.

The chairman from the said committee reported that they had considered the matter to them referred, and had passed the said amendments with some amendments.

Ordered that the said report be received and adopted.

Ordered that the said amendments, as amended, be now read a third time.

The same were read a third time accordingly.

Ordered that the same do pass and be sent to the Legislative Council with an address requesting their concurrence therein.

Pursuant to order of the day, the House resolved itself into committee of the whole on bill sent down from the Council to amend the law relating to masters and servants.

Mr. SPEAKER left the chair.

Mr. CLIFT took the chair of the committee.

Mr. SPEAKER resumed the chair.

The chairman from the said committee reported that they had considered the said bill and had passed the same with some amendments.

Ordered that the said report be received and adopted.

Ordered that said bill, as amended, be now read a third time.

The said bill was then read a third time, and it was ordered that same, as amended, be sent to the Legislative Council with an address requesting their concurrence therein as amended.

Pursuant to order of the day, the House resolved itself into committee of the whole on Council's amendments on bill to encourage shipbuilding.

Mr. SPEAKER left the chair.

Mr. GERAN took the chair of the committee.

Mr. SPEAKER resumed the chair.

The chairman from the said committee reported that they had considered the said amendments, and had passed the same with some amendments.

Ordered that the said report be received and adopted.

The said amendments were then read a third time.

Ordered that an address be sent to the Legislative Council, requesting their concurrence in the amendments on their said amendments.

Pursuant to order of the day, the House resolved itself into committee of the whole on bill to amend 52 Vic., cap. 25.

Mr. SPEAKER left the chair.

Mr. GERAN took the chair of the committee.

Mr. SPEAKER resumed the chair.

The chairman from the said committee reported that they had considered the said bill, and had passed the same without amendment.

Ordered that the said report be received and adopted.

The said bill was then read a third time, and it was ordered that the same do pass, and be entitled "An Act to amend the Act 52 Victoria, chapter 25, entitled 'An Act to amend the law relating to Courts of Quarter Sessions, Magistrates, and Justices of the Peace.'"

Ordered that the said bill be sent to the Legislative Council, with an address requesting their concurrence in its provisions.

Pursuant to order of the day, the Hon. the PREMIER moved the second reading of Railway bill.

The said bill was then read a second time, and it was ordered that same be now committed to committee of the whole House.

The House then resolved itself into committee of the whole on said bill.

Mr. SPEAKER left the chair.

Mr. GERAN took the chair of the committee.

Mr. SPEAKER resumed the chair.

The Chairman from the said committee reported that they had considered the said bill, and had passed the same without amendment.

Ordered that said report be received and adopted.

Pursuant to order, the said bill was then read a third time.

Ordered that the said bill do pass, and be entitled "An Act to amend 52 Victoria, chapter 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."

Ordered that said bill be sent to the Legislative Council with an address requesting their concurrence in its provisions.

A message was received from the Legislative Council acquainting this House that the Council had passed the bill sent up entitled "An Act to amend title 23, chapter 79 of the Consolidated Statutes, entitled 'Of certain municipal regulations,' with some amendments, to which they requested the concurrence of the Assembly.

Pursuant to order, the said amendments were read a first and second time, and the House resolved itself into committee of the whole on the said amendments.

Mr. SPEAKER left the chair.

Mr. GERAN took the chair of the committee.

Mr. SPEAKER resumed the chair.

The chairman from the said committee reported that they had considered the said amendments, and had passed the same without amendment.

Ordered that the said report be received and adopted.

Pursuant to order the said amendments were then read a third time, and it was ordered that the same do pass, and that an address be sent to the Legislative Council acquainting them that this House concurs in said amendments.

A message was received from the Legislative Council acquainting the House that they had passed the bill sent up from the Assembly entitled "Of representation in the House of Assembly, and of the powers and privileges thereof," with some amendments, in which they requested the concurrence of the Assembly.

The said amendments were then read a first and second time, and it was ordered that the same be now committed to committee of the whole House.

The House then resolved itself into committee of the whole on said amendments.

Mr. SPEAKER left the chair.

Mr. GERAN took the chair of the committee.

Mr. SPEAKER resumed the chair.

The chairman from the said committee reported that they had considered the said amendments and had passed the same without amendment.

Ordered that the said report be received and adopted.

Ordered that an address be sent to the Legislative Council acquainting them that this House concurs in the said amendments.

On motion of Hon. the PREMIER, seconded by Mr. FEARN, it was ordered that the rules and regulations reported by committee of the whole respecting the lobster industry and cod fishery, made under section 16 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," be now recommitted to committee of the whole House.

Then the House resolved itself into committee of the whole thereon.

Mr. SPEAKER left the chair.

Mr. GERAN took the chair of the committee.

Mr. SPEAKER resumed the chair.

The chairman from the said committee reported that they had considered the matter to them referred, and had passed the said rules and regulations with some amendments.

Ordered that the said report be received and adopted.

Ordered that the said rules and regulations do pass, and be entitled "Rules and regulations respecting the lobster industry and codfishery, made under and by virtue of section 16 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.'"

Hon. the PREMIER moved, seconded by Mr. WEBBER, that the following resolution be adopted:—

"*Resolved*,—That the Legislative Assembly having had under their consideration the accompanying rules and regulations made by the Fisheries' Commission under section 16 of chapter 7 of 52 Victoria hereby confirm the same with some amendments."

Ordered that the said resolution be adopted accordingly.

Ordered that an address be sent to the Legislative Council requesting their concurrence in the said rules and regulations and resolution.

(The Rules and Regulations appear in the Appendix.)

On motion of Hon. Mr. MORRIS pursuant to notice, seconded by Mr. GERAN, the following select committee was appointed to sit out of session, with power to take evidence and report to this House a draft of a bill to provide for the management of the municipal affairs of the town of St. John's, namely:—

Hon. the Premier, Hon. Mr. Morris, Mr. Murphy, Mr. Geran, Mr. Hallaren, Mr. Murray, Mr. Morison, Mr. Clift, Dr. Tait and Mr. Speaker.

Ordered that the following be deferred:—

Committee on petition of W. M. Barnes;

Motion of Mr. Murray for committee of the whole on report of commission as to Lunatic Asylum.

Ordered that this House, on rising, adjourn until to-morrow at three of the clock in the afternoon.

Then the House adjourned until to-morrow, Saturday, at three of the clock in the afternoon.

SATURDAY, June 7, 1890.

Pursuant to adjournment, the House met at three o'clock p.m.

Mr. ROTHWELL, chairman of committee appointed on printing, reporting and contingencies, presented the report of the said committee on the contingencies of this House.

Ordered that the said report be received.

Mr. ROTHWELL then gave notice that he would on to-morrow ask leave to introduce a bill, entitled "An Act to provide for the contingent expenses of the Legislature."

The following messages were received from the Hon. Legislative Council:—

(a.) "A message acquainting this House that the Council concurred in the amendments made by this House on the amendments made by the Council in and upon the bill sent up from this House entitled, 'An Act to provide for the registration of births, marriages and deaths,' without amendment.

(b.) "A message acquainting this House that the Council had passed the bill sent up from this House entitled, '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 of a branch to Brigus or Clarke's Beach, and for other purposes,' without amendment.

(c.) "A message acquainting this House that the Council had passed the amendments made by this House in and upon the amendments made by the Council in and upon the bill sent up from this House entitled, 'An Act for the encouragement of ship-building, and for other purposes,' without amendment.

(d.) "A message acquainting this House that the Council had passed the bill sent up from this House entitled, "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,'" without amendment.

(e.) "A message acquainting this House that the Council had passed the bill sent up from this House 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,'" with some amendments, to which they request the concurrence of the Legislative Assembly."

Pursuant to order, the amendments made by the Legislative Council in and upon the said Act providing for the management of the Municipal affairs of the town of St. John's, and for other purposes, were read a first and second time; and, pursuant to order, the House resolved itself into committee of the whole on the said amendments.

Mr. SPEAKER left the chair.

Mr. CLIFT took the chair of the committee.

Mr. SPEAKER resumed the chair.

The chairman from the said committee reported that they had considered the amendments to them referred, and had passed the same without amendment.

Ordered that the said report be received and adopted.

Pursuant to order the said amendments were read a third time and adopted.

Ordered that a message be sent to the Legislative Council acquainting them that this House concurs in the amendments made by the Council in and upon the said Act relating to the Municipal affairs of the town of St. John's.

On motion of Mr. ROTHWELL it was ordered that the House do now resolve itself into committee of the whole to consider the report of the select committee on the contingent expenses of this House, and as to certain resolutions respecting same.

The House then resolved itself into committee of the whole accordingly.

Mr. SPEAKER left the chair.

Mr. MURRAY took the chair of the committee.

Mr. SPEAKER resumed the chair.

The chairman from the said committee reported that they had considered the matter to them referred, and had passed a certain resolution thereon, and he handed in the same at the Clerk's table where it was read, as follows:—

“*Resolved*,—That there be paid the Speaker, officers, and servants of the Assembly, for their services during the present session, the sums hereinafter specified, and that the other amounts as hereinafter set forth be also paid:—

The Speaker.....	\$924 00
The Chairman of committees.....	400 00
Twenty-six members, resident in St. John's, for their services during the present session, at \$200 each.....	5,200 00
Ten members, resident in outports, at \$300 each.....	3,000 00
The Clerk, for his services, including indexing and superintending the printing of the Journals.....	1,269 00
The Clerk-Assistant.....	800 00
The Clerk-Assistant, for extra services, attending special committees, &c.....	200 00
The Solicitor.....	600 00
The Sergeant-at-Arms.....	600 00
To Mrs. Warren, for engrossing bills.....	280 00
To the supervisor of debates.....	360 00
Six reporters, at \$240 each.....	1,440 00
Six door-keepers, at \$180 each.....	1,080 00
Three messengers, at \$180 each.....	540 00
The fireman.....	220 00
The page.....	100 00
The Clerk, to defray the contingent expenses of his office during the present session.....	590 59
The Sergeant-at-Arms, to defray the expenses of his office during the present session... ..	140 00
To Richard B. Holden, Esquire, in consideration of his past services, an annual retiring allowance of eight hundred dollars.....	800 00
The care-taker of the Legislative Library, to be paid on certificate of the Speaker.....	250 00

To R. B. Holden, Esquire, for a complete set of Journals of the Assembly, from 1833 to 1889, inclusive, purchased last session.....	\$200 00
To Thomas Duff, for services.....	150 00
Robert Walsh, special attendances on committees.....	20 00
Mrs. Feehan, to be paid into Savings' Bank.....	184 60
Mrs. Ryall, attendance during session.....	138 62
Mrs. Ryall, attendance at reporters' room.....	20 00
<i>Evening Telegram</i> , for publishing the debates.....	1,000 00
<i>Colonist</i> , for copying debates.....	500 00
<i>Harbor Grace Standard</i> , for copying debates.....	200 00
<i>Trinity Record</i> , for copying debates.....	300 00
<i>Twillingate Sun</i> , for copying debates.....	300 00
<i>Evening Telegram</i> , printing bills and miscellaneous papers.....	866 00
<i>Times</i> , printing bills and miscellaneous papers.....	99 00
Estimate for printing Journal and Index and sessional papers and index.....	2,000 00
Mrs. Dicks, as per contract, for binding Journal and sessional papers.....	600 00
Estimate for binding newspapers.....	50 00
<i>Evening Telegram</i> , for newspapers supplied to the Assembly and its members during session.....	151 70
<i>Evening Telegram</i> , subscription copies.....	12 00
<i>Evening Telegram</i> , printing copies of correspondence on the <i>modus vivendi</i>	205 00
<i>Evening Herald</i> , for newspapers supplied during session.....	5 00
<i>Royal Gazette</i> , account and subscription, 1889.....	20 40
<i>Royal Gazette</i> , printing Acts of 1889.....	258 25
<i>Harbor Grace Standard</i> , subscription, 1889.....	8 00
<i>Times</i> , subscription.....	16 00
<i>Twillingate Sun</i> , subscription.....	8 00
<i>Advocate</i> , subscription.....	16 80
<i>Weekly Record</i> , subscription, 4 copies at \$2.....	8 00
The Clerk, for compiling rules and orders of procedure of the Assembly, passed in the present session.....	100 00
Estimate for printing and binding same.....	150 00
J. H. Noonan for 200 copies of tariff.....	30 00
The daughters of the late R. J. Parsons, in full for all claims to date.....	200 00
The Chairman of the Board of Works, proportion of fuel, light, &c.....	526 76

The following accounts, namely:—

Mrs. Rouse.....	\$ 54 43
Garret Byrne.....	177 30
S. E. Garland.....	78 15
475 large envelopes.....	10 45
G. S. Milligan.....	41 30
T. D. Lane.....	8 90
J. F. Chisholm.....	10 40
Mark Chaplin.....	24 00
John Carew.....	6 00
J. H. Martin & Co.....	77 25
Job Brothers & Co.....	0 40
John McKenzie.....	6 00
P. Hagerty, 1889.....	30 25
Bowden & Sons, 1889.....	4 00
J. A. Whiteford.....	12 00
General Post Office account.....	11 72
W. H. Maddick.....	4 00
Richard Goff.....	35 00
W. R. Oke & Son.....	9 00
E. G. Coleman.....	75 30
Mrs. Bolt.....	20 40
G. A. M'Coubrey.....	11 97
Dr. Dearin.....	35 90
Marshall & Rodger.....	100 65
Newfoundland Furniture and Moulding Co.....	17 40
To fees of Counsel and Solicitor for the Speaker, in the matter of <i>mandamus</i> sued for by Mr. Morine rule <i>nisi</i> for which was discharged.....	122 00
Cost of telegraph messages.....	344 10
Telephones, Clerk's office and <i>Times</i> office.....	80 00
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	\$28,545 99

E. ROTHWELL,
Chairman.
G. C. FEARN,
D. C. WEBBER,
JAMES MURRAY,
WILLIAM DUFF,
ROBERT S. MUNN,
J. A. CLIFT.

Ordered that said report be received and adopted.

Ordered that the bill entitled "An Act to provide for the contingent expenses of the Legislature," be now read a first and a second time.

The same was read a first and a second time accordingly.

Ordered that the said bill be committed to committee of the whole House on to-morrow.

Pursuant to order of the day, the House resolved itself into committee of the whole on the petition of W. M. Barnes.

Mr. SPEAKER left the chair.

Mr. WOODFORD took the chair of the committee.

Mr. SPEAKER resumed the chair.

The chairman from the said committee reported that the committee had proceeded to the consideration of the matter to them referred, when his attention was called to the fact that twelve members were not present; that he had ordered that the members within the precincts of the House be summoned; that twelve were not present within five minutes after his attention had been called to the want of a quorum.

A count of the House being then taken, and twelve members not being present, it was ordered that the House adjourn until Monday next at four of the clock in the afternoon.

Then the House adjourned until Monday next at four of the clock in the afternoon.

MONDAY, June 9, 1890.

The following petitions were presented by Mr. CARTY:—

From Rev. M. F. Howley and others of Codroy Valley, on the subject of line of demarcation of that part of the coast where the French have certain fishing rights;

From Jeffrey Callahan and others of Bay of Islands, on the subject of bridges;

From W. A. Cooke and others of Robinson's Head, on the subject of ferries;

From James Rocket and others of Bay of Islands, on the subject of roads;

From Richard Conway and others of same place, on the same subject.

By Mr. BURGESS, from A. Whyte and others of Little Bay Mines, on the subject of amendment of Crown Lands' Act.

Ordered that said petitions lie on the table.

Mr. CLIFT gave notice that on to-morrow he would ask leave to introduce a bill to amend 51 Vic., cap. 16.

Ordered that notice of Mr. Murray for committee of the whole on report of commission as to Lunatic Asylum be discharged from order paper.

Pursuant to the order of the day, the House resolved itself into committee of the whole on petition of Wm. M. Barnes.

Mr. SPEAKER left the chair.

Mr. ROTHWELL took the chair of the committee.

Mr. SPEAKER resumed the chair.

The Chairman from the said committee reported that they had considered the matter to them referred, and had passed the following address:—

*“ To His Excellency Sir J. TERENCE N. O'BRIEN,
Lieut.-Col., 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 Assembly having had under consideration the petition of William M. Barnes, of St. John's, praying for compensation for loss of office, requests that Your Excellency will be pleased to take the same into your favorable consideration and make such order thereon as may be deemed reasonable, and this House will make due provision for the same.”

Ordered that said report be received and adopted.

Ordered that said address do pass and be presented to His Excellency by such members of this House as are of the Executive Council.

The following message was received from the Legislative Council:—

“ Mr. SPEAKER,—

The Legislative Council acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have adopted and passed the following report of the select committee on the contingencies of this House for the present session:

“ The select committee appointed by the Council with regard to printing and contingencies report that they have examined the accounts of the Acting Clerk and of the Usher of the Black Rod, and have considered the other charges and expenses and find them as follows:—

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 the Black Rod.....	321 27
John Howley, Esq., retiring allowance.....	700 00
Edward Shea, Esq., reporting debates.....	200 00
Robert Pitman, Esq., reporting debates.....	200 00
Acting Master-in-Chancery.....	700 00
Extra pay for services.....	150 00
Doorkeeper of Council.....	225 00
Assistant doorkeeper.....	190 00
Fireman of Council.....	65 00
<i>Times</i> , miscellaneous printing.....	422 00
Miscellaneous and other papers, <i>Royal Gazette</i>	46 00
Proprietor <i>Evening Telegram</i> , printing debates.....	160 00
Proprietor <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 expense of 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

A. W. HARVEY,
Chairman.

M. MONROE,
G. T. RENDELL,
PHILIP CLEARY.”

Ordered that the said report be referred to the select committee of this House on printing and contingencies.

Pursuant to order of the day the House resolved itself into committee of the whole on Contingencies bill.

Mr. SPEAKER left the chair.

Mr. WOODFORD took the chair of the committee.

Mr. SPEAKER resumed the chair.

The Chairman from the said committee reported that they had considered the said bill, and had passed the same without amendment.

Ordered that the said report be received and adopted.

Ordered that the said bill be now read a third time.

The said bill was accordingly read a third time.

Ordered that the said bill do pass, and be entitled "An Act to provide for the contingent expenses of the Legislature."

Ordered that the said bill be sent to the Legislative Council with an address requesting their concurrence in its provisions.

The following message was received from the Legislative Council:—

"Mr. SPEAKER,—

The Legislative Council acquaint the Legislative Assembly that, in reply to their message of the seventh of June instant, they concur in the resolution adopted confirming, with some amendments, the rules and regulations respecting the lobster industry and codfishery made under and by virtue of section 16 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.'

E. D. SHEA,
President."

Also, the following message:—

"Mr. SPEAKER,—

The Legislative Council acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have passed the amendments made by the Assembly in and upon the bill sent down from the Council entitled 'An Act to amend title 28, cap. 109, of the Consolidated Statutes, entitled 'Of masters and servants,' without amendment.

E. D. SHEA,
President."

The assent of His Excellency the Governor having been to-day given to the bill passed in the present session, entitled "An Act to amend 51 Victoria, chapter 5, entitled 'An Act to provide for the management of the municipal affairs of the town of St. John's, and for other purposes,'"

It was moved by Hon. Mr. MORRIS, and seconded by Mr. HALLAREN, that the House resolve itself into committee of the whole on the following resolution:—

“*Resolved*,—That in accordance with the provisions of section 1 of an Act passed in the 53rd year of the reign of Her present Majesty, entitled “An Act to amend 51 Victoria, 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,’” the estimate of expenditure and revenue and mode of taxation proposed by the St. John’s Municipal Council and laid before the Legislature in the present session be amended in accordance with the annexed report of the select committee appointed by this House during the present session to enquire into and report upon the same.”

Ordered accordingly.

Then the House resolved itself into committee of the whole to consider the said resolution and report.

Mr. SPEAKER left the chair.

Mr. WOODFORD took the chair of the committee.

Mr. SPEAKER resumed the chair.

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

Ordered that the said report be received, and that said committee have leave to sit again to-morrow.

Ordered that this House, on rising, adjourn until to-morrow, at four of the clock in the afternoon.

Then the House adjourned until to-morrow at four of the clock in the afternoon.

TUESDAY, June 10, 1890.

A message was received from the Legislative Council as follows:

“MR. SPEAKER,—

The Legislative Council acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they have passed the bill sent up from the Assembly, entitled “An Act to provide for the contingent expenses of the Legislature” without amendment.

E. D. SHEA,
President.”

HON. COLONIAL SECRETARY laid on the table of the House report of the medical officer of Labrador, 1889.

Pursuant to the order of the day, the House resolved itself committee of the whole on resolution under Municipal Act of 1890, entitled "An Act to amend an Act passed in the fifty-first year of Her Majesty's reign, entitled 'An Act to provide for the management of the Municipal affairs of the town of St. John's, and for other purposes.'"

MR. SPEAKER left the chair.

MR. WOODFORD took the chair of the committee.

MR. SPEAKER resumed the chair.

The chairman from the said committee reported that they had considered the matter to them referred, and had passed the said resolution, as amended, and he handed in the said amendments at the Clerk's table, where they were read as follows:—

"*Resolved*,—That, instead of the proposed tax of two and-a-half per cent. on Fire and Life premiums to be imposed on insurance companies doing business in St. John's, a license fee of one hundred dollars per annum be charged to each company."

"*Resolved*,—That all persons, not residents of this colony, who come to Newfoundland to vend goods, wares, and merchandize, or to represent others, vendors of such goods, wares and merchandize, not residents of 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 on 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 fine or 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 in this colony without such license."

Ordered that the said report be received and adopted.

Ordered that the said resolution as amended do pass, and be sent to the Legislative Council with an address requesting their concurrence therein.

A message was received from the Legislative Council as follows:

“MR. SPEAKER,—

The Legislative Council acquaint the Legislative Assembly, in reply to their message of this date respecting the resolution confirming with some amendments the estimate of expenditure and revenue and mode of taxation proposed by the St. John's Municipal Council, that they have considered the said resolution and report, and have adopted and confirmed the same without amendment.”

E. D. SHEA,
President.”

(The said estimate, as amended and adopted, appears in Appendix.)

Mr. CLIFT, pursuant to notice, asked leave to introduce a bill to amend 51 Victoria, cap. 16, and leave being granted, the said bill was read a first time, and it was ordered that the same be read a second time to-morrow.

HON. COLONIAL SECRETARY laid upon the table of the House the report (with address thereto annexed) of the joint select committee appointed by the Legislative Council and by this House on the *modus vivendi* respecting the lobster industry.

On motion of Hon. the PREMIER, it was ordered that this House do now resolve itself into committee of the whole to consider the said report and address.

Then the House resolved itself into committee of the whole accordingly.

Mr. SPEAKER left the chair.

Mr. McGRATH took the chair of the committee.

Mr. SPEAKER resumed the chair.

The chairman from the said committee of the whole reported that they had considered the matter to them referred, and had passed the said address with amendments.

Ordered that the said report be received and adopted.

Ordered that the said address, as amended, do pass.

Ordered that a message be sent to the Legislative Council requesting their concurrence in the said address as amended.

A message was received from the Legislative Council, as follows:

“MR. SPEAKER,—

The Legislative Council acquaint the Legislative Assembly, in reply to their message of this date in reference to the address to Her

Most Gracious Majesty upon the subject of the *modus vivendi* 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, that they have adopted and passed the address without amendment.

E. D. SHEA,
President.”

Moved and seconded that an address be forwarded to His Excellency the Governor, acquainting His Excellency that the Legislative Council and this House have passed the following address to Her Most Gracious Majesty relative to the recent *modus vivendi* entered into between the Republic of France and Her Majesty's Government 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 requesting that His Excellency will be pleased to transmit the same to Her Majesty for her favourable consideration.

Ordered accordingly; and ordered that such address to His Excellency be forwarded to the Legislative Council, with an address requesting their concurrence therein.

A message was received from the Legislative Council, as follows:—

“Mr. SPEAKER,—

The Legislative Council acquaint the Legislative Assembly that they concur in the address to His Excellency the Governor requesting that His Excellency will be pleased to transmit the address to Her Majesty the Queen on the subject of the said *modus vivendi*.

E. D. SHEA,
President.”

The address to Her Most Gracious Majesty relative to the said *modus vivendi* entered into between Her Majesty's Government and the Republic of France, and which was this day adopted by both Houses, is as follows:—

“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 Majesty's reference to our address relative 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 on 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, and 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 coast 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 enterprized by British subjects in Newfoundland.”

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 January 11, 1887, that "the French Government have approved of the removal of some lobster factories established on the coast by French subjects," a statement which, 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 Fergusson 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 the 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 the *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 Fergusson 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 the colony and more favourable to the French than the proposal first cabled to the Newfoundland Government is conclusively shewn 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 despatch 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 of 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 has been 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 Your Majesty will not permit.

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 interest 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 Tay, and for Your Majesty to submit such claim to arbitration.

With respect to the lobster industry, the 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 codfishery 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, dried and cured 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, namely: *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 honourably executed, and that we are not compelled by a reasonable construction of it to yield to the monstrous demands which 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 codfishery, 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.

If the Treaty is to be construed in accordance with French demands, 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 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 them 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 islands of St. Pierre and Miquelon are made the centres from which smuggling is carried on to an extent ruinous to the interests 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 favoured 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 nought.

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 profoundest expressions of loyalty and affection.”

And the House having sat after twelve of the clock,

WEDNESDAY, June 11, 1890,

Hon. the PREMIER, by command of His Excellency, laid on the table of the House the judgment of the Hon. Mr. Justice Little in the matter of the petition of William Bartlett and another, complaining of the undue return and election of James A. Clift, Esquire, to this House;

Also, the judgment of the Hon. the Chief Justice, in the matter

of the petition of certain electors, complaining of the undue return and election of William Duff, Esquire, to this House.

(The said judgments appear in the appendix.)

Ordered that the House, at its rising, adjourn until the hour of one of the clock in the afternoon of this day, Wednesday.

Then the House adjourned until the hour of one of the clock of this day, Wednesday.

WEDNESDAY, June 11, 1890.

Pursuant to adjournment, the House met at one of the clock in the afternoon.

Ordered that second reading of bill to amend 51 Victoria, cap. 16, be discharged from the order of the day.

Mr. CLIFT gave notice that on the first day of the next session of the Legislature he would ask leave to introduce a bill to amend 51 Victoria, cap. 16.

At two of the clock a message from His Excellency the Governor was delivered by W. F. Rennie, Esquire, the Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod, commanding the immediate attendance of Mr. Speaker and the House in the Council Chamber.

Accordingly Mr. Speaker and the House attended His Excellency the Governor in the Council Chamber.

And Mr. Speaker, at the bar of the Council, addressed His Excellency as follows:—

“MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY :

The Legislative Assembly of Newfoundland has voted the supplies required to enable the Government to defray the expenses of the public service.

In the name of the Legislative Assembly, I present to Your Excellency the following bills:—

(1) An Act for granting to Her Majesty certain duties on goods, wares and merchandize, imported into this colony and its dependencies.

(2) An Act for granting to Her Majesty a sum of money to defray the expenses of the civil government of this colony for the year ending on the 31st day of December, one thousand eight hundred and ninety, and for other purposes.

(3) 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.

(4) An Act to authorize the raising of a sum of money, by loan, for the public service of the colony.

(5) An Act to indemnify His Excellency the Governor of Newfoundland for certain sums advanced by him from the public treasury for the service of the colony.

(6) An Act for the encouragement of the manufacture of fish-glue, isinglass, and gelatine.

(7) An Act for the encouragement of shipbuilding, and for other purposes.

(8) 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 of a branch to Brigus or Clarke's Beach, and for other purposes.

(9) An Act to provide for the contingent expenses of the Legislature:—

To which His Excellency was pleased to give his assent.

His Excellency was also pleased to assent to the following bills, entitled respectively,

(10) An Act to amend chapter 3 of the Consolidated Statutes, (second series), entitled, "The Election Act, 1889."

(11) An Act respecting liens of mechanics and others.

(12) An Act to provide for registration of births, marriages and deaths.

(13) An Act for the protection of woods against fires.

(14) 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.'"

(15) An Act to provide for the commutation of sentences for good behaviour and industry of persons confined in the penitentiary.

(16) An Act to amend 49 Victoria, cap. 9, entitled "An Act for the preservation of game."

(17) An Act to amend the Judicature Act, 1889.

(18) An Act to provide for the local government of towns and settlements in this colony.

(19) An Act to amend 52 Victoria, chapter 24, entitled "An Act for the publication of the Consolidated Statutes."

(20) An Act to incorporate The North Canadian Atlantic Railway and Steamship Company.

(21) An Act to amend the law relating to copyright.

(22) An Act to amend title 23, chapter 79, of the Consolidated Statutes, entitled "Of certain municipal regulations."

(23) An Act entitled "Of the representation in the House of Assembly, and of the powers and privileges thereof."

(24) An Act to amend the public health Act, 1889.

(25) An Act to amend title 28, chapter 109 of the Consolidated Statutes, entitled "Of masters and servants."

(26) An Act to amend 52 Vic., cap. 25, entitled "An Act to amend the law relating to Courts of Quarter Sessions, Magistrates and Justices of the Peace."

(27) An Act for the encouragement of the cultivation and manufacture of flax and hemp.

[N.B.—The Act to amend the Crown Lands Acts, and the Act amending the Municipal Council Act, received His Excellency's assent during the session.]

His Excellency was then pleased to make the following Speech to both branches of the Legislature:—

*Mr. President and Honorable Gentlemen 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 have applied yourselves to your legislative labors.

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 the 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 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 seal fishery, and that the prospects of the codfishery 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,
Lt-Col., Governor."

After which the Honourable the President of the Legislative Council, by command of His Excellency the Governor, said:—

"GENTLEMEN,—

It is the pleasure of His Excellency the Governor that this General Assembly be prorogued until Thursday, the seventeenth day of July next, and this General Assembly is accordingly prorogued until Thursday, the seventeenth day of July next, to be then and here holden."

GEORGE M. JOHNSON,
Clerk of the House of Assembly.

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APPENDIX.



APPENDIX.

ESTIMATES AND PUBLIC ACCOUNTS.

*Financial Statement of the affairs of the Colony of Newfoundland,
for the year 1890.*

ESTIMATED EXPENDITURE.

Salaries under 38 Vic., Cap. 17 and 49 Vic., Cap, 14.

His Excellency the Governor	\$12,000	
The Chief Justice	5,000	
Two Assistant Judges	8,000	
The Attorney General	2,400	
The Colonial Secretary	2,400	
The Receiver General	2,400	
The Surveyor General	2,400	
The Solicitor General	1,200	
The Financial Secretary	1,662	
The Sheriff of Central District	1,385	
The Sheriff of Northern District	1,385	
The Sheriff of Southern District	923	
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		\$41,155

Salaries &c., under Customs and Revenue Acts.

The Assistant Collector of Customs	\$1,600	
Landing and Tide Surveyor	1,300	
First Landing Waiter	1,100	
Second Landing Waiter	1,000	
Third Landing Waiter	1,000	
Examining Officer	1,000	
First Clerk and Warehouse-keeper	1,100	
Second Clerk	900	
Third Clerk	800	
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<i>Forwarded</i>	\$9,800	\$41,155

ESTIMATES AND PUBLIC ACCOUNTS.

<i>Brought forward</i>	\$9,800	\$41,155
Fourth Clerk	700	
Fifth Clerk.....	700	
Assistant-Clerk in Landing and Tide Surveyor's office.....	600	
To defray expenses of examining invoices....	231	
Non-official members Board of Revenue.....	231	
Two Lockers	960	
Tidewaiters and boatmen, including Har. Grace	17,500	
House-keeper.....	240	
Incidentals	6,000	
Labrador Revenue Cruiser.....	2,000	
Revenue Protection, South Coast.....	6,000	
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	\$44,962	
<i>Sub-Collectors.</i>		
Labrador, east coast, with 5 per cent. on duties	\$750	
Blanc Sablon, with 10 per cent. on duties.....	462	
Tilt Cove, with 2½ per cent. on duties	340	
Little Bay, with 2½ per cent. on duties	690	
Twillingate, with 2½ per cent. on duties.....	690	
Fogo, with 2½ per cent. on duties.....	690	
Greenspond, with 2½ per cent. on duties.....	690	
Trinity, with 2½ per cent. on duties.....	800	
Carbonear, with 2½ per cent. on duties.....	690	
Hr. Grace, (not to exceed \$1182), with 2½ per cent. on duties.....	739	
Landing Waiter and Clerk at Harbor Grace..	600	
Brigus, with 2½ per cent. on duties.....	690	
LaManche and Audierne, with 2½ per cent. on duties.....	462	
Burin, with 2½ per cent. on duties.....	690	
Lamalaine, with 2½ per cent. on duties	550	
Bay-du-Nord and English Harbor, with 2½ per cent. on duties.....	462	
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<i>Forwarded</i>	\$54,957	\$41,155

ESTIMATES AND PUBLIC ACCOUNTS.

<i>Brought forward</i>	\$54,957	\$41,155
Harbor Briton, with 2½ per cent. on duties....	462	
Gaultois, with 2½ per cent. on duties.....	550	
Pushthrough, with 2½ per cent. on duties.....	462	
LaPoile, with 2½ per cent. on duties.....	690	
Channel, with 2½ per cent. on duties.....	462	
St. George's Bay, with 2½ per cent. on duties..	400	
Bay of Islands, with 2½ per cent. on duties....	400	
Bonne Bay, with 2½ per cent. on duties.....	400	
Flower's Cove, with 2½ per cent. on duties....	400	
 Preventive Officers.		
St. Anthony, with 10 per cent. on duties.....	200	
LaScie, with 10 per cent. on duties.....	200	
King's Cove, with 10 per cent. on duties.....	231	
Catalina, with 10 per cent. on duties.....	231	
Heart's Content, with 10 per cent. on duties...	100	
Bay Roberts, with 10 per cent. on duties.....	300	
Holyrood, with 20 per cent. on duties.....	100	
Bay Bulls, with 10 per cent. on duties.....	231	
Ferryland, with 10 per cent. on duties.....	231	
Renews, with 20 per cent. on duties.....	100	
Trepassey, with 10 per cent. on duties.....	281	
St. Mary's, with 10 per cent. on duties.....	231	
Great Placentia, with 10 per cent. on duties...	231	
Little Placentia, with 10 per cent. on duties...	231	
St. Lawrence, with 10 per cent. on duties.....	281	
Lawn, with 10 per cent. on duties.....	120	
Fortune, with 10 per cent. on duties.....	281	
Grand Bank, with 10 per cent. on duties.....	231	
Burgeo, with 10 per cent. on duties.....	231	
Rose Blanche, with 10 per cent. on duties.....	281	
Codroy, with 10 per cent. on duties.....	120	
Percentage on duties to Outport officers.....	5,000	
		\$68,626
<i>Forwarded</i>		\$109,781

ESTIMATES AND PUBLIC ACCOUNTS.

<i>Brought forward</i>		\$109,781
Salaries, under 38 Vic., Cap. 16.		
The Chairman of the Board of Works.....	2,000	
Secretary and Accountant, Board of Works...	1,200	
Four members of said Board.....	800	
	<hr/>	4,000
Salaries under 44 Vic., Cap 8.		
Two Judges Central District Court.....	\$4,000	
District Judge, Harbor Grace.....	1,800	
	<hr/>	5,800
Pensions.		
Joseph Crowdy, late Clerk in Colonial Secretary's Office.....	\$ 924	
Miss Solomon.....	231	
	<hr/>	1,155
Estimated amount Legislative Contingencies...		30,000
Interest on Public Debt:—Debt \$4,796,397.27; interest payable half yearly.....		202,914
Estimated amount for educational purposes...		123,500
Estimated amount for roads and bridges.....		119,000
Lighting and cleansing St. John's streets.....		8,000
To encourage shipbuilding.....		11,000
Under Wolf Act.....		100
Under Board of Health and Quarantine Act...		8,000
For registration of jurors.....		350
Railway subsidy.....		45,000
To encourage home industries.....		8,000
For the promotion of agriculture.....		4,000
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		\$680,600
On pages 105 to 117 of the Journal, a detailed statement appears of the sums voted for Supply:—These amount to.....	\$781,179	
<i>Forward</i>	\$781,179	\$680,600

ESTIMATES AND PUBLIC ACCOUNTS.

Brought forward..... \$781,179 \$680,600

Of which the following sums were added by
the House to the estimates submitted, viz.:

For Stationery in office of Clerk of Court, \$107
For Customs patrol from Bonne Bay to
LaScie 1,200
Dry Dock water rates..... 100
To Assistant Inspector of Poor..... 40

————— 1,447 779,732

Forwarded..... \$1,460,332

Estimated Revenue, 1890.

Customs, including Labrador and West Coast.		\$1,300,000
Postal.....	\$36,000	
Crown Lands.....	2,400	
Licenses.....	4,500	
Miscellaneous sources.....	7,000	
Sewerage, account of interest.....	3,461	
Harbor Master's dues and Examiner's fees.....	1,400	
Light Dues.....	27,000	
Rent of Dock (3 years).....	45,000	
Interest on debt due by Railway Co.....	2,520	
Imperial Mail subsidy.....	19,200	
Interest account Municipal Act loan.....	24,280	
	—————	172,761
		<u><u>\$1,472,761</u></u>

Estimated Expenditure 1890.

<i>Amount brought forward</i>	\$1,460,332
Balance in favor of the Colony, 31st Dec., 1890	12,429
	<u><u>\$1,472,761</u></u>

RICHARD H. O'DWYER,
Receiver General.

ESTIMATES AND PUBLIC ACCOUNTS.

*Statement of Balances in the Treasury Department of the Colony of
Newfoundland on December 31st, 1889, including unexpended
Legislative Grants.*

Credit Balances.

Customs Bonds outstanding.....	\$229,824 33	
Cash in the Commercial Bank.....	115,079 18	
Balance due by Newfoundland Railway Co.	1,981 87	
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		\$346,885 38
Balance against the Colony.....		526,394 84
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		<u>\$873,280 22</u>

Debit Balances.

Outstanding Warrants.....	\$385,598 79	
Outstanding Interest.....	57,200 03	
Balance due the Union Bank of Newfld..	32,582 41	
Balance due the London and Westminster Bank.....	288,149 04	
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		\$763,530 27
Unexpended Legislative Grants.....		109,749 95
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		<u>\$873,280 22</u>

RICHARD H. O'DWYER,
Receiver General.

ESTIMATES AND PUBLIC ACCOUNTS.

Statement shewing the aggregate amount of the Public Debt of the Colony of Newfoundland on the 31st day of December, 1889, and the years in which certain portions of it are repayable.

Amt consolid'd under Act 22 Vic., Cap. 16,	\$19,666	22
" " " 23 " " 12,	1,153	85
" " " 28 " " 18,	32,630	00
" " " 29 " " 20,	86,307	00
" " " 34 " " 11,	40,000	00
" " " 35 " " 12,	328,834	11
" " " 37 " " 11,	204,230	31
" " " 38 " " 12,	10,000	00
" " " 38 " " 22,	60,000	00
" " " 39 " " 14,	60,000	00
" " " 40 " " 24,	98,000	00
" " " 41 " " 18,	25,000	00
" " " 42 " " 21,	15,192	00
" " " 45 " " 20,	36,500	00
" " " 46 " " 22,	50,000	00
" " " 46 & 47 " " 5 & 4,	600,000	00
" " " 49 " " 15,	240,000	00
	<hr/>	\$1,907,513 49
Amount repayable in the year 1890.....	42,622	96
" " " 1891.....	18,452	00
" " " 1892.....	7,475	03
" " " 1893.....	2,235	80
" " " 1895.....	978	00
" " " 1896.....	2,083	20
" " " 1897.....	16,679	60
" " " 1898.....	41,459	22
" " " 1899.....	9,203	13
" " " 1908.....	12,000	00
" " " 1917.....	145,000	00
" (Inscribed stock) " 1938.....	1,536,000	00
" (Debenture) " 1938.....	2,500	00
" " " 1939.....	389,000	00
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	<hr/>	<u>\$4,133,202 43</u>

RICHARD H. O'DWYER,
Receiver General.

Financial Secretary's Consolidated Statement of Expenditure for year ending 31st Dec., 1889.

Expenditure for the undermentioned services, as sanctioned by Government Warrant.	Addresses of Assembly.	Credit Balances from 1888.	Legislative Votes and Special Acts.	Expenditures.	Unexpended Balances, Dec. 31st., 1889.	Overdrawn Accounts, Dec. 31st., 1889.
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Addresses, House of Assembly: potatoes for districts.....		252 18		153 07	99 11	
Agriculture, promotion of.....		28,493 14		33,163 80		4,670 66
Agriculture, promotion of: under the control of Government Board.....			5,000 00	79 00	4,921 00	
Agricultural Society.....		566 05	1,700 00	1,733 02	533 03	
Agricultural Society, Conception Bay.....		86	462 00	456 12	6 74	
Arbitration awards under Railway Act.....			259 42	259 42		
Bait Protection.....			30,000 00	38,630 74		8,630 74
Bait Protection: Address House of Assembly, compensation for loss of craft whilst engaged on this service.....	1,000 00			1,000 00		
Bannerman Park.....			80 00	80 00		
Board of Health, Quarantine Act.....			16,070 19	16,070 19		
Board of Works Contingencies.....				1,078 34		1,078 34
Blind Institution, Halifax.....			300 00	300 00		
Bonavista Breakwater.....		261 41	5,000 00	2,944 67	2,361 74	
Chronometer Time.....			100 00	100 00		

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Circuit Courts		5,500 00	5,841 85	341 85
Civil and Criminal Prosecutions		4,000 00	7,237 87	3,237 87
Consolidation of Laws.....	513 00	3,000 00	4,778 40	1,265 40
Constabulary		50,000 00	58,073 88	8,073 88
Court Houses and Gaols.....		11,000 00	17,009 78	6,009 78
Colinet Bridge.....		8,000 00	8,000 00	
Court House St. John's : alterations and repairs		10,000 00	10,000 00	
Deaf and Dumb Institution, Halifax		500 00	500 00	
Dorcas Society, St. John's... ..		231 00	231 00	
Dorcas Society, Hr. Grace... ..		120 00	120 00	
Dorcas Society, Carbonear.. ..		116 00	116 00	
Dredging		10,000 00	411 44	9,588 56
Draft Rules of Procedure.....		1,400 00	1,400 00	
Executive Responsibility.....			44,104 52	44,104 52
Encouragement of Ship Building and Bank fishery.....		19,948 00	19,948 00	
Election expenses		15,000 00	27,700 11	12,700 11
Education Act, General.....	29 33	102,686 52	102,621 83	94 02
Higher Education, viz:				
Roman Catholic.....		767 56	767 56	
Church of England.....	479 20	712 60	1,098 00	93 80
Methodist	* 52 67	503 65	450 09	160 32
Congregational.....	15 86	7 93	22 09	1 70
Reformed Episcopal	13 14	6 57		19 71
Pupil Teachers, viz.:				
Roman Catholic.....	7 52	2,032 27	2,037 76	2 03
Church of England... ..	23 03	1,863 37	1,886 40	

* An overdraft of \$204.68 in 1887 not being charged in 1888 is now deducted.

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Expenditure for the undermentioned services, as sanctioned by Government Warrant.	Addresses of Assembly.	Credit Balances from 1888.	Legislative Votes and Special Acts.	Expenditures.	Unexpended Balances, Dec. 31st, 1889.	Overdrawn Accounts, Dec. 31st, 1889.
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Pupil Teachers, viz.:						
Methodist.....			1,316 97	1,126 50	190 47	.....
Congregational.....		70 81	20 74	78 81	20 74	.....
Reformed Episcopal..		17 20	17 20	.....	34 40	.....
Encouragm't of Teachers, viz.:						
Roman Catholic.....		523 82	1,000 84	1,350 00	174 66	.....
Church of England...		271 83	917 66	1,130 20	59 29	.....
Methodist.....		21 42	648 58	823 00	.....	153 00
Congregational.....		49 50	10 21	.....	59 71	.....
Reformed Episcopal..		25 41	8 47	.....	33 88	.....
Destitute places, viz.:						
Roman Catholic.....			2,001 68	2,001 68	.....	.....
Church of England...			1,835 33	1,835 33	.....	.....
Methodist.....			1,297 16	1,297 16	.....	.....
Congregational.....			20 44	20 44	.....	.....
Reformed Episcopal..			17 12	17 12	.....	.....
Jubilee Scholarship.....		240 00	480 00	240 00	480 00	.....
"Fiona," S.S.....			30,000 00	* 36,142 68	.....	6,142 68
Fuel and attendance, Public offices.....			300 00	298 40	1 60	.....
Fisheries Commission and Hatcheries.....		3,528 50	18,000 00	16,020 69	5,507 81	.....
Fuel & light, Colonial Building.....			850 00	1,782 38	932 38
Fuel and light, Custom House.....			400 00	390 26	9 74

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Fuel and light, Government House	1,200 00	1,724 77	524 77
Government Engineer's office		1,088 04	1,088 04
Grand Bank and Fortune Harbor improvements	8,000 00	8,000 00	
Hospital Expenses	9,000 00	11,308 38	2,308 38
Harbor Master's office	600 00	1,862 96	1,262 96
Home Industries	8,176 71	8,176 71	
Hall's Bay Road	39 90		39 90
Hodge Water Road		4,046 68	4,046 68
Inquests and Magisterial Enquiries	400 00	308 30	91 70
Instructors, Masters & Mates	200 00	280 00	80 00
Insurance Public Buildings	3,000 00	2,129 10	870 90
Land and Mineral Survey	5,000 00	3,343 13	1,656 87
Labrador Relief		460 75	460 75
Legislative Contg'cies, Proper ditto Library	36,933 69	37,679 86	746 17
	500 00	135 52	364 48
Lighting St. John's Streets	8,000 00	† 10,000 00	2,000 00
Lighting Har. Grace Streets	500 00	500 00	
Lighthouses	40,000 00	42,937 53	2,937 53
ditto Harbor Grace	4,000 00		4,000 00
ditto Twillingate Dist.	1,657 00		1,657 00
Lunatic Asylum	20,000 00	20,504 10	504 10
Medical attendance, Labrador	800 00	1,024 22	224 22
Miscellaneous Votes in Supply	2,696 00	2,696 00	
Museum	800 00	355 06	444 94
Municipal Council:			
acc't Savings' Bank Loan	37,000 00		37,000 00
Municipal Act of 1888	16,710 00	16,905 59	195 59

* Including alterations, stores and equipment.

† Last quarter of 1888 included, not having been paid by the end of the year.

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Expenditure for the undermentioned services, as sanctioned by Government Warrant.	Addresses of Assembly.	Credit Balances from 1888.	Legislative Votes and Special Acts.	Expenditures.	Unexpended Balances, Dec. 31st., 1889.	Overdrawn Accounts, Dec. 31st., 1889.
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Noon and Fog gun, and Block-house.....			1,438 00	2,147 19		709 19
Nfld. Exhibition, Barcelona..				2,124 48		2,124 48
New Court House, Little Bay				1,054 15		1,054 15
Orphan Asylum:						
Industrial Department.....			231 00	231 00		
Poor Asylum.....			9,000 00	10,461 23		1,461 23
Postages and Incidentals....			2,000 00	1,361 88	638 12	
Postal Department.....			60,000 00	61,347 19		1,347 19
Printing and Stationery.....			8,000 00	9,158 94		1,158 94
Protection of Fisheries.....				535 40		535 40
Protestant Industrial Society.			462 00	462 00		
Public Works, viz.:						
Bay-de-Verde.....			2,000 00	2,000 00		
Bonavista.....			2,000 00	2,000 00		
Burgeo and LaPoile..			2,000 00	2,000 00		
Burin.....			2,000 00	2,000 00		
Carbonear.....			2,000 00	2,000 00		
Ferryland.....			2,000 00	2,000 00		
Fogo.....			2,000 00	2,000 00		
Fortune Bay.....			2,000 00	2,000 00		
Harbor Grace.....			2,000 00	2,000 00		
Harbor Main.....			2,000 00	2,000 00		
Placentia & St. Mary's			2,000 00	2,000 00		

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	Port-de-Grave		2,000 00	2,000 00		
	St. John's East.....		2,000 00	2,000 00		
	St. John's West.....		2,000 00	2,000 00		
	St. Barbe		2,000 00	2,000 00		
	St. George.....		2,000 00	2,000 00		
	Trinity		2,000 00	2,000 00		
	Twillingate.....		2,000 00	2,000 00		
5.	Penguin Island:					
	Lighthouse construction		12,000 00	1,824 32	10,175 68	
	Public Wharf, Catalina.....		2,500 00	2,500 00		
	ditto King's Cove..		1,500 00	1,500 00		
	ditto St. John's.....		2,500 00	2,500 00		
	Railway subsidy and legal ex- penses	52,418 66	65,168 00	119,561 47		1,974 81
	Railway, viz.:					
	Hall's Bay		264,262 31	264,262 31		
	Placentia Branch.....		110,000 00	92,451 79	17,548 21	
	Registration of jurors.....		584 63	584 63		
	Relief of Poor.....		150,000 00	158,800 00		8,800 00
	Rent of Public Buildings.....		980 00	980 00		
	Repairs, viz.:					
	Blockhouse.....		150 00	47 11	102 89	
	Colonial Building.....		1,200 00	3,382 90		2,182 90
	Custom House, St. John's		400 00	774 84		374 84
	Custom House, H. Grace		50 00	78 23		28 23
	Court Houses and Gaols.....		1,300 00	1,896 62		596 62
	Drill Shed.....			14 10		14 10
	Government House.....		3,000 00	7,656 58		4,656 58
	Hospital		1,300 00	4,200 05		2,900 05
	Imperial Buildings.....		1,000 00	1,237 35		237 35

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Expenditure for the undermentioned services, as sanctioned by Government Warrant.	Addresses of Assembly.	Credit Balances from 1888.	Legislative Votes and Special Acts.	Expenditures.	Unexpended Balances, Dec. 31st, 1889.	Overdrawn Accounts, Dec. 31st, 1889.
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Repairs, viz.:						
Kerosene Oil Store.....			100 00	53 53	46 47	
Outport Court Houses and Gaols			2,750 00	3,361 60		611 60
Lunatic Asylum.....			500 00	509 14		9 14
Poor Asylum			400 00	768 96		368 96
Town clock.....			200 00	200 00		
Retiring allowances.....			2,176 32	2,176 32		
Road Act, 51 Vic		12,846 48		12,846 48		
Road Act, 52 Vic			123,949 85	121,070 70	2,879 15	
Road, Codroy to Sandy Point			3,000 00	3,000 00		
Salaries, viz.:						
Ferryman			5,076 00	5,076 00		
Gaolers and Assistants ..			1,304 00	1,324 00		20 00
Miscellaneous.....			38,159 00	38,600 17		441 17
Outport Clerks of Peace.....			1,440 00	1,230 00	210 00	
Local Constables.....			1,976 00	1,947 00	29 00	
Outport Magistrates.....			16,135 00	15,916 20	218 80	
Special.....			49,432 51	49,432 51		
Sheep Preservation Act.....			425 39	425 39		
Steam, coastal :						
South, West and North ..			56,000 00	58,712 00		2,712 00
Steam, Labrador			9,000 00	8,400 00	600 00	
Steam, Ocean.....			67,680 00	67,920 00		240 00

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Steam, Placentia Bay.....		20,000 00	20,023 33	23 33
Steam, Western, and extra Mail Service.....		2,000 00	2,000 00	
Shipwrecked crews.....		3,000 00	2,664 80	335 20
Small Pox Prevention Act...		17,161 74	17,161 74	
St. Vincent de Paul Society, male branch.....		462 00	462 00	
St. Vincent de Paul Society, female branch.....		231 00	231 00	
St. Vincent de Paul Society, Harbor Grace.....		120 00	120 00	
Telegraph maintenance.....		12,000 00	26,000 00	14,000 00
Twillingate Tickle.....	3,000 00		4,755 24	1,755 24
Unforeseen Contingencies...		2,500 00	2,613 24	113 24
Weights and Measures Act..		115 10	115 10	
	\$1,000 00	163,127 92	1,683,635 73	1,898,550 42
			113,384 37	164,171 14

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St. John's, Newfoundland,
31st December, 1889.

JOHN STUDDY,
Financial Secretary.

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Financial Secretary's Consolidated Statement,—(Concluded.)

N. B.—The undermentioned sums have been dropped from the credit balances by direction of the Government.

Jubilee Scholarship	\$480 00
Fuel and attendance public offices	1 60
Fuel and Light, Custom House	9 74
Magisterial enquiries	91 70
Insurance on public buildings	870 90
Postages and incidentals	638 12
Repairs, Block House	102 89
Repairs, Kerosene Oil Store	46 47
Salaries, outport Clerks of the Peace	201 00
Salaries, Local Constables	29 00
Salaries, outport Magistrates	218 80
Steam, Labrador	600 00
Shipwrecked crews	335 20
	\$3,634 42

Unexpended Legislative grants	\$113,384 37
Dropped balances, as above	3,634 42
	Amount to be carried to acc't, 1890. \$109,749 95

FINANCIAL SECRETARY'S OFFICE,
 St. John's, Newfoundland,
 31st December, 1889.

JOHN STUDDY,
Financial Secretary.

TREASURY ACCOUNTS.

Statement shewing the total amount of the Revenue of the Colony of Newfoundland for the year 1889.

Customs, including Labrador		\$1,243,031 44
Postal.....	\$37,650 00	
Crown Lands.....	2,473 62	
Licenses.....	4,637 50	
Interest, acc't St. John's Sew'ge debentures	3,461 58	
Har. Master's dues and Examiner's fees....	1,582 00	
Light Dues.....	27,956 11	
Interest on debt due by the Railway Co....	2,520 00	
Imperial Government mail subsidy.....	19,200 00	
		99,480 81
Miscellaneous Sources, viz.:—		
Timber Lands.....	16 08	
St. John's Hospital.....	426 79	
Block House fees.....	117 00	
Inflammable Oils Store fees.....	222 25	
Sheriffs' fees.....	111 25	
Clerk of the Court fees.....	3,277 15	
Central District Court fees.....	127 00	
Clerks of the Peace fees.....	173 56	
Patent fees.....	250 00	
Fish-cullers' licenses.....	4 00	
Fines and forfeitures.....	1,900 75	
do do acc't violation Bait Act	846 20	
Dog licenses.....	106 80	
Repayments, viz.:—		
Conscience money.....	70 38	
Shipwrecked crews, (Canadian)	52 29	
Commercial Society, subsidy to		
Fishery Bureau.....	1,000 00	
Warrants issued in error.....	270 82	1,393 49
		8,972 32
Premium on Loans Act, 52 Vic., cap. 5....		11,408 46
Loan under Municipal Act.....	41,600 00	
Loan under 52 Vic., cap. 5.....	410,500 00	
Temporary loan from London and Westminster Bank, now due, as a balance in favor of said Bank.....	288,000 00	
		740,100 00
		\$2,102,993 03

RICHARD H. O'DWYER,

Receiver General.

TREASURY ACCOUNTS.

DR.

*Balance Sheet of the Receiver General's Accounts on the 31st
December, 1889.*

To Customs' Bonds outstanding.....	\$229,824	33
“ Balance in the Commercial Bank....	115,079	18
“ Newfoundland Railway Company....	1,981	87
<i>Assets</i>	\$346,885	38
Revenue and Expenditure (being excess of Liabilities over Assets).....	416,644	89
Public Debt as per contra.....	4,133,202	43
Savings Bank 3 per cent., account of Sinking Fund as per contra.....	2,025	44
<i>Forwarded</i>	\$4,898,758	14

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By Outstanding warrants	\$385,598	79
“ Outstanding interest.....	57,200	03
“ Balance due the Union Bank, Newfoundland.....	32,582	41
“ Balance due London & Westminster Bank, London	288,149	04
<i>Liabilities</i>	763,530	27
Debentures issued as under, viz.:—		
St. John's Rebuilding Act, Con. Stat., title 23, cap. 80.....	62,929	69
Carbonear Street Act, Con. Stat., title 23, cap. 82.....	4,555	16
Act 23 Vic., Cap. 16, Consolidated Stock	19,666	22
“ 23 “ “ 12, Poor Asylum.....	1,153	85
“ 26 “ “ 6, St. John's Sewer'ge	64,500	96
“ 28 “ “ 18, Consolidated Stock	32,630	00
“ 29 “ “ 20, Consolidated Stock	86,307	00
<i>Forwarded</i>	\$271,742	88
		\$763,530 27

TREASURY ACCOUNTS.

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*Balance Sheet of the Receiver General's Accounts on the 31st
December, 1889.*

Brought forward..... \$4,898,758 14

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Brought forward..... \$271,742 88 \$763,530 27

Consolidated Statutes, title 16, cap. 56...	328,834	11	
Consolidated Statutes, title 17, cap. 61...	40,000	00	
Act 38 Vic., Cap. 12, Store for Inflammable Oils.....	10,000	00	
Act 38 Vic., Cap. 22, Public Service....	60,000	00	
“ 37 “ “ 11, Consolid'n of Debt.	204,230	31	
“ 39 “ “ 14, Public Service....	60,000	00	
“ 40 “ “ 24, Consolidation....	98,000	00	
“ 41 “ “ 18, Public Service....	25,000	00	
“ 49 “ “ 9, Public Service....	12,000	00	
“ 45 “ “ 20, Public Service....	36,500	00	
“ 44 “ “ 4, Newf'd Railway..	145,000	00	
“ 46 “ “ 22, Consolid'n of Debt.	50,000	00	
“ 46 & 47 “ 5 & 4, Dry Dock....	600,000	00	
“ 49 “ “ 15, Liquidation of Debt	240,000	00	
“ 51 “ “ 5, Municipal.....	607,000	00	
“ 52 “ “ 5, Public Service....	410,500	00	
“ 49 “ “ 3, Agriculture.....	60,000	00	
“ 50 “ “ 6, Public Service....	480,000	00	
“ 50 “ “ 7, Placentia Railway.	320,000	00	
“ 51 “ “ 3, Consolid'n of Debt	50,000	00	
“ 42 “ “ 21, Consolid'n of Debt	15,192	00	
Harbor Grace Rebuilding Act.....	9,203	13	
			<u>4,133,202 43</u>
Sinking Fund, under Act 42 Vic., cap. 9, Debentures issued for improvements in Harbors of Grand Bank and Fortune.....			<u>2,025 44</u>
			<u>\$4,898,758 14</u>

RICHARD H. O'DWYER,
Receiver General.

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Statement of Public Debt

1889.		
Jany. 2—	To balance from 1888	\$3,335,589 30
Dec. 31—	“ Amount issued under the Harbor Grace Rebuilding Act, Consolidated Statutes, title 23, Cap. 81, to Newfoundland Sav- ings' Bank	9,203 13
	“ Amount issued under the Saint John's Municipal Act, 50th Vic., Cap. 16	389,000 00
	“ Amount of Debentures issued in favor of James Ryan, Bonavista, under Act 52 Vic., Cap. 5	2,500 00
	“ Amount received from the London and Westminster Bank, for the issue of £85,000 stg., at 4 per cent; Inscribed Stock to sundry parties in the London market, per London and Westminster Bank, for fifty years	408,000 00
		<u>\$4,144,292 43</u>

TREASURY ACCOUNTS.

Account, for the year 1889.

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Dec. 31.—By amount of Debentures paid off, under
Act 31 Vic., Cap. 15..... \$ 11,090 00

“ “ “ Balance as per balance sheet..... 4,133,202 43

\$4,144,292 43

RICHARD H. O'DWYER,
Receiver General.

PORT OF ST. JOHN'S, OUTPORTS, LABRADOR EAST, AND BLANC SABLON.

A Consolidated account current of dutiable goods imported in the year ended 31st Dec., 1889, shewing the aggregate quantities and value of the various articles, and amount of duty collected thereon.

ARTICLES IMPORTED.	QUANTITY.	VALUE.	DUTY.
Ale, porter, cider and perry 20c. per gal.	26,351 $\frac{1}{4}$ gals.	.....	\$ 5,270 25
Animals, viz.:—Oxen, cows and bulls, 7 $\frac{1}{2}$ per cent. <i>ad val.</i>	2,710 No.	\$ 84,101 75	6,307 64
Pigs and calves 30c. each.	137 “	.....	41 10
Sheep 30c. each.	4,450 “	.....	1,335 00
Horses, mares, etc. \$3.00 each.	165 “	.....	495 00
Apples, 40c. per brl.	6,849 $\frac{1}{2}$ brls.	.....	2,739 80
Apples, (dried). 2c. per lb.	42,449 lbs.	.....	848 98
Bacon, hams, tongues, smoked beef, sausages, \$2.50 p cwt.	2,265 $\frac{3}{4}$ cwts.	.....	5,664 38
Beef, pigs' heads, feet and hocks \$1.00 per brl	21,186 brls.	.....	21,186 00
Biscuit and bread, (not including sweet or fancy biscuits) 20c. per cwt.	345 $\frac{1}{4}$ cwts.	.....	69 05
Butter, oleomargarine, and other compounds representing butter. \$2.00 per cwt.	16,031 $\frac{3}{4}$ cwts.	.....	32,063 50
Casks, empty, second-hand, 45 gals. and under, 45c. each.	637 No.	.....	286 65
Casks, empty, second-hand, 45 gals. and over, \$1.45 each.	45 “	.....	65 25
Cask-staves, second-hand, (manufactured), capable of making casks of 45 gals. and upwards, per 100 \$5.75	.....	.....	.....
Cask-staves, second-hand, (manufactured), capable of making casks of 45 gals. and under, per 100 \$1.40
Cheese \$2.50 per cwt.	1,243 $\frac{3}{4}$ cwts.	3,109 38

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Chocolate and cocoa	6c. per lb.	45,643 lbs.		\$ 2,738 58
Cigars	\$4 per M. and 10 per cent. <i>ad val.</i>	519 ⁸⁸⁰ / ₁₀₀₀ M.	\$ 9,271 60	3,006 60
Coffee, (green)	5c. per lb.	36,180 lbs.		1,809 00
Coffee, (roasted or ground)	7c. per lb.	55,979 "		3,918 53
Confectionery, (not including confectioners' ornaments), \$5.50 per cwt.		1,349 cwts.		7,419 50
Feathers and feather beds	7c. per lb.	56,248 lbs.		3,937 36
Fish, viz.:—Codfish and haddock	\$1.50 per qtl.	46 $\frac{1}{4}$ qtls.		69 38
Flour	30c. per brl.	328,396 $\frac{1}{2}$ brls.		98,518 95
Fruit, dried, (excepting dried apples) currants, raisins, &c., 3c. per lb.		539,204 lbs.		16,176 12
Indian meal	25c. per brl.	5,911 $\frac{3}{4}$ brls.		1,477 94
Jams and preserves, 20 per cent., <i>ad val.</i> , and 2c. per lb.		68,676 $\frac{1}{2}$ lbs.	5,959 28	2,565 38
Lumber, one inch thick, and so in proportion for any greater thickness.	\$2.50 per M	3,158 ¹⁵⁰ / ₁₀₀₀ M.		7,895 36
Lumber, grooved, tongued or planed	\$4.00 per M.	323 $\frac{1}{2}$ "		1,294 00
Molasses	7c. per gallon.	931,532 gals.		65,207 24
Oats	5c. per bushel.	99,053 $\frac{1}{2}$ bus.		4,952 68
Oatmeal	30c. per brl.	1,705 $\frac{3}{8}$ brls.		511 62
Oil, kerosene	6c. per gal.	455,411 $\frac{1}{2}$ gals.		27,324 69
Peas	30c. per brl.	4,921 brls.		1,476 30
Pork	\$1.75 per brl.	30,266 $\frac{3}{4}$ "		52,966 82
Salt, in bulk.	20c. per ton.	39,482 $\frac{3}{4}$ tons.		7,896 55
Shingles and laths	60c. per M.	1,978 M.		1,186 80
Spirits, viz.:—Brandy	\$2.40 per gal.	6,375 $\frac{3}{4}$ gals.		15,301 80
Undefined spirits	\$2.40 per gal.			
Rum	\$1.65 per gal.	46,665 $\frac{1}{4}$ gals.		76,997 68
Gin	\$1.80 per gal.	4,058 $\frac{1}{8}$ "		7,304 70
Whisky	\$2.15 per gal.	11,994 $\frac{1}{2}$ "		25,788 18
Cordials	\$1.15 per gal.	136 "		156 40

CUSTOMS REFURNS.

PORT OF ST. JOHN'S, OUTPORTS, LABRADOR EAST, AND BLANC SABLON.

A Consolidated account current of dutiable goods imported in the year ended 31st Dec., 1889, shewing the aggregate quantities and value of the various articles, and amount of duty collected thereon.

ARTICLES IMPORTED.	QUANTITY.	VALUE.	DUTY.
Sugars, viz.:—Bastard	823 $\frac{3}{4}$ cwts.		\$2,883 13
Loaf and refined	1,672 “		7,524 00
Unrefined	18,167 $\frac{1}{4}$ “		54,501 75
Tea	816,740 lbs.	\$ 132,715 24	75,547 45
Timber, including lignum vitæ.	970 tons.		582 00
Tobacco, manufactured and partly ditto, 5 per cent. <i>ad val.</i> , and 20c. per lb.	106,481 $\frac{1}{2}$ lbs.	19,653 68	22,278 98
Tobacco, (leaf and stems)	338,065 “		67,613 00
Tobacco, (stems for snuff),	64 $\frac{1}{2}$ cwts.		38 70
Vegetables, viz.:—Cabbages	52,406 No.		1,048 12
Potatoes	80,667 bus.		4,033 35
Turnips, carrots, parsnips, beet, the bus. 10c.	6,042 $\frac{1}{2}$ “		604 25
Vinegar	3,114 gals.		467 10
Wines, viz.:—Champagne	265 “		795 00
Claret	687 $\frac{1}{2}$ “		275 00
Hock, Burgundy, Rhenish	163 “		138 55
Malaga, Montilla, 12 $\frac{1}{2}$ per cent. over 80c. value,			
Malaga and Montilla, under 80c. value, 35c. per gal.			

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Port and Madeira,	\$1.65 per gal.	2,660 gals.	\$ 4,389 00
Sherry, Manzanilla, 12½ per cent. <i>ad val.</i> ,	\$1.00 per gal.	1,073½ "	\$ 1,570 64	1,269 83
Spanish Red, Denia, Sicilian, Figueira, &c.,	35c. per gal.	2,710 "	.....	948 50
All other wines, 12½ per ct., and \$1 the gal.	.....	.....	.....	.....
Goods, wares, and merchandize, at 7½ per cent. <i>ad val.</i>	.....	.....	32,894 00	2,467 05
" " " at 10 " "	.....	.....	413,603 00	41,360 30
" " " at 12½ " "	.....	.....	69,507 00	8,688 37
" " " at 15 " "	.....	.....	184,969 00	27,745 35
" " " at 20 " "	.....	.....	1,783,948 00	356,789 60
" " " at 25 " "	.....	.....	168,758 00	42,189 50
Total duties			\$1,241,558 02	

RICHARD H. O'DWYER,
Receiver General.

CUSTOMS RETURNS.

APPENDIX.

 CUSTOMS RETURNS.

DR.

A Consolidated Account Current of Receipts

1889.

Jany. 1.—To Balances, viz.:

Little Bay	\$5,167 37
Fortune	28 20
Harbor Briton.....	210 30
Catalina	2,037 01
Trinity	289 00
Carbonear.....	816 25
Hant's Harbor	0 10
Bay St. George.....	15 09
Portugal Cove.....	157 13
Bay Bulls.....	2 28
Ferryland	539 53
Nipper's Harbor.....	256 21
Harbor Grace.....	1,849 84
Bay of Islands.....	703 18
Great Placentia.....	10 11
Black River.....	39 90
Grand Bank.....	2 62
Twillingate.....	496 59
St. Jacques.....	71 29
Fogo	1,225 71
LaPoile	1 80
Channel, East.....	385 73
Codroy.....	125 17
Brigus.....	246 09
Flower's Cove	438 48
Blanc Sablon	234 06
Labrador, E. C.....	1,054 76
King's Cove.....	600 34
Trepassey	19 19
Renews.....	33 01
St. Mary's.....	264 15
Burgeo.....	119 98
Presque.....	2 00

Forwarded.....

\$17,442 47

CUSTOMS RETURNS.

and Payments for the year ended 31st December, 1889.

CR.

Jan. 1, By Balances, viz:			
Wrecked Property.....	\$	72 53	
Hull and cargo wreck <i>Elizabeth</i>		106 23	
Outports, viz: Hearts Content...		249 60	
Bay Roberts.....		87 37	
Harbor Buffett.....		105 51	
Pushthrough.....		19	
Channel, M.....		2 87	
Bonne Bay.....		415 80	
Oderin.....		77 01	
Burin.....		213 48	
Gaultois.....		88	
Lamaline.....		10 65	
Western Bay.....		36 56	
			1,378 68
Dec. 31, By Drawbacks, St. John's.....		2,081 68	
Return Duties, St. John's ..		56 05	
Return Duties, Outports.....		68 49	
Over Entries, St. John's.....		4,663 48	
Quarantine.....		11 00	
Lumber certificates.....		29 00	
			6,909 70
Salaries, St. John's, viz.:			
Officers.....		16,529 54	
Tide waiters.....		10,906 62	
Boatmen.....		4,190 00	
Excise.....		120 00	
Superannuation.....		460 00	
			32,206 16
Salaries, Outports, viz.:			
Officers.....		24,771 13	
Tide waiters.....		2,151 10	
Boatmen.....		1,746 08	
			28,668 31
Incidentals, viz: St. John's....		4,537 60	
Outports.....		2,883 49	
			7,421 09
Survey Labrador fishing vessels			1,003 50
Survey of ships for bounty...			109 50
Labrador revenue cruiser....			1,960 80
			<hr/>
Forwarded.....			\$79,657 74

CUSTOMS' RETURNS.

DR. *A Consolidated Account Current of Receipts*

1889.

Brought forward \$17,442 47

Dec. 31, To Duties, viz.:

St. John's.....	\$1,063,564	94
Outports	177,993	08
	1,241,558	02

Fines and forfeitures.....	5	16
Surcharges	178	73
Local Distillation.....	3,394	70
Surveyor of shipping fees.	119	00
Ware-house rent.....	38	35
American fishing licenses..	6,740	75
Goods abandoned for duties	51	76

10,528 45

Light Dues, viz.:

St. John's... ..	12,618	00
Outports.....	15,338	11

27,956 11

Harbor Master's dues.....

1,409 00

Balances, viz.:

Bank Fishermens' In. Fund	160	20
Wrecked property.....	72	53
Fines and forfeitures.....	68	48

301 21

Outports, viz.:

Little Bay.....	328	33
Greenspond.....	28	51
Carbonear	67	33
Bay Roberts.....	13	57
St. Mary's.....	34	31
Burin.....	227	52
Grand Bank.....	50	00
LaPoile.....	198	20
Bay St. George.....	304	76
Western Bay.....	1	22

1,253 75

CUSTOM HOUSE, }
 31st Dec., 1889. }

\$1,300,449 01

*CUSTOMS RETURNS.**and payments for the year ended 31st December, 1889.* CR.

	<i>Brought forward</i>		\$79,657 74
1889.			
Dec. 31.	South West coast cruiser		4,212 69
	Sundry balances considered ir- recoverable, and written off by order Executive Council		2,145 33
	Treasury, viz: Bonds transferred	512,073 60	
	Cash	696,904 93	
			1,208,978 53
	Balances, Outports, viz:		
	Twillingate	283 48	
	Brigus	209 39	
	St. Jacques	5 73	
	Salmonier	3 46	
	Nippers Harbor	33 30	
	Gaultois	60 00	
	Bay of Islands	1,071 50	
	Catalina	183 97	
	Black River	76	
	Harbor Buffett	2 11	
	Harbor Briton	723 38	
	Flowers Cove	32 96	
	Bonne Bay	383 00	
	Harbor Grace	183 16	
	Trepassey	4 40	
	Codroy	51 07	
	Fogo	473 85	
	Holyrood	4 00	
	Little Placentia	10 00	
	King's Cove	70 49	
	Ferryland	725 65	
	Lawn	5 00	
	Lamaline	5 00	
	Fortune	36 13	
	Renews	33 01	
	Burgeo	859 92	
			5,454 72
			\$1,300,449 01

I CERTIFY that the foregoing Account is just
and true in every particular to the best of
my knowledge and belief.

CUSTOMS RETURNS.

Statement shewing the quantity of Codfish, Herring, &c., shipped from Labrador, 1889.

SHIPPERS.	CODFISH.		HERRING brls.	SALMON tres.	COD-OIL.			Miscellaneous.
	U. K. qtls.	Foreign. qtls.			tuns.	hds.	gls.	
John Munn & Co...	20,713	54,437	7,626	309 $\frac{2}{3}$	1	3	2	\$3700
Job Brothers & Co.	7,032	21,284	2,256	15				
B. Johnston & Co...		27,164						
P. & L. Tessier		9,310						
J. & W. Stewart		9,300						
Bowring Brothers		6,400						
Thorburn & Tessier		6,109						
Goodfellow & Co...		6,250						
Edwin Duder		6,000	1,815					
A. Goodridge & Sons		3,240						
John Rorke	2,694	4,000	2,345	249	31	3	48	654
Penney Brothers			3,785	7 $\frac{1}{3}$	3	2	60	60
Harvey & Co...		3,000						
P. Rogerson & Son			2,400					
Duff & Balmer			1,080					
J. Youdall			669		0	3	48	
TOTALS	30,439	156,494	21,976	581	38	1	30	\$4414

RECAPITULATION.

186,933 quintals Codfish.....	at \$ 3.40	\$635,572 20
21,976 barrels Herring.....	at 2.50	76,916 00
581 tierces Salmon.....	at 20.00	11,620 00
38 $\frac{1}{2}$ tuns Cod-Oil.....	at 72	2,772 00
Miscellaneous.....		4,414 00
		\$731,294 20

CUSTOMS RETURNS.

Total Value in Currency of the Imports and Exports of the Colony of Newfoundland, from and to each country in the year 1889.

COUNTRIES.	TOTAL IM- PORTS THEREFROM.	EXPORTS THERETO.		
		Produce & Man- ufactures of the Colony.	British, Foreign and other Col- onial Produce and Manufac- tures.	TOTAL.
United Kingdom	\$2,653,152	1,399,053	8,189	1,407,242
British Colonies, viz:				
Canada	2,076,258	487,982	1,385	489,367
British W. Indies	84,517	426,838	987	427,825
Gibraltar			194,913	194,913
Turk's Island	7,988			
Total	\$2,168,763	914,820	197,285	1,112,105
For'n Countries, viz:				
Brazil		1,320,004		1,320,004
Portugal	33,122	1,202,621		1,202,621
Spain	94,387	368,536		368,536
Italy	8,136	68,247		68,247
Greece		13,050		13,050
Sicily		9,240		9,240
Spanish W. Indies		32,924		32,924
France		66,978		66,978
Hamburg	1,630	36,111		36,111
United States	1,615,143	480,223	4,979	485,202
St. Pierre	14,299	565	160	725
Russia	18,188			
Grand Banks	245			
Total	\$1,785,150	3,598,499	5,139	3,603,638
<i>Recapitulation.</i> United Kingdom	2,653,152	1,399,053	8,189	1,407,242
British Colonies	2,168,763	914,820	197,285	1,112,105
Foreign Countries	1,785,150	3,598,499	5,139	3,603,638
Grand Total	\$6,607,065	5,912,372	210,613	6,122,985

General Imports into the Colony of Newfoundland, for the year 1889.

ARTICLES.	Countries whence imported.	Total quantities imported.	Quantities entered for home consumpt'n.	VALUE IN CURRENCY.		DUTY.	
				Of total imports.	Average price fixed for value, (if calculated officially.)	Gross Am't received in Currency.	Rate and when imposed.
Ale, &c.....	United Kingdom Canada..... United States....	Galls.	Galls.	\$		\$	
		23,783	26,146 $\frac{1}{4}$	.....	40c. pr gal.	.....	20c. per gal.
		190	190	.....	.....	.....	.....
		15	15	.....	.....	.....	.....
		23,988	26,351 $\frac{1}{4}$	10,540	.....	5,270.25	.....
Apples.....	Canada..... United States... St. Pierre.....	Brls.	Brls.	\$			
		4,663 $\frac{3}{4}$	.....	.....	\$3.00 pr brl.	.....	40c. per brl.
		2,140 $\frac{1}{2}$	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
		45 $\frac{1}{4}$	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
		6,849 $\frac{1}{2}$	6,849 $\frac{1}{2}$	20,548	.....	2,739.80	.....
Apples, dried....	United Kingdom United States... Canada.....	lbs.	lbs.	\$			
		515	.....	.....	10c. per lb.	.....	2c. per lb.
		35,480	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
		13,526	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
		49,521	42,449	4,245	.....	848.98	.....

CUSTOMS RETURNS.

Animals, viz.: Horses	Canada.....	No. 164	No.	\$	\$70 each.	\$	\$3 each.
	United Kingdom	1					
		165	165	11,550		495.00	
Sheep.....	Canada.....	No. 4,450	No. 4,450	\$ 13,350	\$3 each.	1,335.00	30c. each.
Oxen and Cows	Canada.....	No. \$ 2,701 83,998	No. \$	\$	Declared.		7½ per cent.
	St. Pierre.....	9 103	2,710 84,101	84,101		6,307.64	
Pigs and Calves	Canada.....	No. 117	No. 117	\$	\$5 each.		30c. each.
	St. Pierre.....	20	20				
		137	137	685		41.10	
Apothecaries' Wares.....	United Kingdom	\$ 3,612	\$	\$	Declared.		20 p ct. <i>ad val</i>
	Canada.....	612					
	United States....	197					
		4,421	4,421	4,421		884.20	
Articles for Reli- gious purposes.	United Kingdom	\$ 3,674	\$	\$	Declared.		Free.
	Canada.....	1,057					
	United States....	216					

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ARTICLES.	Countries whence imported.	Total quantities imported.	Quantities entered for home consumpt'n.	VALUE IN CURRENCY.		DUTY.	
				Of total imports.	Average price fixed for value, (if calculated officially.)	Gross Am't received in Currency.	Rate and when imposed.
Articles for Religious purposes. continued.	Spain	\$ 108	\$ .....	\$ .....	.....	\$ .....	Free.
	St. Pierre	75	.....	.....	.....	.....
		5,130	5,130	5,130	
Bacon and Hams.	United Kingdom	cwts. 335 $\frac{3}{4}$	.....	.....	\$13 per cwt.	.....	\$2.50 per cwt.
	United States...	1,164 $\frac{1}{2}$	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
	Canada	764 $\frac{1}{2}$	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
	St. Pierre.....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
		2,265 $\frac{3}{4}$	2,265 $\frac{3}{4}$	29,455	.....	5,664.38	.....
Beef.....	United States....	brls. 17,685 $\frac{1}{2}$	brls. ....	.....	\$12 per brl.	.....	\$1.00 per brl.
	Canada.....	3,447 $\frac{1}{2}$	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
	United Kingdom	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
	St. Pierre.....	52	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
		21,186	21,186	254,232	.....	21,186.00	.....

CUSTOMS RETURNS.

Bread	Canada	cwts.	cwts.	\$		\$	
	United States...	329 $\frac{1}{4}$			\$4 per cwt.		20c. per cwt.
	St. Pierre.....	12 $\frac{3}{4}$					
		3 $\frac{1}{4}$					
		345 $\frac{1}{4}$	345 $\frac{1}{4}$	1,381		69.05	
Butter	Canada.....	cwts.	cwts.				
	United States...	10,954 $\frac{1}{4}$			15c. per lb.		\$2 per cwt.
	United Kingdom	4,823					
	St. Pierre.....	225					
		29 $\frac{1}{2}$					
		16,031 $\frac{3}{4}$	16,031 $\frac{3}{4}$	269,472		32,063.50	
Block Tin.....	United Kingdom	\$	\$				
	Canada.....	41,882			Declared.		10 p c. <i>ad val</i>
	St. Pierre.....	5,716					
		133					
		47,731	47,731	47,731		4,773.10	
Bran	Canada.....			1,425	Declared.	178.12	12 $\frac{1}{2}$ p c. <i>ad val</i>

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ARTICLES.	Countries whence imported.	Total quantities imported.	Quantities entered for home consumpt'n.	VALUE IN CURRENCY.		DUTY.	
				Of total imports.	Average price fixed for value, (if calculated officially.)	Gross Am't received in Currency.	Rate and when imposed.
Barley	Canada.....	.....	.....	\$ 5,951	Declared.	\$	12½ p c. <i>ad val</i>
	United States....	.....	.....	54	.....	.....	.....
	United Kingdom	.....	.....	192	.....	.....	.....
	.....	.....	.....	6,197	.....	774.62	.....
Bagging and Brin	United Kingdom	.....	.....	10,252	Declared.	1,025.20	10 p ct. <i>ad val</i>
Blocks... ..	United States....	.....	.....	174	Declared.	34.80	20 p ct. <i>ad val</i>
Brick	United Kingdom	.....	.....	2,859	Declared.	.....	20 p ct. <i>ad val</i>
	Canada.....	.....	.....	428	.....	.....	.....
	United States....	.....	.....	271	.....	.....	.....
	.....	.....	.....	3,558	.....	711.60	.....

CUSTOMS RETURNS.

Books, (printed)..	United Kingdom.....			13,930	Declared.		Free.
	Canada.....			2,936			
	United States....			4,104			
				20,970			
Bullion and Specie	United Kingdom.....			72,000	Declared.		Free.
	Canada.....			400			
				72,400			
Blubber.....	Grand Banks...			133	Declared.	26.60	20 p ct. <i>ad val</i>
Casks, over 45 gal- lons each.....	United Kingdom	No.	No.				
		45	45	90	\$2 each.	65.25	\$1.45 each.
Casks, under 45 gallons each...	United Kingdom Canada..... St. Pierre..... Spain.....	No.	No.				
		386			\$1 each.		45c. each.
		199					
		31					
		21					
		637	637	637		286.65	
Cheese.....	United Kingdom Canada..... United States... St. Pierre.....	cwts.	cwts.				
		73			\$14 per cwt.		\$2.50 per cwt.
		1,166					
		4					
		$\frac{3}{4}$					
		1,243 $\frac{3}{4}$	1,243 $\frac{3}{4}$	17,412		3,109.38	

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ARTICLES.	Countries whence imported.	Total quantities imported.	Quantities entered for home consumpt'n.	VALUE IN CURRENCY.		DUTY.	
				Of total imports.	Average price fixed for value, (if calculated officially.)	Gross Am't received in Currency.	Rate and when imposed.
Chocolate	United Kingdom	lbs. 45,082	lbs.	12c. p lb.	12c. per lb.	\$	6c. per lb.
	Canada.....	350	.....	"	"	.....	"
	United States...	150	.....	"	"	.....	"
	St. Pierre.....	61	.....	"	"	.....	"
		45,643	45,643	5,477	.....	2,738.58	.....
Cigars	United Kingdom	M. 255 300	M. 243 100	.....	Declared.	.....	\$4 per M. and
	Canada.....	159 750	240 260	.....	"	.....	10 per cent.
	United States...	31 200	31 200	.....	"	.....	<i>ad val.</i>
	British W. Indies	3	3	.....	"	.....	"
	St. Pierre.....	2 300	2 300	.....	"	.....	"
	451 550 1000	519 860 1000	9,271 60 100	.....	3,006.60	.....
Confectionery	United Kingdom	cwts. 1,209 3/4	cwts.	\$	\$15 per cwt.	.....	\$5.50 per cwt.
	Canada.....	57	.....	.....	"	.....	"
	United States...	82 1/4	.....	.....	"	.....	"
		1,349	1,349	20,235	.....	7,419.50	.....

Coffee, (green)...	United Kingdom	lbs. 30,727	lbs.	\$	20c. per lb.	\$	5c. per lb.
	United States...	3,589	.....	.....	"	.....	"
	Canada.....	1,864	.....	.....	"	.....	"
		36,180	36,180	72.36	.....	1,809.00	.....
Coffee, (roasted).	United Kingdom	lbs. 49,740	lbs. .....	.....	25c. per lb.	.....	7c. per lb.
	United States...	450	.....	.....	"	.....	"
	Canada.....	350	.....	.....	"	.....	"
	St. Pierre.....	2	.....	.....	"	.....	"
		50,542	55,979	139.94	.....	3,918.53	.....
Cod-fish.....	Grand Banks...	qtls. 46½	qtls. 46½	92	\$2 per qtl.	69.38	\$1.50 per qtl.
Colonial Cordage Company.....	United Kingdom	.....	.....	76,939	Declared.	.....	Free.
	United States...	.....	.....	5,930	"	.....	"
	Canada.....	.....	.....	480	"	.....	"
	Russia.....	.....	.....	18,188	"	.....	"
		.....	.....	101,537	.....	.....	.....

CUSTOMS RETURNS.

General Imports into the Colony of Newfoundland, for the year 1889.

ARTICLES.	Countries whence imported.	Total quantities imported.	Quantities entered for home consumpt'n.	VALUE IN CURRENCY.		DUTY.	
				Of total imports.	Average price fixed for value, (if calculated officially.)	Gross Am't received in Currency.	Rate and when imposed.
Coals.	Canada.....	Tons. 69,131	Tons.	\$2.50 ton	.....	\$	Free.
	United Kingdom	7,787	.....	"	.....	"	"
	United States...	4,143	.....	"	.....	"	"
	St. Pierre	5	.....	"	.....	"	"
			81,066	81,066	202,665	
Coke	United Kingdom	Tons. 2,427	Tons.		\$1 per ton.		Free.
	United States...	2,095	.....		"		"
	Canada.....	2,231	.....		"		"
		6,753	6,753	6,753	.....	
Carriages and Wagons	United Kingdom			1,236	Declared.		25 p ct. <i>ad val</i>
	Canada.....			260	"		"
	United States...			32	"		"
				1,528	382.00

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Clocks & Watches	United Kingdom	\$ 1,006	Declared.	20 p ct. <i>ad val</i>
	United States	2,724	"	"
	Canada	.....	.....	1,070	"	.....	"
				4,800		960.00	
Candles	United Kingdom	.....	.....	2,304	Declared.	.....	25 p ct. <i>ad val</i>
	United States	.....	.....	2,198	"	.....	"
				4,502		1,125.00	
Canned Fruit	United Kingdom	.....	.....	69	Declared.	.....	20 p ct. <i>ad val</i>
	Canada	.....	.....	87	"	.....	"
	Portugal	.....	.....	7	"	.....	"
				163		32.60	
Canned Meats	Canada	.....	.....	6,646	Declared.	.....	Declared.
	United Kingdom	.....	.....	1,187	"	.....	"
	United States	.....	.....	2,226	"	.....	"
				10,059		2,011.80	
Cabinet Wares	United Kingdom	.....	.....	1,271	Declared.	.....	25 p ct. <i>ad val</i>
	United States	.....	.....	849	"	.....	"
	Canada	.....	.....	36	"	.....	"
				2,156		539.00	

CUSTOMS RETURNS.

General Imports into the Colony of Newfoundland, for the year 1889.

ARTICLES.	Countries whence imported.	Total quantities imported.	Quantities entered for home consumpt'n.	VALUE IN CURRENCY.		DUTY.	
				Of total imports.	Average price fixed for value, (if calculated officially.)	Gross Am't received in Currency.	Rate and when imposed.
Cabbages	United States...	No. 33,887	No.	\$	4c. each.	\$	\$2 pr 100 hds.
	Canada.....	17,014	.....	.....	"	.....	"
	United Kingdom	1,505	.....	.....	"	.....	"
		52,406	52,406	2,096	.....	1,048.12	.....
Corks & Corkwood	United Kingdom	.....	.....	1,584	Declared.	.....	10 p c. <i>ad val.</i>
	Canada.....	.....	.....	266	"	.....	"
	Portugal.....	.....	.....	662	"	.....	"
	Spain.....	.....	.....	70	"	.....	"
	United States...	.....	.....	48	"	.....	"
		.....	.....	2,630	.....	263.00	.....
Cordage.....	United Kingdom	39,842	Declared.	10 p c. <i>ad val.</i>
	United States...	7,625	"	"
	Canada.....	1,245	"	"
	St. Pierre.....	28	"	"
		48,740	4,874.00

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Canvas.....	United Kingdom.....		16,721	Declared.	\$	10 p c. <i>ad val</i>
	United States....		46,420	"		"
			63,141		6,314.10	
Dories and Oars..	United States....		5,612	Declared.		15 p ct. <i>ad val</i>
	Canada.....		1,403	"		"
	St. Pierre.....		705	"		"
	United Kingdom.....		40	"		"
			7,760		1,164.00	
Electric Light Co.	United Kingdom.....		3,457	Declared.	691.40	20 p ct. <i>ad val</i>
	do.		765	"	76.50	10 "
	United States....		1,176	"	235.20	20 "
	do.		115	"	11.50	10 "
	Canada.....		183	"	36.60	20 "
	do.		554	"	55.40	10 "
			6,250		1,106.60	
Eggs	Canada.....		1,198	Declared.		7½ p c. <i>ad val.</i>
	United Kingdom.....		155	"		"
			1,353		101.47	

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ARTICLES.	Countries whence imported.	Total quantities imported.	Quantities entered for home consumpt'n.	VALUE IN CURRENCY.		DUTY.	
				Of total imports.	Average price fixed for value, (if calculated officially.)	Gross Am't received in Currency.	Rate and when imposed.
Earthenware	United Kingdom			\$ 20,446	Declared.	\$	20 p ct. <i>ad val</i>
	Canada			418	"	. . . . .	"
	United States			110	"	. . . . .	"
				20,974	. . . . .	4,194.80	. . . . .
Fancy Biscuits	United Kingdom			2,006	Declared.	. . . . .	20 p ct. <i>ad val</i>
	Canada			4,117	"	. . . . .	"
	United States			1,651	"	. . . . .	"
				7,774	. . . . .	1,554.80	. . . . .
Fruit, (dried)	United Kingdom	lbs. 550,346	lbs. 512,711	. . . . .	10c. per lb.	. . . . .	3c. per lb.
	Canada	20,447	20,447	. . . . .	"	. . . . .	"
	United States	5,284	5,284	. . . . .	"	. . . . .	"
	St. Pierre	140	140	. . . . .	"	. . . . .	"
	Spain	550	550	. . . . .	"	. . . . .	"
	Portugal	72	72	. . . . .	"	. . . . .	"
			576,839	539,204	53,920	16,176 12

Feathers	United States...	lbs. 55,900	lbs.	\$	10c. per lb.	\$	7c. per lb.
	British W. Indies	268	.....	.....	"	.....	"
	Portugal	80	.....	.....	"	.....	"
		56,248	56,248	5,624	.....	3,937 36	.....
Fruit, (green)....	United Kingdom	.....	.....	7,636	Declared.	.....	10 p c. <i>ad val</i>
	Canada.....	.....	.....	1,004	"	.....	"
	United States...	.....	.....	1,533	"	.....	"
	Portugal .....	.....	.....	62	"	.....	"
	British W. Indies	.....	.....	10	"	.....	"
		.....	.....	10,245	.....	1,024.50	.....
Flour.....	United States...	brls. 128,187½	brls. .....	.....	\$4 per brl.	.....	30c. per brl.
	Canada.....	199,790	.....	.....	"	.....	"
	United Kingdom	10	.....	.....	"	.....	"
	St. Pierre.....	409	.....	.....	"	.....	"
		328,396½	328,396½	1,313,586	.....	98,518.95	.....
Fishing Tackle ..	United Kingdom	82,659	Declared.	10 p ct. <i>ad val</i>
	United States...	18,314	"	"
	Canada.....	13,000	"	"
	St. Pierre.....	1,590	"	"
		115,563	11,556.30

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Fishing Tackle .. "Free."	United Kingdom			\$ 8,595	Declared.	\$	Free.
	Canada.....			1,833	"		"
	United States...			1,635	"		"
				12,063			
Grindstones.....	United Kingdom				Declared.		20 p ct. <i>ad val</i>
	Canada.....				"		"
	St. Pierre.....				"		"
				441		88.20	
Glassware.....	United Kingdom			4,590	Declared.		20 p ct. <i>ad val</i>
	United States...			5,489	"		"
	Canada			104	"		"
				10,183		2,036.60	
Herring (smoked)	Canada.....			228	Declared.		Free.

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Harness.	United Kingdom		\$ 272	Declared.	\$	25 p ct. <i>ad val</i>
	Canada		421	"		"
	United States		324	"		"
			1,017		254.25	
Hardware	United Kingdom		90,059	Declared.		20 p ct. <i>ad val</i>
	Canada		8,335	"		"
	United States		33,360	"		"
	St. Pierre		11	"		"
			131,765		26,353.00	
Hay and Straw	Canada		8,165	Declared.		15 p ct. <i>ad val</i>
	United Kingdom		10	"		"
			8,175		1,226.25	
Hoop Iron	United Kingdom		1,714	Declared.		10 p ct. <i>ad val</i>
	Canada		886	"		"
			2,600		260.00	

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Iron, Sheet, &c...	United Kingdom			\$ 36,866	Declared.	\$	10 p c. <i>ad val.</i>
	Canada			1,366	"		"
	St. Pierre			50	"		"
	United States			6	"		"
					38,288		3,828.00
Indian Corn	Canada			3,531	Declared.		12½ p c. <i>ad val.</i>
	United States			3,076	"		"
	United Kingdom			50	"		"
					6,657		832.12
Indian Meal	Canada	brls. 3,712	brls.		\$3 per brl.		25c. per brl.
	United States	2,194½			"		"
	St. Pierre	5¼			"		"
		5,911¾	5,911¾	17,734		1,477 94	

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Jams & Preserves	United Kingdom	lbs. 63,394½	lbs.		Declared.	\$	20 p c. <i>ad val</i> ,
	United States...	4,660			"		and 2c. p lb.
	Canada.....	612			"		"
		68,676½	68,676½	5,959 ²⁸ / ₁₀₀		2,565.38	
Lumber, (rough).	Canada.....	M. 2,899 ⁶²⁰ / ₁₀₀₀	M.		\$10 per M.		\$2.50 per M.
	United States...	127 ⁶⁵⁰ / ₁₀₀₀			"		"
	St. Pierre.....	124 ⁶⁴⁷ / ₁₀₀₀			"		"
	United Kingdom	4			"		"
	British W. Indies	2 ⁸³³ / ₁₀₀₀			"		"
		3,158 ¹⁵⁰ / ₁₀₀₀	3,158 ¹⁵⁰ / ₁₀₀₀	31,581		7,895.36	
Lumber, (dressed)	Canada.....	M. 277 ⁷³⁹ / ₁₀₀₀	M.		\$10 per M.		\$4.00 per M.
	St. Pierre.....	45 ⁷⁶¹ / ₁₀₀₀			"		"
		323½	323½	4,852		1,294.00	
Leatherware.	United Kingdom			47,321	Declared.		20 p ct. <i>ad val</i>
	Canada.....			47,183	"		"
	St. Pierre.....			166	"		"
	United States...			2,605	"		"
				97,275		19,455.00	

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Lard	Canada.....	\$ 3,778	Declared.	\$	20 p c. <i>ad val.</i>
	United States...	4,296	"	"
				8,074	1,614.80
Lead	United Kingdom.....	1,601	Declared.	20 p ct. <i>ad val</i>
	Canada.....	107	"	"
				1,708	341.60
Leather	Canada.....	91,216	Declared.	15 p ct. <i>ad val</i>
	United States....	65,019	"	"
	United Kingdom.....	3,452	"	"
	St. Pierre.....	155	"	"
				159,842	23,976.30
Liquorice Paste..	United Kingdom.....	2,244	Declared.	20 p ct <i>ad val.</i>
	United States...	1,110	"	"
	Canada.....	580	"	"
				3,934	786.80

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Meat and Poultry.	Canada.....		\$ 12,159	Declared.	\$	7½ p ct. <i>ad val</i>
	United States...		1,600	"		"
	United Kingdom.....		76	"		"
			13,835		1,037.62	
Medicine	United Kingdom.....		14,297	Declared.		12½ p c <i>ad val</i>
	Canada.....		12,340	"		"
	United States...		3,683	"		"
	St. Pierre.....		9	"		"
		30,329		3,791.12		
Machinery	United Kingdom.....		20,776	Declared.		10 p ct. <i>ad val</i>
	Canada.....		5,694	"		"
	United States...		3,100	"		"
			29,570		2,957.00	
Masts and Spars..	Canada.....		2,600	Declared.		12½ p c <i>ad val</i>
	United States...		398	"		"
	St. Pierre.....		442	"		"
			3,440		430 00	
Matches.....	Canada.....		3,645	Declared.		20 p ct. <i>ad val</i>
	United States. .		3,130	"		"

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Matches (continued).	United Kingdom	20	Declared.	20 p ct. <i>ad val</i>
	St. Pierre	6	"	"
		6,801	1,360.20
Molasses	British W. Indies	gals. 916,408	gals. 880,053	30c. per gal	7c. per gallon
	Canada	37,993	37,993	"	"
	United States	13,058	13,058	"	"
	St. Pierre	428	428	"	"
		967,887	931,532	279,458	65,207.24
Miscellaneous	United Kingdom	402,798	Declared.	20 p c. <i>ad val</i> .
	United States	59,238	"	"
	Canada	43,544	"	"
	Spain	408	"	"
	St. Pierre	400	"	"
	Hamburg	145	"	"
	British W. Indies	13	"	"
	506,546	101,309.00	

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Miscellaneous, "Free.".....	United Kingdom.....			\$ 26,090	Declared.	\$	Free.
	Canada.....			7,523	"		"
	United States....			4,349	"		"
	St. Pierre.....			498	"		"
	Portugal.....			130	"		"
				38,590			
Municipal Council, "Free.".....	United Kingdom.....			1,704	Declared.		Free.
	United States....			3,296	"		"
	Canada.....			587	"		"
	Hamburg.....			1,485	"		"
				7,072			
Nails, (cut).....	United Kingdom.....			7,423	Declared.		15 p ct. <i>ad val</i>
	Canada.....			1,383	"		"
	St. Pierre.....			17	"		"
	United States....			326	"		"
				9,149		1,372.35	
Nails, (wrought).	United Kingdom.....			13,760	Declared.		10 p c. <i>ad val</i> ,
	Canada.....			732	"		"
	United States....			555	"		"
	St. Pierre.....			14	"		"
				15,061		1,506.10	

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Oakum.....	United Kingdom.....			\$ 5,459	Declared.	\$	10 p c <i>ad val.</i>
	United States.....			136	"		"
	Canada.....			1	"		"
	St. Pierre.....			1	"		"
					5,597		559.70
Onions.....	Canada.....			1,635	Declared.		10 p c. <i>ad val.</i>
	United Kingdom.....			575	"		"
	Portugal.....			397	"		"
	United States.....			1,111	"		"
	St. Pierre.....			19	"		"
				3,737		373.70	
Oysters.....	Canada.....	brls. 294	brls.		\$2 per brl.		Free.
	United States. .	18			"		"
		312	312	624			

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Oats	Canada.....	bush.	bush.	\$	30c. pr bus.	\$	5c. per bush.
	St. Pierre.....	99,003½	50		"		"
		99,053½	99,053½	29,716		4,952.68	
Oatmeal.....	Canada.....	brls.	brls.		\$4.50 p brl.		30c. per brl.
	United Kingdom	1,417	139½		"		"
	United States....	148¾	1		"		"
	St. Pierre.....	½	½		"		"
		1,705¾	1,705¾	7,670		511.62	
Oils, viz.: Kerosene....	United States...	gals.	gals.		10c. per gal		6c. per gallon
	Canada.....	317,948½	136,560½		"		"
	United Kingdom	657			"		"
	St. Pierre.....	245			"		"
		455,411½	455,411½	45,542		27,324.69	
Linseed	United Kingdom			12,426	Declared.		20 p ct. <i>ad val</i>
	Canada.....			29	"		"
				12,455		2,491.00	

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Oils, viz.: Olive	United Kingdom			4,977	Declared.	\$	20 p ct. <i>ad val</i>
	Canada			104	"	"
	Spain			570	"	"
	Portugal			145	"	"
				5,796		1,159.20	
Oleo and Cotton Seed..	United States			12,585	Declared.	20 p ct. <i>ad val</i>
	Canada			1,904	"	"
	United Kingdom			111	"	"
				14,600		2,920.00	
Pork		brls.	brls.				
	United States	20,593 $\frac{1}{4}$			\$13 per brl.		\$1.75 per brl.
	Canada	9,652			"		"
	United Kingdom	5			"		"
	St. Pierre	16 $\frac{1}{2}$			"		"
		30,266 $\frac{3}{4}$	30,266 $\frac{3}{4}$	393,464		52,966.82	

		brls.	brls.	\$		\$	
Peas.....	Canada.....	4,648	.....	.....	\$4 per brl.	.....	30c. per brl.
	United States...	146	.....	.....	"	.....	"
	United Kingdom	127	.....	.....	"	.....	"
		4,921	4,921	19,684	.....	1,476.30	.....
Powder and Shot.	United Kingdom	.....	.....	5,094	Declared.	.....	20 p ct. <i>ad val</i>
	Canada.....	.....	.....	2,283	"	.....	"
		.....	.....	7,377	.....	1,475.40	.....
Printing Paper, "Free.".....	United Kingdom	.....	.....	1,536	Declared.	.....	Free.
	Canada.....	.....	.....	9,683	"	.....	"
	United States...	.....	.....	182	"	.....	"
		.....	.....	11,401	.....	.....	.....
Plate & Jewelery.	United Kingdom	.....	.....	2,126	Declared.	.....	20 p ct. <i>ad val</i>
	Canada.....	.....	.....	1,076	"	.....	"
	United States...	.....	.....	1,000	"	.....	"
		.....	.....	4,202	.....	840.40	.....
Paint.....	United Kingdom	15,013	Declared.	20 p c. <i>ad val.</i>
	United States...	5,535	"	"
	Canada.....	924	"	"
		21,472	4,294.40

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Pitch and Tar ...	United States...			\$ 6,052	Declared.	\$	10 p ct. <i>ad val</i>
	United Kingdom			4,029	"		"
	Canada.....			207	"		"
				10,288		1,028.80	
Potatoes.....	Canada.....	bush. 74,399½	bush.		20c. pr bus.		5c. per bush.
	United Kingdom	4,989½			"		"
	United States...	23½			"		"
	St. Pierre	1,254½			"		"
			80,667	80,667	16,133		4,033.35
Post Office.....	United Kingdom			1,320	Declared.	330.00	25 p ct. <i>ad val</i>
	ditto			5,094	"	1,018.80	20
	ditto			86	"	10.75	12½
	ditto			51	"	5.10	10
	ditto			2,232	"		Free.

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Post Office (continued).	Canada			\$ 135	Declared.	\$ 33.75	25 p ct. <i>ad val</i>
	do.			1,252	"	250.40	20 p ct. <i>ad val</i>
	do.			1,515	"		Free.
				11,685		1,648.80	
Rice	United Kingdom			7,896	Declared.		12½ p c <i>ad val</i>
	Canada			1,028	"		"
				8,924		1,115.50	
Ready-made Clothing	United Kingdom			114,462	Declared.		25 p ct <i>ad val</i> .
	United States			19,190	"		"
	Canada			7,968	"		"
	St. Pierre			551	"		"
				142,171		35,542.75	
Soap	United Kingdom			9,471	Declared.		20 p c. <i>ad val</i> .
	United States			8,884	"		"
	Canada			3,834	"		"
	St. Pierre			2	"		"
				22,191		4,438.20	
Salt	Spain	Tons.	Tons.		\$4 per ton.		20 p c. <i>ad val</i> .
	Portugal	22,872½	6,780		"		"

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Salt (continued)	Canada.....	Tons. 2,798 $\frac{3}{4}$	Tons.	\$	\$4 per ton.	\$	20c. per ton.
	Turks Island....	1,997	"	"
	British W. Indies	1,120	"	"
	Italy.....	2,034	"	"
	United Kingdom	929	"	"
	United States...	315 $\frac{1}{2}$	"	"
	St. Pierre.....	636	"	"
			39,482 $\frac{3}{4}$	39,482 $\frac{3}{4}$	157,931	7,896.55
Shingles and Laths	Canada.....	M. 1,670	M.	\$2 per M.	60c. per M.
	United States...	142	"	"
	St. Pierre.....	166	"	"
			1,978	1,978	3,956	1,186.80
Railway Company	United Kingdom	3,015	Declared.	Free.
	United States..	396	"	"
		3,411

India Rubber ware	United Kingdom			\$	Declared.	\$	20 p ct. <i>ad val</i>
	United States			2,501	"		"
	Canada			3,867	"		"
				2,069			
				8,437		1,687.40	
Spirits, viz.:							
Brandy....	United Kingdom	gals. 5,914	gals. 5,662 $\frac{1}{2}$		\$2.50 p gal.		\$2.40 per gal.
	Canada	343	686 $\frac{1}{8}$		"		"
	United States	24	24		"		"
	St. Pierre	3 $\frac{1}{8}$	3 $\frac{1}{8}$		"		"
		6,284 $\frac{1}{8}$	6,375 $\frac{3}{4}$	15,938			15,301.80
Geneva ...	United Kingdom	gals. 3,460	gals. 3,950 $\frac{1}{2}$		\$1 per gal.		\$1.80 per gal.
	Canada	67 $\frac{3}{4}$	67 $\frac{3}{4}$		"		"
	United States	39 $\frac{11}{12}$	39 $\frac{11}{12}$		"		"
		3,567 $\frac{2}{3}$	4,058 $\frac{1}{6}$	4,058			
Rum.	British W. Indies	gals. 536	gals. 18,482		\$1. per gal.		\$1.65 per gal.
	United Kingdom	8,335	9,071 $\frac{3}{4}$		"		"
	Canada	17,665	17,727		"		"
	United States	375	1,119		"		"
	St. Pierre	265 $\frac{3}{4}$	265 $\frac{3}{4}$		"		"
		27,176 $\frac{3}{4}$	46,665 $\frac{1}{2}$	27,176			76,997.68

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Spirits, viz: Whiskey ..	United Kingdom	gals. 10,383½	gals. 11,094½	\$1.50 pr gal	\$2.15 per gal.
	Canada.....	208	900	"	"
		10,591½	11,994½	15,887	25,788.18
Cordials...	United Kingdom	gals. 236	gals. 136	108	80c. per gal	156.40	\$1.15 per gal.
Sugars, viz: Bastard ...	United Kingdom	cwts. 700	cwts. 768¼	\$4 per cwt.	\$3.50 per cwt.
	Canada.....	30¾	30¾	"	"
	United States...	15	15	"	"
	British W. Indies	9¾	9¾	"	"
		755½	823¾	3,022	2,883.13

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Sugars, viz.:		cwts.	cwts.	\$		\$	
Refined . . .	United Kingdom	806½	852	\$4 per cwt.	\$4.50 per cwt.
	United States....	732½	755½	"	"
	Canada.....	20	56	.....	"	.....	"
	St. Pierre	8½	8½	.....	"	.....	"
		1,567½	1,672	6,270	.....	.....	.....
Unrefined .		cwts.	cwts.				
	United Kingdom	16,614¼	17,096	.....	\$3 per cwt.	.....	\$3 per cwt.
	British W. Indies	1½	612¾	.....	"	.....	"
	United States...	216	277¼	.....	"	.....	"
	Canada.....	69½	157	.....	"	.....	"
	St. Pierre.....	24¼	24¼	.....	"	.....	"
	16,925½	18,167¼	50,774	.....	54,501.75	.....
Tea		lbs.	lbs.				
	United Kingdom	639,955	784,144	127,577	Declared.	.....	6c. per lb.
	Canada.....	1,730	18,885	3,349	"	.....	and
	United States...	135	644	171	"	20 p c. <i>ad val.</i>
	St. Pierre.....	13,067	13,067	1,618 ²⁴	"
	654,887	816,740	132,715 ²⁴ ₁₀₀	75,547.45	

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Tobaccos (manufactured) ..	Canada	lbs. 51,260	lbs. 71,005	\$	Declared.	\$	5 p ct. <i>ad val</i>
	United States...	53,863	28,868	"	and 20c. p lb.
	United Kingdom	11,505	5,715	"	"
	St. Pierre.....	863½	863½	"	"
	Spain	30	30	"	"
		117,521½	106,481½	19,653 ⁶⁸ / ₁₀₀	22,278.98
Leaf	United States...	lbs. 283,323	lbs.	7c. per lb.	20c. per lb.
	Canada	54,742	"	"
		338,065	338,065	23,665	67,613.00
Stems	United States...	cwts. 48¼	cwts.	\$8 per cwt.	60c. per cwt.
	Canada.....	16¼	"	"
		64½	64½	516	38.70

Timber	Canada.....	Tons.	Tons.	\$	\$5 per ton.	\$	60c. per ton.
	United Kingdom	859 $\frac{1}{4}$	.....	.....	"	.....	"
	United States. .	94 $\frac{1}{4}$	.....	.....	"	.....	"
	Grand Banks...	8	.....	.....	"	.....	"
	St. Pierre.....	4	.....	.....	"	.....	"
		4 $\frac{1}{2}$
		970	970	4,850	.....	582.00	.....
Turnips, Parsnips and Carrots...	Canada.....	bush.	bush.		20c. pr bus.		10c. per bush.
	United States...	5,553 $\frac{1}{2}$	.....	.....	"	.....	"
	United Kingdom	204	.....	.....	"	.....	"
	St. Pierre.....	180	.....	.....	"	.....	"
		105	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
		6,042 $\frac{1}{2}$	6,042 $\frac{1}{2}$	1,208 $\frac{1}{2}$	.....	604.25	.....
Staves, undressed.	Canada.....			10,192	Declared.		12 $\frac{1}{2}$ p c <i>ad val</i>
	United States...			900	"		"
				11,092	1,286.50

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Tallo wand Grease	Canada.....			\$ 2,983	Declared.	\$ 596.60	20 p ct. <i>ad val</i>
	ditto			1,089	"	81.67	7½ p c. <i>ad val</i>
	United States...			5,920	"	1,184.00	20 "
	ditto			1,340	"	100.50	7½ "
	United Kingdom.....			36	"	2.70	7½ "
				11,368		1,965.47	
Vinegar.....	United Kingdom	gals. 2,250½	gals.		20c per gal.		15c per gallon
	United States...	753¼		"		"
	Canada.....	94		"		"
	St. Pierre	16½		"		"
			3,114	3,114	622		467.10

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Wheat and Malt..	United Kingdom.....		\$ 361	Declared.	\$	12½ p c. <i>ad val</i>
	Canada.....		858	"		"
			1,219		152.37	
Woodware	United Kingdom.....		1,751	Declared.		25 p ct. <i>ad val</i>
	United States....		6,614	"		"
	Canada.....		7,850	"		"
	St. Pierre.....		131	"		"
	Portugal.....		5	"		"
			16,351		4,087.75	
Woolens and Cottons.....	United Kingdom.....		755,803	Declared.		20 p ct. <i>ad val</i>
	Canada.....		33,063	"		"
	United States....		26,618	"		"
	St. Pierre.....		25	"		"
			815,509		163,101.80	

General Imports into the Colony of Newfoundland, for the year 1889.

ARTICLES.	Countries whence imported.	Total quantities imported.	Quantities entered for home consumpt'n.	VALUE IN CURRENCY.		DUTY.	
				Of total imports.	Average price fixed for value, (if calculated officially.)	Gross Am't received in Currency.	Rate and when imposed.
Wines, viz.: Champagne.	United States...	gals. 321	gals. 233	\$	\$5 per gal.	\$	\$3. per gal.
	Canada.....	32	32	.....	"	.....	"
		353	265	1,325	.....	7,905 00	.....
Claret	United Kingdom	gals. 302	gals. 386	.....	\$1 per gal.	.....	40c. per gal.
	Canada.....	80	66½	.....	"	.....	"
	St. Pierre.....	235	235	.....	"	.....	"
		617	687½	687½	.....	275.00	.....
Hock	United Kingdom	gals. 70	gals. 155	... ..	\$1 per gal.	.....	85c per gal.
	Canada.....	8	8	.....	"	.....	"
		78	163	163	.....	138.55	.....

Wines, viz.: Port & Madeira	United Kingdom	gals. 231	gals. 291	\$	\$2 per gal.	\$	\$1.65 per gal.
	Portugal	5,970	2,186		"		"
	Spain	24	168		"		"
	Canada	1	15		"		"
		6,226	2,660	5,320		4,389.00	
Sherry, &c...	United Kingdom	gals. 409	gals. 594½		Declared.		\$1 pr gal., and
	Spain	359	479		"		12½ p c. <i>ad val</i>
		768	1,073½	1,570 ⁶⁴ / ₁₀₀		1,269.83	
Spanish Red, &c.	United Kingdom	gals. 1,723	gals. 1,664		\$1 per gal.		35c. per gal.
	Spain	738	644		"		"
	Portugal	275	207		"		"
	Canada	294	195		"		"
		3,030	2,710	2,710		948.50	

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ARTICLES.	Countries to which Exported.	QUANTITIES.			VALUE IN CURRENCY.			
		Produce and Manufactures of the Colony.	British, For'n and other Colonial Produce and Manufactures.	Total.	Produce and Manufactures of the Colony.	British, Foreign and other Colonial Produce and Manufactures.	Total.	Average Price.
Apples	St. Pierre.....		brls. 30	brls. 30	\$	\$ 90	\$ 90	Declared.
Berries	U. Kingdom	cases. 128	.....	cases. 128	.....	.....	.....	\$3.00 per case
	U. States....	905	.....	905	.....	.....	.....	"
		1,033	.....	1,033	3,099	.....	3,099	.....
Bavarian Beer.	U. Kingdom	gals. 20	gals. 20	gals. 20	5	.....	5	50c per gallon
Bread	U. Kingdom	cwts. 20	cwts. 20	\$4.00 per cwt.
	St. Pierre...	5	5	"
	Canada.....	1 $\frac{3}{4}$	1 $\frac{3}{4}$	"
		26 $\frac{3}{4}$	26 $\frac{3}{4}$	107	107

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Butter	U. Kingdom		cwt.		\$	\$	\$	\$16.00 pr cwt. " " " "
	B. W. Indies		11 $\frac{1}{2}$					
	Canada.....		26 $\frac{3}{4}$					
			20					
			58 $\frac{1}{4}$	58 $\frac{1}{4}$		932	932	
Bone	U. States...	\$		\$			420	Declared.
		420		420				
Cheese	B. W. Indies		lbs.	lbs.				10c. per lb.
	Canada.....		1,248					" "
			240					
			1,488	1,488		148	148	
Fish, viz.: Cod	Portugal ...	qtls.						\$4.50 per qtl.
	Brazil	267,231			1,202,539			4.80 "
	B. W. Indies	262,501			1,320,004			3.40 "
	Spain.....	112,392			382,132			4.20 "
	Gibraltar...	87,736			368,491			" "
	Italy.....	46,408			194,913			" "
	Sp W. Indies	15,622			65,612			3.40 "
	U. Kingdom	7,446			32,272			3.00 "
	U. States...	28,368			85,104			4.40 "
		31,411			138,208			

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		Produce and Manufactures of the Colony.	British, For'n and other Colonial Produce and Manufactures.	Total.	Produce and Manufactures of the Colony.	British, Foreign and other Colonial Produce and Manufactures.	Total.	Average Price.
Fish, viz.: Cod (Continued.)	Canada.....	qtls. 23,909	.....	qtls.	\$ 95,636	\$	\$	\$4.00 per qtl.
	Greece.....	4,350	.....	.....	13,050	.....	.....	3.00 "
	Sicily.....	2,200	.....	.....	9,240	.....	.....	4.20 "
		889,574	.....	889,574	3,907,205	.....	3,907,205	.....
Green ...	U. States...	qtls. 1,900	.....	qtls. 1,900	.....	.....	.....	\$1.50 per qtl.
	Canada.....	1,795	.....	1,795	.....	.....	.....	"
		3,695	.....	3,695	5,542	.....	5,542	.....
Boneless Cod ..	Canada.....	boxes. 157	boxes.	50c. per box.
	Portugal....	100	"
		257	257	128	128

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Fish, viz.:		brls.	brls.	\$	\$	\$	
Core.....	U. Kingdom	38	\$2.00 per brl.
	Canada.....	289	"
		327	327	654	654	
Caplin ...	U. Kingdom	\$ 56	\$	Declared.
	Spain	45 .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	"
	Canada.....	49 .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	"
	B. W. Indies	3 .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	"
		153	153	153	153 .....	.....
Halibut ..	Canada	\$ 427 .....	\$ .....	.....	.....	.....	Declared.
	U. States...	153 .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	"
	B. W. Indies	20 .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	"
	U. Kingdom	10	"
		610	610	610	610	
Ling	B. W. Indies	qtls. 172	qtls. 172	344	344	\$2.00 per qtl.

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Fish, viz.: Cod Roes.	U. Kingdom	\$ 120	\$	\$	\$	Declared.
	Canada.....	98	
			218	218	218	218
Haddock.	B. W. Indies	qtls. 657	qtls.	\$2.00 per qtl.
	U. States...	58	“
		715	715	1,430	1,430
Lobsters..	U. Kingdom	cases. 33,699	cases.	\$6.20 pr case.
	Canada.....	23,146½	“
	U. States...	11,721	“

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Lobsters, (continued)	Hamburg ..	cases.		cases.	\$	\$	\$	\$6.20 pr case.	
	France.	3,641		“
	St. Pierre...	3,887		“
		122	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
		76,216½	.....	76,216½	472,524	.....	472,524	.....
Salmon, (pickled)	B. W. Indies	trcs.		trcs.				\$20.00 pr trce.	
	Italy	486	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	“
	U. States...	105	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	“
	U. Kingdom	951½	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	“
	Canada.....	974½	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	“
	Sp W. Indies	981½	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	“
		10	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
		3,508½	.....	3,508½	70,166	.....	70,166	.....
Salmon, (in tins.)	U. States....	cases.		cases.				\$5.00 per case	
	U. Kingdom	265	“	
		49	
		314	314	1,570	1,570	
Salmon, (smoked)	Canada.....	\$	\$	\$				Declared.	
		40	40	40	40	

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Fish, viz.: Trout		brls.		brls.	\$	\$	\$	
	U. States . . .	1,150	\$8.00 per brl.
	Canada	389 ¹ / ₄	"
	B. W. Indies	5 ³ / ₄	"
		1,545	1,545	12,360	12,360
Tongues and Sounds . .		\$		\$				
	U. States . . .	60	Declared.
	U. Kingdom	228	"
	Canada	86	"
	B. W. Indies	84	"
	458	458	458	458	

Fish, viz.: Herring, (pickled)	Canada.....	brls.	64,985½	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	\$2.50 per brl.
	B. W. Indies		10,572	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	"
	U. States...		8,076	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	"
	U. Kingdom		577½	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	"
	Sp. W Indies		181	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	"
	Portugal...		13	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	"
	Italy.....		210	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	"
			84,615	.....	84,615	211,537	.....	211,537	.....
Herring, (bulk)	Canada.....	brls.	2,453	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	\$1.00 per brl.
	U. States...		1,915	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	"
			4,368	.....	4,368	4,368	.....	4,368	.....
Herring, (frozen)	U. States...	brls.	22,786	\$1.00 per brl.
	Canada.....		5,900	"
			28,686	28,686	28,686	28,686

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		Produce and Manufactures of the Colony.	British, For'n and other Colonial Produce and Manufactures.	Total.	Produce and Manufactures of the Colony.	British, Foreign and other Colonial Produce and Manufactures.	Total.	Average Price.
Fish, viz.: Herring, (in tins)	Canada.....	cases. 294	.....	cases.	\$	\$	\$	\$2.00 per case
	U. Kingdom	3	
			297	297	594	594
Herring, (smoked)	B. W. Indies	boxes. 250	.....	boxes. 250	62	.....	62	Declared.
Flour.....	U. Kingdom	brls. 431	brls. 431	1,724	1,724	\$4.00 per brl.
Furs.....	U. Kingdom	\$ 28,809	\$	Declared.
	Canada.....	3,156	“
		31,965	31,965	31,965	31,965

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Dories	St. Pierre...	No. 30	No. 30	\$ 600	\$ 600	\$20.00 each.
Copper Ore, in Ignots.	U. Kingdom	tons. 1,143	tons.	\$180 per ton.
	France	180	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	"
	U. States	20	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	"
		1,343	.....	1,343	241,740	.....	241,740	.....
Regulus	U. States	tons. 761	.....	tons. 761	68,490	.....	68,490	\$90 per ton.
Green	U. States	tons. 2,306	.....	tons. 2,306	46,120	.....	46,120	\$20.00 per ton
Hay	St. Pierre	\$ 45	\$ 45	45	45	Declared.
Iron Pyrites	U. States	tons. 7,530	tons. 7,530	64,000	64,000	\$8.50 per ton.

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Hoops, (wood)	B. W. Indies U. Kingdom	bcls.		bcls.	\$	\$	\$	
		13,098	50c. per bdle.
		250	"
		13,348	13,348	6,674	6,674
Hoop Iron....	B. W. Indies	\$	\$			20	20	Declared.
		20
Lumber	Canada..... B. W. Indies	M.		M.				
		4½	\$10 per M.
		1	"
		5½	5½	55	55

Molasses	U. Kingdom	gals. 4,960		\$	\$	\$	30c. per gal. " "
	U. States	2,400					
	Canada	476					
			7,836			2,350	2,350
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Pork	U. Kingdom	brls. 1	brls. 1		10	10	Declared.
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Potatoes	B. W. Indies	brls. 5	brls. 5		5	5	\$1 per brl.
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Punch'n Heads	B. W. Indies	bdls. 287	bdls. 287		28	28	10c. each.
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Punn. Shooks.	B. W. Indies	No. 1,293	No. 1,293		646	646	50c. each.
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Mutton	U. Kingdom	cases. 4	cases. 4		20	20	\$5 per case.
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Miscellaneous	U. Kingdom	\$ 2,805	\$	\$	\$	Declared.	
	Canada.....	315			“
	U. States....	762			“
	B. W. Indies	120			“
			4,002	4,002	4,002	4,002
Oils, viz.:		tuns.		tuns.					
Cod Oil..	U. Kingdom	2,963 $\frac{1}{4}$		\$72 per ton.	
	Canada.....	281		“	
	U. States. .	71 $\frac{1}{4}$		“	
			3,315 $\frac{1}{2}$	3,315 $\frac{1}{2}$	238,716	238,716
Refined . .		gals.		gals.					
	U. Kingdom	5,753		40c. per gal.	
	Canada.....	6,700		“	
	U. States... .	1,201		“	
	B. W. Indies	35		“	
		13,689	13,689	5,475	5,475	

Whale ...	U. Kingdom	tuns. 23	.....	tuns. 23	\$ 1,610	\$	\$ 1,610	\$70 per tun.
Herring ..	U. Kingdom	tuns. 3	.....	tuns. 3	180	.....	180	\$60 per tun.
Seal	U. Kingdom	tuns. 3,889	.....	tuns.	.....	.....	.....	\$84 per tun.
	Canada.....	276½	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	"
	Hamburg ..	154	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	"
	France.....	124¾	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	"
			4,444¼	4,444¼	373,317	373,317
Cod Dregs ...	U. Kingdom	tuns. 1¾	.....	tuns. 1¾	56	.....	56	\$32 per tun.
Cod Blubber..	U. Kingdom	tuns. 5	.....	tuns. 5	60	.....	60	\$12 per tun.
Seal Skins	U. Kingdom	No. 334,536	No.	90c. each.
	Canada.....	1,091	"
		335,627	335,627	302,064	302,064

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Metal, (old) ..	U. Kingdom		cwts. 141 $\frac{3}{4}$	cwts.	\$	\$	\$	\$8.00 per cwt.
	U. States		52	"
		193 $\frac{3}{4}$	193 $\frac{3}{4}$	1,566	1,566
Iron, (old) ...	Canada.....		cwts. 20	cwts. 20	20	20	\$1.00 per cwt.
Junk, (old) ..	U. States		cwts. 3,739 $\frac{1}{2}$	cwts.	\$1.00 per cwt.
	U. Kingdom		58	"
	Canada.....		3	"
		3,800 $\frac{1}{2}$	3,800 $\frac{1}{2}$	3,800 $\frac{1}{2}$	3,800 $\frac{1}{2}$
Cow Hides ...	U. Kingdom		No. 805	No. 805	2,415	2,415	\$3.00 each.

Calf Skins		No. 161	.....	No. 161	\$ 161	.....	\$ 161	\$1.00 each.
Tea	St. Pierre.....		lbs. \$ 200—30	lbs. \$ 200—30	.....		18	18 Declared.
Vinegar	Canada.....		gals. 600	gals. 600	.....		60	60 10c. per gal.
Port Wine ...	U. Kingdom		gals. 592	gals.	.....			\$2.00 per gal.
	Canada.....		354	.....	.....			"
	B. W. Indies		104	.....	.....			"
	U. States.....		52	.....	.....			"
	St. Pierre.....		26			"
			1,128	1,128		2,256	2,256
Specie	U. Kingdom		74,187	74,187		74,187	Declared.

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NAME OF VESSEL.	TONNAGE.	WHERE BUILT.	AM'T PAID.	TO WHOM PAID.
MARCH QUARTER.				
Stutland	75	Roberts' Arm, Notre Dame Bay.	\$450	T. D. Hodge.
St. Bernard	81	Gambo, Bonavista Bay.....	486	M. Monroe.
St. Francis.....	81	do. do.	486	do.
3 vessels.....	237		\$1,422	
JUNE QUARTER.				
Minnie Bruce.....	31	Ram's Island, Placentia Bay....	\$124	P. & L. Tessier.
Ruby	37	Tors Cove, Bay Bulls	148	do.
Union	17	Keels, Bonavista Bay	68	R. Mesh.
May Power.....	30	Placentia Sound, Placentia Bay.	120	J. Power.
Briton	34	Random, Trinity Bay	136	Thorburn & Tessier.
B. O'Ryan	9	Cape Dog, St. Mary's Bay.....	36	T. Ryan.
San Juan.....	93	Salmon Cove, Trinity Bay.....	372	A. Milroy.
Alberta	64	Trinity, Trinity Bay	256	R. Bremner.
Star of the Sea.....	17	Petit Fort, Placentia Bay.....	68	Job Brothers.
Here Am I.....	30	Baine Harbor, Placentia Bay....	120	A. Goodridge & Sons.
Riding Light	18	do. do.	72	do.
Sea Queen	23	Chapel Arm, Trinity Bay.....	92	Thorburn & Tessier.
Orion.....	96	Fox Harbor, Trinity Bay... ..	384	E. Duder.

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Beta	37	Random Sound, Trinity Bay	148	A. Goodridge & Sons.
Victory	17	Smith Sound, Trinity Bay	68	A. Cooper.
Excel	28	Trinity, Trinity Bay	112	Joseph Morris.
Hilda	22	Salmonier, St. Mary's Bay	88	P. & L. Tessier.
Little Stream	29	Salvage, Bonavista Bay	116	E. Duder.
Emerald	26	do. do.	104	do.
Lady Thorburn	61	British Harbor, Trinity Bay	244	A. Gardner.
Harry Lake	66	Fortune, Fortune Bay	264	W. P. Lake.
Effie M. Lake	95	do. do.	380	do.
Azalea	31	Trinity, Trinity Bay	124	P. & L. Tessier.
Gertrude	21	Salmonier, St. Mary's Bay	84	J. & W. Stewart.
Emulator	14	Rocky Bay, Green Bay	56	E. Duder.
Edith Annie	80	Moreton's Harbor, Green Bay	320	M. Monroe.
Mermaid	78	Exploits, Green Bay	312	A. Goodridge & Sons.
Hannah Jane	46	Hall's Bay, Green Bay	184	H. Moore.
Beatrice	28	Freshwater Bay, Bonavista Bay	112	G. Knowling.
Experiment	40	S. W. Arm, New Bay, (G'n Bay)	160	E. Duder.
Madagascar	22	Durrell's Arm, Twillingate	88	do.
Beulah	41	Kite Cove, Green Bay	164	T. D. Hodge.
Aijeleth Shahar	37	Random, Trinity Bay	148	A. Goodridge & Sons.
Rabbi	41	Moreton's Harbor, Green Bay	164	Mark Osmond.
Hiawatha	39	do. do. do.	156	do.
Triumph	30	Goose Bay, Bonavista Bay	120	Goodfellow & Co.
Carpasian	76	Kite Cove, Green Bay	304	E. Duder.
Glad Tidings	69	Exploits, Green Bay	276	do.
Mary Joyse	22	Bay of Islands, Green Bay	88	L. Barron.
Gipsy	67	Moreton's Harbor, Green Bay	268	M. Osmond.
Can't Help It	52	Exploits, Green Bay	208	E. Duder.
Nora Creina	54	Burnt Bay, Green Bay	216	do.

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JUNE QUARTER (Continued).				
J. W. Roberts.....	78	Burnt Bay, Green Bay.....	\$312	E. Duder.
Jessie	75	Moreton's Harbor, Green Bay...	300	Mark Osmond.
Hyacinth.....	79	Exploits, Green Bay.....	316	J. Manuel.
Alice Maud	35	Fox Harbor, Trinity Bay.....	140	E. Duder.
Delta	67	Harvey's Harbor, Green Bay....	268	W. Frew.
Milda.....	46	Kite Cove, Green Bay.....	184	J. S. Pitts.
Portland	91	Fortune Harbor, Green Bay	364	T. D. Hodge.
Delight.....	26	Indian Island, Green Bay.....	104	do.
50 vessels.....	2,265		\$9,060	
SEPTEMBER QUARTER.				
George Kendall.....	56	Grand Bank, Fortune Bay	\$224	Geo. Knowling.
E. J. Ryan	98	King's Cove, Bonavista Bay.	392	James Ryan.
Victor	24	S.W. River, Clode Sound, do. .	96	do.
N. B. Ryan.....	32	Kings Cove, Bonavista Bay.....	128	do.
Giraffe.....	33	Indian Arm, Bonavista Bay.	132	do.
Eliza Ann.....	15	S.W. River, Clode Sound, do. .	60	do.
Blooming Rose.....	32	Change Island, Green Bay.....	128	J. W. Hodge.
Empress.....	31	Kite Cove, Green Bay.....	124	J. & W. Pitts.

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Dora.....	16	Burnt Island, Burgeo.....	64	James Baird.
Hilda.....	61	New Harbor, Trinity Bay.....	244	William Giles.
Caroline.....	57	Norris' Point, Bonne Bay.....	228	N. Taylor.
Lizzie.....	19	do. do.....	76	do.
Violet.....	41	Smith Sound, Trinity Bay.....	164	J. Morris.
Mary E. Power.....	80	Southern Bay, Bonavista Bay...	320	James Baird.
Josephine.....	86	Indian Arm, do.....	344	J. & W. Stewart.
Pleasant Time.....	82	Wesleyville, do.....	88	George Winsler.
Jessie.....	68	Goose Bay, do.....	272	Goodfellow & Co.
Mary Ann.....	20	Ship Cove, Bay Despair.....	60	R. Davis.
Shamrock.....	55	Exploits, Green Bay.....	220	Josiah Manuel.
Tulip.....	49	do. do.....	196	do.
Pansy.....	30	do. do.....	120	do.
Larkspur.....	56	Burnt Bay, Green Bay.....	224	do.
Albert F.....	32	Stephenville, Bay St. George...	128	James Baird.
Mary Jane.....	14	Rushoon, Placentia Bay.....	56	M. Monroe.
Anne J. Carter.....	78	Port au Port.....	312	James Baird.
Triumph.....	65	Bonne Bay.....	260	M. Monroe.
Elsie Jane.....	27	Catalina, Trinity Bay.....	108	Do.
27 vessels.....	1,197		\$4,768	
DECEMBER QUARTER.				
Mary F.....	18	Lamalme.....	72	J. Flemming.
J. C. Rose.....	26	Indian Arm, Green Bay.....	104	J. Lock.
Minnie.....	22	Paradise, Placentia Bay.....	88	James Byrne.
Royal Arch.....	22	Ragged Island, Placentia Bay...	88	James Baird.
Mary Joseph.....	22	Little Harbor, Placentia Bay....	88	A. Goodridge & Sons.
Homeward.....	20	Birchy Bay, Notre Dame Bay...	80	E. Duder.

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DECEMBER QUARTER (Continued.)				
Selina	45	Bonne Bay, Fortune Bay.....	180	J. Fiander.
St. Paul.....	24	Merashien, Placentia Bay.....	96	J. Fox & Sons.
Geranium	63	Exploits, Notre Dame Bay	252	E. Duder.
Carmelite.....	37	Placentia, Placentia Bay.....	148	J. Fox & Sons.
Dart..	30	Brigus, Conception Bay.....	120	Job Brothers.
Ann Joseph	24	Holyrood, St. Mary's Bay.....	96	do.
Maria Jane.....	22	Chance Cove, Trinity Bay.....	88	Albert George.
Maud	88	Roberts' Arm, Green Bay.....	352	James Strong.
Three Brothers	14	Baine Harbor, Placentia Bay	56	A. Goodridge & Sons.
Queen of Beauty.....	19	Gallows Harbor, Placentia Bay..	76	do.
Silverdale	83	Loon Bay, Green Bay.....	332	E. Duder.
Idalia.....	112	Bay Roberts, Conception Bay...	448	G. H. Dickinson.
Trinity.....	72	Shoal Bay, Trinity Bay.....	288	Baine Johnston & Co.
Village Belle	18	Bay de L'Argent, Fortune Bay..	72	P. Hubert.
99 vessels	781		\$3,124	

RECAPITULATION.

QUARTER.	NO. OF VESSELS.	TONNAGE.	AMOUNT PAID.
March.....	3	237	\$1,422
June	50	2,265	9,060
September.....	27	1,197	4,768
December	20	781	3,124
	100	4,480	\$18,374

RICHARD H. O'DWYER,
Receiver General.

CUSTOM HOUSE, ST. JOHN'S, }
31st December, 1889. }

CUSTOMS RETURNS.

APPENDIX.

A Return shewing number of Vessels fitted out in Newfoundland, in the year 1889, for the Bank fishery, as also port of sailing, tonnage, number of crew, quantity of fish caught, and amount collected on account of "The Bank Fishermen's Insurance Fund."

Port of Sailing.	No. of Vessels.	Tonnage.	No. of Crew.	Quantity of Fish caught.	Amount collected on ac't 'Bank Fishermen's Insurance Fund.'
				qtls.	\$
St. John's	60	3,794	869	45,300	608 30
Harbor Grace.....	10	685	159	11,398	111 30
Carbonear	9	669	132	4,888	92 40
Brigus	5	442	79	2,456	55 30
Bay Roberts.....	15	978	208	12,429	145 60
Heart's Content.....	11	637	152	10,191	106 40
Trinity	10	638	153	6,195	107 10
Catalina.....	25	1,355	358	19,891	250 60
King's Cove.....	1	98	18	760	12 60
Bay Bulls.....	16	888	232	10,961	162 40
Renews	2	72	15	550	10 50
Ferryland.....	16	879	207	9,915	144 90
Holyrood	1	56	14	950	9 80
St. Mary's ..	7	317	78	3,389	54 60
Salmonier.....	2	89	22	1,610	15 40
Great Placentia.....	17	1,072	257	15,372	179 90
Little Placentia..	1	70	16	1,004	11 20
Oderin	1	47	12	576	8 40
Harbor Buffett	4	244	58	2,957	40 60
Burin.....	46	2,068	517	30,945	361 90

St. Lawrence.....	2	82	18	841	12 60
Fortune.....	12	525	120	5,225	84 00
Grand Bank.....	26	1,602	374	24,152	261 80
Harbor Briton.....	8	468	78	2,581	54 60
St. Jacques.....	9	423	87	3,968	60 90
Pushthrough.....	1	30	8	300	5 60
LaPoile.....	2	89	24	656	16 80
Burgeo.....	11	573	136	7,361	95 20
Totals.....	330	18,890	4,401	236,821	

Extra on shipping hands in place of those deserted. 5 60

Total.... \$3,086 30

Average catch per schooner..... 718 qtls.
 Average catch per man..... 52 "

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SHIPWRECKED CREWS.

Statement of Expenditure on account Shipwrecked Crews, for the year ending 31st December, 1889.

Jan'y. 12—Schooner "Blanche," of St. John's, paid J. J. Campbell, of Little Glace Bay, for the subsistence and clothing of seven of crew.....	\$101	90	
“ 19—Brigantine "Vesta," of Har. Grace, paid for the passage of three of the crew from Sydney to Harbor Grace			5 40
“ 23—John Dunphy, six months salary, to the 6th December, 1888, on acc't. Shipwrecked Crews account.....			45 00
“ 26—Schooner "May Queen," of St. John's, paid for the subsistence of seven of the crew.....			6 53
“ “ Schooner "First Pearl," of St. John's, paid for the subsistence of three of the crew.....			1 56
“ 30—Schr's. "Flying Air" and "Louisa," of Trinity Bay, paid for the subsistence of ten men, three days each, at 40 cents			12 00
Febr'y. 1—Schooner "Visite," of Brigus, paid for the subsistence of six men, three women and two boys, from Change Islands to Fogo.....			16 44
“ 2—Barque "Jas. Kitchin," of St. John's, paid for the subsistence of three of the crew at St. Mary's.....			8 00
“ 5—Barque "Jas. Kitchin," of St. John's, paid for the subsistence of three of the crew and cartage of luggage..			10 00
			206 83
<i>Forwarded.....</i>			<i>\$206 83</i>

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<i>Brought forward</i>		\$206 83	
Febr'y. 8—Schooner "Vivid," of Carbonear, paid for the subsistence and passage of five of the crew from Labrador to Carbonear.....	24 00		
“ “ Schooner "Sphinx," of Carbonear, paid for passage home, by train, from St. John's to Harbor Grace..	1 70		
“ “ Schooner "Triple Crown," of Indian Arm, Mullowney, master, paid for the subsistence of six persons, 13 days each, at 30 cents.....	23 40		
“ 15—Schooner "First Pearl," of St. John's, paid John Davis, of Fortune Harbor, for the subsistence of three of the crew, 2 days each, at 40 cents.	2 34		
“ 22—Schooner "Bessie," of St. John's, paid Charles Dodd for the subsistence of part of the crew at St. Paul's.....	2 00		
“ 26—Schooner "Alice," of St. John's, Neil master, paid for the passage and subsistence of twenty persons from Labrador to Harbor Grace.....	48 60		
“ 27—Schooner "May Queen," of St. John's, paid for the subsistence of four of the crew, 5 days each, at 40 cents.	8 00		
“ 28—Schooner "Bessie," of St. John's, paid Charles Benoit, of St. Paul's, for the subsistence of four of the crew...	2 00	112 04	
<i>Forwarded</i>			\$318 87

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<i>Brought forward</i>		\$318 87
March 1—Brigantine “Vesta,” of Harbor Grace, Fitzgerald, master, paid the Dominion Governm’t for subsistence of eight of crew	30 75	
“ 8—Brigantine “Vesta,” of Harbor Grace, paid owners of brig “Confederate,” passage and subsistence of two of the crew, 7 days, at 30 cents	4 20	
“ 11—Schooner “Clara Jane,” of St. John’s, paid owners S.S. “Hercules,” passage of four of crew from Oderin to Placentia, and paid for the subsistence of two of crew, 3½ days	4 36	
“ 22—Schooner “Vivid,” of Carbonear, Taylor, master, paid Messrs. Crocker & Taylor, of Carbonear, for the subsistence of nine persons	25 50	
“ 28—Schooner “Lily,” of St. John’s, paid Benjamin Wilcox, for the subsistence of two of crew, 8 days each, at 40 cents	6 40	
April 8—Schooner “Jubilee,” of St. John’s, paid the Dominion Governm’t for 16 days subsistence of the Fleming Brothers, at sea	11 52	
“ 16—Schooner “Clara Jane,” of St. John’s, paid James Murphy, of Placentia, for this amount advanced to three of crew to get to St. John’s	7 50	90 23
<i>Forwarded</i>		<u>\$409 10</u>

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<i>Brought forward</i>		\$409 10	
April 22—Schooner "Consuelo," of St. John's, Dormon, master, paid for the passage of John Smart, sick, from Figueira to LaPoile	10 80		
" 23—Schooner "Bessie," of St. John's, paid for the subsistence of three of crew, 2 days each, at 40 cents..	2 40		
" 24—Schooner "Dart," of Trinity, Sweet, master, paid Michael Mahoney, of North River, for the subsistence at Labrador of five men, 4 days.	8 00		
" " Schooner "Lollie," of St. John's, paid for the passage from Barbados to St. John's of Edward Cummins, sick, and left in hospital	6 11		
" " Schooner "Star of the Sea," lost at seal-fishery, paid Edwin Duder for passage and part subsistence of fifteen men, 11 dys each, at \$2 a man	30 00		
" " Schooner "Dial," of Placentia, Harrigan, master, paid Dominion Government, on account of two of the crew picked up at sea	305 50		
May 9—Schooner "Clara Jane," of St. John's, Walsh, master, paid Wm. Smith, for two days subsistence of part of the crew	1 60	364 41	
<i>Forwarded</i>			\$773 51

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<i>Brought forward</i>		\$773 51
May 16—Schooner "Isabel," of St. John's, paid Railway Co., passage from Whitbourne to St. John's of five of the crew, each \$1.50.....	7 50	
" 20—Schooner "Isabel," of St. John's, paid the Placentia Railway for the passage to Whitbourne of five of the crew, 75 cents each.....	3 75	
" " Schooner "Kate," of Bay St. George, paid Emanuel Decker for carrying eight of the crew to Bonne Bay..	2 00	
" 28—Schooner "Bartouna," of Carbonear, Deane, master, paid for two of the crew by train to Whitbourne.....	2 26	
June 1—John Dunphy, half year's salary, to the 6th inst., on acc't Shipwrecked Crews.....	45 00	
" 3—Jonathan Gosse, of Seldom-Come-By, went adrift on the ice and picked up by steamer "Terra Nova," paid for clothing, &c.....	5 29	
" " Schooner "Bessie," of St. John's, Rose, master, paid Julian Chimira for the subsistence of part of the crew.....	1 20	
" 11—Schooner "Zebra," of St. John's, wrecked, paid Mrs. Thos. Marshall of Burin, for the subsistence of four of crew, 5 $\frac{3}{4}$ days each, at 40 cents..	9 04	76 04
<i>Forwarded</i>		\$849 55

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<i>Brought forward</i>		\$849 55	
June 11 — Schooner “Myrtle,” of Carbonear, paid Railway for the passage from Placentia to Harbor Grace of Butler Pilgrim, very sick.....	1 45		
“ 12—Schooner “Zebra,” of St. John’s, wrecked, paid Mrs. William Riggs of Burin, for subsistence of crew, 5 $\frac{3}{4}$ days, at 40 cents a day	13 56		
“ “ Schooner “Coral,” of Trinity, John Gover, master, paid Thos. Drake of Catalina, for the subsistence of seven of crew, 2 meals each, 40 cts	1 82		
“ 14—Schooner “Willie,” of St. John’s, lost at Western Head of St. Shott’s, paid for two telegrams anent 12 of crew	0 64		
“ “ Schooner “Zebra,” of St. John’s, wrecked, paid Messrs. Hallett & Bennett of Burin, for the subsistence of six of crew.....	17 20		
“ 14—Schooner “Frederick William,” of St. John’s, paid for the passage of John Hyde, sick, from Halifax... ..	1 92		
“ 18—Schooner “Willie,” of St. John’s, Saunders, master, lost, paid for eight to nine of the crew from St. John’s to Aquaforte, &c.....	10 56	47 15	
<i>Forwarded</i>			\$896 70

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	<i>Brought forward</i>		\$896 70
June 21	— Schooner “Clara Jane,” of St. John’s, Walsh, master, paid for the subsistence of two of the crew, two days each.....	1 90	
“ “	Schooner “Ellen D.,” of Little Bay, paid John Downey, of Coachman’s Cove, for the subsistence of six of crew, two days each.....	4 80	
“ 22	—Schooner “Willie,” of St. John’s, Saunders, master, paid Jno. Veitch, for twelve fares on train and 24 meals, &c., for twelve of the crew.	16 10	
“ 24	—Schooner “Dolphin,” of Lockport, N.S., paid for the passage of one of the crew hence to Halifax.....	6 00	
“ 25	—Schooner “Isabella,” of St. John’s, wrecked at Cape St. Mary’s, paid S. Collins, of Placentia, for the subsistence of five of the crew, two days each.....	4 00	
“ “	Schooner “Willie,” of St. John’s, Saunders, master, paid Mrs. M. Carew for subsistence of two of the crew, and cartage of luggage, &c.	5 80	
“ 26	—Schooner “Anne,” of Saint John’s, Kent, master, paid Telegraph Co. for two telegrams anent the crew, twelve in number.....	0 84	39 44
	<i>Forwarded</i>		\$936 14

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<i>Brought forward</i>		\$936 14
June 27—Schooner “Antecede,” of St. John’s, Chalker, master, paid Railway Co. for four fares to Salmon Cove (to Brigus).....	4 40	
“ “ Schooner “Ellen D.,” of Little Bay, Delaney, master, paid Waterman & Co., on account of the crew....	3 80	
July 2—Schooner “Annie,” of Saint John’s, Kent, master, paid for the passage of eight of the crew from Trepassey to St. John’s.....	2 80	
“ 4—Schooner “Annie,” of Saint John’s, Kent, master, paid Dr. R. H. Casey, of Trepassey, for expenses incur- red by 14 of the crew.....	23 68	
“ “ Schooner “Willie,” of Saint John’s, Saunders, master, paid for two pair bluchers given two of the crew...	4 00	
“ “ Boat “Maggie,” of Fermeuse, Finlay, master, lost at Branch, paid for carrying seven of the crew, and luggage, to Fermuse.....	14 00	
“ 5—Schooner “Willie,” of Saint John’s, Saunders, master, paid Jno. Grace, of St. Mary’s, for conveying lug- gage to station.....	8 00	
“ 9—Schr. “Willie,” of St. John’s, Saun- ders, master, paid for carrying lug- gage from Holyrood to St. John’s..	0 40	61 08
<i>Forwarded</i>		\$997 22

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<i>Brought forward</i>		\$997 22
July 10	Schooner "Willie," of Saint John's, Saunders, master, paid Sailors' Home for the subsistence of ten of the crew, one day each.....	5 00
" "	Schooner "St. Dolphin," of Lockport, N.S., paid Sailors' Home for the subsistence of one of the crew four days, at fifty cents per day.....	2 00
" "	Schooner "Annie," of Saint John's, Kent, master, paid Railway Co. for passage to Har. Main for 2 of crew	2 00
" "	Brigantine "Charles W. Oulton," of St. John's, Fitzgerald, master, paid Railway Co. for passage to Harbor Grace of three of crew.....	5 10
" "	Schooner "Kate," of Bay St. George, McIsaac, master, paid for the passage and diet of crew, who were sent home.....	28 00
" 12	—Brigantine "Charles W. Oulton," of Harbor Grace, Fitzgerald, master, paid Jane Murphy, Placentia, on account of crew.....	9 20
" 16	—Schooner "Kate," of Bay St. George, McIsaac, master, paid M. Mitchell for twenty meals supplied the crew	2 80
" "	Schooner "Emily A. Harris," of G. Bank, paid the Dominion Government on acc't of two of crew.....	4 54
<i>Forwarded</i>		58 64
		\$1,055 86

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<i>Brought forward</i>		\$1,055 86	
July 17—Schooner “Willie,” of St. John’s, Saunders, master, paid P. Walsh, of St. Mary’s, on account of crew.	14 00		
“ “ Boat “Maggie,” of Fermeuse, Finlay, master, paid P. Walsh, St. Mary’s, for the subsistence of 7 of crew...	9 33		
“ 26—Schooner “Annie,” of St. John’s, Kent, master, paid Sailors’ Home for the subsistence of two of the crew, 1 day each	1 00		
“ 31—Schooner “Willie,” of Saint John’s, Saunders, master, paid Mrs. Patk. Cormack, of St. Mary’s, for seven meals given crew	1 40		
August 6—Joseph Lanfer and James Deane, two castaways from Fox Harbor, Trinity Bay, paid for provisions supplied them to get home	3 00		
“ 7—Schooner “St. Dolphin,” of Lockport, N.S., paid for the passage from St. Anthony to St. John’s of one of crew	6 50		
“ 10—A banking schooner ———, paid the Dominion Government on account of two of crew found on the banks adrift	47 85		
“ 19—Schooner “Harmony,” of Burin, Goddard, master, paid for the subsistence of three of crew	4 20	87 28	
<i>Forwarded</i>			\$1,143 14

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<i>Brought forward</i>		\$1,143 14
Aug. 19—Schooner “Kate,” of Saint George’s Bay, paid Julian Chimira for the subsistence of eight of crew, one day each	3 20	
“ 20—Schooner “Fred L. Webb,” of Saint John’s, Hooper, master, paid Thos. Shaw for the subsistence of four of crew, four days each.....	6 40	
“ “ Schooner “Alice,” of Saint John’s, Warford, master, paid Thos. Shaw, of Bay St. George, for the subsistence of three of crew.....	4 40	
“ 26—William Snow, age 47, of Coley’s Point, put on shore sick, banking schooner “Volgar,” sent by train to Bay Roberts	1 70	
“ 31—Schooner “Jessie,” of Moseambrose, Petite, master, paid Samuel Scott for the subsistence of four of the crew, 9 days each.....	14 40	
Sept’r. 13—Schooner “Harmony,” of Burin, Goddard, master, paid Pat’ck Moloney, of Renewes, for dieting four persons	15 80	
Oct’br 9—Former name, “Maggie,” Dalton, master, paid Dr. R. H. Carey of Trepassey, on account of two of the crew.....	2 00	47 90
<i>Forwarded</i>		<hr/> \$1,191 04

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<i>Brought forward</i>		\$1,191 04
Oct'br. 9—John Mori, a native of Palestine, was put on shore at St. Mary's from a banker, destitute, and went to Trepassey	0 40	
“ 14—Sch'r “Algeria,” of LaHave, N. S., banker, paid Messrs. Doyle, Beavis, Molloy and Jackman for dieting 18 of the crew.....	28 50	
“ 24—Schooner “Charles,” of St. John's, Dunn, master, paid T. M. Cairns of Harbor Grace, on account of five of the crew.....	5 00	
“ 27—Schooner “John Prince,” of Seal Cove, Dawson, master, paid the owners S. S. “Leopard” for passage and subsistence of 11 persons	40 25	
“ 29—Schooner “Charles,” of Fortune, Jas. Dunn, master, paid the owners S.S. “Leopard” for the subsistence of seven persons, 6 days each.....	14 70	
“ “ Schooner “Coquette,” of Carbonear, Fleming, master, paid the owners S. S. “Leopard” for subsistence of three of crew, 4 days each....	4 20	
Novb'r 7—George Edison, age 45, a distressed and shipwrecked seaman, of Har. Grace, arrived from Boston and sent home by train.....	1 70	94 75
<i>Forwarded</i>		\$1,285 79

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	<i>Brought forward</i>		\$1,285 79
Nov'r 11—	Schooner "Medway," of Alexander Bay, J. Sparks, master, paid Geo. Arnold for the subsistence of six of the crew for 28 days each.....	67 20	
" 14—	Schooner "Willie," of St. John's, Saunders, master, paid Ed. Lee of St. Mary's, for conveying four of the crew to station, Holyrood....	6 00	
" "	Fishing boat "Maggie," Finlay, master, lost at Branch, June 21, paid Patrick Power of Branch, for the subsistence of two of crew, 4 days	3 20	
" 26—	Schooner "Bessie," of St. John's, stranded at Parsons' Pond, paid the owners of S.S. "Harlaw" passage home of three of the crew, 3 days each	3 28	
" "	Schooner "Sarah Gilpin," of Harbor Grace, Cole, master, paid Michael Fogerty of Carbonear, and Rich'd Fogerty, for dieting sixteen persons, 20 days each.....	120 00	
" "	Schooner "Coquette," of Carbonear, Fleming, master, paid Michael Fogerty for the subsistence of nine persons, 20 days each.....	48 00	
Dec'r. 14—	Schooner "Minnie," of Plate Cove, J. Tracey, master, paid Noah Chippet for the subsistence of five of crew, 5 days each, at 30 cents.....	6 00	253 68
	<i>Forwarded</i>		\$1,539 47

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<i>Brought forward</i>		\$1,539 47	
Dec'r. 11—Moses Noseworthy of Harbor Grace, and W. Moores of Carbonear, two of crew of the "X. L.," landed in St. John's, destitute, paid to get home	37 00		
" 12—Schooner "Annie," of St. John's, Hayden, master, paid two of the crew, J. Batcock and Jno. Leahey, to get home.....	1 40		
" 13—Schooner "Lizzie," of Harbor Grace, lost at Gambo, paid T. W. Stabb, Esq., the expenses incurred on ac't of seven of the crew.....	13 80		
" 14—Barque "Angelique," of St. John's, French, master, lost at Channel Head, paid for a telegram sent to Magistrate	0 62		
" 16—Schooner "Annie," of St. John's, Hayden, master, paid for the passage and subsistence of four of the crew, 4 days at 62 cents a day ...	11 52		
" 19—Schooner "Annie," of St. John's, Hayden, master, paid Railway Co. passage of four of the crew from Holyrood to St. John's.....	3 60		
" 26—Schooner "Albatross," lost at Labrador, '88, paid Coastal Steamship Co. passage and subsistence of four persons, 5 days each at 72cts a day	14 40	82 34	
<i>Forwarded</i>			\$1,621 81

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<i>Brought forward</i>		\$1,621 81
Dec'r. 26—Schooner "Jane," lost at Labrador, Aug., '88, paid Coastal Steamship Co. passage and subsistence of 3 men, 5 days each at 72 cents a day	10 80	
“ “ Schooner "Flying Air," 16 tons, lost at Labrador, Aug. '88, paid Coastal Steamship Co. passage and subsistence of five men, 5 days each, 72c.	18 00	
“ “ Schooner "Vivid," lost at Labrador, Aug. '88, paid Coastal Steamship Co. passage and subsistence of five men, 5 days each at 72 cts. a day.	18 00	
“ “ Schooner "Louisa," lost at Labrador, Aug. '88, paid Coastal Steamship Co. passage and subsistence of 4 men, 5 days each at 72 cts per day	14 40	
“ “ Schooner "Pet," lost at Labrador, Aug. '88, paid Coastal Steamship Co. passage and subsistence of two men, 5 days each, at 72 cts. a day.	7 20	
“ “ Schooner "Mary," lost at Labrador, Aug. '88, paid Coastal Steamship Co. passage and subsistence of 3 men, 5 days at 72 cents per day..	10 80	
“ “ Schooner "Francis Sweet," lost at Labrador, Aug. '88, paid Coastal Steamship Co. passage and subsistence of five men, 5 days each, at 72 cents per day.....	18 00	97 20
<i>Forwarded</i>		\$1,719 01

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<i>Brought forward</i>		\$1,719 01	
Dec'r. 26—Schooner "Ann," lost at Labrador, Aug. '88, paid Coastal Steamship Co. passage and subsistence of four men, 5 days each, at 72 cts per day	14 40		
" " Schooner "Dante," lost at Labrador, Aug. '88, paid Coastal Steamship Co. passage and subsistence of 9 men, 5 days each, 72 cts. per day.	32 40		
" " Schooner "Star of the West," lost at Labrador, Aug. '88, paid Coastal Steamship Co. passage and subsistence of seven men, 6 days each, at 72 cts. per day.....	30 24		
" " Schooner "Alexander," lost at Labrador, Aug. '88, paid Coastal Steamship Co. passage and subsistence of seven persons, 5 days each, at 72 cts. per day.....	25 20		
" " Schooner "Rosalie," lost at Labrador, Aug. 7th, '88, paid Coastal Steamship Co. passage and subsistence of six men, 6 days each, at 72 cts.	25 92		
" " Schooner "Jane," lost at Indian Bight Sept. '88, paid Coastal Steamship Co. passage and subsistence of four persons, 6 days each, to Harbor Grace, at 72 cts.....	17 28	145 44	
<i>Forwarded</i>			\$1,864 45

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<i>Brought forward</i>		\$1,864 45
Dec'r. 26—Schooner "Ann," lost at Tinker's Bight, Septm'br. '88, paid Coastal Steamship Co. passage and subsistence of one man, 6 days, to Harbor Grace, at 72 cts. per day.....	4 32	
" " Alexander," lost at Stag Tickle, Sep. '88, paid Coastal Steamship Co.'y passage and subsistence of two men five days each, to Harbor Grace, at 72 cts. per day.....	7 20	
" " Schooner "Vivid," lost at Stag Tickle, Sept. '88, paid Coastal Steamship Co. passage and subsistence of one man, 5 days, to Harbor Grace, 72c	3 60	
" " Schooner "Olive Branch," lost at Ragged Island, Sept'r. '88, paid Coastal Steamship Co. passage and subsistence of twelve persons, six days each, to Harbor Grace, 72cts.	51 84	
" " Schooner "Vulcan," lost at Sailor's Island, Sept. 2nd, '88, paid Coastal Steamship Co. passage and subsistence of four men from Trinity to St. John's, 72 cts. per day.....	2 88	
" " Schooner "———," lost at Penware, Aug. 14th, '88, paid Coastal Steamship Co. passage and subsistence of five persons, 6 days each, to Harbor Grace, 72 cts.....	21 60	91 44
<i>Forwarded</i>		\$1,955 89

SHIPWRECKED CREWS.

Statement of Expenditure on account Shipwrecked Crews, for the year ending 31st December, 1889.

<i>Brought forward</i>		\$1,955 89
Dec'r. 26—Schooner "Anastatia," lost near Trepassey, Septmbr. '88, paid Coastal Steamship Co. passage and subsistence of nine of the crew from Trepassey to St. John's, 72 cts.	6 48	
" " Schooner "Annie Alice," lost at Carroll's Cove, Sept. 26th, '88, twenty-six persons on board, joined the S.S. "Conscript" at Red Bay, Oct. 4th, '88, eight days on board, and landed at Harbor Grace	149 76	
" " Schooner "High Flyer," lost at Pleasure Harbor, Sept. 14th, '88, paid Coastal Steamship Co. passage and subsistence of ten persons, 8 days each, to Harbor Grace, 72 cts.	57 60	
" " Schooner "Glenard," lost at Roger's Harbor Sept. 28th, '88, paid Coastal Steamship Co. passage and subsistence three of crew, 8 days each to Harbor Grace, 72 cts.	17 28	
" " Schooner "Commodore," lost near Conche, Oct. 16, '88, paid Coastal Steamship Co. passage and subsistence of five of crew, 4 days each, to St. John's, 72 cts.	14 40	
" " Schooner "Primrose," lost at Pistolet, Oct. 22nd, '88, paid Coastal Steamship Co. passage and subsistence of 7 men, 4 dys each, to Catalina, 72c	20 16	265 68
<i>Forwarded</i>		<u>\$2,221 57</u>

SHIPWRECKED CREWS.

Statement of Expenditure on account Shipwrecked Crews, for the year ending 31st December, 1889.

<i>Brought forward</i>		\$2,221 57
Dec'r. 26—Barque "James Kitchin," Mealey, master, lost at St. Mary's, paid Coastal Steamship Co. passage and subsistence of nine of crew, 2 days each to St. John's, 72 cts.....	12 96	
" " Schooner "Vivid," lost at Stag Tickle, Sept. '88, paid owners of Coastal Steamship Co. passage and subsistence of two men, 4 days each, Oct. '88 to Hr. Grace.....	5 76	
" " Schooner "Ellen D." lost near Coachman's Cove, paid Coastal Steamship Co. passage and subsistence of five men, two days each, to their home, 72 cts.....	7 20	
" " Schooner "First Trial," lost at Fortune Harbor, Dec. '88, paid Coastal Steamship Co. passage and subsistence of three men, 3 days each, per day, 72 cts.....	6 48	
" " Schooner "Sphinx," lost at Bay St. George, Decm'br. '88, paid Coastal Steamship Co. passage and subsistence of five of crew, 6 days each, per day 72 cts.....	21 60	
" " Schooner "May Queen," lost near Twillingate, Nov. 15th, '88, paid Coastal Steamship Co. passage and subsistence of seven men, 2 days each, at 72 cts.....	10 08	64 08
<i>Forwarded</i>		\$2,285 65

SHIPWRECKED CREWS.

Statement of Expenditure on account Shipwrecked Crews, for the year ending 31st December, 1889.

<i>Brought forward</i>		\$2,285 65
Dec'r. 26—Schooner "Viper," of St. John's, Seward, Master, lost at Change Islands, Nov. 22nd, '88, paid Coastal Steamship Co. passage and subsistence of eleven persons, 2 dys each, to St. John's.....	15 84	
" " Schooner "John Prince," lost at Flag Staff Island, Sept. '88, paid Coastal Steamship Co. passage and subsistence of eleven persons, 5 days.. each to Harbor Grace.....	36 00	
" " Schooner "Charles," lost at Indian Tickle, Sept'r. '88, paid Coastal Steamship Co. passage and subsistence of seven persons, 5 days each at 72 cts.....	25 20	
" " Schooner "Minnie," lost at Leading Tickles, Sept'r. '88, paid Coastal Steamship Co. for passage and subsistence of five of crew, 3 days each at 72 cts.....	10 80	
" " Steamer "Mastiff," of Harbor Grace, paid Coastal Steamship Co. for passage of crew who left ship at Channel and were landed at Placentia	27 00	
" " Schooner "Zebra," of St. John's, lost near Corben, May '89, paid Coastal Steamship Co. for passage and subsistence of sixteen persons from Burin to St. John's.....	34 56	149 40
<i>Forwarded</i>		\$2,435 05

SHIPWRECKED CREWS.

Statement of Expenditure on account Shipwrecked Crews, for the year ending 31st December, 1889.

	<i>Brought forward</i>		\$2,435 05
Dec'r. 26—	Schooner "Antecede," of St. John's, lost at S. W. Arm, Bonavista Bay, paid Coastal Steamship Co. for passage and subsistence of five men, 2 days each, at 72 cts.....	7	20
" "	Schooner "Harmony," of Burin, lost near Renew's, Aug. 5th, '89, paid Coastal Steamship Co. for passage and subsistence of nine of crew to St. John's.	6	12
" "	Schooner "Lizzie," of St. John's, (or Harbor Grace), lost at Gander Bay, Sept. '89, paid Coastal steamship Co. for passage and subsistence of ten men, 1 day each, 72 cts	7	20
" "	Schooner "Coquette," lost near Snug Harbor, Oct'br., '89, paid Coastal Steamship Co. for passage and subsistence of two men, 6 days each, at 72 cts. per day	8	64
" "	Schooner "Magnet," lost at Carrol's Cove, Labrador, October, '89, paid Coastal Steamship Co. for passage and subsistence of thirteen persons 6 days each, at 72 cts	56	16
" "	Schooner "Clare," lost at Carrol's Cove, Labrador, October, '89, paid Coastal Steamship Co. for passage and subsistence from Red Bay, of nine men, 6 days each, at 72 cts..	38	88
	<i>Forwarded</i>		124 20
			<u>\$2,559 25</u>

SHIPWRECKED CREWS.

*Statement of Expenditure on account Shipwrecked Crews, for the
year ending 31st December, 1889.*

<i>Brought forward</i>		\$2,559 25
Dec'r. 28—Barque “Angelique,” of St. John’s, French, master, lost at Channel Head, paid John Steer, of Channel, for clothing supplied thirteen of the crew.....	97 55	
“ “ Schooner “Zulu,” of St. John’s, lost at Crouse, N. E. Coast, paid the Sailor’s Home for the subsistence of four of the crew, 4 days each, at 50 cts. a day.....	8 00	105 55
		\$2,664 80

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1889.		
April 1.—By Warrant.....		\$390 08
July 1. ditto		554 26
Octr. 1. ditto		244 70
Dec. 30. ditto	1,475 76	
		\$2,664 80

E. & O. E.,
St. John’s, Newfoundland,
31st December, 1889.

JOHN CASEY,
Comm’r of Poor.

JOHN DUNPHY,
Accountant.

POOR RETURNS.

Expenditure for the Relief of the Poor

Districts.	January.	February.	March.
	\$	\$	\$
St. John's Permanent Poor	448 30	442 70	437 20
" Casual Poor...	1,219 10	1,514 00	1,654 10
Orphanages.....	.....	.....	2,281 20
Incidentals	35 34	5 03	160 28
Brigus.....	1,468 95	254 40	374 43
Burin.....	748 57	518 00	111 50
Bay-de-Verde.....	1,039 30	348 70	630 55
Burgeo & LaPoile.....	748 90	382 95	185 00
Bonavista	1,313 70	207 50	402 06
Carbonear	437 44	324 99	359 80
Fortune.....	492 00	684 85	247 60
Ferryland	682 17	670 50	300 35
Harbor Grace.....	2,108 55	606 47	618 40
Harbor Main.....	1,404 80	549 56	305 85
Placentia and St. Mary's..	279 77	271 50	169 40
Trinity.....	2,253 47	334 42	248 48
Twillingate.....	1,140 20	453 20	86 20
Fogo.....	172 70	10 70	60 70
St. George's.....	194 10	66 40	60 90
St. Barbe's.....	236 47	34 20	23 40
Labrador.....	1 60	12 00	3 30

POOR RETURNS.

during the year ending 31st December, 1889.

April.	May.	June.	July.
\$	\$	\$	\$
437 10	445 00	444 50	444 50
1,696 75	1,658 60	1,571 70	1,800 40
.....	.....	2,050 00	.....
3 34	3 83	17 38	14 34
1,609 24	816 15	175 80	1,850 12
747 19	687 50	460 00	376 50
1,341 55	2,730 73	688 63	1,202 78
740 73	222 52	487 50	504 50
500 38	1,941 00	586 45	506 03
911 04	490 30	319 70	468 51
580 00	333 50	717 86	405 28
672 10	943 00	275 10	477 60
1,984 78	922 51	585 00	1,729 05
1,552 54	792 18	198 90	1,621 64
1,182 05	2,955 60	587 35	344 90
2,207 00	2,171 12	696 65	1,004 10
485 20	1,260 00	676 60	973 00
186 70	248 68	204 20	166 20
75 00	150 50	521 00	138 00
72 30	424 10	271 00	477 50
5 70	4 70	4 70	7 20

POOR RETURNS.

Expenditure for the Relief of the Poor

Districts.	August.	September.	October.
	\$	\$	\$
St. John's Permanent Poor	442 50	446 00	449 50
" Casual Poor...	1,651 15	1,516 70	1,718 15
Orphanages.....	.....	1,876 50	.....
Incidentals	3 58	53 18	3 34
Brigus.....	294 10	152 70	1,747 44
Burin.....	374 80	267 00	582 00
Bay-de-Verde.....	667 75	389 40	1,438 67
Burgeo & LaPoile.....	521 50	346 40	597 50
Bonavista	570 25	376 20	1,259 80
Carbonear	379 35	317 35	412 10
Fortune.....	627 25	279 48	543 27
Ferryland	297 93	364 20	596 40
Harbor Grace.....	768 02	465 78	2,093 61
Harbor Main.....	291 00	316 80	1,473 62
Placentia and St. Mary's..	323 72	409 15	1,416 27
Trinity.....	740 40	898 11	1,838 75
Twillingate.....	521 50	398 90	1,131 70
Fogo	39 70	136 20	166 80
St. George's.....	375 50	109 75	307 90
St. Barbe's.....	156 00	175 85	329 50
Labrador.....	24 97	278 91	114 76

POOR RETURNS.

during the year ending 31st December, 1889.

November.	December.	Amounts.	Total.
\$	\$	\$	\$
440 40	439 40	5,317 10	
1,646 15	2,014 95	19,661 75	
.....	1,494 45	7,702 15	
170 19	13 78	483 61	
			33,164 61
328 40	338 70	9,410 43	
773 60	562 10	6,208 76	
1,431 00	660 05	12,569 11	
518 57	338 50	5,594 57	
1,594 00	678 75	9,936 12	
90 10	437 45	4,948 13	
729 95	484 04	6,125 08	
570 50	569 54	6,419 39	
678 84	457 02	13,018 03	
504 79	328 20	9,339 88	
2,580 87	1,070 35	11,590 93	
1,543 04	599 17	14,534 71	
661 63	482 00	8,270 13	
228 93	136 00	1,757 51	
232 00	132 30	2,363 35	
273 80	239 90	2,714 02	
371 20	6 20	835 24	
			125,635 39
			\$158,800 00

JOHN CASEY,
Commissioner of Poor.

Financial Secretary's Consolidated Statement of Expenditure on account of Local Roads,
for the year ended December 31st, 1889.

DISTRICTS.	1888 Credits. \$	Vote. \$	Expenditure '89. \$	Cr. Bal. Dec. 31, '89 \$	Overdrafts Dec. 31, 1889. \$
BAY-DE-VERDE,—					
No. 1 Division		581 70	554 88	26 82	.....
No. 2 "		670 60	753 70	.....	83 10
No. 3 "		577 50	872 68	.....	295 18
No. 4 "		243 60	263 30	.....	19 70
No. 5 "		588 00	589 08	.....	1 08
No. 6 "	42 79	279 65	275 67	46 77	.....
No. 7 "		340 90	337 90	3 00	.....
No. 8 "	0 82	252 70	254 70	.....	1 18
	43 61	3,534 65	3,901 91	76 59	400 24
BONAVISTA,—					
Bonavista proper		1,212 05	1,215 09	.....	3 04
Newman's Cove		215 60	212 87	2 73	.....
King's Cove		197 75	243 18	.....	45 43
Stock Cove and Knight's Cove.....		91 35	90 18	1 17	.....

Broad Cove.....	96 60	50 08	46 52	.....
Keels.....	162 75	128 63	34 12	.....
Indian Arm.....	110 95	75 90	35 05	.....
Southern Bay.....	92 05	51 29	40 76	.....
Open Hall.....	87 15	83 18	3 97	.....
Tickle Cove.....	95 20	63 38	31 82	.....
Redcliff.....	53 55	20 00	33 55	.....
James' Cove.....	84 00	82 20	1 80	.....
Brooklyn.....	94 50	29 00	65 50	.....
Bloomfield and Musgrave Town.....	215 25	65 65	149 60	.....
Sweet Bay.....	63 35	47 87	15 48	.....
Alexander Bay.....	52 50	88 60	.....	36 10
Salvage.....	288 75	18 41	270 34	.....
Gooseberry Islands.....	183 40	183 44	.....	0 04
Cottell's Island.....	186 90	166 32	20 58	.....
Flat Islands.....	125 30	11 00	114 30	.....
Fair Islands.....	139 30	139 30	.....	.....
Greenspond.....	670 25	800 96	.....	130 71
Pool's Island.....	243 95	269 70	.....	25 75
Swain's Island.....	304 50	283 62	20 88	.....
Pinchard's Island.....	334 95	256 33	78 62	.....
Gambo.....	92 40	31 60	60 80	.....
Safe Harbor.....	87 50	87 50	.....	.....
Plate Cove.....	109 20	93 36	15 84
Happy Adventure.....	79 10	79 10
.....	5,770 10	4,888 64	1,122 53	241 07

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DISTRICTS.	1888 Credits. \$	Vote. \$	Expenditure, '89 \$	Cr. Bal. Dec. 31, '89 \$	Overdrafts, Dec. 31, 1889. \$
BURGEO & LAPOILE,—					
Burgeo		600 00	600 00	.....	.....
Rose Blanche.....		300 00	300 00	.....	.....
Petites		150 00	150 00	.....	.....
Channel.....		451 00	451 00	.....	.....
LaPoile.....		150 00	150 00	.....	.....
Burnt Islands		249 00	249 00	.....	.....
To be hereafter appropriated		390 40	390 40	.....	.....
		2,290 40	2,290 40	.....	.....
BURIN,—					
Flat Islands.....	3 67	202 00	167 10	38 57	.....
Mortier Bay.....		305 00	267 36	37 64	.....
Burin, proper.....	3 36	794 15	590 27	207 24	.....
Burin, west, (Spoon Cove)	35 95	285 60	240 30	81 25	.....
Lord's Cove.....		30 00	15 60	14 40	.....
St. Lawrence.....		228 60	237 95	.....	9 35
Lawn		90 65	81 65	9 00	.....
Lamalaine		338 65	214 28	124 37	.....

Fortune	4 11	275 00	272 73	6 38
Grand Bank.....	13 15	426 00	432 62	6 53
	60 24	2,975 65	2,519 86	525 38	9 35
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CARBONEAR,—					
Carbonear		2,172 10	2,744 20		572 10
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FERRYLAND,—					
Bay Bulls.....	0 59	303 40	345 90		41 91
Witless Bay.....		319 65	310 24	9 41	
Mobile.....	1 05	284 55	314 76		29 16
Cape Broyle		231 00	231 00		
Caplin Bay		427 00	591 80		164 80
Renews	0 18	575 40	505 61	69 97	
Goulds (to Shoal Bay) ..	5 80	114 80	109 00	11 60	
	7 62	2,255 80	2,408 31	90 98	235 87
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FORTUNE BAY,—					
Garnish	52 50	80 00		132 50	
Belloram.....	7 93	265 00	238 50	34 43	
English Harbor.....	6 30	200 00	127 71	78 59	
Harbor Briton.....	11 49	665 25	531 60	145 14	
Outharbor Road Board ..		360 00	75 01	284 99	
Gaultois		670 00	605 40	64 60	
Roads in Fortune Bay...		180 70		180 70	
	78 22	2,420 95	1,578 22	920 95	

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DISTRICTS.	1888 Credits. \$	Vote. \$	Expenditure '89. \$	Cr. Bal. Dec. 31, '89 \$	Overdrafts Dec. 31, 1889. \$
HARBOR GRACE,—					
Harbor Grace (proper)		2,138 15	2,093 30	44 85	.....
ditto (South side)		330 75	347 35	.....	16 60
Bryant's Cove	4 67	126 35	141 38	.....	10 36
Bishop's Cove		101 15	208 15	.....	107 00
Upper Island Cove	57 55	404 25	339 91	121 89	.....
Spaniard's Bay		619 85	650 83	.....	30 98
Bay Roberts	79 05	967 05	960 37	85 73	.....
Coley's Point	169 68	466 90	526 79	109 79	.....
	310 95	5,154 45	5,268 08	362 26	164 94
Widening Hr. Grace Streets, expenditure ..\$157.30.					
HARBOR MAIN,—					
Topsail		941 50	941 50	.....	.....
Holyrood		505 75	549 20	.....	43 45
Harbor Main		873 95	1,038 17	.....	164 22
Conception Harbor	7 60	806 05	517 20	296 45	.....
	7 60	3,127 25	3,046 07	296 45	207 67

FINANCIAL SECRETARY'S ACCOUNTS.

PLACENTIA & ST. MARY'S,—						
33	Trepassey	7 34	327 60	296 75	38 19	.....
	Holyrood, (Peter's River)		94 85	64 00	30 85	.....
	St. Mary's	253 90	386 05	218 40	421 55	.....
	Salmonier, (North and S. Sides)	13 50	381 85	612 70		217 35
	Branch		95 00	62 35	32 65	.....
	St. Bride's		145 45	146 65		1 20
	Great Placentia	3 10	472 75	881 66		405 81
	Little ditto		599 90	4 51	595 39	.....
	Harbor Buffett	4 82	357 00	294 63	67 19	.....
	Sound Island		116 65	103 76	12 89	.....
	Woody Island		100 00	49 50	50 50	.....
	Presque	138 25	564 65	338 00	364 90	.....
	Paradise	8 00	192 15	142 90	57 25	.....
	Baine Harbor		54 60	18 10	36 50	.....
	Oderin	2 42	240 45	107 47	135 40	.....
	431 33	4,128 95	3,341 38	1,843 26	624 36	
PORT-DE-GRAVE,—						
Brigus	2 32	880 60	888 47		5 55	
Cupids	26 19	512 75	507 60	31 34	.....
Salmon Cove	18 72	590 10	635 46		26 64	
Bareneed	1 28	597 80	608 05		8 97	
Port-de-Grave	24 57	463 05	416 39	71 23	
	73 08	3,044 30	3,055 97	102 57	41 16	

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DISTRICTS.	1888 Credits. \$	Vote. \$	Expenditure '89. \$	Cr. Bal. Dec. 31, '89 \$	Overdrafts Dec. 31, 1889. \$
TRINITY,—					
Trinity Board, (N. Side.)		330 00	340 65		10 65
Russel's Cove		158 15	144 77	13 38	
Hant's Harbor		300 00	301 08		1 08
Scilly Cove		200 00	180 00	20 00	
New Perlican	0 10	180 00	177 82	2 28	
Heart's Desire		70 00	71 20		1 20
Heart's Content		350 00	323 33	26 67	
Heart's Delight		180 00	169 32	10 68	
Green's Harbor	0 20	180 00	183 20		3 00
New Harbor	12 15	320 00	310 50	21 65	
Newman's Cove	0 45	100 00	96 52	3 93	
Collier's Bay	3 00	120 00	112 75	10 25	
Bull's Arm, Deer Harbor		40 00	36 40	3 60	
Heart's Ease, (Fox Hr.)	0 02	170 00	220 00		49 98
Hodge's Cove		150 00	133 58	16 42	
Northern Bight	1 20	160 00	118 70	42 50	
Foster's Point		140 00	140 45		0 45
Hickman's Harbor		80 00	91 70		11 70
Shoal Harbor		160 00	155 10	4 90	
George's Brook		40 00	39 90	0 10	

Smith Sound, (S. Side).....		140 00	136 11	3 89	
Smith Sound (N. Side) ..	1 60	125 00	112 80	13 80	
Ireland's Eye.....		120 00	98 80	21 20	
British Harbor		120 00	120 00		
Bonaventure		160 00	155 40	4 60	
Ragged Harbor.....		100 00	115 40		15 40
Trinity, West.....	14 63	430 00	432 25	12 38	
English Harbor.....		400 00	376 38	23 62	
Catalina		560 00	542 75	17 25	
Little Catalina.....		125 00	121 10	3 90	
Bird Island Cove.....		350 00	414 84		64 84
	33 35	6,058 15	5,972 80	277 00	158 30
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Fogo,—					
Fogo.....		548 00	526 32	21 68	
Joe Batt's Arm.....		200 00	175 91	24 09	
Barr'd Islands.....	3 80	120 00	103 80	20 00	
Tilton Harbor.....		190 00	179 74	10 26	
Cat Harbor	3 60	80 00	41 34	42 26	
Seldom-Come-By		240 40	214 08	26 32	
Musgrave Harbor.....	40 10	200 00	195 00	45 10	
Ladle Cove.....	6 50	80 00	82 15	4 35	
Rocky Bay	0 30	40 00	50 50		10 20
Gander Bay.....	8 30	40 00	24 70	23 60	
Change Islands	0 33	350 00	279 28	71 05	
Indian Islands.....	2 00	100 00	95 00	7 00	
	64 93	2,188 40	1,967 82	295 71	10 20

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DISTRICTS.	1888 Credits. \$	Vote. \$	Expenditure, '89 \$	Cr. Bal. Dec. 31, '89 \$	Overdrafts, Dec. 31, 1889. \$
TWILLINGATE,—					
Twillingate Islands.....		1,385 30	1,314 58	70 72	.....
Tilt Cove.....		215 95	224 28	.....	8 33
Indian Burying Place		55 65	64 75	.....	9 10
Three Arms.....		35 70	27 49	8 21	.....
Wild Bight	8 05	20 00	31 35	.....	3 30
Troytown, or Triton.....		82 25	64 65	17 60	.....
Black Island.....		86 80	66 20	20 60	.....
Kite Cove.....	5 05	68 60	34 35	39 30	.....
Northern Arm.....	2 55	45 85	11 60	36 80	.....
Dominion Point		39 55	15 84	23 71	.....
Burnt Bay.....		57 05	43 40	13 65	.....
Loon Bay.....	4 00	38 25	29 84	12 41	.....
Little Bay Island.....		143 50	133 16	10 34	.....
Ward's Harbor.....		179 55	154 14	25 41	.....
Leading Tickles.....		135 85	118 61	17 24	.....
New Bay.....	31 30	113 40	109 85	34 85	.....
Fortune Harbor.....	39 70	174 30	177 61	36 39	.....
Hall's Bay	3 20	70 70	18 60	55 30	.....
Exploits	0 23	239 05	280 28	.....	41 00
Nipper's Harbor	121 28	185 85	155 68	151 45

FINANCIAL SECRETARY'S ACCOUNTS.

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34	North West Arm.	139 30	104 67	34 63
	Jackson's Cove.....	113 40	75 90	37 50
	Moreton's Harbor... ..	224 35	236 15	11 80
	Little Bay Mines.....	563 80	650 08	.....	86 28
	Tizzard's Harbor.....	105 35	75 25	30 10
	Herring Neck... ..	400 40	178 84	221 56
	215 35	4,919 75	4,397 15	897 77	159 81
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ST. BARBE,—					
Saint Barbe District, per Ch'man Board of Works	2,277 00	2,277 00
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ST. GEORGE,—					
Saint George District per Ch'man Board of Works	1,915 55	1,915 55	* 1,033 05	

* Forwarded overdraft from 1888.

JOHN STUDDY,
Financial Secretary.

FINANCIAL SECRETARY'S OFFICE, }
December 31st, 1889. }

Consolidated Statement of Expenditure by Board of Works on account of Main Roads,
for the year ended December 31st, 1889.

ROADS.	Balances and Special Votes. \$	Grants. \$	Expended. \$	Unexpended. \$	Overexpended. \$
Thorburn road	14 10	100 00	138 97	.....	24 87
South Side road *	436 27	700 00	1,503 70	.....	367 43
Portugal Cove to Pouch Cove, via Bauline	181 66	300 00	596 45	.....	114 79
Torbay to Pouch Cove, via Bauline . . . . .	.....	250 00	743 81	.....	493 81
Freshwater, towards Topsail by Kenmount . . . . .	.....	300 00	720 14	.....	420 14
St. John's to Portugal Cove..	277 41	500 00	1,375 65	.....	598 24
St. John's to Cape St. Francis.	.....	700 00	2,344 35	.....	1,644 35
St. John's to Cape Spear.	23 86	300 00	756 92	.....	433 06
St. John's to Brigus.	1,475 83	1,000 00	9,595 16	.....	7,119 33
Horse Cove to Topsail. ....	.....	75 00	581 52	.....	506 52
Bennett's Hill to Goulds. ....	.....	500 00	2,462 88	.....	1,962 88
Goulds to Renew's. ....	.....	1,200 00	3,182 03	.....	1,982 03
Trepassey to Renew's.	592 66	1,000 00	1,722 70	.....	130 04
Old Placentia Road to Top- sail road.	40 83	200 00	429 56	.....	188 73
Manuel's to Price's.	28 13	100 00	66 60	61 53
Salmon Cove, Gaster's.	105 70	100 00	155 00	50 70

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Cat's Cove, Colliers and Bacon Cove	153 30	150 00	105 00	198 30
Holyrood through Seal Cove..	34 97	100 00	540 73	405 76
Holyrood to Witless Bay	448 44	650 00	714 68	383 76	.....
Holyrood to St. Mary's.....	.....	200 00	368 15	.....	168 15
Holyrood to Placentia.....	.....	1,000 00	1,639 97	.....	639 97
Placentia to Little Placentia and Fox Harbor	10 74	400 00	420 05	.....	9 31
Little Placentia to Long Harbor	753 45	100 00	853 45	.....	.....
Salmonier to St. Mary's.....	254 67	700 00	1,509 32	.....	554 65
Western Shore, Placentia Bay	176 00	300 00	176 00	300 00	.....
Placentia to Cape Shore.....	.....	1,000 00	1,741 85	.....	741 85
Branch to Distress.....	12 11	500 00	610 13	.....	98 02
Trepassey to St. Shott's and Cape Pine.....	98 10	350 00	459 60	.....	11 50
Burin to Garnish .....	.....	490 00	363 01	126 99	.....
Burin Roads.....	400 00	.....	301 50	98 50	.....
Burin to Grand Bank	87 00	2,200 00	2,191 89	95 11	.....
Grand Bank to Garnish	97 10	200 00	128 25	168 85	.....
Hermitage Cove to Pass Island	1 55	300 00	489 90	.....	188 35
Roads in Fortune Bay.....	.....	220 00	220 00	.....	.....
Gaultois to Piccaire.....	97 00	100 00	100 00	97 00	.....
Gaultois to Connaigre.....	334 00	100 00	100 00	334 00	.....
Harbor Briton to Connaigre ..	79 04	300 00	188 23	190 81	.....
Harbor Briton to Belloram...	501 81	550 00	300 77	751 04	.....
<i>Forwarded.....</i>	6,715 73	17,235 00	39,897 92	2,856 59	18,803 78

* \$966.84 of the \$1,503.70 expended by Municipal Council.

Consolidated Statement of Expenditure by Board of Works on account of Main Roads,
for the year ended December 31st, 1889.

ROADS.	Balances and Special Votes. \$	Grants. \$	Expended, \$	Unexpended. \$	Overexpended. \$
<i>Brought forward.....</i>	6,715 73	17,235 00	39,897 92	2,856 59	18,803 78
Belloram to St. Jacques.....	34 87	100 00	39 56	95 31	.....
St. John's Bay to Wreck Cove	121 79	225 00	126 73	220 06	.....
Millar's Passage to Little Bay.	130 11	225 00	56 90	298 21	.....
Baine Harbor to Bay L'Argent	350 76	1,000 00	766 24	584 52	.....
Roads in Burgeo & LaPoile.....		1,900 00	1,900 00	.....	.....
Brigus to Carbonear.....		1,000 00	2,886 01	.....	1,886 01
Brigus to Nine Island Pond..	96 54	150 00	96 69	149 85	.....
Hall's Town to Snow's Pond..		200 00	302 87	.....	102 87
Goulds and Long Har. Roads.	294 87	150 00	210 15	234 72	.....
Agricultural Rd., Coley's Point	188 55	400 00	501 61	86 94	.....
Country Path Road, Spaniard's Bay.....	400 96	600 00	997 11	3 85	.....
Spaniard's Bay to New Harbor.	457 74	330 00	588 17	199 57	.....
Spaniard's Bay to Bishop's Cove		200 00	325 06	.....	125 06
Tilton to Spaniard's Bay.....	12 65	120 00	187 55	.....	54 90
Upper Island Cove to Tilton Station.....	6 25	130 00	105 49	30 76
Upper Island Cove to Harbor Grace.....		200 00	94 98	105 02

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Brazil's Hill to Tilton.....		50 00	89 54		39 54
New Harbor to South Dildo..	204 56	100 00	453 72		149 16
New Hr. to Heart's Content..	100 19	900 00	1,362 81		362 62
Whitbourne roads.....	300 00		286 41	13 59	
Green's Harbor to Har. Grace and connecting with Span- iard's Bay road.....	416 00	600 00	893 29	122 71	
Carbonear to Bay-de-Verde ..	52 04	1,250 00	1,116 48	185 56	
Carbonear to New Perlican...		1,200 00	1,190 66	9 34	
Carbonear to Heart's Delight.	250 00	200 00	667 57		217 57
Ship Harbor Line.....		1,500 00	1,545 54		45 54
Dildo to Chance Cove.....	258 73	700 00	575 53	383 20	
The Northern Mail Route.....		2,000 00	4,059 25		2,059 25
New Perlican to Lead Cove..	158 90	775 00	818 05	115 85	
Lead Cove to Grate's Cove...		325 00	325 00		
Grate's Cove to Bay-de-Verde	123 68	200 00	150 00	173 68	
Roads in Bay-de-Verde.....	250 00			250 00	
Bay-de-Verde to Red Head..	91 40	100 00	51 88	139 52	
Old Perlican to Lower Island Cove	109 82	400 00	356 10	153 72	
Old Perlican to Bay-de-Verde		200 00	104 09	95 91	
Salmon Cove bridge to Heart's Content road.....	521 39	300 00	379 50	441 89	
Heart's Ease to Butter Cove..	57 71	60 00	66 00	51 71	
Trinity to Catalina.....	371 47	720 00	1,172 46		80 99
Trinity to British Harbor.....	966 85	500 00	1,151 04	315 81	
Trinity to Indian Arm.....	528 28	400 00	538 06	390 22	
Trinity to King's Cove	124 27	800 00	689 29	234 98	
<i>Forwarded.....</i>	13,696 11	37,445 00	67,125 31	7,943 09	23,927 29

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for the year ended December 31st, 1889.

ROADS.	Balances and Special Votes. \$	Grants. \$	Expended, \$	Unexpended. \$	Overexpended. \$
<i>Brought forward</i>	13,696 11	37,445 00	67,125 31	7,943 09	23,927 29
Amherst Cove to Catalina....	261 71	250 00	376 20	135 51	.....
Southern Bay to Goose Bay..	270 36	50 00	56 90	263 46	.....
Southern Bay to Goose Bay, <i>via</i> Sweet Bay.....	.....	200 00	76 02	123 98	.....
Plate Cove to Southern Bay..	303 00	500 00	149 85	653 15	.....
Catalina to Bird Island Cove.	547 55	300 00	765 62	81 93	.....
Catalina to Bonavista.....	210 80	360 00	233 00	337 80	.....
Bonavista to Bird Island Cove	55 62	100 00	97 66	57 96	.....
King's Cove to Tickle Cove..	64 45	200 00	245 96	18 49	.....
River Head, Southern Bay, Muddy Cove	65 40	100 00	90 00	75 40	.....
Roads in Bonavista Bay	350 00	.....	210 62	139 38	.....
Greenspond to Cape Freels... ..	.....	700 00	481 87	218 13	.....
Greenspond to English Harbor	1 78	150 00	140 77	11 01	.....
Salvage Bay to Alexander Bay	97 45	100 00	101 20	96 25	.....
Shambler's Cove to New Har- bor	161 58	200 00	169 36	192 22
Brown's Marsh, towards Kings Cove.....	100 00	125 00	218 90	6 10

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Plate Cove to Brown's Marsh.	88 65	125 00	102 68	110 07
Open Hall towards Brown's Marsh.		100 00	104 00		4 00
Salvage to Happy Adventure.	46 85	100 00	46 00	100 85	.....
Tickle Cove to Plate Cove....	97 60	200 00	30 40	267 20	.....
Roads Black Head Bay.....		400 00	457 92		57 92
Cape Freels to Cat Harbor...	4 59	100 00	105 15		0 56
Seldom-Come-By to Fogo....	393 50	327 00	660 32	60 18	.....
Tilton Harbor to Joe Batt's Arm.....		120 00	161 19		41 19
Shoal Bay to Fogo.....	51 00	75 00	63 90	62 10	.....
Hare Bay to Fogo.....	7 32	75 00	78 48	3 84	.....
Barr'd Island to Fogo and Seldom-Come-By.....	123 91	177 43	232 20	69 14	.....
Rocky Bay to Gander Bay...	12 27	74 00	107 67		21 40
Cat Harbor to Musgrave Harbor.....	208 64	200 00	236 17	172 47	.....
North side Ragged Harbor to North side of Apsey Cove..	86 65	100 75	167 09	20 31	.....
Tizzard's Harbor to Moreton's Harbor.....		100 00	131 10		31 10
Moreton's Harbor to Western Head.....	17 10	112 50	98 60	31 00	.....
Twillingate to Bluff Head, Gillard's and Kettle Cove....	38 00	112 50	150 50		.....
Tilt Cove roads and vicinity..	400 00	.....	263 29	136 71	.....
Round Harbor to Tilt Cove...	83 22	75 00	136 90	21 32	.....
Round Harbor to Snook's Arm	153 98	75 00	157 50	71 48
<i>Forwarded.</i>	17,999 09	43,429 18	74,030 30	11,481 43	24,083 46

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for the year ended December 31st, 1889.

ROADS.	Balances and Special Votes. \$	Grants. \$	Expended. \$	Unexpended. \$	Overexpended. \$
<i>Brought forward</i>	17,999 09	43,429 18	74,030 30	11,481 43	24,083 46
Tizzard's Harbor to Carter's Cove	103 48	200 00	45 45	258 03	.....
Little Bay Mines towards In- dian Brook .....	.....	500 00	794 90	.....	294 90
Twillingate to Long Point....	63 25	50 00	63 30	49 95	.....
Twillingate to Little Harbor..	104 74	200 00	283 97	20 77	.....
Jenkin's Cove to French Beach	56 32	50 00	72 20	34 12	.....
Rink Road to Bluff Head	185 05	250 00	380 54	54 51	.....
Black Island Tickle to Kyers Cove	11 40	57 00	67 50	0 90	.....
New Bay Head to Fortune....	.....	100 00	95 90	4 10	.....
Little Harbor to Purcel's Har- bor	50 10	50 00	89 20	10 90	.....
Jackson's Arm to King's Cove	236 40	200 00	324 47	111 93	.....
North West Arm to Rouge's Harbor	13 76	66 66	11 79	68 63	.....
Rouge's Harbor to Bett's Cove	43 49	87 50	108 49	22 50	.....
Bett's Cove to Snook's Arm ..	60 03	50 00	46 25	63 78
Lushe's Bight to Ward's Har.	45 15	100 00	104 85	40 30

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Southern Har. to Sulian Cove.	17 10	50 00	56 46	10 64
Jackson's Cove to Birchy Cove and Colchester.....	185 53	66 66	103 99	148 20
36 Fortune Har. to Cottrell's Cove	45 95	40 00	98 45	.....	12 50
Roads St. Barbe.....	2,505 82	2,225 00	4,745 95	.....	15 13
Roads Bay St. George.	1,066 70	2,584 45	3,488 80	162 35	.....
	\$22,793 36	50,356 45	85,012 76	12,543 04	24,405 99

Memorandum shewing the division of the *Six Thousand Dollar Grant*, and which is included in foregoing statement under the head of "Special Votes," (except Judge Little's amount, which was paid him in full).

1889.

To paid Judge Little for amount due on Station Road, Topsail.....		\$574 17
Roads St. Barbe district	\$200 00	<i>Brought forward</i>
Tilt Cove roads and vicinity	400 00	2,250 00
Seldom-Come-Bye roads, Fogo.....	250 00	Harbor Grace to Green's Harbor.....
Bonavista Bay roads.....	350 00	300 00
Trinity to British Harbor.....	500 00	New Harbor to Spaniard's Bay.....
Whitbourne roads.....	300 00	350 00
Carbonear to Heart's Delight.....	250 00	Bay-de-Verde roads.....
		250 00
		St. John's to Brigus.....
		1,475 83
		Renews to Trepassey.....
		400 00
		Burin roads, Mortier Bay.....
		400 00
<i>Forwarded</i>	\$2,250 00	Total... \$6,000 00

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Chairman Board of Works.
W. R. STIRLING,
Secretary.

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31st December, 1889.

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*Consolidated Statement of Expenditure by Board of Works on acc't.
of Lighthouses, for the year ended Dec. 31st, 1889.*

General Light-houses.....	\$ 426 35
Gull Island Light-house	1,684 09
Long Point, (Twillingate) Light-house.....	1,366 97
Twillingate wharf light.....	200 96
Cann Island Light-house.....	769 87
Wadham Island Light-house	1,625 68
Cabot Island Light-house	1,414 94
Puffin Island Light-house	776 63
Little Denier Island Light-house	1,147 73
Cape Bonavista Light-house.....	1,674 27
Green Island Light-house	2,361 37
Fort Point (Trinity) Light-house	241 87
Hant's Harbor Light-house	218 48
Baccalien Island Light-house	1,450 69
Carbonear Island Light-house.....	732 07
Harbor Grace Island Light-house	1,495 25
Harbor Grace Harbor Light.....	438 60
Bay Roberts Light-house.....	221 78
Brigus (Conception Bay) Light-house	609 40
Cape St. Francis Light-house.....	3,507 10
Fort Amherst Light-house	2,522 75
St John's Leading Lights.....	304 54
Cape Spear Light-house.....	2,499 58
Ferryland Head Light-house.....	1,502 87
Cape Pine Light-house	1,654 94
Point LaHaye Light-house	213 43
Cape St. Mary's Light-house	2,160 79
Point Verde Light-house.....	794 76
Dodding Head Light-house	1,446 34
Lamaline Island Light-house.....	216 98
Brunette Island Light-house	1,456 29
Garnish Beacon Light-house	562 60
<i>Forwarded</i>	<u>\$37,705,97</u>

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of Lighthouses, for the year ended 31st Dec., 1889.*

<i>Brought forward</i>	\$37,705,97
Belloram Light-house.....	182 58
Rocky Point Light-house.....	440 95
Pass Island Light-house.....	715 37
Gaultois Light-house.....	212 90
Boar Island Light-house.....	668 89
Ireland Island Light-house.....	936 41
Rose Blanche Light-house.....	992 81
Channel Head Light-house.....	639 44
Sandy Point Light-house.....	242 75
Trepassey Buoy.....	244 10
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	\$42,982 17

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Chairman Board of Works.

W. R. STIRLING,

Secretary.

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December 31st, 1889.

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*Consolidated Statement of Expenditure on account of Public Works,
for the year ended 31st December, 1889.*

St. John's, (East)	\$3,650 28
St. John's, (West)	4,094 78
Harbor Main	6,292 88
Port-de-Grave	4,168 76
Harbor Grace	3,172 19
Carbonear	2,645 15
Bay-de-Verde	3,276 72
Trinity Bay	4,732 78
Bonavista Bay	9,613 76
Fogo	2,124 59
Twillingate	2,912 00
St. Barbe	6,195 60
Ferryland	3,153 60
Placentia and St. Mary's	5,143 30
Burin	4,526 77
Fortune Bay	5,511 57
Burgeo and LaLoile	6,637 55
St. George	7,896 88
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	<u>\$85,749 16</u>

JAMES DAY,
Chairman Board of Works.

W. R. STIRLING,
Secretary.

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Consolidated Statement of Expenditure on account of Sundry Institutions, for the year ended 31st December, 1889.

Lunatic Asylum	\$20,504 10
Quidi Vidi Hospital.....	8,137 02
Fever Hospital.....	3,171 36
Poor Asylum.....	10,463 23
Court Houses and Gaols.....	14,040 69
Broom Factory, Penitentiary.....	2,996 09
Repairs St. John's Court Houses and Gaols.....	1,896 62
“ Outport Court Houses and Gaols.....	3,361 60
“ Hospitals	4,200 05
“ Poor Asylum.....	768 96
“ Colonial Building.....	3,395 90
“ Lunatic Asylum.....	509 14
“ Government House.....	7,656 58
“ St. John's Custom House.....	774 84
“ Imperial Buildings.....	1,237 35
Fuel and Light, Government House.....	1,724 77
“ “ Colonial Building.....	2,128 73
“ “ Custom House.....	390 26
Contingencies, Board of Works.....	1,098 34
Constabulary	4,115 46
Block House.....	832 49
Repairs, Block House.....	47 11
Fog and Noon Gun	1,314 70
The General Post Office.....	1,863 12
Repairs Drill Shed.....	14 10
“ Kerosene Oil Store.....	53 53
“ Harbor Grace Custom House.....	78 23
Printing and Stationery.....	850 28
Insurance on Public Buildings.....	2,129 10
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	<u>\$99,653 75</u>

JAMES DAY,
Chairman Board of Works.

W. R. STIRLING,
Secretary.

BOARD OF WORKS OFFICE,
December 31st, 1889.

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 REPORT OF CROWN LANDS BY THE SURVEYOR
 GENERAL, FOR THE YEAR 1889.

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

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY,—

I have the honor to submit, for Your Excellency's information, the annual report of the Crown Lands' Department, with the usual tabulated statements and accounts, for the year ending 31st December, 1889:—

MINERAL LANDS.

Under this head I have to report a slight improvement upon the number of applications of last year, but still very much under those of several years previous. There were filed thirteen notices of staking mining locations; three petitions for leases of mining locations and one application for fee simple mining grant. The fees upon these applications amounted to six hundred and seventy-five dollars. Particulars are fully shown in returns marked Nos. 1 and 2.

AGRICULTURAL LANDS.

Returns marked Nos. 3 and 4 show the operations in agricultural lands. There were issued during the year one hundred and fifty-five grants, containing thirty-four thousand seven hundred and fifty acres three roods and three and one-half perches, including two grants to the New York, Newfoundland and London Telegraph Company, containing twenty-three thousand two hundred acres, and two grants to the Newfoundland Railway Company, containing five thou-

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sand one hundred acres; two licenses of occupation, under section 17, of Crown Lands' Act, 1884, containing seventy acres, and fifteen free grants, under the same section, containing two hundred and sixty-seven acres two roods and thirty-seven perches.

TIMBER LANDS.

One lease of timber limit was issued during the year for one hundred and forty-two square miles, as shewn in return marked No. 5.

Under the Acts for the promotion of agriculture, there were received one thousand nine hundred and seventy-five applications for licenses to clear land, making in all, since the inception of the Acts, a grand total of six thousand and seventy-seven applications, and two thousand six hundred and sixty-six acres two roods and thirty-seven perches were certified to have been cleared and made ready for cultivation in two thousand four hundred and twenty-three certificates, upon which the sum of thirty-two thousand and ninety-seven dollars and fourteen cents has been paid, a detailed statement of which is submitted herewith, marked No. 6.

Although, on the whole, the work of the surveyors appointed under these Acts has been satisfactorily performed, I regret having to state that it was found necessary to dismiss three of them for fraudulent attempts to defeat the purposes of the Act. In order to prevent the recurrence of such attempts in future and to carry out the intentions of the Act so as to really encourage cultivation, it will be necessary to have a strict supervision of the work performed by the surveyors, and for this purpose it would be advisable to appoint district inspectors, who should be practical surveyors, to visit every settlement and report upon the manner in which the conditions of the Act are being complied with. In the cases of the smaller districts, that is where the duties would be less extensive, several districts could be placed under the jurisdiction of one surveyor; should these surveyors be provided with suitable instruments, they could also be employed as deputy-surveyors of crown lands, in making surveys for the issue of grants of agricultural lands, and in preparing extended and connected plans of all the lands suitable for settlement and in laying out roads to and through the same. In order to ensure

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the efficient carrying out of the duties of these surveyors, they should be placed in receipt of regular salaries and not be, as at present, dependent upon the fees received; thus they would be directly responsible to this department. The reports obtained from these district surveyors would show the practical result of the present system of bounty on clearing land in the permanent promotion of agriculture by the continuous cultivation of the land and be a sure guide in any future legislation for the encouragement of agriculture.

GEOLOGICAL SURVEY.

I have much pleasure in especially calling the attention of Your Excellency to the very able and interesting report of Mr. James P. Howley, F. G. S., accompanied by a map of sections of part of the carboniferous trough through the Middle Barachois River, Bay St. George, shewing the local seams. I have no doubt that the results of Mr. Howley's explorations will attract the further notice of capitalists and tend to the development of our coal deposits in that section of the country.

I have the honor to be,

Your Excellency's most obedient servant,

H. J. B. WOODS,

Surveyor General.

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REPORT OF JAMES P. HOWLEY, F. G. S., FOR 1889.

GEOLOGICAL SURVEY OFFICE,
March 6th, 1890.

HONOURABLE SURVEYOR GENERAL:

Sir,—I beg to present herewith my report upon the operations of the Geological Survey of Newfoundland during the season of 1889.

The importance of a more minute and extended exploration of the carboniferous region surrounding the Bay of St. George than had hitherto been attempted appeared to me to call for immediate attention, owing to the conflicting and unsatisfactory reports relative to our coal deposits in that locality. The late Surveyor General, Mr. Penney, having laid the matter before the Government, they were pleased last session to approve of my suggestion to devote the time of the survey to that end. Our party left St. John's in June last, and arrived at the scene of operations the latter end of that month. At Bay St. George the remainder of our crew, consisting of ten men all told, were engaged, and all arrangements for carrying out the work completed. Being now provided with pickaxes and shovels for costeaning purposes, as well as all other necessary outfit, we proceeded without delay into the interior. Reaching a point on the coast, by boat, near Robinson's Head, where one of our township lines of 1884 touched the shore, we availed of the latter for portaging our stores inland. This line crosses Robinson's River at a distance of about four miles from its mouth. From thence we proceeded along the course of the river to a point some ten miles up stream, where our operations were to commence. All this portaging had to be accomplished on foot, and owing to the exceedingly rugged boulder-bestrewn character of the river's bed, and the extreme heat of the weather, proved most laborious work; for besides the usual paraphernalia of

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tent-baggage and cooking gear, our whole season's stock of provisions had also to be taken along, with the addition of a lot of heavy tools.

Considerable time was expended in exploring the Robinson's River, both above and below the coal outcrop discovered here in 1873. A survey of the river, also, was carried upward from the point where it then terminated, for a distance of nearly fifteen miles, ten of which was through a gorge in the Long Range Mountains. A large tributary brook, known as the Northern Feeder, was also surveyed for ten miles along its course, and a portage road of two miles cut through the woods across to the latter from the main river. Having next moved camp to the Northern Feeder, ten days were spent in exploring and costeaning up and down this stream, when we again returned to our former camp on Robinson's River. A few days more were given to further exploration here, and in cutting a path across to the Middle Barachois River, about two miles. On the 14th of August we arrived at the latter river, where we spent over a month in close investigation. The frequent exposures of the rock formation here met with affording the best and most accessible sections for examination anywhere in the region, and rendering this the most favorable locality visited, it was deemed advisable to make a careful re-survey of the greater portion of the river. This was accomplished in the usual manner by measuring the distances with Rochon's micrometer telescope; but instead of the prismatic compass, a small transit was used in taking the bearings. All this work has, since my arrival home, been plotted to a scale of four inches to one mile, and every particular of the observed dips and strikes, &c., of the various members of the formation, carefully laid down and studied out, so as to arrive at some definite idea of the probable extent of the productive coal-measures. Our knowledge of the structure has been so far advanced thereby, and the result of the work is of so promising a character, as to leave little doubt of the existence of available quantities of coal in this region; but the arrangement of the various strata, their innumerable bends, twists, folds and repetitions, present such an exceedingly complicated problem to unravel that at least another season will be required to complete the exploration and enable me to give a full and reliable section

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of the entire series. The difficulty and delay of reaching the locality, and the necessity of my almost constant presence to direct the coasting operations, prevented my devoting as much time to exploration as I would wish; furthermore, it is only after all the results of the survey have been mapped out and studied in the office that a correct conclusion can be arrived at as to the principal points where that exploration would be best directed with the greatest prospects of good results. I think then, if I am allowed to devote the time of the survey to this end next summer, I shall have learnt nearly all that it is possible to acquire by merely surface exploration. So far as the work has proceeded, the outcome is quite satisfactory, and it can now be determined, with a great degree of certainty, what are the principal areas where the prevailing conditions present the most favorable outlook for the occurrence of workable seams of coal. On the other hand, the great extent of country spread over by the lower and unproductive members of the series, is now so clearly understood, that it would be but a waste of time to devote any further attention to the search for coal-beds of economic importance in these latter areas.

During the latter part of the season the north side of the Bay was visited, and the Riviere Blanche, upon which some small outcrops of coal were observed in 1873, carefully explored. A branch of this river was surveyed upward several miles, including a considerable sized lake. The lagoon at Indian Head was also carefully surveyed, and sounded with a view to its future utility as a boat harbor; a desideratum much felt on this side of the Bay, where a large and thrifty agricultural population is settled.

The season throughout proved an exceedingly fine one. Owing to the extreme heat, especially during the months of August and September, the country was very dry, and the rivers at their lowest summer levels. Such conditions of weather greatly facilitated our operations, but possessed the drawback of being oppressively hot, and favorable to the myriads of black and sandflies, which were a constant source of annoyance. Our crew worked well, doing an immense amount of heavy coasting, at times through from twelve to eighteen feet of tough clay, sand, and gravel. Mr. Bayly, who again acted as my assistant, performed most of the topographical work, and directed

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the costeaning operations during my temporary absence, while exploring, with much care and credit ; and I am happy to be again able to bear testimony to his readiness and ability to help along the work on all occasions.

PREVIOUS WORK PERFORMED.

In 1873, I accompanied my predecessor, the late director of the Geological Survey, Mr. Murray, in making a preliminary exploration and survey of this region. The time then occupied in effecting the first and most necessary operation of a complete topographical survey, whereon to construct a reliable and accurate map of this hitherto unknown district, precluded the possibility of closely studying out the purely structural details of the geology. Only a few coast and river sections could be examined and measured that season. Mr. Murray, however, visited the only coal outcrops then known to exist, on the Middle Barachois and Riviere Blanche. The former were the two seams close together, the one called the Jukes Seam, after Mr. J. B. Jukes, F.G.S., who examined it so far back as 1840 ; the other since named the Cleary Seam, after the Hon. P. Cleary in whose lease it occurs. Both seams at their outcrops are described in the report for 1873. Later in the same season, another promising coal seam was discovered on the Robinson's River, which Mr. Murray then named the Howley Seam. The following year, 1874, I was engaged in surveying Port-au-Port Bay, but on finishing the latter work, I returned to St. George's Bay, continued the measurement of the coast line to the base of the Anguille Range, and also ascended and surveyed the Crabb's River, or First Barachois.

Nothing further was accomplished towards exploring this region till 1884, when in carrying out the township survey, and fixing the boundaries of the coast settlers, the opportunity was availed of to pay a hasty visit to the three coal seams already mentioned and procure some good specimens of the mineral.

THE CARBONIFEROUS TROUGH OF BAY ST. GEORGE.

It has been commonly held that the carboniferous area in western Newfoundland is an extension of that of eastern Cape Breton Island, which to a certain extent is probably true, though not exactly

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in the sense generally understood. There can be little doubt that at one period a vast coal-field, occupying the lower Gulf of St. Lawrence, extended in an unbroken sheet from the shores of New Brunswick, Nova Scotia, and Cape Breton to Newfoundland. Mr. Murray, in his report for 1873, compares it to a great elliptical-shaped trough, the centre of which is now concealed beneath the waters of the Gulf. This is attested by the presence of the lower members of the formation coming to the surface in mid-channel, and forming the present Magdalen Islands. This immense area, at one time occupied by the great carboniferous series, was to all intents a separate trough from that of eastern Cape Breton, so well known for its valuable coal deposits. It is true they are both connected still on the south, by the extension of the lower measures across the Gut of Canso into Nova Scotia, and may even have been similarly connected to the north of Cape Breton Island, by measures filling up the Strait of Cabot, between Cape North and Cape Ray. It is probable, however, that the older crystalline belt forming the Cape Ray or Long Range in Newfoundland, and St. Ann's Mountains in Cape Breton, were in pre-carboniferous times a continuous chain, separating the two great troughs. Be this as it may, they were virtually distinct, and I have little hesitation in pronouncing the carboniferous area in our St. George's Bay district, as rather the prolongation of the western or greater trough, than of the lesser or eastern. The latter, pointing as it does towards our southern seaboard, might more reasonably be looked for in that direction, if it reached our shores at all, and it is not improbable that some small outliers of a very coarse conglomerate found near the head of Fortune Bay in 1870, resting unconformably upon Laurentian and Cambro-Silurian rocks, may represent the basic conglomerate of the Cape Breton series. In this view of the structure Sir William Dawson of McGill College, Montreal, the eminent Acadian geologist, coincides, in a letter received from him last May.

The true significance of this theory will be better understood when it is explained, that in western Nova Scotia and New Brunswick, the lower and unproductive measures of the carboniferous series do not attain to anything like the enormous thickness they are shown to possess in Cape Breton. It would be but reasonable then to expect

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that here in Newfoundland, the conditions of deposition would assimilate more to those of other parts of the greater trough to which they belong, than to a different and almost distinct area, though ever so closely related.

According to the reports of the Dominion Geological Survey, and the admirable work on the "Cape Breton Coal Fields" by Mr. Richard Brown, F.G.S., the lower measures in that island reach the immense development of between 10,000 and 11,000 feet in thickness. This includes the so-called "mill-stone grit," lying immediately below the middle division, or true coal-bearing zone. Though the "mill-stone grit," which of itself is represented in Cape Breton by 5,706 feet of strata, is not considered the horizon of available coal seams, it nevertheless contains several small irregular beds, and at least one, (the Tracy seam) of workable dimensions. In Great Britain, more especially in Scotland, much coal is extracted from this member of the series. Sir William Dawson has, moreover, pointed out in the supplement to the second edition of his *Acadian Geology*, page 50, that, "in eastern America as in Great Britain, the conditions of coal accumulation would seem to have set in earlier to the northward," and again, "it would seem that in Newfoundland as in Scotland, the workable coals extend farther down in the series than is the case to the southward." I must confess that the dividing line between the two great coal-producing members of the formation appears to me a very arbitrary one, and, while it may hold good as regards the distribution in certain localities, is not at all applicable to the system as a whole. I think the points of demarcation ought more properly to be made to coincide with the lowest and highest known coal-beds of workable dimensions in the series. Here in Newfoundland as elsewhere in America, there appear strong grounds for believing that in some cases, the middle coal-measures rest unconformably upon the carboniferous limestone series, without the intervention of mill-stone grit at all; but this is a point not definitely determined as yet. All of these suppositions, once fairly established, have an important bearing on the question of the extent and productiveness of our coal deposits, and when sufficient data are collected upon which to construct a complete section of the entire formation as here displayed, this will be made quite apparent.

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Mr. Murray, in his report for 1873, gave an approximate section from such data as were then in his possession, wherein he represented the probable thickness of the formation as 6,450 feet. I find this to be considerably below the reality; in all likelihood, little more than one-half.

RESULT OF COSTEANING OPERATIONS, CHARACTER OF COAL-DEPOSITS, &c.

On arriving at the outcrop of the Howley seam, on Robinson's River, we immediately commenced uncovering it. Having cut away the timber from the steep, sloping bank on the left side of the river, we then removed the sand, gravel, clay and boulders concealing the surface of the rocks, from the base to the summit of the bank, which here rises about sixty or seventy feet in vertical height. Towards the top the surface accumulation of drift material was so great, and contained such a number of huge boulders embedded in its lower portion, that it was found useless to attempt following the outcrop further in that direction. About one hundred and thirty feet of the coal seam was thoroughly uncovered and exposed along the slope of the hill, with the following result: in the bed of the river, where first seen, the dip is N. 40°, W. magnetic 57°; the thickness here could not well be ascertained, but it appeared to be about four feet and a half. Ten yards on the strike, where it enters the base of the sloping bank, it had thinned to one foot eight inches; but this was subsequently found to be the effect of a very sharp bend in the strata, which had here compressed the seam into these narrow limits. Beyond the turn in the strata, the seam assumes a nearly horizontal attitude for about twenty yards, when it again begins to curve upward till hidden beneath the great deposit of drift on the top of the bank. It increases rapidly in size beyond the bend, at first to two feet and a half, then three feet, three and a half feet, and at its thickest part shows the following section:—

	<i>ft.</i>	<i>in.</i>
Underclay	0	1
Solid, good coal.....	3	0
Good coal in thin layers.....	1	0
Coal and shale, mixed.....	0	4
Shale and clay	0	1
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	4	6
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Coal.....	4	2
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The coal appears to be of an excellent quality throughout. It is of a close texture, dull black color, breaking into square or oblong blocks, and comparatively free from pyrites. The surfaces are much stained with per-oxide of iron, but this is, I believe, derived not from the coal itself, but from the overlying drift, which contains much magnetic iron ore, in the form of disseminated sand and grains, and still oftener as pebbles and boulders of that mineral. The rain-water and drainage of the country, percolating through this gravel, has partially decomposed the iron contained therein, and deposited it on the surfaces and in the cracks of the cleavage planes of the coal deposit. The discoloration disappears where the coal-bed has been washed by the river water, and it is not seen to penetrate into the blocks of the mineral to any depth. The coal was found to burn well in the open air, is a bituminous caking coal, apparently well adapted for steam and household purposes.

All our attempts to trace the seam on the opposite side of the river failed. The bank here for a considerable distance is low and swampy; and, though several deep excavations were made, the enormous accumulation of sand and gravel, encumbered at the bottom with huge boulders, and a rapid influx of water, effectually baffled us. Our attention was next directed to costeaning along the main river, above and below the outcrop, wherever the rocks exposed seemed to give promise of further deposits. Several bands of shale and bluish fireclays were thus uncovered, only a few of which showed layers of impure coal and carbonaceous shale, with a few inches of coal in one or two instances. On a little tributary stream near our camp, two pretty wide beds of clay and shale occur close together, the lower of which contained about one foot four inches of soft, shaly coal, with four inches of good coal at the bottom and two and a half inches at top. The upper bed contained about one foot of impure coaly shale.

Robinson's River is very unfavorable to exploration, owing to the general low character of its banks, and the comparatively few exposures of the rocks along its course. For several miles they are entirely concealed, and the river's bed is choked with a great accumulation of boulders, chiefly derived from the Laurentian Range of hills to the eastward.

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In the meantime, a new seam was discovered some two and a half miles to the eastward upon a tributary brook, the Northern Feeder, and having moved camp to the vicinity of this outcrop, we commenced uncovering this seam. A man named Shears having claimed to have previously discovered it, I have named it after him, the "Shears seam."

Here again we found the country bordering on the river, flat, with few exposures of the rocks for long intervals along its course. In the immediate vicinity of the coal outcrop however, low ledges of nearly horizontal, or gently undulating strata cross the river in several places. These consist chiefly of strong beds of a rather coarse greenish gray conglomerate, characterised by an abundance of opaque white quartz pebbles, usually waterworn, and averaging about the size of an almond nut. This is overlaid by fine-grained, finally micaceous, greenish gray sandstone, in which some stems of fossil trees, like *sigillaria*, are occasionally embedded. The coal is brought to the surface on the axis of a low anticlinal fold in these latter beds, the exposure being for the most part concealed beneath the water of the river, and the great thickness of overlying drift. It was only on the apex of the fold that a clear section of the seam could be obtained after considerable labor in removing the drift above. Here it gave the following section:—

	ft.	in.
Underclay.....	0	3
Hard, bright, clean coal.....	1	2
Clay and shale.....	0	2
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	1	7
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Coal.....	1	2

On the opposite side of the brook several deep cuttings were made, which only resulted in finding a soft blueish fireclay, lying on the flat surface of the rock, and holding fragments of coal and some coaly shale. It was evident that the outcrop of the seam here had been broken up, and most of the coal swept away by glaciation.

The quality of this coal is of superior excellence. It has a brilliant black color, is entirely free from pyrites or other impurities, and

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nearly approaches anthracite in hardness, being, however, more bituminous. It ignites rapidly, gives off but little smoke, and burns with a bright clear flame. When thrown into a glowing fire it at first decrepitates slightly, but this ceases upon its bursting into flame. I have rarely seen a cleaner or more beautiful looking coal, and though the seam is of such small dimensions where uncovered, I believe were it to maintain its thickness of one foot six inches, and its superficial area prove extensive, its superior quality would render it of economic importance.

A considerable amount of costeaning was accomplished along this brook both above and below the Shears seam. Several underclays and beds of impure shaly coal and carbonaceous shale were come across, a few only showing any real coal. One bed, about twenty-five chains further up stream, contained about four inches of slaty coal, and two others, a mile below, exhibited a foot each of soft shaly coal, with a few hard layers running through it. Owing to the flat nature of the country, little can be done here by merely surface exploration, but the indications are such as to warrant the application of a boring rod to determine the character of the underlying deposits.

Returning to Robinson's River, and thence portaging across to the Middle Barachois, where the most complete sections of the coal bearing rocks in the island occur, a long and close investigation of this important locality was entered upon, with very promising results.

In the report for 1873, Mr. Murray has shown that a narrow trough of the middle coal-measures occupies a position about ten miles from the sea-shore, and comes to a point here, where the Jukes' coal-seam outcrops on the river. The structure, as then laid down, was very correct, and our investigation of last season not only confirmed the existence of this trough, by finding the coal outcrops on either side dipping towards each other, but has also been the means of greatly extending it, by the discovery of several seams lower down than those hitherto known to exist.

The Jukes' seam and the Cleary seam, above, were first uncovered on the right bank of the river, where a landship has exposed a considerable portion of the cliff. The Cleary seam was traced downward from the top of the bank till it was found to be suddenly cut off

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by a downthrow fault near the axis of the synclinal curve. It was found again in its normal position one hundred and thirty feet beyond where it is broken by a parallel fault. From this latter it curves upward with a gentle sweep to the top of the bank, forming the eastern side of the trough. Later on, the broken portion of the seam in the middle was discovered some thirty feet below, just at the base of the cliff, and partly concealed beneath the waters of the river. Three measurements, one at either side of the above mentioned faults, and one of the portion of the seam thrown down were made, which gave the following sections:—

CLEARY SEAM, EAST SIDE OF EASTERN FAULT.

	ft.	in.
Underclay.....	0	1
Coal—hard and good.....	1	10
Clay.....	0	2
Clay, with coaly streaks.....	0	4
Shale and clay.....	1	2
Carbonaceous shale.....	0	5
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	4	0
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Coal.....	2	0

CLEARY SEAM, WEST SIDE WESTERN FAULT.

	ft.	in.
Underclay.....	0	1½
Coal—hard and good.....	2	1
Clay and shale.....	0	9
Coal.....	0	1
Clay and shale.....	0	5
Carbonaceous shale.....	0	2
Shale and clay.....	0	4½
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	4	0
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Coal.....	2	2

The broken part of the seam let down by the faults measured, as well as could be ascertained, four feet eight inches, with two feet six inches of good solid coal at bottom, and about two inches of carbonaceous shale at top.

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The Jukes seam is situated between ninety and one hundred feet lower down in the section. It was first uncovered on the side of the main river, on the west side of the trough, where it was seen and examined by Mr. Murray in 1873. This is also supposed to be the point where it was originally seen by Mr. J. B. Jukes, F.G.S., in 1840. The bank of clay and gravel overlying it here was first removed to such an extent as to afford a good, clear section of the coal, which was traced outward to the water of the river; and a pit being sunk through the gravel, on the opposite side of the river, in the line of strike, it was again met with. We next ran a line through the woods on the strike of the seam northward, and sunk several trial pits along this line, which in every case resulted in finding the coal at greater or less depth, according to the thickness of the surface deposits. At a distance of eleven chains on the strike, it crosses a deep ravine, through which a small tributary brook wends its way. The banks on either side the ravine being very steep, and rising some sixty feet above the river's bed, afforded, when stripped, splendid sections. On the eastern side, near the top, a sudden swelling out of the seam takes place, caused by the occurrence of an intercalated mass of sandstone, partially splitting the seam in two; but it comes together again lower down, and assumes its normal proportions, which it maintains up the opposite slope. The strike of this seam is exceedingly straight so far as traced, and the average angle of inclination, which also varies but little, is about 59° .

Four different measurements, or cross sections, at right angles to the inclination of the bed, were made, two at the first outcrop on the main river, one at the wide part of the seam, east side of ravine, and one on the west side of the ravine. Later on when this same seam was recognized amongst those uncovered on the eastern side of the trough, on the main river, another measurement was made; being five in all. The openings at the two extremes, following the strike of the seam, are situated just twenty-four chains apart, which should afford a fair average of the character and thickness, throughout; and the details of each measurement, as given below, which were very carefully taken, can be relied upon for accuracy. Taking each measurement in the order in which they succeed each other, and beginning with the last-mentioned, they exhibit the following sections:—

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JUKES' SEAM, EAST SIDE OF TROUGH.

	<i>ft.</i>	<i>in.</i>
Underclay	0	1
Good, bright, clean coal	2	6
Clay, with soft, shaly coal	1	0
Coal, shale and clay (mixed)	1	3
Clay, with thin strings of coal	0	4
Clay and shale	0	4
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	5	6
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Coal	4	4

JUKES' SEAM, WEST SIDE OF TROUGH.

	<i>ft.</i>	<i>in.</i>
Underclay	0	2½
Coal—hard and bright	1	8
Clay	0	5½
Coal—soft, shaly, with clay streaks	0	9
Clay, with thin coal layers	0	4½
Clay	0	2½
Clay, shale and coaly matter	0	8
Carbonaceous shale and clay	0	4
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Coal	3	0

JUKES' SEAM, SECOND MEASUREMENT.

	<i>ft.</i>	<i>in.</i>
Underclay	0	2½
Coal—hard and bright	1	8
Clay	0	1
Coal—good	0	2
Clay	0	4
Soft, shaly coal, with clay streaks	0	9
Clay, with thin coaly layers	0	8½
Clay, shale and coaly matter	0	10
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	4	8
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Coal	3	2

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JUKES' SEAM, EAST SIDE OF RAVINE, AT ITS WIDEST PART.

	<i>ft.</i>	<i>in.</i>
Underclay.....	0	1
Coal—hard, bright and good.....	3	0
Clay.....	0	5
Coal, clay and shale (mixed).....	0	9½
Clay, with thin coal layers.....	0	7
Coal—hard and bright.....	0	4½
Clay, shale and rock.....	1	0
Good, bright coal.....	1	4¼
Shaly coal.....	0	4
Clay, with thin coal layers.....	0	5
Good, bright coal.....	1	5½
Clay, shale and coaly matter.....	1	8
	11	6
Coal.....	8	0

JUKES' SEAM, WEST SIDE OF RAVINE.

	<i>ft.</i>	<i>in.</i>
Underclay.....	0	3
Coal—hard and good.....	2	8
Clay.....	0	2½
Coal—good.....	1	3½
Clay.....	0	5½
Shaly coal.....	0	2
Clay and shale.....	0	4½
	5	5
Coal.....	4	2

It will be seen from the above measurements that the mean average thickness of the Jukes seam reaches six feet four inches, carrying four feet six inches of coal. The close proximity of the Cleary seam above, and another, named the one-and-a-half foot seam, below, all of which might be worked conjointly, together with the character of the coal, which is of a very superior quality, should render this a most valuable deposit.

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The coal in the Cleary seam closely resembles, in external appearance, that of the Sydney mines, Cape Breton. It is bright, tolerably hard, and breaks into square and oblong blocks, with smooth, glossy cleavage faces, which occasionally exhibit thin scales of iron pyrites. It is a bituminous caking coal, burns well in an open grate, and leaves a nearly white ash. That of the Jukes seam is entirely different, and as far as I am aware, unlike anything in the Cape Breton coal-field. It presents a brilliant glistening black appearance, breaks into small fragments, and is very brittle, resembling in this respect some of the Welsh coals. Parts of the bed exhibit a smooth slicken-sided surface. Although it apparently contains very little pyrites, yet it is much stained, or rather tarnished, with oxide of iron, presenting a most beautiful irised coloration, resembling, and almost rivalling, the Cape of Good Hope erubescite in brilliancy. It burns freely in the open air, giving off but little smoke, and leaves a white ash residue. Though very bituminous, it does not clog the bars of a grate, and altogether seems remarkably free from impurities and may thus be classed amongst the very best qualities of household coals.

A vast amount of costeaning was carried on along the slopes, and near the water's edge on both sides of the river, both above and below the outcrops already described. This resulted in the uncovering of twelve other seams on the western side of the trough, and eight on the eastern side, the latter being repetitions of the former, with an opposite inclination. Most of these are small seams containing but little coal, and are chiefly made up of shale and clay. One section of about eighty feet in thickness, immediately below the Jukes seam, contains four separate seams, of the following dimensions, taken in descending order :—

ONE AND-A-HALF FOOT SEAM.

	<i>ft.</i>	<i>in.</i>
Underclay.....	0	3
Good coal.....	1	6
Clay, shale, and coaly matter.....	0	8
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	2	5
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Coal.....	1	6

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SLATY SEAM.

	ft.	in.
Underclay	0	2½
Coal—hard and brittle.....	0	4
Soft shaly coal and clay.....	0	6
Clay.....	0	3½
Impure coal and black carbonaceous shale.	1	6½
Shale and clay.....	0	6½
Carbonaceous shale.....	0	2

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 Carbonaceous shale and coal.. 1 4

CLAY SEAM.

	ft.	in.
Underclay	0	1
Impure shaly coal	0	2
Soft coaly clay and shales.....	1	6
Shaly coal.....	0	2
Clay and coaly matter.....	1	6
Good coal.....	0	3

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 Coal..... 1 8

ROCKY SEAM.

	ft.	in.
Underclay	0	3
Clay and impure coal streaks.....	2	0
Shale and soft sandstone	1	10
Good coal.....	0	5

 4 6

 Coal..... 1 5

Below this, in a section of about 2,600 feet, five or six small seams, showing more or less coal, coaly clay, and shale, occur; but none of them are worth particularizing. At 2,200 feet below the Jukes seam, a new seam was discovered, which I have named after the late Director of the Survey, Alexander Murray, C.M.G., F.G.S. The frequent occurrence of extensive land-slides laying bare the cliffs along the

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river's banks, afforded good opportunities for examining sections of the rocks, all of which were availed of. At this particular point, an immense amount of sand-gravel boulders, with the heavy surface growth of trees, had been precipitated into the river, forming a barrier nearly half across its course. A high steep cliff had been laid bare thereby, the appearance of which near the top attracted my attention. It was a very difficult place to reach, and this could only be accomplished by digging foot-holes in the steep face of the bank. Coal was seen in several places, and what appeared a very wide seam was come across in one place. Having moved camp to this locality, we began to strip the face of the cliff downward on both sides of the river. On the right side, the seam was uncovered for forty or fifty yards on its strike. Here it dips exactly east magnetic, at an angle of 38° and the following section was obtained:—

MURRAY SEAM, RIGHT SIDE OF RIVER.

	<i>ft.</i>	<i>in.</i>
Tough underclay	0	3
Coal—very hard and tough	1	1
Tough shale and clay	0	10
Coal—hard and tough.....	0	10
Shale and clay	1	3
Coal—tough	0	4
Clay, shale and rock.....	0	4
Alternate layers of coal, carbonaceous shale and clay.....	2	0
Tough, shaly rock.....	0	9
Coal, shale, and clay (mixed).....	1	6
Clay and shale.....	1	0
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	10	2
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Coal.....	4	9

SECTION ON LEFT SIDE OF RIVER.

	<i>ft.</i>	<i>in.</i>
Tough, shaly underclay	0	3
Coal and carbonaceous shale	0	10
Stiff clay and shale	0	0
Soft coaly layers and thin coal streaks....	0	9
Stiff shaly coal.....	0	7

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	<i>ft.</i>	<i>in.</i>
Impure shaly coal, with layers of good coal	0	11
Stiff clay and shale.....	0	4
Soft shaly coal.....	0	4
Shale and soft sandstone.....	1	3
Impure shaly coal, with thin layers of good coal.....	1	3
Rotten shaly rock.....	1	6
Soft shaly coal.....	1	3
Rotten rock, shale and clay.....	1	0
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	10	0
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Coal.....	5	4

The quality of this coal is somewhat inferior: it is of a dull earthy color, much stained at the outcrop with oxide of iron. Though not hard, it is very tough, as are also the shaly divisions. It required considerable labor to remove the latter with a pick, so as to obtain good specimens of the coal. On testing it in the open air, it was nevertheless, found to burn quite freely and make a good fire, leaving a considerable amount of ash.

Immediately beneath the Murray seam, on the left side of the river, another small seam of one foot in thickness, showing about seven inches of soft coal, occurs; and on the right side, two small seams, one about the same dimensions, and the lower one about a foot and a half. This latter is chiefly composed of a very black glistening carbonaceous shale, like a graphite, with a few thin layers of real coal running through it. About 250 feet lower down in the section, a seam of three feet of soft shale and clay, having six inches of soft coal in middle, was uncovered. Only two other shaly beds showing any sign of coal were observed below this.

On the eastern side of the trough, up the river, as already mentioned, the Cleary, Jukes, One-and-a-half foot, Slaty, Clay and Rocky seams were all recognized again, in their regular order of succession. Here, also, two other small seams, not seen on the west side, were uncovered—one between the Cleary and Jukes, measuring one foot seven inches, with but a few inches of soft coal, and the other between

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the Jukes and One-and-a-half foot seams, also showing a few inches of bright, hard coal. Three quarters of a mile up stream, two thick beds of tough ferruginous shale crop out, close together—one, five feet thick, and the other, three feet. Both contain coal in thin layers and irregular patches. Two more similar beds occur half a mile above this, one of which is six feet thick, with one-and-a-half feet of impure shaly coal and about five inches of hard coal in thin layers. Still further up, a few thin shaly beds also contained a trifling amount of coal. The aggregate thickness of all these seams on the west side of the trough gives between eighteen and twenty feet of coal. If we add to this the seams on Robinson's River and the Northern Feeder, we have a total of about twenty-seven feet altogether, which is about ten feet less than that of the North Sydney section. There are good grounds, however, for believing that other seams not yet discovered exist in this neighborhood, especially in the central part of the trough. Many fragments of loose coal were observed in the gravel overlying the highest seam (the Cleary), which, judging from their character and position, were apparently derived from a still higher seam. The enormous thickness of gravel, sand and boulders, forming the surface deposits of the country here, rendered unavailing all our efforts to reach the position which such a seam would be likely to occupy.

On visiting the Riviere Blanche on the north side of the Bay, the McGrath seam was first examined. It is described by Mr. Murray in the report for 1873 as an "imperfect bed of coal intercalated into a mass of coarse sandstone," but as it has no proper underclay or roof of shale, and thins out entirely in a few yards on the strike, he did not consider it a true coal-seam. It presents the appearance of a mass of vegetable matter washed together in a hollow of the ancient surface, in the manner of some alluvial deposits of the present time. Its greatest thickness does not exceed fifteen inches. Although it burns fairly well and makes a good fire in an open grate, it contains a considerable amount of iron pyrites. Another small seam occurs some twenty chains further up stream, which has a thick layer of a dull whitish underclay, but contains only about six inches of coal and coaly shale. The roof of this bed is filled with most beautiful impressions of fossil ferns, in an admirable state of preservation.

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Sections of large fossil trees are also quite abundant, embedded in the coarse sand-stones both above and below. Sometimes they are seen lying prostrate on the worn surfaces of the bedding, while quite frequently they are found standing upright as they grew, but the roots generally appear to be wanting.

No other coal-seams were seen in place anywhere along this river, yet loose fragments were picked up or found embedded in the overlying gravel at several points. The country generally is pretty flat, and the few exposures of the rocks indicate a nearly level or gently undulating section, probably not exceeding six or seven hundred feet in thickness altogether. The application of the boring rod might, however, reveal the presence of other seams of more importance in this locality, and the indications are certainly sufficiently promising to warrant a fair trial. A small seam of coal was reported as occurring on the Romains or Kippins River some miles further west, but I had not an opportunity of visiting it.

OTHER ECONOMIC SUBSTANCES OF THE REGION.

Coal is by no means the only valuable economic material which this district of country is capable of producing, though undoubtedly second to none in point of importance.

IRON ORES.

An immense deposit of magnetic iron ore has been recently discovered in the Long Range of Mountains, some eight or ten miles from the head of St. George's Bay. It is quite evident also, that this discovery is but the precursor of others of a similar character. Ore, apparently of the same quality, is found abundantly scattered through the surface deposits overlying the carboniferous series, especially along the courses of the principal rivers. On the Middle Barachois, the loose boulders and pebbles of this ore were so abundant as to lead to the supposition that the gravel deposits might almost be worked economically. At all events the source from whence it has been derived cannot be far distant, while it is certainly presumable that so much loose material indicates vast deposits of the ore some-

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where in the mountain range to the eastward. In the neighborhood of Cairn Mt. at the head of Flat Bay River, magnetite has been long known, and good specimens were shown me last fall said to have been procured on the north side of the bay.

PYRITES.

This mineral is not common amongst the carboniferous rocks of Bay St. George (proper), though quite abundant in the Lower Silurian shales of Port-au-Port Bay. A deposit which is represented of a very promising character has been discovered in the east bay of Port-au-Port. Specimens of this mineral sent to New York for analysis yielded 64 per cent. of sulphur. It is the variety known as Marcasite containing arsenic. Pyrites has recently attained considerable prominence in this country, as a valuable commercial product. The immense deposit at the pyrites mine on Pilley's Island, Notre Dame Bay, which has been very successfully mined for some years past, has created quite a boom. The ore is all shipped to the United States, where it is used in the manufacture of sulphuric acid and green vitriol, or coppers. Quite recently, I understand, the iron residue of the ore, hitherto considered valueless, has been found to possess qualities rendering it especially adapted for the manufacture of the best varieties of steel. This discovery will of course greatly enhance the value of this class of ores in the future.

COPPER.

The green carbonate of copper was observed in one or two places forming a coating on the carboniferous sand-stones, and in one instance the surface of a piece of coal was similarly stained. The late Mr. Hugh Fletcher, mining engineer, reported in 1874 having seen a thin vein of sulphuret of copper on the Middle Barachois River, but too small to be of any importance. The ores of copper, as well as native or metallic copper, were shown to exist in several places further north, on the shores of Port-au-Port, and Bay of Islands; (see reports for 1873-74).

LEAD.

Galena or sulphuret of lead is also referred to in the above reports as one of the mineral products of Port-au-Port peninsula, and I understand it has recently been discovered on the mainland east of

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Port-au-Port Bay. No indications of this ore were come across, this season, anywhere amongst the carboniferous deposits of St. George's Bay.

BARYTA.

Good specimens of this mineral, also derived from Port-au-Port Bay, were shown me by Mr. G. McKay who had been prospecting in that locality. I have not heard of its existence anywhere in St. George's Bay.

GYPSUM.

Mr. Murray in the report for 1873, gives it as his opinion that there is probably no equal area in North America which exhibits a greater volume of this mineral than that surrounding St. George's Bay, and in the Codroy Valley. The principal localities where it occurs in great masses were then pointed out. Further deposits were observed this season on the upper reaches of the Middle Barachois River. Here it was seen to strike along the course of the stream in low outcrops, near the water's edge, for a considerable distance. At some points it formed thick deposits, of a soft, plastic, but very tenacious nature, and frequently pure white in color. Some of this, dried in the sun, became very hard. It is necessary, however, to calcine and grind the material before using it for stucco purposes. The impure and inferior varieties are useful, when ground, for improving the fertility of soils, and are thus a most valuable adjunct to agriculture. I have not the latest reports of the Inspector of Mines of Nova Scotia at hand to refer to, but I find in his report for 1887, that the Province exported, during that year, no less than 116,346 tons, valued at \$110,635; this was for the crude material. Were it calcined and ground on the spot, and exported in that condition ready for immediate use, its value would be greatly enhanced.

MICA.

Mica, in fine particles and as micaceous sand, is very abundantly distributed through the carboniferous deposits, and in the overlying drift. In costeaning for coal at one place on Robinson's River, a thick bed of this very micaceous sand was met with, of a golden yellow color, which, when rubbed or brushed over any flat surface, produced a perfect bronzed coating, and appeared to me as though it might be utilized in that manner. As a sand, it is very beautiful.

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Plates of the mineral, of several inches in length, have been procured amongst the Laurentian rocks of the Long Range Mountains, and it is reported that some of a much greater size had been seen.

BUILDING AND OTHER USEFUL MATERIAL.

The lower measures of the carboniferous formation, especially, are prolific in admirable building material—sandstones, freestones, grindstones, whetstones, limestones, &c. The sandstones present a variety of color and consistency, from dark brick red, through various shades, till it merges into yellowish, greyish, greenish, and white, and from coarse grit to very fine-grained freestone. Some of the grindstones used by the inhabitants are pronounced much superior to those imported. In 1887, the latest date in which I have any returns from Nova Scotia, that province exported \$32,669 worth of grindstones alone. The limestones, which abound in this portion of the formation, are well adapted for burning into quicklime, and are often suitable for building stones. The Laurentian Range would afford an infinite variety of granites, syenites, &c., many of which are very beautiful. Brick clays, and such as are well adapted for the manufacture of coarse pottery, abound, more especially along the shores of Flat Bay and at Bank Head. The frequent occurrence of brine-springs leads to the supposition that deposits of mineral salt may be looked for here. These brine-springs are usually found in the vicinity of the great masses of gypsum, and as Mr. Murray has pointed out, would appear to be in some way connected with the latter deposits.

SOILS.

In a paper published by me last June on the above subject, it was pretty clearly demonstrated why the soils of this district of country were believed to be of such a superior character. I have seen nothing during the past season to alter the views there set forth, but everything to confirm them. I can therefore add nothing, even were it necessary, to strengthen the position then taken, beyond the fact that the rich interval lands, especially on the upper reaches of Robinson's, Middle Barachois, and Riviere Blanche, are much more extensive than I had supposed. Unfortunately, none of these tracts

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are accessible to settlers at present, and must remain in their useless condition until the construction of lines of road renders them available. Without these necessary aids to agricultural settlement it is useless to speak of utilizing our waste lands, except indeed such as are situated immediately on the seaboard, or on the estuaries of the larger rivers, nearly all of which are already occupied.

CONCLUSION.

There can be no doubt that the district surrounding the Bay of St. George contains more tangible elements of wealth, and more decided inducements to settlers provided the proper facilities are afforded for utilizing these resources, than any other district of the island. The possession of coal and iron in available quantities are in themselves a basis of prosperity second to none other. The immense importance of their development, and the impetus they will undoubtedly give to other industries following thereon, must exert a most beneficial effect, not only upon this district, but upon the whole Island. Much of Britain's prosperity is certainly due to her possession of large supplies of coal, and on this side of the Atlantic it has been one of the greatest factors in the building up of the gigantic prosperity of the United States. Nova Scotia's coal has been the backbone of her existence, and even little Cape Breton Island, which without it would be but a very insignificant Province, bids fair to become one of the chief centres of the manufacturing industry of the Dominion. As an instance of the influence coal mining has been known to exert upon other industrial pursuits, and the increase of population, I quote the following from Brown's "Coal fields and Coal trade of Cape Breton":—"Lancashire, which a few centuries ago was looked upon as a kind of morass or waste, and one of the poorest counties in England, now, owing to its coal mines, has a population of 1,280 persons to the square mile; while the principal agricultural counties have only from 148 to 230 persons to the square mile."

To come nearer home, Cape Breton Island itself has an area of only 4,375 square miles with a population in 1888 of 84,500, or a fraction over nineteen to the square mile, while Newfoundland with its great area of 42,000 square miles, shows only a proportion of four individuals.

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THE MUSEUM.

The interest manifested in this institution shows no signs of abating. In my last year's report I pointed out the advantages already accruing to the public through its means, especially to the younger portion of the community, from an educational point of view. I am happy to say the Government so far recognized its importance, as to increase the appropriation for its maintenance to \$800. This sum has enabled me to make many valuable additions to the collection, which is yet, however, far from being a complete exhibit of all the varied resources of the country. The natural history sections are very meagre in specimens, still a constant addition to the latter from various sources is taking place, and I expect in the course of a year or so to make those very interesting and attractive sections of the museum objects of pleasure and instruction to visitors. The cases containing the ornithological portion of the collection are entirely unsuited for the proper and systematic arrangement of the specimens. They are those which were used at the Fisheries Exhibition in London, and were never intended for their present purpose. It will be necessary to have them altered or replaced by new ones.

Although the exhibits from the museum sent to the Barcelona Exhibition were not by any means as good or comprehensive as could have been shown, were sufficient time and means placed at my disposal, they were, nevertheless, awarded two diplomas and two medals for merit, which are now to be seen in the museum. It is to be hoped when next we are called upon to take part in a similar exposition, the museum will be in a position to supply a very much more elaborate and creditable display of the country's mineral and other resources.

Many of the visitors to the museum during the past year have contributed articles of more or less value to the collection, for which I now beg to tender my thanks on behalf of the public. To His Excellency Sir Terence O'Brien, who has evinced great interest in the institution since his arrival amongst us, we are indebted for a most interesting addition to the numismatic section, in the shape of a very complete suite of Russian, German, Austrian and East Indian coins. The Prefect of the West Coast, Very Rev. Dr. Howley, has also lent a number of coins, some of which have quite an historic interest. He is the donor, also, of an old medal dug up at Ferryland,

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supposed to be a relic of Lord Baltimore's colony, a pair of wooden shoes or sabots, and a Chinese opium pipe. Mr. T. D. Scanlan contributed an Indian clay pipe, and an arrow of the Modoc tribe picked up on the spot where General Custer, of the U. S. Army, was slain in 1870. Mr. Richard Walsh, of Little Bay, has presented two finely-wrought Zulu assegais, an arrow, and a wooden staff, or wand, from South Africa. Mr. Richard Meagher, an Irish pike head; Mr. J. Ryan, a copper plate from the Arctic regions, with an inscription recording the death of a seaman of H. M. S. *Enterprise*, in 1849; Mr. Joseph Francis, a large hermit-crab from Hermitage Bay; Mr. Walcott, of the U. S. Geological Survey, who visited this country a few years ago to study the Lower Cambrian formation here, has presented the museum with a number of most interesting fossils of that epoch, chiefly from the shales of Manuel's Brook, near Topsail, in Conception Bay. They are comprised in the following list:—

- Hyolithes princeps*—Billings.
Hyolithes impar—Ford.
Hyolithes Terranovicus—Walcott.
Agraulus strenuus—Billings.
Scennella reticulata—Billings.
Kutorgina Labradorica—Billings.
Obolella Atlantica—Walcott.
Helenia Bella—Walcott.
Stenotheca rugosa, (var)—Walcott.
Ptychoparia Attleboroughensis—S. & F.
Microdiscus bella-marginatus—S. & F.
Solenoplenra bombifrons—Matthew.
Olenellus Broggeri, (fossil and photo)—Walcott.
Conocoryphe trilineata, Washington County, N. Y.—Emons.
Mesonacis Vermontana, Georgia, Vermont, (cast)—Hall.

There have been acquired, during last season, the following natural history specimens, all pertaining to the country:—

ZOOLOGICAL AND ORNITHOLOGICAL.

One yellow fox, *vulpes fulvus*; one pine martin, *Mustela Americana*; one Arctic hare, *Lepus glacialis*; two loons, *Colymbus torquatus*; a small hawk, *Accipiter* (?); a Carolina or mourning dove, *Zenaidura Carolinensis*; a shore lark, *Eremophila Alpestris*; a golden-winged woodpiker, or flicker, female, *Colaptes Auratus*; an orange-crowned warbler, *Helminthophila celata*.

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ICHTHYOLOGICAL.

One cod-fish, *gadus morhua*; herring, *clupea harengus*; capelin, *mallothus villosus*; squid, *Loligo Pealii*.

The collection is now assuming such an intrinsic value, apart altogether from its utility and the general interest it excites, that I would beg to draw your attention to the advisability of effecting some insurance upon it. It is true no amount of money could replace it thoroughly, were it destroyed by fire, or otherwise; yet, as it has cost the colony a considerable sum up to the present time, it would be a satisfaction to know that this expenditure was secured by insurance, at least to some extent. Hoping the above suggestion may meet with the consideration it deserves,

I have the honor to be, Sir,

Your obedient servant,

JAMES P. HOWLEY.

Since writing the above report, I have been favored by the Hon. Philip Cleary with the analysis of three of the principal coal-seams on his leases. These analyses were made by Mr. Andrew McCreath, of Harrisburg, Penn. Considering the specimens submitted were all taken from the surface outcrops of the seams, and were consequently much weatherworn and otherwise injuriously affected, the result of the test may be considered very favorable, showing a good average coal :—

	CLEARY SEAM.	JUKES' SEAM.	HOWLEY SEAM.
Water	3.548	3.036	2.784
Volatile matter....	30.897	30.344	29.271
Fixed carbon	55.229	60.142	54.468
Sulphur	3.946	1.963	3.047
Ash.....	6.380	4.515	10.430
	100.000	100.000	100.000

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Consolidated Statement of Surveyor

To 1 timber lease.....		\$100 00
1 fee-simple mining grant.....	25 00	
13 notices of staking.....	650 00	
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Fees on agricultural grants.....	497 24	
Fees on free grants.....	12 00	
Fees on licenses of occupation.....	1 00	
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Fees received on agricultural grants out of payments of bonus on cleared land.....		1,090 65
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		<u>\$2,375 89</u>

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General's Cash Account for the year 1889.

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By repairs office furniture and incidentals.....	\$ 30 41	
Cab hire	19 50	
Survey expenses	28 40	
Post office box and postage.....	5 95	
Gas account and repairs.....	20 10	
Stationery	38 07	
Repairing survey instruments.....	34 50	
		176 94
D. J. Henderson, fee refunded		50 00
Paid fencing Albion Place.....		18 00
Paid M. Flannigan, surrender claim on land at Salmon Cove Station.....		20 00
Paid Treasury.....		2,110 95
		<u>\$2,375 89</u>

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*Abstract of Payments of bonus on clearing land under the Acts 49
Victoria, cap. 3, and 50 Victoria cap. 12.*

No. of payments.	Acres.	Roods.	Perches.	Amount paid.
2,424	2,666	2	37	\$32,097 14

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Fee-Simple Mining Grants.

- No. 1. May 17, 1882—Little Bay Mine : to Adolph Guzman, Wm. Stirling, Henry Eales and William Parsons Colchester, Trustee for Louise Ellershausen
- No. 2. Jan. 17, 1883—South side of South W. Arm of Green Bay, "Colchester" Mine: to Edward White, Jas. J. Rogerson, Stephen Rendell, Ambrose Shea, Alex. Graham and John Steer.
- No. 3. June 30, 1883—South side of South W. Arm of Green Bay, "Naked Man Mine": to Edward White, J. J. Rogerson, Stephen Rendell, Ambrose Shea, Alex. Graham and John Steer.
- No. 4. Sep. 17, 1884—Sunday Cove Island: to Philip Cleary. —
- No. 5. " " —Crescent Lake, Rabbits Arm: to P. Cleary.
- No. 6. Dec. 20, 1888—Pilley's Island: to Archibald McNichol, Jas. Murchie and Lewis A. Mills.
- No. 7. " " —Salt Water Pond, Pilley's Island: to Archibald McNichol, Jas. Murchie and Lewis A. Mills.

Mining Leases.

- No. 8. Nov. 10, 1868—On the point of land between S. W. Arm and Western Arm: to John Browning and Robert Gregory Knight.
- No. 9. June 29, 1874—South side of S. W. Arm, Green Bay: to Ed. White, James J. Rogerson, Stephen Rendell, Alex. Graham, Ambrose Shea, John Steer and William Knight.
- No. 10. Dec. 29, 1874—N. E. side of Pilley's Island: to James Baird and James Goodfellow.
- No. 11. Aug. 7, 1877—South side of S. W. Arm: to Ed. White and Gilbert Browning.
- No. 12. Jan. 4, 1879—Island Rock Cove, Hall's Bay : to T. Peyton.
- No. 13. Dec. 31, 1878—Between Western Arm and Middle Arm, Gn. Bay: to James Norris, jr.
- No. 14. Apl. 1, 1879—Shoal Arm, Little Bay: to Josiah Colbourne and Henry Knight.

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Mining Leases,—(Continued).

- No. 15. Apl. 23, 1881—Otter Island, Little Bay: to Henry Eales.
- No. 16. Jne. 13, 1881—Bumble-Bee Cove, Pilley's Island: to Alex. Smith, David Baird and James Goodfellow.
- No. 17. " " —Stag Island, North of Long Island: to Thos. Avery.
- No. 18. " " —Wild Bight, Little Bay: to Smith McKay.
- No. 19. " " —Hardrix, or Seal Island: to S. H. Knight.
- No. 20. " " —Inland, South side of S. W. Arm: to Edward White.
- No. 21. " " —Jerry's Harbor, Sunday Cove Island: to Philip Cleary.
- No. 22. " " —South of Chaney Head, Sunday Cove Island: to Philip Cleary.
- No. 23. Jan. 14, 1885—Lady Pond, inland from Little Bay: to Henrietta Wilson.
- No. 24. Nov 20, 1885—Indian Bight, Little Bay: to Hugh Mackay Matheson and Charles Magniac.
- No. 25. Mar 31, 1887—Mouth of Indian Brook, Hall's Bay: to The Newfoundland Consolidated Copper Mining Company.
- No. 26. " " —Inland from bottom of Little Bay: to The Newfoundland Consolidated Copper Mining Company.
- No. 27. " " —Whale's Back Pond, N. W. from bottom of Little Bay: to Hugh Mackay Matheson and Charles Magniac.
- No. 28. " " —North side of Hall's Bay: to New Glasgow and Newfoundland Mining Company.
- No. 29. " " —North side of Hall's Bay: to New Glasgow and Newfoundland Mining Company.
- No. 30. " " —Duck Island, between Badger Bay and Sop's Arm: to D. J. Henderson and Jabez Tilley.
- No. 31. " " —Hall's Bay Head, South side of Little Bay: to George Osmond, Thos. Osmond, John R. Stewart, George Taylor and John Osmond.

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Mining Leases,—(Concluded).

- No. 32. Oct. 9, 1888—Near Davis's Pond, inland from Little Bay: to Charles O'Brien Reddin.
- No. 33. Jan. 4, 1890—Sunday Cove Island: to Fred. W. Andrew, Horace M. Herbert and Andrew Whyte.
- No. 34. Apl. 1, 1890—Bottom of Rabbits Arm: to Philip Cleary.
- No. 35. " " —Inland from Island Rock Cove, Hall's Bay: to Moses Monroe.

Notices of Staking.

- No. 36. May 10, 1889—by John Delaney: North side of Little Bay.
- No. 37. Aug 12, 1889—by P. Cleary: South West corner of Pilley's Island.
- No. 38. Aug 23, 1889—by P. Cleary: South side of Sunday Cove Is'ld.
- No. 39. Aug 10, 1889—by Patrick Burke and Patrick Curran: North side of Little Bay.

Application for Lease after Staking.

- No. 40. Nov 21, 1889—by Richard Walsh and George H. Emerson: at Little Bay, west of mineral grant to Adolph Guzman, Wm. Stirling and others.

Applications for Mining Leases of 1 square mile, out of Licenses to Search.

- No. 41. Sep. 15, 1879—by A. M. Mackay, S. H. Knight, Gilb't. Browning, W. J. Eaton, Thos. K. Batstone, George Stark, James Bowers and Charles Landown: Inland from and south of S. W. Arm, and west of Western Arm, Green Bay.
- No. 42. Jan. 22, 1880—by John McKenzie, Gilbert Browning and James Browning: Point of land between S. W. Arm and Western Arm.
- No. 43. Apl. 5, 1880—by John McKenzie, Gilbert Browning and James Browning: at the bottom, and on the south side S. W. Arm.

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Applications for Mining Leases of 1 square
mile, &c.,—(Continued).

- No. 44. Apl. 8, 1880—by John McKenzie, Gilbert Browning and James Browning: at the bottom of Southern Arm.
- No. 45. Apl. 9, 1880—by James Goodfellow, James A. Whiteford and David Baird: on the South side of S. W. Arm.
- No. 46. May 26, 1880—by Gilbert Browning and James Browning: South side of Western Arm.
- No. 47. “ “ —by Gilbert Browning and James Browning: North side of Southern Arm.
- No. 48. Aug 20, 1880—by Edward White, Gilbert Browning and Jas. Goodfellow: Inland, South side S. W. Arm.
- No. 49. Jan. 31, 1881—by Philip Cleary: between Sop's Arm and Badger Bay.
- No. 50. “ “ —by Philip Cleary: inland from Rabbits Arm.
- No. 51. “ “ — ditto ditto ditto.
- No. 52. “ “ — ditto ditto ditto.
- No. 53. Feb. 1, 1881—by Moses Monroe: South side of Hall's Bay Head.
- No. 54. Feb. 14, 1881—by F. Ellershausen: inland from Rabbits Arm.
- No. 55. “ “ — ditto ditto ditto.
- No. 56. “ “ — ditto ditto ditto.
- No. 57. “ “ — ditto ditto ditto.
- No. 58. “ “ — ditto between Rabbits Arm and Sunday Cove Island Tickle.
- No. 59. “ “ —by F. Ellerhausen: on the South side of Hall's Bay.
- No. 60. Jne 17, 1881—by Moses Monroe: bottom of Rabbits Arm.
- No. 61. Jne 18, 1882—by Wm. P. Sheppard: inland on the East side of Indian Brook, Hall's Bay.
- No. 62. “ “ —by Wm. P. Sheppard: ditto ditto.
- No. 63. Aug 12, 1882—by George J. Steer: west of Mansfield's Head, Hall's Bay.

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Applications for Mining Leases of 1 square
mile, &c.,—(Continued).

- No. 64. Nov 28, 1882—by John Steer and Edward White, sr. : between S. W. Arm and Hall's Bay.
- No. 65. Dec. 5, 1882—by Ed. White, sr., and Wm. Stirling: North side of Little Bay.
- No. 66. Dec 13, 1882—by Moses Monroe: between Sop's Arm and Rabbits Arm.
- No. 67. " " —by John McNeil: South side of Southern Arm.
- No. 68. Jan. 9, 1883—by John Steer and Edward White, sr.: inland between S. W. Arm and Hall's Bay.
- No. 69. " " —by J. Steer and E. White, sr. : inland from bottom of S. W. Arm.
- No. 70. " " —by John Steer and E. White, sr. : inland from bottom S. W. Arm.
- No. 71. " " —by John Steer: inland from bottom S. W. Arm.
- No. 72. " " — ditto ditto ditto.
- No. 73. " " — ditto ditto ditto.
- No. 74. Jan 11, 1883—by Alex. McDougall: ditto ditto.
- No. 75. " " — ditto ditto ditto.
- No. 76. " " —by S. H. Knight and A. M. Mackay: inland on South side of South West Arm, Green Bay.
- No. 77. " " —by S. H. Knight and A. M. Mackay: inland on South side of South W. Arm, Green Bay.
- No. 78. Jan 16, 1883—by John LeMessurier and Wm. Stirling, M.D.: inland from Little Bay.
- No. 79. Apl 23, 1883—by Charles Hutchings, Garrett Dooley and Euphemia Hutchings : North West side of Indian Pond, between Hall's Bay and Grand Pond.
- No. 80. " " —by Charles Hutchings, Garrett Dooley and Euphemia Hutchings: North West side of Indian Pond, between Hall's Bay and Grand Pond.

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Applications for Mining Leases of 1 square mile, &c.,—(Concluded).

- No. 81. Jne 12, 1883—by A. J. W. McNeily: South side of S. West Arm.
- No. 82. Mar. 3, 1884—by Kenneth R. Prowse, W. M. Barnes, Wm. Cook, Charles Hutchings, Alex. Jack, James Phelan, R. Aylward, J. L. Duchemin and M. Tobin: South side Western Arm of Sop's Arm.
- No. 83. May 26, 1884—by Henrietta Wilson: North side Hall's Bay.
- No. 84. June 2, 1884—by Henrietta Wilson, John T. Furlong and J. W. Foran: North side of the bottom of Little Bay.
- No. 85. Sep. 9, 1885—by Philip Cleary: at the bottom Rabbits Arm.

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Return of Mining Applications and Notices

Date.	Regis-try.	Name.	Residence.
Aprl. 1	Vol. Fol.	Gordon McKay	Newport, Rhode Island. }
		John J. McDonald	Boston, Massachusetts. }
June 7	8 51	W. H. Bagg, Wm. Mallen and Michael Barron	Bay of Islands }
		Michael H. Carty	St. John's }
June 18	8 52	John Delaney	Little Bay }
June 29	8 53	Patrick Burke	Ditto }
July 6	8 54	R. D. Walsh	Ditto }
		George H. Emerson	St. John's }
Aug. 26	8 55	Philip Cleary	Ditto }
Aug. 26	8 56	John Templeton, George Hodder and W. Leth- bridge	Twillingate }
		Augustus O. Hayward	St. John's }
Aug. 27	8 57	Jabez Tilley	Ditto }
Sept. 18	8 61	Patrick Burke and Pat- rick Curran	Little Bay }
Sept. 18	8 59	Philip Cleary	St. John's }
Oct. 10	8 58	Philip Cleary	Ditto }
Oct. 26	8 62	Horace M. Herbert	Pilley's Island }
Nov. 21	9 25	R. D. Walsh	Little Bay }
		George H. Emerson	St. John's }
Nov. 30	9 24	Philip Cleary	Ditto }
Dec. 6	8 60	Philip Cleary	Ditto }
Dec. 16	8 63	W. T. Tobin and Thomas French	Twillingate }
Dec. 16	9 26	Horace M. Herbert and F. W. Andrews	Pilley's Island }
		Andrew Whyte	Little Bay }

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of Staking received during the year 1889.

Fees.	Locality.	Remarks.
\$25 00	East Bay, Port-au-Port	Fee-simple mining grant.
50 00	Bear Cove	Notice of staking.
50 00	North side, Little Bay	Ditto.
50 00	Fortune Harbor, N. D. Bay..	Ditto.
50 00	North side, Little Bay	Ditto.
50 00	Pilley's Island	Ditto.
50 00	Moreton's Harbor	Ditto.
50 00	Tee Island, New Bay	Ditto.
50 00	Little Bay, Notre Dame Bay.	Ditto.
50 00	Rabbitts Arm	Ditto.
50 00	Sunday Cove Island	Ditto.
50 00	Ditto	Ditto.
.....	North side, Little Bay	Petition for lease.
.....	Rabbitts Arm	Ditto.
50 00	Little Barachois River	Notice of staking.
50 00	Western Hd., New World Is.	Ditto.
.....	Sunday Cove Island	Petition for lease.
\$675 00		

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Return of Mining Grants and Leases

Date.	Regis-try.	Name.	Residence.
Aprl. 1	Vol. 1 Fol. 23	Gordon McKay	Newport, Rhode Island. }
		John J. McDonald	Boston, Massachusetts. }

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Licenses of Occupation issued from the Surveyor

No.	Date of Issue.	Name of Licensee.	Quantity.			Registry.	
			A.	R.	P.	Vol.	Fol.
1	Sept. 5.	Walter Tilly	50	2	112
2	Dec. 28.	Thomas Woodfine	20	2	113
			70		

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issued during the year 1889.

Date of application.	Locality.	Remarks.
March 30....	East Bay, Port-au-Port.....	Fee-simple mining grant.

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General's office during the year 1889.

Date of Grant.			Locality.	No. of Grant.	Fees.	
Month	Day.	Year.			\$	c.
Oct.	31	1888	Lower Shoal Harbor.....	186	1	00
Dec.	14	1889	Torbay.....	189	1	00
					\$2 00	

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No.	Date of Issue.	Name of Grantee.	Quantity:			Registry.	
			A.	R.	P.	Vol.	Fol.
1	Feb. 20.	John Lamb.....	32	2	34
2	April 3.	John Neal.....	9	3	17	2	36
3	April 4.	Peter Rogers.....	25	.....	.....	2	50
4	April 11.	Samson Handcock.....	13	2	.....	2	52
5	April 15.	James Gould.....	18	2	6	2	53
6	April 17.	James Handcock.....	16	1	.....	2	54
7	April 17.	Mark Walker.....	20	1	32	2	55
8	May 13.	Charles Francis.....	50	.....	.....	2	24
9	June 13.	James Holloway (of Thos.)	8	1	36	1	107
10	Oct. 5.	M. S. and A. Matchem....	9	0	17	2	60
11	Oct. 5.	John Wheeler, jr.....	10	2	27	2	56
12	Oct. 5.	Philip Handcock.....	15	3	.....	2	57
13	Oct. 7.	James Quinton.....	16	0	20	2	7
14	Oct. 24.	Charles Quinton.....	12	1	22	2	62
15	Oct. 24.	E. Mesh, J. & W. Dyke..	9	1	20	2	69
			267	2	37		

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Date of Grant.			Locality.	No. of Grant.	Fees.	
Month.	Day.	Year.			\$	c.
Dec.	8	1887	S. E. Arm, Placentia.....	160	1	00
Jan.	25	1889	Tickle Cove, Trinity Bay.....	172	1	00
Feb.	21	1889	LeMarchant Road.....	168	1	00
Jan.	25	1889	White Rock Cove.....	169	1	00
Jan.	25	1889	Southward Bay.....	173	1	00
Jan.	25	1889	Brooklyn.....	171	1	00
Feb.	1	1889	Sweet Bay.....	170	1	00
Oct.	6	1884	Gander Bay.....	154	1	00
Apl.	16	1879	Musgrave Town.....	123	1	00
June	20	1889	ditto.....	176	1	00
June	1	1889	James' Cove.....	174	1	00
June	20	1889	Goose Bay.....	177	1	00
Mar.	30	1878	Southward Bay.....	107	1	00
Mar.	30	1888	ditto.....	106	1	00
June	18	1889	Salvage Bay.....	5,961	1	00
						\$15 00

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No. Iss'd.	Date of issue.	Name of grantee.	No. of grant.	Date of grant.	Quantity.		
					A.	R.	P.
1	Jan. 8	W. T. Martin.....	5261	Apl. 15, 1886	9	..	30
2	" 10	William Morris.....	5785	July 4, 1888	140	..	..
3	" 10	Lacten Hynes.....	5333	" 9, 1886	160	..	..
4	" 10	ditto.....	5334	" 9, 1886	56	..	24
5	" 14	J. J. Pearce.....	5798	" 19, 1888	10	1	16
6	" 22	Matthew Dwyer.....	5872	Nov. 2, 1888	9	..	..
7	" 23	N. Y., Nfld. & L. Tel. Co.	5874	Jan. 22, 1889	19200	..	..
8	" 23	ditto ditto.....	5873	" 22, 1889	4000	..	..
9	" 25	Charles Dawe.....	5855	Oct. 23, 1888	19	3	..
10	" 25	H. A. & J. Morgan.....	5810	July 19, 1888	31	..	29
11	" 25	Isaac Snow.....	5668	Nov 24, 1887	3	2	4
12	" 25	Anthony Taylor.....	5593	Aug. 8, 1887	.....	2	..
13	" 25	John Dwyer.....	5517	May 17, 1887	9	3	..
14	" 29	Jeremiah Tomms.....	5892	Jan. 25, 1889	2	3	32
15	" 29	Susanna Drover.....	5894	" 25, 1889	3	..	37
16	" 30	Jonathan J. Benson....	5882	" 25, 1889	3	3	16
17	" 31	Philip Dawe.....	5893	" 25, 1889	5	..	26
18	Feb. 3	Frederick Young.....	5879	Jan. 25, 1889	4	2	..
19	" 5	H. M. Smith.....	5896	" 25, 1889	.....	3	13
20	" 6	Aaron Lock.....	5890	" 25, 1889	3	..	27
21	" 6	Patrick Handlon.....	5888	" 25, 1889	2	2	..
22	" 12	Reuben Mercer.....	5898	Feb. 1, 1889	18	120	..
23	" 13	William Ford.....	5917	" 1, 1889	3	1	9
24	" 17	Julia Jenson.....	5858	Oct. 23, 1888	2	1	..
25	" 17	Frederica Jenson.....	5857	" 23, 1888	3	2	2
26	" 17	Elijah Lanning.....	5897	Feb. 1, 1889	8	3	22
27	" 23	James Dawe, of Charles.	5907	" 1, 1889	2	1	29
28	" 27	Sprague Freeman.....	5904	" 1, 1889	3	1	..
29	" 27	Thomas M. Sweeney....	5911	" 1, 1889	5	2	20
30	March 1	Noah Dawe.....	5906	Feb. 1, 1889	4	..	32
31	" 2	George Adams.....	5881	Jan. 25, 1889	6	..	22
32	" 4	Joseph Francis.....	5914	Feb. 1, 1889	3½
33	" 8	William Jones.....	5891	Jan. 25, 1889	3	1	..
34	" 8	Robert Stowe.....	5908	Feb. 1, 1889	19

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Regis- try.	Locality.	Amount of grant.	Amount paid deposit.	Amount paid office.
32 47	Major's Path	\$ 3 00		\$ 3 00
36 52	Bay St. George	5 00		5 00
29 9	Codroy	5 00		5 00
29 10	ditto	16 80		16 80
36 33	Twillingate	3 15		3 15
36 34	Kelligrews	2 70		2 70
38 35	Bay St. George			
38 37	Gander River			
36 44	Laurence Pond Ridge	6 00		6 00
36 6	Indian Pond	9 45		9 45
35 54	North River	1 00		1 00
35 43	Port-de-Grave	1 00		1 00
33 96	Spaniard's Bay	3 00		3 00
36 62	Carbonear	1 00	1 00	
36 63	Spaniard's Bay Big Pond	1 00		1 00
36 65	Little Bay	1 20		1 20
36 67	Laurence Pond Ridge	1 50		1 50
36 68	Little Ward's Harbor	1 35		1 35
36 64	Burin	1 00		1 00
36 69	N. W. Arm, Trinity	1 00		1 00
36 70	Ship Cove	1 00		1 00
36 72	Little Ward's Harbor	5 50		5 50
36 73	Woody Island, Port-au-Basque	1 00		1 00
36 20	Harbor Breton	1 00		1 00
36 23	ditto	1 00		1 00
36 74	Thimble Tickle	2 70		2 70
36 76	Inland from Kelligrews	1 00		1 00
36 77	Salmon Cove, Trinity	1 00		1 00
37 5	Ferryland	1 70		1 70
37 6	Laurence's Pond	1 20		1 20
36 66	Indian Burying Place	1 80		1 80
36 79	Grand Bank	1 00		1 00
37 8	Trinity	1 00		1 00
36 78	near Bay Roberts	5 70		5 70

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					A.	R.	P.
35	March 8	James Paddick.....	5899	Feb. 1, 1889	1	2	12
36	" 11	Robert Young.....	5880	Jan. 25, 1889	3	3	12
37	" 15	Saul Mauger.....	5916	Feb. 1, 1889	.....	7	
38	" 15	P. C. Hacquoil.....	5913	" 1, 1889	4	2	37
39	" 19	George Butt.....	5915	" 1, 1889	.....	5	
40	April 12	Henry Gardner.....	5919	Apl. 9, 1889	100	.....
41	" 12	Charlotte and John Best.	5663	Nov. 24, 1887	9	2	16
42	" 15	Adam Johnston.....	5918	Apl. 9, 1889	34	1	32
43	" 18	George V. Parsons.....	5920	" 15, 1889	4	3	21
44	" 26	Michael Carew.....	5259	" 15, 1886	4	..	22
45	" 27	John Learie.....	5860	Oct. 23, 1888	2	..	17
46	" 29	Henry Butler.....	5813	July 19, 1888	7	1	14
47	May 9	R. Fumage & S. Pickett..	5658	Nov 24, 1887	.....	1	..
48	" 17	J. Tucker & Sons.....	5853	Oct. 23, 1888	24	2	8
49	" 17	Thomas Fowlow.....	5361	Aug. 9, 1886	4	3	34
50	" 18	Gregory Neville.....	5867	Oct. 31, 1888	13	3	..
51	" 22	John King.....	5824	July 25, 1888	5	1	9
52	" 22	A. W. & H. Ploughman.	5903	Feb. 1, 1889	26	.....
53	" 25	Samuel Roberts.....	5925	May 20, 1889	5	1	34
54	" 25	ditto.....	5924	" 20, 1889	4	2	11
55	" 27	John McDougall, in trust	5921	Apr. 24, 1889	40	.....
56	" 27	Isaac Mercer.....	5926	May 25, 1889	15	.....
57	" 28	Joseph Harding.....	5922	Apr. 29, 1889	.....	15	
58	" 28	John Bishop.....	4887	Apr. 25, 1884	10	.....
59	" 29	Philip Vague.....	5625	Sep. 30, 1887	10	3	36
60	" 29	Charles Pilley.....	5759	Apr. 21, 1888	30	.....
61	" 30	Thomas Tulk.....	5390	Aug. 9, 1886	3	3	39
62	" 31	John Tilly.....	5889	Jan. 25, 1889	1	2	..
63	June 1	Charles Andrews.....	5811	July 19, 1888	10	2	..
64	" 3	J. C. Carter.....	5943	May 31, 1889	3	3	8
65	" 19	Moses Penney.....	5796	July 19, 1888	.....	3	37
66	" 20	Thomas Harding.....	5923	Apr. 19, 1889	2	30
67	" 21	George Burry.....	5210	Feb. 3, 1886	7	3	..

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Regis-try.	Locality.	Amount of grant.	Amount paid deposit.	Amount paid office.
37 9	S. bottom Rabbitt's Arm.	\$ 1 00	.....	\$ 1 00
36 80	Wild Bight, N. Dame Bay...	1 00	.....	1 00
.. 83	Fortune	1 00	.....	1 00
37 10	Turnip Cove, Fortune Bay...	1 40	.....	1 40
.. 12	Grand Bank.....	1 00	.....	1 00
37 17	Pope's Harbor Pond	30 00	.....	30 00
35 11	near Greenspond.....	3 00	.....	3 00
37 18	Three Pond Barrens.....	10 35	.....	10 35
.. 19	Carbonear	1 50	.....	1 50
32 50	Witless Bay.....	1 20	.....	1 20
36 43	Harbor Breton	1 00	.....	1 00
.. 1	Fox Trap.....	2 20	.....	2 20
35 95	Fair Island	1 00	.....	1 00
36 36	Thorburn Road.....	6 75	.....	6 75
35 102	Catalina Road.....	1 50	.....	1 50
37 2	Topsail Road.....	4 20	.....	4 20
36 35	S. W. Arm, Green Bay.....	1 60	.....	1 60
37 7	Robin Hood	7 80	.....	7 80
.. 21	Big Burnt Bay	1 65	.....	1 65
.. 22	ditto.	1 35	.....	1 35
.. 20	Thorburn Road.....	12 00	.....	12 00
.. 24	Labrador	10 00	.....	10 00
.. 23	Greenspond	1 00	.....	1 00
30 68	S. W. Arm, Random.....	3 00	.....	3 00
36 58	Spaniard's Bay.....	3 30	.....	3 30
35 107	George's Brook.....	9 00	.....	9 00
33 50	Western Arm, Rocky Bay...	1 20	.....	1 20
37 16	Random	1 00	.....	1 00
36 37	Laurence Pond Ridge.....	3 20	.....	3 20
37 25	New Bay.....	1 20	.....	1 20
36 60	Nipper's Harbor.....	1 00	1 00
37 26	Greenspond	1 00	1 00
32 19	Loo Cove.....	2 25	2 25

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					A.	R.	P.
68	Jne 25	James Fitzgerald.....	5981	Jne. 25, 1889	5	2	4
69	" 30	Frederick Cox.....	5980	" 20, 1889	2	26
70	" 30	Nathan Churchill.....	5929	May 31, 1889	2	3	36
71	" 30	James Cozens.....	5938	" 31, 1889	4	2	19
72	" 30	Albert Rendell.....	5901	Feb. 1, 1889	1	3	28
73	July 10	David Collins.....	5934	May 31, 1889	.....	1	8
74	" 10	Joseph Parsons.....	5933	" 31, 1889	9	.....	.....
75	" 13	J. T. Dunphy.....	5965	Jne. 18, 1889	8	2	36
76	" 16	Ann Jeans.....	5580	" 20, 1889	3	..	24
77	" 18	George Penney.....	5963	" 18, 1889	.....	1	16
78	" 22	Nelson Bragg.....	5968	" 18, 1889	6	3	25
79	" 24	Obadiah Manuel.....	5982	July 18, 1889	13	..	19
80	" 25	Henry Norris.....	5930	May 31, 1889	2	.....	210
81	" 25	Newfoundl'd Conference	5969	Jne. 20, 1889	11	.....	130
82	" 25	ditto	5970	" 20, 1889	15	1	..
83	" 26	Philip Newell.....	5971	" 20, 1889	1	.....	224
84	" 26	The Diocesan Synod....	5972	" 20, 1889	1	.....	330
85	" 30	H. G. Hodder.....	5959	" 18, 1889	41	.....	227
86	" 30	M. J. Collins.....	5935	" 18, 1889	.....	2	16
87	Aug. 2	Dennis Galway.....	5895	Jan. 25, 1889	74	1	8
88	" 7	W. & A. Genge.....	5958	Jne. 1, 1889	21	.....	236
89	" 8	John Jones, jr.....	5955	" 1, 1889	1	.....	113
90	" 8	Philip Evans.....	5954	" 1, 1889	.....	3	38
91	" 14	R. Young and F. Yates	5878	Jan. 25, 1889	42	.....	224
92	" 28	Philip Cleary.....	5984	Aug 19, 1889	242	.....	124
93	Sep. 6	Thomas Goss.....	5948	Jne. 1, 1889	7	.....	.....
94	" 7	Joseph Penney.....	5962	" 18, 1889	4	..	5
95	" 9	Matthew Evelly.....	5977	" 20, 1889	2	..	35
96	" 10	Ann Kelly.....	5979	" 20, 1889	17	.....	318
97	" 10	J. W. Taylor.....	5949	" 1, 1889	60	.....	.....
98	" 18	Henry Lean.....	5927	May 31, 1889	8	.....	3 3
99	" 18	T. & W. West.....	5985	Sep. 12, 1889	3	237
100	" 20	Powell, Babstock, Penney	5973	Jne. 20, 1889	5	..	16

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Registry.		Locality.	Amount of grant.	Amount. paid deposit.	Amount paid office.
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37	27	Fogo.....	\$ 1 65	\$ 1 65
37	30	Channel.....	2 00	2 00
37	29	Portugal Cove Road.....	1 00	1 00
37	31	Goulds	1 40	1 40
37	11	Nipper's Harbor	1 00	.. . . .	1 00
37	32	Placentia Beach.....	4 00	.. . . .	4 00
37	33	Heart's Delight Road.....	2 70	.. . . .	2 70
37	35	N. E. Arm, Placentia Bay....	2 65	.. . . .	2 65
35	147	Cape Ray Cove	1 00	.. . . .	1 00
37	36	South side Carbonear.....	1 00	.. . . .	1 00
37	37	Port-au-Basque	2 00	.. . . .	2 00
37	39	Loo Bay Harbor.....	4 00	.. . . .	4 00
37	41	Bennett's Cove.....	1 00	.. . . .	1 00
36	86	Big Burnt Bay.....	1 00	.. . . .	1 00
36	87	Moreton's Harbor.....	1 00	.. . . .	1 00
37	42	Seldom-Come-By	1 00	.. . . .	1 00
36	88	ditto	1 00	.. . . .	1 00
37	45	New World Island.....	12 45	.. . . .	12 45
36	89	Placentia	8 00	.. . . .	8 00
36	84	Thorburn Road.....	22 35	.. . . .	22 35
29	50	St. Barbe's Bay.....	6 50	.. . . .	6 50
37	47	Dog Cove Road.....	1 00	.. . . .	1 00
34	48	New Harbor, Fortune Bay....	1 00	.. . . .	1 00
36	82	Wild Bight	12 75	.. . . .	12 75
29	51	Bay St. George.....	72 75	.. . . .	72 75
36	97	Torbay	2 10	.. . . .	2 10
36	100	Bay-de-Verds	1 20	.. . . .	1 20
36	102	Trinity	1 00	.. . . .	1 00
37	28	Bull Cove.....	2 40	.. . . .	2 40
36	49	Three Island Pond.....	18 00	.. . . .	18 00
37	94	South River.....	2 60	2 60
36	103	Bay-de-L'Argent	1 00	1 00
37	54	Happy Adventure.....	1 00	1 00

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					A.	R.	P.
101	Oct'r. 4	John Noseworthy	5836	Oct. 4, 1888	10		
102	" 7	Constant DesVœux	5983	July 31, 1889	147		
103	" 7	Michael Power	5477	Apl. 1, 1887	17	2	19
104	" 12	Railway Co	5875	Jan. 25, 1889	3300		
105	" 12	ditto	5876	" 25, 1889	1800		
106	" 22	Frederick LeDrew	5724	Mar 10, 1888	160		
107	" 25	Abel Clark	5978	Jne. 20, 1889	7		
108	" 25	Henry Mullett	5369	Aug. 9, 1886	3	2	14
109	" 29	Angus McPherson	5831	July 25, 1888	118		
110	Nov. 1	Jacob Higgins	4916	May 21, 1884	4	1	18
111	" 9	G. J. & J. Arnold	5931	" 31, 1889	12	2	
112	" 12	James Croke	5937	" 31, 1889		1	8
113	" 16	Philip Allen	6042	Oct. 10, 1889	5		20
114	" 18	Sydney Pelley	4922	May 21, 1884	20		
115	" 18	Stephen Luther	5910	Feb. 1, 1889	6		
116	" 24	E. & T. Roberts	6057	Oct. 10, 1889	29	1	25
117	" 28	J. F. Sheppard	6034	" 10, 1889	5	1	1
118	Dec. 14	Frederick Chafe	4470	Jan. 25, 1882	45		
119	" 18	Edwin Turner	5805	July 19, 1888	7		8
120	" 20	Augustus McIsaac	6004	Oct. 2, 1889	160		
121	" 20	Alexander McIsaac	6003	" 2, 1889	160		
122	" 20	Patrick Chaisson	5998	" 2, 1889	95	2	
123	" 20	Donald McIsaac	5996	" 2, 1889	150		
124	" 20	Neil McNeil	5999	" 2, 1889	160		
125	" 21	ditto	6012	" 2, 1889	13		
126	" 21	Patrick Au Coin	6002	" 2, 1889	94		
127	" 23	J. L. Murphy	6040	" 10, 1889	16		24
128	" 24	Allan McIsaac, sr.	6005	" 2, 1889	149		
129	" 28	Michael McNeil	5991	" 2, 1889	154		
130	" 28	Dougall McDougall	5987	" 2, 1889	92		
131	" 28	Angus McNeil	5990	" 2, 1889	147		
132	" 28	John McIsaac, sr.	5992	" 2, 1889	92		
133	" 28	Ditto	5993	" 2, 1889	160		
134	" 30	Joseph Chaisson	5997	" 2, 1889	160		

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Regis-try.	Locality.	Amount of grant.	Amount paid deposit.	Amount paid office.
37 55	Shoal Harbor	\$ 3 00		\$ 3 00
29 52	Grand River	5 00		5 00
33 80	Topsail Road	5 25		5 25
34 14	Grand River			
34 15	ditto.			
35 65	Terra Nova River	5 00		5 00
37 40	Victoria Village	2 10		2 10
33 41	Bennett's Cove	1 05		1 05
29 46	Bay St. George	5 00		5 00
30 158	Hodge's Cove	1 35		1 35
36 98	Alexander Bay	3 75		3 75
36 90	Placentia	4 00		4 00
37 56	Baine Harbor	1 50		1 50
30 130	Cram's Brook	6 00		6 00
36 75	Carbonear	1 80		1 80
37 58	Rabbitt's Arm	8 79		8 79
37 57	Spaniard's Bay	1 65		1 65
27 14	Goulds Back Line	18 00		18 00
36 47	Lower Island Cove	2 10		2 10
40 5	Little Codroy River	5 00	5 00	
40 1	Muddy Hole, L'le Rv'r, Codroy	5 00	5 00	
40 2	ditto. ditto.	5 00	5 00	
40 4	ditto. ditto.	5 00	5 00	
40 3	ditto. ditto.	5 00	5 00	
40 6	ditto. ditto.	3 90	3 90	
40 7	ditto. ditto.	5 00	5 00	
36 108	Trepassey	4 80	4 80	
40 9	Little Codroy River	5 00	5 00	
40 11	ditto.	5 00	5 00	
40 8	ditto.	5 00	5 00	
40 10	ditto.	5 00	5 00	
40 12	ditto.	27 60	27 60	
40 13	ditto.	5 00	5 00	
40 14	ditto.	5 00	5 00	

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					A.	R. P.
135	Dec. 30	William Long	6026	Oct. 10, 1889		327
136	" 30	William Delaney	6001	" 2, 1889	160
137	" 30	Blaize Perrior	6000	" 2, 1889	160	. . . . .
138	" 30	Donald Campbell	5994	" 2, 1889	160	. . . . .
139	" 31	J. P. Scott	5487	Apl. 1, 1887	20	. . . . .
140	" 31	John McNeil	6058	Oct. 10, 1889	160	. . . . .
141	" 31	John Campbell, of Allan.	6050	" 10, 1889	86	. . . . .
142	" 31	Allan McQuarrie, sr.	6008	" 2, 1889	160	. . . . .
143	" 31	ditto. ditto.	6007	" 2, 1889	23	. . . . .
144	" 31	Angus McQuarrie	6011	" 2, 1889	160	. . . . .
145	" 31	Donatille Doucette	5988	" 2, 1889	116	. . . . .
146	" 31	Edward Hall	6051	" 10, 1889	140	. . . . .
147	" 31	Judith Gale	5989	" 2, 1889	160	. . . . .
148	" 31	Judith White	5986	" 2, 1889	160	. . . . .
149	" 31	Allan Campbell, sr.	6099	Dec. 18, 1889	43	. . . . .
150	" 31	Francis McIsaac	6095	" 18, 1889	123	. . . . .
151	" 31	Angus McIsaac	6098	" 18, 1889	157	. . . . .
152	" 31	John D. Campbell	6097	" 18, 1889	160	. . . . .
153	" 31	James McNeil	6096	" 18, 1889	120	. . . . .
154	" 31	Denis Porrier	6093	" 18, 1889	48
155	" 31	Paul AuCoin	6094	" 18, 1889	160
Total					34750	303½

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Registry.	Locality.	Amount of grant.	Amount. paid deposit.	Amount paid office.
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37 62	Pouch Cove.....		\$ 0 00	\$ 1 00
40 17	Little Codroy River.....	\$ 5 00	5 00	
40 16	ditto.....	5 00	5 00	
40 15	Coal Brook, Little C. River...	5 00	5 00	
35 157	Thorburn Road.....	6 00		6 00
40 18	Little Codroy River.....	5 00	5 00	
40 19	ditto.....	5 00	5 00	
40 22	ditto.....	5 00	5 00	
40 21	ditto.....	6 90	6 90	
40 23	ditto.....	5 00	5 00	
40 25	ditto.....	5 00	5 00	
40 27	ditto.....	5 00	5 00	
40 26	ditto.....	5 00	5 00	
40 24	ditto.....	5 00	5 00	
40 28	ditto.....	5 00	5 00	
40 29	ditto.....	5 00	5 00	
40 30	ditto.....	5 00	5 00	
40 31	ditto.....	5 00	5 00	
40 32	ditto.....	5 00	5 00	
40 34	ditto.....	5 00	5 00	
40 33	ditto.....	5 00	5 00	
...	\$691 44	\$194 20	\$497 24

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Return of Leases of Timber Limits

Date of issue.	Registry.		Name.	Residence.
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1889. Jan'y. 9..	39	23	Joseph W. Phillips..	{ New Bay, Newfoundl'd and Toronto, Canada }

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Date of Lease.	Amount of Bonus.	Locality.	No. of square miles.
1888. Oct. 9...	\$100 00	Gander River and Lake.....	142

H. J. B. WOODS,
Surveyor General.

POSTAL DEPARTMENT.

REPORT AND STATISTICS OF THE POST-OFFICE DEPARTMENT FOR THE YEAR 1889.

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

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY,—

I have now the honor to submit to Your Excellency, for the information of the Legislature, the Annual Report of the Post-Office Department, together with the accompanying statements and accounts, for the year ended the 31st December, 1889.

The total receipts for the year, from all sources, amount to \$39,688.11 ; total expenditure, \$61,337.19 ; being \$1,337.19 in excess of the vote of the Legislature for the service, and \$1,393.41 in excess of the estimate.

Money Order Branch.

The following comparative statement exhibits the steady annual growth on the business of the money order branch, during the past six years :—

Year.	No. of orders issued	Total amount of orders issued.	Commission accruing therefrom.	No. of orders paid.	Total amount of orders paid.
1884..	6834	\$124,631 99	\$1,363 47	2,542	\$53,959 08
1885..	7174	121,683 65	1,369 48	2,812	53,055 55
1886..	7796	134,461 10	1,472 85	3,610	70,023 74
1887..	8690	155,310 23	1,702 10	4,899	92,147 99
1888..	9864	184,806 90	1,979 36	5,558	102,375 39
1889..	10,282	225,843 95	2,374 93	6,259	118,469 13

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Of the gross commission as stated above, the proportion

thereof due to the United Kingdom is	\$230 06
“ “ Canada	378 72
“ “ United States.....	61 30

It is important to notice that since the first of July, 1889, the money order business of the department with the United States has been direct, instead of through the medium of Canada as was formerly the case; the change being found to facilitate the business.

The introduction of British postal orders has affected the issue of money orders for amounts of twenty shillings and under; the issue of such orders in 1888 was 1,139; whereas in 1889 they fell to 756.

In view of the increased and growing business of the money order branch, additional assistance in the office has become necessary. The space provided for the office is much too small and should be enlarged; this could be done by moving the front partition, and shifting the letter-boxes adjoining, in the post-office.

Letters.

During the year, 1,122,000 letters were passed through this office, of which number 764,500 were posted within the Colony; 167,000 were received from the United Kingdom; 190,500 were received from Canada, the United States, and from other countries; the increase over the preceding year being 50,972. The number of registered letters in 1889 was 22,592, against 22,236 in 1888.

Postage Stamps.

The revenue from the sale of stamps in 1889 amounts to \$30,124.50, being \$1,373.14 in excess of the previous year. The following table will show the increase under this head, during the last six years:—

Year.	Amount.	Year.	Amount.
1884.....	\$19,666 28	1887.....	\$24,364 81
1885.....	20,781 72	1888.....	28,751 36
1886.....	21,318 62	1889...	30,124 50

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Stamped envelopes and newspaper wrappers have been introduced to meet a felt want, and these are now authorized to be disposed of to the public at the following rates :

	Per 100.	Per 10.	Per 5.	Per 2.	Per 1.
Letter envelopes, 3 cents	\$3 30	\$0 33	.....	\$0 07	\$0 04
Letter envelopes, 5 cents	5 30	0 53	.....	0 11	0 06
Newspaper wrappers, 1 cent	1 35	0 14	.....	0 03	0 02
Newspaper wrappers, 2 cents	2 35	0 24	0 13	.....	0 03
Newspaper wrappers, 3 cents	3 35	0 35	0 18	.....	0 04

Postal Orders.

In accordance with arrangements entered into with the Postmaster-General of England, which received the sanction of the Governor in Council, British postal orders were introduced into Newfoundland on the 1st of January, 1889, and were thereafter sold to the public for remittance of small sums of money to Great Britain, Malta, Gibraltar, and Constantinople, at which places only can these orders be made payable. As stated in the last report of this Department, the regulations prescribe that odd sums of money may be made by the use of British postal stamps attached to the orders, no single order to have more than five penny stamps attached. It should be noticed that these orders must be presented for payment at the office where they are made payable in Great Britain, or other places named, not later than three months after the date of issue thereof; and that in no case are such orders to be used for remittance within the colony.

During the year, 758 orders were issued for a total amount of \$2,084.88, the commission on which was \$35.46, the proportion thereof due the United Kingdom being \$17.73.

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The orders are of the following denominations and values :—

Amount sterling.		Commission.	Currency.	Amount sterling.		Commission.	Currency.
<i>s.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>cents.</i>	<i>\$ cts.</i>	<i>s.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>cents.</i>	<i>\$ cts.</i>
1	0	2	0 26	4	6	4	1 12
1	6	2	0 38	5	0	4	1 24
2	0	4	0 52	7	6	4	1 84
2	6	4	0 64	10	0	4	2 44
3	0	4	0 76	10	6	4	2 56
3	6	4	0 88	15	0	6	3 66
4	0	4	1 00	20	0	6	4 86

Parcel-Post.

Since the last report of this Department, parcel-post rates of postage between Canada and Newfoundland have been reduced to 25 cents per pound to and from all parts of Canada, except British Columbia, between which Province and Newfoundland the rate is 30 cents per pound. Any one parcel must not exceed five pounds weight.

A further extension of the system *via* England has been arranged, to include the following countries:—Samoa and Tonga, Uruguay Tahiti, Turk's Island, Bahamas, Mauritius, and Finland.

An arrangement has been entered into with the Postmaster-General, London, with the approval of the Governor-in-Council, providing that compensation may be given for the loss or damage of postal parcels exchanged between the Newfoundland and London offices, on the basis and subject to the conditions in operation in Great Britain—the maximum amount of compensation not to exceed \$50 for any one parcel. It is proposed that this arrangement shall come into force on the 1st of July, 1890.

The following table exhibits the business transacted under this head since the commencement of the parcel-post system:—

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Exchanged between	Year.	No. of Parcels inward.	No. of Parcels outward.	Amount of Sea Postage.	Customs' duties Collected.
Great Britain and Nfld	1886*.	453	91	\$174 12	\$324 70
“ “	1887..	1,311	239	595 56	1,355 23
“ “	1888..	1,418	283	349 93	1,516 68
“ “	1889..	1,563	280	336 74	1,774 07
Canada and Nfld.....	“ ..	123	104	22 67	

*4 months.

Post-Office Savings' Banks.

Nothing has been done since last reporting on this matter, beyond an interview with His Excellency the Governor, who entertains a decided opinion as to the benefits resulting from such savings' banks—His Excellency's views on the subject being based on his personal experience as Governor of Heligoland. The establishment of this system is deemed of sufficient importance to warrant a revival of the subject.

Railway Travelling Post-Office.

The accommodation provided for the post-office on the Newfoundland Railway Company's trains is wholly inadequate to the requirements, rendering impossible the proper performance of the duties connected therewith. Half of a second-class car would be no more than sufficient. It is hoped this change may be effected.

Coastal Steam.

The record under this head has been most commendable—the service having been performed with singular regularity and efficiency. A revision of the ports of call, north and west, appears necessary in the interests of the service. The alteration fixing the sailing of the coastal steamers, so as to connect with the mails from England, has undoubtedly given satisfaction.

The western steamer does not now call at St. Pierre, nor does there appear to be any sufficient reasons why the taxes of the people should be used to provide steam and postal facilities for outsiders who contribute nothing toward the cost. Postal communication with St. Pierre is now conducted *via* Halifax.

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The mail officers on board the coastal and Halifax steamers continue to be of public utility, and cannot be dispensed with without detriment to the service.

The steamship *Harlaw* has made eighteen round trips between Halifax and Channel, and thence to Codroy, Bay St. George, Bay of Islands and Bonne Bay; and, on alternate trips, to Flower's Cove, in the Strait of Belle Isle, calling at Cod Head, Port-au-Choix and Port Saunders.

On her first trip in the current year, the *Harlaw* arrived at Channel on the 26th of April, her service ending on the 21st of Dec. Although this steamship has occasionally passed certain stipulated ports without calling, the facilities afforded have been highly appreciated by the residents along the coasts visited. It is understood that a sister ship will be employed in 1890 to ply between Channel and Burin, or probably connecting with the Placentia Railway, which would offer the means of further improving postal communication with the south and west coasts.

The Labrador mail service was satisfactorily performed by S. S. *Leopard*, and was commenced on the 3rd July, terminating on the 17th October, seven round trips being made during the season. Starting from Battle Harbor on the arrival of the *Conscript*, the *Leopard* proceeded as far as Nain, to which port two trips only were made, calling at thirty-one intermediate harbors going north and at forty harbors returning south.

Ocean Mail Service.

As in former years, the Allan steamers performed this service with marked regularity—the steamships from Halifax arriving generally on Wednesdays at about a stated hour; from England the arrivals were in the following order:—

Wednesday, April 24th	S. S. "Nova Scotian;"
Wednesday, May 8th	"Caspian;"
Saturday, May 25th	"Peruvian;"
Thursday, June 6th	"Nova Scotian;"
Friday, June 21st	"Buenos Ayrean;"
Wednesday, July 3rd	"Peruvian;"
Wednesday, July 17th	"Nova Scotian;"

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Wednesday, July 31st.....	S.S. "Buenos Ayrean;"
Wednesday, August 14th.....	"Peruvian;"
Wednesday, August 28th.....	"Nova Scotian;"
Wednesday, September 11th ...	"Buenos Ayrean;"
Wednesday, September 25th ...	"Peruvian;"
Wednesday, October 9th.... ..	"Caspian;"
Thursday, October 24th	"Nova Scotian;"
Friday, November 8th.....	"Peruvian;"
Thursday, November 21st	"Caspian;"
Friday, December 6th.....	"Circassian;"
Saturday, December 21st	"Nova Scotian."

During the winter months, on the termination of the Allan steamers' service, the steamship *Conscript* performed the Halifax mail service, which was commenced on the 24th January, making fortnightly trips thereafter until the 25th April, after which date the direct service was resumed by the Allan steamers.

Leaving Halifax on Tuesdays, the *Conscript* made seven round trips, arriving at St. John's generally on the Thursdays following—the service being performed with singular regularity, and to the satisfaction of the travelling public.

The advantage of native commanders on the winter service was demonstrated by the *Conscript* during last winter.

Intermediate mails have been despatched regularly, during the year, by the "Red Cross" Line of steamers calling at Halifax, at a cost of \$50 each mail carried. This service has been appreciated by the public. It is hoped the arrangement may be renewed.

Placentia Bay Mail Service.

The S. S. *Hercules* and *D. P. Ingraham* performed this service throughout the year, making semi-weekly trips, leaving Placentia on Mondays for the northern ports and on Wednesdays for the south-western ports, as far as Grand Bank—on which latter trip mails were conveyed to and from Baine Harbor, where a courier connected with Bay L'Argent, in Fortune Bay.

The daily through mail to Placentia, by railway, was commenced on the 1st of June, 1889, at once expanding the bulk of correspondence.

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Notre Dame Bay Mail Service.

The steam-launch *Swallow* was employed on this service, making fortnightly trips, connecting with the *Conscript* at Fogo, and from thence to Change Islands, Barr'd Islands, Tilton Harbor, Seldom-Come-Bye, Indian Islands, Musgrave Harbor, Ladle Cove and Rocky Bay, returning to Fogo by the same route. The convenience afforded by this postal agency was felt to be of decided importance, and was obtained at the moderate rate of \$26 per round trip. A renewal of the arrangement is respectfully recommended.

Sailing Packets.

Two schooners were employed on mail service in Trinity Bay while navigation permitted—Mr. Seward having charge of the route from Fox Harbor to Heart's Content, calling at five ports in Random; and Mr. Milley between Trinity Harbor and New Perlican, making weekly trips.

In Fortune Bay three mail packets were employed, as heretofore—Mr. Philip Grandy between Bay L'Argent and Belloram and St. Jacques, connecting fortnightly with the mail steamer *Volunteer*, and calling at seven intermediate ports with and for mails; Mr. William White between Harbor Briton and LaPoile, calling at eight intermediate ports. This system of mail communication is antiquated in comparison with the facilities afforded by steam.

Baine Harbor and Bay L'Argent Road.

The necessity of completing this highway for wheel traffic was referred to in a former report, and is now again strongly urged as claiming attention, as the completion thereof would be valuable as a postal route and for passengers to and from Fortune Bay and further west.

A steam launch on Fortune Bay would then establish an important new route for mails and passengers.

Winter mails to the Strait of Belle Isle, north-east coast, were despatched on the 7th of January, and fortnightly thereafter, by the steamship *Volunteer* to Channel, there connecting with couriers to Codroy, Bay St. George, Bay of Islands, Bonne Bay and to Flower's Cove in the Strait of Belle Isle; thence to Griquet, Conche and Englee. The average time of transit to Bonne Bay was 15½ days.

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Winter Northern Overland Mails.

Commencing on 22nd January and ending 3rd of April, by which fortnightly mails were despatched by couriers, connecting with the train at Broad Cove station, for all the offices on the route to Little Bay and Tilt Cove mines, and thence by couriers to White Bay.

The transit of these mails averaged $16\frac{1}{2}$ days to Little Bay, being eight days less than in any previous year, owing to an improved route from Gander Bay to Exploits and Hall's Bay obviating former delays near Twillingate occasioned by slob and bad ice, preventing the couriers crossing arms of the bay by boat or on the ice. This new line has only been marked, extending a distance of one hundred miles.

One of the first acts of the Government on assuming office was to authorize the building of twelve tilts on this line for the shelter and protection of the couriers, without which it would be unsafe to use this route, and would necessitate reverting to the old route to Twillingate. The new route from Gander Bay passes through thickly wooded country, where wood-paths for twenty-five miles are open: were the remaining seventy-five miles cut out to admit of slides hauled by dogs to pass, the time of transit of mails would be lessened by four or five days, going north and returning; which, to the north, is a matter of great importance.

Three mails were despatched during the winter *via* Quebec to Blanc Sablon and thence to Battle Harbor, where couriers connected, proceeding north to Cartwright and Rigoulette, Labrador. The average time of transit from St. John's to Blanc Sablon was 59 days; to Battle Harbor, 80 days; and to Rigoulette, 90 days.

A post-office has been opened at Blanc Sablon, in charge of Mr. Edwin G. Grant, which will ensure the safe and prompt disposition of mail-matter at that point.

New Offices.

Twenty-four new offices were opened during the year—besides which a number of applications for offices and couriers remain to be dealt with. In this connection it may be expected that the railroad system in progress will revolutionize the postal service of the country, and that the day is close at hand when the "iron horse" may render practicable a daily mail with the Dominion of Canada and the United States of America.

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The office at Placentia is altogether unsuited to the requirements; a new office is absolutely necessary at this now important centre.

A number of minor offices require alterations and improvement.

Amended Law.

Reference was made in last report to the fact that the Department has been worked under rules and regulations approved by the Executive, rather than by statute law which has largely become obsolete. The matter received some consideration during the last session of Parliament, but was not matured. It is now respectfully suggested that the laws and regulations affecting the postal system should be revised and consolidated.

The Staff.

It affords pleasure to note that the best harmony obtained throughout the year between the members of the staff, and that creditable assiduity has marked the discharge of duty by the officials generally. Compared with other departments, and notably with postal departments in the Provinces, Newfoundland postal officials are under-paid. This matter is respectfully referred to the consideration of the Government.

Special reference should be made to the unflagging labours of the chief Clerk, Mr. LeMessurier, who, at a period of life when ease is courted, continues to perform the labours of one in the prime of life.

Similarity in Names of Places.

Constant confusion arises from so large a number of places being called by one and the same name, which occurs in the several districts, as well as generally. It would appear to be necessary to correct this perplexing anomaly.

I have the honor to be,

Your Excellency's obedient servant,

J. O. FRASER,

Postmaster-General.

GENERAL POST-OFFICE,
St. John's, Newfoundland,
31st December, 1889.

POSTAL DEPARTMENT.

Statement shewing the number and amount of Money Orders issued and paid, and the commission accruing thereon, at the several Money Order Offices in operation during the year ending 31st December, 1890.

No	Offices.	Orders issued.		Commission received.	Orders paid.		
		No.	Amount.		No.	Amount.	
			\$		\$		\$
1	Bay Bulls	35	261 75	4 64	36	1,365 18	
2	Bay of Islands	58	1,332 09	12 29	51	1,619 36	
3	Bay Roberts	135	2,474 77	25 76	125	1,800 44	
4	Bett's Cove	56	1,064 81	8 48	2	54 80	
5	Black Head	32	315 40	3 71	22	218 74	
6	Bonavista	110	1,350 44	14 99	52	1,158 84	
7	Bonne Bay	30	416 07	4 42	27	664 09	
8	Brigus	195	2,753 97	29 22	195	2,836 08	
9	Britannia Cove	11	97 10	1 27	5	84 25	
10	Burgeo	148	1,682 79	18 56	26	630 13	
11	Burin	141	2,686 68	25 16	42	920 32	
12	Carbonear	360	6,506 82	61 84	442	6,207 56	
13	Catalina	44	817 92	6 91	36	644 61	
14	Change Islands	23	188 40	2 20	.....	.....
15	Channel	132	2,076 07	23 73	45	940 79	
16	Exploits	22	115 54	2 32	.....	.....
17	Ferryland	23	291 44	2 86	46	978 94	
18	Fogo	54	357 14	6 78	51	939 26	
19	Fortune	96	3,394 59	31 76	22	461 76	
20	Grand Bank	267	6,844 88	68 76	17	403 47	
21	Grand River	12	135 21	1 63	.....	.....
22	Greenspond	92	1,462 52	14 13	29	787 11	
23	Harbor Briton	177	2,509 89	28 33	34	639 06	
24	Harbor Grace	763	17,578 39	182 03	588	10,603 69	
25	Harbor Main	31	701 96	4 07	58	1,044 07	
26	Heart's Content	276	2,656 14	32 34	61	1,388 85	
27	Herring Neck	23	88 77	2 46	12	236 58	
28	Holyrood	1	41 20	25	44	940 30	
29	King's Cove	45	571 43	5 91	40	1,005 09	
30	LaPoile	16	175 24	2 96	8	122 08	
31	Little Bay	602	16,666 60	118 97	41	1,108 92	
32	Lower Island Cove . . . . .	.....	.....	.....	2	98 64
33	Musgrave Harbor	10	116 37	1 24	3	113 44	
	<i>Forwarded</i>	4020	\$77,732 39	748 98	2162	\$40,016 45	

POSTAL DEPARTMENT.

Statement shewing the number and amount of Money Orders issued and paid, and the commission accruing thereon, at the several Money Order Offices in operation during the year ending 31st Dec., 1889—(Concluded).

No	Offices.	Orders issued.		Commission received.	Orders paid.	
		No.	Amount.		No.	Amount.
	<i>Brought forward..</i>	4020	\$77,732 39	\$748 98	2162	\$40,016 45
34	New Harbor				4	35 72
35	Old Perlican	11	53 75	94	25	500 46
36	Placentia	47	1,128 68	7 32	46	1,032 89
37	Pushthrough					
38	Rose Blanche	70	802 23	7 78	23	502 66
39	St. George	14	267 00	2 76	36	937 23
40	St. Jacques	54	1,027 21	9 88	9	317 82
41	St. John's	5460	134,711 43	1,491 44	3757	71,266 52
42	St. Mary's				40	698 00
43	Salmon Cove					
44	Shoal Harbor	37	402 59	5 04	1	16 00
45	Spoon Cove	1	7 22	10		
46	Tilt Cove	180	4,304 41	35 35	3	61 15
47	Trinity	130	1,774 72	18 32	81	1,554 89
48	Twillingate	248	3,632 32	47 02	72	1,529 34
		10272	225,843 95	2,374 93	6259	118,469 13

J. O. FRASER
Postmaster-General.

T. S. DWYER,
Superintendent.

POSTAL DEPARTMENT.

Commission Account, for the year 1889.

DR.

To proportion paid British, Dominion, and United States officers	\$672 08
“ amount passed to Revenue account, 31st Dec., 1889..	1,700 00
“ balance carried to credit of account 1890	14 01
	\$2,386 09

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By balance from 1888	\$ 11 16
“ cash received for commission on orders in Newfoundland	2,374 93
	\$2,386 09

J. O. FRASER,
Postmaster-General.

T. S. DWYER,
Superintendent.

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**Summary of Money Order Transactions for the year ended
31st December, 1889.**

ORDERS ISSUED IN	NO.	AMOUNT.
Newfoundland payable in the United Kingdom ..	2746	\$52,448 08
“ “ the Dominion of Canada	2747	69,110 81
“ “ the United States	1952	44,268 65
“ “ Newfoundland	2827	60,016 41
	<u>10272</u>	<u>225,843 95</u>
The United Kingdom payable in Newfoundland..	449	\$6,035 96
The Dominion of Canada payable in “ ..	1590	26,999 95
The United States payable in “ ..	1324	24,287 89
	<u>3363</u>	<u>\$57,323 80</u>

J. O. FRASER,
Postmaster-General.

T. S. DWYER,
Superintendent.

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**Comparative Statement of the Money Order Branch of the
Post-Office for the years ending 1887, 1888 and 1889.**

Money Orders issued in Newfoundland	1887		1888		1889	
	No.	Amount.	No.	Amount.	No.	Amount.
Payable in		\$		\$		\$
The Unit'd Kingdom	2871	44,060.60	3150	48,272.16	2746	52,448.08
The Dom. of Can..	2123	44,355.07	2335	53,431.96	2747	69,110.81
The United States.	1271	17,134.18	1555	23,433.95	1952	44,268.65
Newfoundland	2425	49,760.38	2810	58,249.58	2827	60,016.41
		155,310.23		183,387.65		225,843.95
Commission		1,702.01		1,979.41		2,374.93
Total	8690	157,012.24	9850	185,367.06	10272	228,218.88
Increase	894	21,078.29	1160	28,354.82	422	42,851.82

Money Orders paid in Newfoundland.	1887		1888		1889	
	No.	Amount.	No.	Amount.	No.	Amount.
Issued by		\$		\$		\$
The Unit'd Kingdom	369	4,811.60	378	4,983.70	446	5,992.04
The Dom. of Can..	1059	19,156.59	1294	22,092.03	1616	27,609.21
The United States .	1001	16,895.74	1227	22,674.66	1315	23,961.48
Newfoundland	2470	51,284.06	2659	52,625.00	2822	60,906.40
Total	4899	92,147.99	5558	102,375.39	6259	118,469.13
Increase	1289	22,124.25	659	10,227.40	701	16,093.74

T. S. DWYER,
Superintendent.

J. O. FRASER,
Postmaster-General.

POSTAL DEPARTMENT.

Statement shewing the amount of Inland and Imperial Postage
collected at the several Post-Offices in the Colony during
year ended 31st December, 1889.

Name of Post-Office.	Amount.
Bay Bulls	\$6 61
Bay of Islands	10 77
Bay Roberts	50 08
Black Head	22 38
Bonavista	9 52
Bonne Bay	2 59
Brigus	52 80
Burgeo	9 49
Burin	18 45
Carbonear	94 63
Catalina	5 50
Channel	19 85
Ferryland	9 02
Fogo	14 74
Greenspond	10 65
Harbor Briton	18 84
Harbor Grace	138 15
Heart's Content	31 41
LaPoile	3 64
Little Bay	30 88
Nipper's Harbor	4 83
Placentia	27 37
Rose Blanche	7 71
Saint George's	4 07
Tilt Cove	5 50
Trinity	16 21
Twillingate	25 03
	650 72
Saint John's	1,391 60
	2,042 32

GEO. LEMESSURIER,

Accountant.

J. O. FRASER,

Postmaster-General.

POSTAL DEPARTMENT.

The Postmaster-General of Newfoundland, in account with the

1889.	DR.	
Jan. 1—To balance from 1888		\$ 314 48
Dec. 31— “ postage on correspondence per British and American packets during the year.....	923 37	
“ amount of inland postage	794 89	
“ amount of postage on way and loose letters.....	309 72	
“ amount of postage on unpaid letters posted at St. John’s for town delivery....	14 34	
	—————	2,042 32
“ amount of rent from box-holders, viz.:—St. John’s	589 65	
Carbonear	24 25	
Harbor Grace.....	56 40	
	—————	670 30
“ amount commission on money orders.		1,700 00
“ amount postage stamps, post cards, wrappers and envelopes, sold during the year		30,124 50
“ two year’s rent of Stilling’s desk, in hall.....		20 00
“ amount of sea postage from Canada.	4529 42	
“ amount of postage on parcels from United Kingdom.....	287 09	
	—————	4,816 51
		<u>\$39,688 11</u>

GEO. LEMESSURIER,
Accountant.

 POSTAL DEPARTMENT.

 Local Government, for year ended 31st day of December, 1889.

1889.	Cr.	
Dec. 31—	By amount paid Receiver General.....	\$37,650 00
“	“ postage on returned letters.....	170 80
“	“ postage on official correspondence during the year.....	97 87
“	“ paid for special mail services and incidental expenses, the year..	273 23
“	“ postage stamps sent to offices of the Universal Postal Union....	8 42
“	“ paid for keys of boxes given up.	6 00
“	“ discount paid on stamps sold dur- ing the year.....	1,190 88
“	“ balance to 1890 account.....	290 91

\$39,688 11

J. O. FRASER
Postmaster-General.

POSTAL DEPARTMENT.

Statement shewing the Gross Revenue collected at the several
Post-Offices in Newfoundland in Postage and for Postage
Stamps sold during the year ended 31st day of Dec., 1889.

Name of Post-Office.	Postage collected.	Stamps sold.	Totals.
Bay Bulls	\$6 61	\$211 00	\$217 61
Bay of Islands	10 77	182 00	192 77
Bay Roberts	50 08	466 60	516 68
Black Head	22 38	106 41	128 79
Bonavista	9 52	104 00	113 52
Bonne Bay	2 59	168 50	171 09
Brigus	52 80	665 56	718 36
Burgeo	9 49	257 08	266 57
Burin	18 45	79 86	98 31
Carbonear	94 63	925 00	1,019 63
Catalina	5 50	132 20	137 70
Channel	19 85	294 00	313 85
Ferryland	9 02	142 00	151 02
Fogo	14 74	188 00	202 74
Greenspond	10 65	132 00	142 65
Harbor Briton	18 84	281 50	300 34
Harbor Grace	138 15	1,722 00	1,860 15
Heart's Content	31 41	433 00	464 41
LaPoile	3 64	90 84	94 48
Little Bay	30 88	253 00	283 88
Nipper's Harbor	4 83	55 00	59 83
Placentia	27 37	424 00	451 37
Rose Blanche	7 71	189 66	197 37
Saint George's	4 07	147 00	151 07
Tilt Cove	5 50	294 23	299 73
Trinity	16 21	242 00	258 21
Twillingate	25 03	489 50	514 53
	650 72	8,675 94	9,326 66
Saint John's	1,391 60	21,448 56	22,840 16
	\$2,042 32	\$30,124 50	\$32,166 82

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Name of office.	Officer's name.	Service.	Amount.
Gen. Post-Office, St. John's	James O. Fraser..	Postmaster-Gen . . .	\$2,200 00
“	Geo. LeMessurier.	Chief Clerk & Acc't	1,200 00
“	John Freeman . . .	Second Clerk	750 00
“	John Higgins	Third Clerk	680 00
“	G. W. LeMessurier	Asst. Accountant . .	650 00
“	James Campbell . .	1st Desp'ch. officer.	525 00
“	Ed. Devereux	2nd “	500 00
“	Geo. T. Thompson	Registration Clerk.	475 00
“	Charles G. Dutot.	Par. Clerk & transl'r	600 00
“	John H. Clark	Assistant Clerk . . .	425 00
“	Geo. W. Duder . . .	Assistant Clerk . . .	425 00
“	Michael Aylward.	do and Carrier . . .	270 00
“	Robert Symth	Letter Carrier	260 00
“	Walter Bennett . . .	“	220 00
“	John Newman	“	220 00
“	Allan C. Pittman . .	“	200 00
“	Thomas Lewis	“	190 00
“	John Spurrell	“	190 00
“	Robert Thistle	Messenger (1 m'nth)	15 00
“	John Langmead . . .	Fireman	265 00
“	E. LeMessurier . . .	Office-keeper	120 00
Money Order office	Thos. S. Dwyer	Superintendent	1,000 00
“	George B. Lloyd . . .	Clerk	600 00
CLERKS IN TRAVELLING POST OFFICES.			
Coastal P.P.O., W.	John W. Kinsella.	Mail Clerk	525 00
“ “ N.	Alex. Ewing	“	525 00
Railway P.P.O. . . .	James Cox	“	600 00
“ “	James Coughlan . . .	“	600 00
Bay Bulls	Martin Burke	Postmaster	70 00
Bay of Islands . . .	Wm. H. Bagg	“	80 00
Bay Roberts	“	“	200 00
<i>Forwarded . .</i>			\$14,580 00

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		<i>Brought forward.</i>	\$14,580 00
Black Head	John C. Moores . .	Postmaster	60 00
Bonavista	James Miffen . . .	"	120 00
Bonne Bay	John R. Roberts . .	"	80 00
Brigus	Sarah Stentaford .	Postmistress	260 00
Britannia Cove . . .	Pierce Currie . . .	Postmaster	40 00
Brooklyn	M. D. Stares	"	40 00
Burgeo	J. C. Cunningham .	"	100 00
Burin	Thomas Winter . . .	"	160 00
Carbonear	Tryphena Nicholl .	Postmistress	330 00
Catalina	Cecilia Martin . . .	"	70 00
Change Islands . . .	Justinian Dowell .	Postmaster	20 00
Channel	Nathan Smith	"	120 00
Exploits	Thomas Winsor . . .	"	40 00
Ferryland	John Morry	"	100 00
Fogo	James Fitzgerald . .	"	160 00
Fortune	John E. Lake	"	50 00
Grand Bank	George R. Forsey . .	"	80 00
Grand River Gut . .	John Rolls	"	30 00
Greenspond	William Lang	"	120 00
Harbor Briton	Tryphena Birkett . .	Postmistress	200 00
Harbor Grace	A. T. Drysdale . . .	Postmaster	450 00
.....	John Foley	Letter Carrier	270 00
Harbor Main	Johanna Ezekiel . .	Postmistress	50 00
Heart's Content . . .	George Moore	Postmaster	180 00
Herring Neck	Emily Miles	Postmistress	50 00
Holyrood	Ellen Veitch	"	50 00
King's Cove	Patrick Murphy . . .	Postmaster	80 00
LaPoile	Thomas Mauger . . .	"	40 00
Little Bay	Rich'd. D. Walsh . .	"	180 00
Little Placentia . . .	Alexander Burke . .	"	70 00
Lower Island Cove . .	George Cooper	"	30 00
New Harbor	Thomas Newhook . .	"	24 00
New Perlican	Francis Howell . . .	"	47 00
		<i>Forwarded . .</i>	\$18,281 00

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		<i>Brought forward.</i>	\$18,281 00
Nipper's Harbor..	S. J. Blackler....	Postmaster	50 00
Old Perlican.....	George Tuff.	"	50 00
Placentia.....	Emma Bradshaw..	Postmistress	200 00
Rose Blanche....	Richard Furneaux	Postmaster	70 00
St. George.....	Chas. R. Bishop..	"	80 00
St. Jacques.....	Mrs. J. Snelgrove.	Postmistress.....	50 00
St. Lawrence.....	M. Vavasseur	Postmaster	60 00
St. Mary's.....	Patrick Walsh...	"	60 00
Salmon Cove, (Hr Main)	Edward Kennedy.	"	26 00
Shoal Harbor....	Jas. S. Butler	"	60 00
Spaniard's Bay...	Leah Earle.....	Postmistress	50 00
Tilt Cove	Wm. Cunningham	"	100 00
Trinity.....	Mary R. Buchanan	Postmistress.....	180 00
Twillingate...	Josiah Colbourn..	Postmaster	180 00
	WAY OFFICES.		
Adams' Cove	John Evans.....	"	16 00
Amherst Coves ..	Thomas Ford....	"	10 00
Anchor Point....	William Genge...	"	10 00
Anderson's Cove.	James Thornhill..	"	10 00
Aquaforte	Peter Winsor....	"	24 00
Baine Harbor....	Gardener & Pearce	Way-officer.....	10 00
Bald Nap	William Gulliford	"	10 00
Bareneed	George F. Payne.	"	20 00
Baron's Island...	Eliza Shea.....	"	10 00
Bauline	James King	" 7½ mos	6 25
Bay-de-Verde ...	Stephen Blunden.	"	24 00
Bay L'Argent....	Harriet Grandy..	"	10 00
Beaubois	George Dober....	"	10 00
Belle Isle	Matthew Jackman	"	10 00
Belloram	Julia Cluett	"	40 00
		<i>Forwarded..</i>	\$19,717 25

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		<i>Brought forward.</i>	\$19,717 25
Benoit's Cove	J. S. Evitt	Way officer	10 00
Birchy Head.	Henry Halfyard	"	10 00
Bird Island Cove.	Arthur Tilley	"	10 00
Bishop's Cove . . . . .	.....	" . . . . .	12 00
Black River	A. M. Blackadar	"	10 20
Bonaventure	William Field	"	20 00
Branch	John W. English	"	16 10
Brent's Cove.	John Carrol	"	10 00
Brig Harbor. . . . .	.....	" . . . . .	4 00
British Harbor.	Arthur Gardener	"	16 00
Broad Cove, (Bay- de-Verde)	Jabez LeGros	"	16 00
Broad Cove, (Bon- vista)	Patrick Lawton	"	10 00
B. Cove, (Trinity)	James Rielley	"	10 00
Brunette	Ambrose Thornhill	"	10 00
Burgeo, (P. Bay)	James Chambers	" two years	20 00
Burnt Bay	Nathaniel Turner	" 3 months	2 50
Burnt Isl'd., (Bon- avista Bay) . . . . .	.....	" 6 months	5 00
Burnt Isl'd., (Bur- geo & LaPoile).	Philip H. Brock	"	16 00
Burnt Point	Thomas Tucker	"	16 00
Cape Broyle.	Martin Cashin	"	40 00
Cape Freels	William Hann	"	10 00
Cape LaHune.	Robert Keeping	"	12 00
Cape Norman	John Brewer	"	10 00
Caplin Bay.	William Johnson	"	12 00
Caplin Cove.	Caroline Garland	"	10 00
Cat Harbor.	Henry Robbins	"	10 00
Cat's Cove	Thomas O'Brien	"	10 00
Clarke's Beach	William Newell	"	10 00
Coachman's Cove.	William Breen	"	16 00
		<i>Forwarded . .</i>	\$20,080 75

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		<i>Brought forward.</i>	\$20,080 75
Codroy	John Gillis	Way officer.....	16 00
Coley's Point....	Mary A. French..	" 9 months	7 50
Collier's	John Cole.....	"	10 00
Collier's Bay Cove	Uriah Thorne....	"	10 00
Conception Har..	Johanna Toole...	"	24 00
Conche	Kate Dower.....	"	30 00
Gonnaigre	Sarah Harris.....	"	10 00
Coomb's Cove ...	Clara M. Vallis...	"	10 00
Cottel's Island...	Daniel Turner ...	"	12 00
Cow Head	Joseph Cooper...	"	10 00
Crabb's Brook ...	Mrs. J. Pike.....	"	10 00
Dildo	Albert Smith	"	20 00
Elliott's Cove....	Aaron Smith.....	"	10 00
Englee	Charles Hopkins..	" 9 months	7 50
English Hr., west.	William Evans...	"	20 00
English Hr., Trin'y	Henry G. Batstone	"	12 00
Fair Island.....	James Brown....	"	5 00
Fermeuse, (n. side)	William Trainor..	"	24 00
" (s. side)	J. O'Shaughnessy.	" 7½ months	6 25
Flat I'd, Bonavista	.....	" .....	10 00
" Burin ...	Henry W. Cramm	"	16 00
Flower's Cove. . .	Richard Norman.	"	24 00
Fortune Harbor..	Richard Hamilton.	"	20 00
Fox Cove	Alice Hearn.....	"	10 00
Fox Hr., Placentia	Mrs. Bridget Duke	" 9 months	7 50
" Trinity .	Mrs. Eliza Seward	"	16 00
Freshwater	William S. Davis.	"	10 00
Freshwater Road.	— Du Bordieu.	" 6 months	5 00
Gambo	Simeon Osmond ..	"	20 00
Gander Bay.....	John Bursey.....	"	10 00
Gargamelle.....	Wm. Langdon ...	"	10 00
Garnish.....	Sabina Grandy...	"	24 00
Gaultois	Richard Bradshaw	"	40 00
		<i>Forwarded..</i>	\$20,557 50

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		<i>Brought forward.</i>	\$20,557 50
George's Brook ..	Charles Pelley ...	Way officer	10 00
Georgetown, C.B	George Chalker..	"	10 00
Glover Town	Elijah Burry	"	10 00
Gooseberry Isl'ds.	Ambrose Jeans...	"	10 00
Grate's Cove	William Meadus..	"	12 00
Gravels	Aug'ine McDonald	"	10 00
Great Codroy	James Downey ..	"	12 00
Green's Harbor ..	Hezekiah Burt...	"	12 00
Grey Island	James Breen.....	" 6 months	5 00
Griquet .....	.....	" .....	20 00
Grole	Jno. T. Jackman.	"	10 00
Hant's Harbor...	Jane A. Green...	"	40 00
Happy Adventure	James Handcock.	" 9 months	7 50
Harbor Buffett...	Thos. E. Collett..	"	20 00
Hr. Grace Junct'n	Wilcox Spracklin.	"	40 00
Harbor Mille	Mary A. Barnes ..	"	10 00
Hall's Bay.....	.....	" .....	10 00
Harry's Harbor...	Robert Upward..	" 6 months	5 00
Hatchett Cove...	Eliel Robbins....	"	10 00
Haystack.....	William Coffin ...	"	10 00
Head Fortune Bay	Abigail Miles....	"	10 00
Hermitage Cove .	Martha Francis...	"	24 00
Heart's Delight ..	Sam'l. Humphries.	"	10 00
Hickman's Harbor	Job Pilley	"	16 00
Hodge's Cove....	James Drover....	"	10 00
Holyrood, St. M'ys	— St. Croix ...	"	12 00
Indian Arm	Edward Humby..	"	10 00
Indian Islands ...	Mrs. E. Collins...	" 7½ months	6 25
Inner Island.....	Moses Davis.....	"	12 00
Ireland's Eye....	Thomas Cooper..	"	10 00
Island Cove	John Crane.....	"	24 00
Jackson's Cove ..	Henry Knight....	"	10 00
Jersey Side, Pla'ia	John Bradshaw..	" 9 months	7 50
		<i>Forwarded ..</i>	\$20,992 75

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		<i>Brought forward.</i>	\$20,992 75
Joe Batt's Arm ..	Thomas Deady..	Way-officer.....	10 00
Keels	Edward Penney..	"	10 00
Kilbride	Edward Norris...	" 6 months	5 00
Kelligrews	William Tilley...	"	20 00
Ladle Cove.....	Abraham Tulk...	"	10 00
Lally Cove	Stephen Gould...	"	10 00
Lamaline.....	James Pitman ...	"	20 00
Lance Cove, B. Isle	William Clements	"	10 00
Lance Cove, Trin'y	A. John Brown ..	"	10 00
LaPoile, Great Hr	Francis Read....	"	16 00
Lark Harbor	Isaac Sheppard...	"	10 00
LaScie.....	Daniel P. Duggan	"	10 00
Lawn.....	Mrs. S. Fitzpatrick	"	10 00
Leading Tickles..	Phœbe Alcock...	"	20 00
Lee Bight.....	Isaac Adey	"	10 00
Little Bay East ..	Susan Thornhill..	"	10 00
Little Bay Island.	John Campbell...	"	40 00
Little Codroy River	Alex. McIsaacs ...	"	10 00
Lower English Hr	Miss A. Hackett..	"	10 00
Manuels	Mrs. S. Kearney..	"	20 00
Merasheen	Mrs. M. Hennessy	"	10 00
Mobile	Daniel Fitzgerald.	"	10 00
Morton's Harbor..	Mark Osmond ...	"	20 00
Mose Ambrose...	Bessie Yarn.....	"	10 00
Musgrave Harbor.	John B. Wheeler.	"	20 00
Musgrave Town..	Amy Brown	"	10 00
New Bay	Peter Moore	"	10 00
Newman's Cove..	Gilbert Tilley....	"	10 00
Northern Arm...	Cath. Woodford..	"	16 00
Northern Bay	Mary Hogan.....	"	16 00
Northern Bight..	Edward Benson..	"	12 00
Northern River ..	John Brian.....	"	12 00
North-West Arm.	Mrs. Fred. Martin.	"	10 00
		<i>Forwarded..</i>	\$21,429 75

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		<i>Brought forward.</i>	\$21,429 75
Ochre Pit Cove..	Bridget Perfect ..	Way-officer	16 00
Oderin.....	Kate Quirk.....	"	24 00
Open Hall.....	George Shears...	"	16 00
Paradise	Patrick Haley....	"	24 00
Pass Island.....	Eliz'th Strickland.	"	10 00
Peddleton	Francis Peddle...	"	16 00
Perry's Cove	Rachel Kellaway.	"	16 00
Petites... ..	James M. Arnold.	"	10 00
Petty Harbor....	Jacob Bishop	"	16 00
Pilley's Island ...	F. W. Andrews ..	" . 1½ year.	18 00
Plate Cove	John Cheevers ...	"	10 00
Pool's Cove	Henrietta Cross ..	"	10 00
Pool's Island	Peter House.....	"	12 00
Port-de-Grave ...	James B. Butler..	"	30 00
Portugal Cove ...	Margaret Dooley.	"	25 00
Portugal Cove ...	Martin Bolger . .	"	22 50
Pouch Cove	Jno. Easterbrook.	"	20 00
Presque.....	J. L. Sullivan.....	"	15 00
Pushthrough	Henry Camp	"	30 00
Ramea... ..	William Collins ..	"	10 00
Ram's Island	David Fitzpatrick.	"	10 00
Red Island.....	Elizabeth Dunphy	"	10 00
Rencontre, Fort'eB	A. Giovannini....	"	12 00
Rencontre, Her. B	Joseph Earle	"	12 00
Renews	Margaret Jackman	"	40 00
Riverhead, H.G'ce	John Coady.....	"	42 00
Riverhead, St.M'ys	Edward Lee	"	10 00
Robinson's Bight.	Job Pelley.....	"	10 00
Robinson's Head .	Thos. W. S. Evans	"	10 00
Russell's Cove....	Stephen Durdell..	"	10 00
Sagona	Stephen Snooks ..	"	10 00
St. Ann's.....	Mrs. Ann Denief..	" 9 months	7 50
St. Anthony	Joseph Moore.....	"	24 00
			\$21,987 75

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St. Brides	J. C. Conway	Way officer.....	16 00
St. John's, Central	Maria Rouse	"	100 00
St. John's, Garri- son Hill	Miss Delaney.....	"	50 00
St. John's, King's Bridge	Richard Hayes...	"	40 00
St. John's, Late Office	N. Ohman	" 3 months	12 50
St. John's, River- head.....	Henry Collis.....	"	57 50
St. John's, South Side	Leah Taylor	"	30 00
Salmon Cove, Port- de-Grave	William Hussey..	"	12 00
Salmon Cove, Trinity	Fred. Gabriel	"	12 00
Salmonier	Mary Carew	"	30 00
Salmonier, south..	Bridget Cormack.	"	10 00
Salvage	James Burden ...	"	50 00
Scilly Cove, Trin'y	Jacob Hiscock...	"	20 00
Seal Cove, Bona- vista	George Prince....	"	10 00
Seal Cove, Trinity	Jesse Buckler ...	"	10 00
Seldom-Come-By.	P. Newell	"	10 00
Ship Cove .....	.....	" .....	.....
Shoal Bay	Elias Jerritt.....	"	6 25
Shoe Cove	George Morgan..	"	10 00
Sound Island . . .	Philip Brown....	"	20 00
South side Harbor Grace	Arch. Noseworthy	"	64 00
South side Bay St. George	Annie Morris....	"	12 00
Snook's Harbor ..	William Smith....	"	10 00
		<i>Forwarded..</i>	\$22,580 00

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		<i>Brought forward.</i>	\$22,580 00
Spoon Cove.....	Geo. M. Goddard.	Way officer, 9 mos.	7 50
Stephenville.....	Martin Hynes.....	"	10 00
Stock and Knight Coves	Catherine Hynes.	"	10 00
Summerside	Thomas Carter...	"	10 00
Swain's Island ...	George Hann.....	"	12 00
Sweet Bay	Mark Walker.....	"	10 00
Thoroughfare.....	Thomas Mills.....	"	10 00
Three Arms	J. B. Wells.....	"	10 00
Tickle Cove.....	Adam Skiffington	"	12 00
Tilton	Stephen Gosse...	"	10 00
Tilton Harbor....	Martha Dwyer...	"	12 00
Tizzard's Harbor.	Joseph Osmond..	"	10 00
Toad's Cove.....	Catherine Driscoll	"	16 00
Topsail	Joseph Moyse....	"	20 00
Torbay	John Maguire....	"	20 00
Trepassey	Mrs. A. G. Curtis.	"	40 00
Trinity, east	Reginald Mills...	"	24 00
Trouty	Frederick Gover.	"	10 00
Troytown, Bonav: .....	.....	" .....	.....
Twillingate, south	John Davis.....	"	10 00
Upper Small Point	Grace Hayden...	"	10 00
Valen Island	John Brown.....	"	20 00
Western Arm, Rocky Bay....	Matilda Parsons..	" 6 months	5 00
Western Bay....	Jane Kennedy...	"	30 00
Western Cove .....	.....	" .....	10 00
Western Mail Boat	Jackman & Coffee	"	36 00
Witless Bay	James Shanahan..	" \$5 arrears	35 00
Woody Island ...	James B. Williams	" 9 months	7 50
			\$23,007 50

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Route.	Contractor's name.	Amount.	
Baine Har. and Bay L'Argent..	George Bamfield .	\$100 00	
Bay L'Argent and Belloram ...	Philip Grandy....	548 00	
Bay Roberts and Brigus.....	Adriel Hierlihy ..	176 00	
Bay Roberts and Coley's Point.	Stephen French..	30 00	9 mos
Bay Roberts and Port-de-Grave	John Andrews...	120 00	
Bay Roberts and Tilton.....	Moses Gosse.....	435 40	
Birchy Head and Woody Point..	Thomas Upwards.	29 50	
Bonne Bay and Bay of Islands.	John Kelly.....	12 00	
Brigus and Cupids.....	Jane LeDrew....	80 00	
Brigus and Salmon Cove station	John Rabbitts ...	800 00	
Brigus South, and Main Road..	John Battcock...	12 00	
Brooklyn and James' Cove	George Haines...	20 00	
Brooklyn and Musgrave Town.	William Stares...	6 00	
Burin and Beaubois	M. Hunt	40 00	
Burin and Garnish.....	John Baker.	104 00	
Carbonear and Freshwater....	William S. Davis.	30 00	
Carbonear and New Perlican...	Joseph Peers....	396 00	
Carbonear and Western Bay ...	James Evans	220 00	
Catalina and Bonavista	Cecilia Martin ...	3 50	
Channel and Codroy.....	John Downey....	144 00	
Channel and Isle-aux-Morts....	George LeFriend.	65 00	
Coachman's Cove & Western B.	James Sparks....	120 00	
Colliers Bay and Chance Cove..	Solomon Miller...	40 00	
Collier's Bay and New Harbor.	Elisha Elford....	80 00	
Coombs Cove and St. Jacques..	Edward Bartlett..	25 00	
Exploits and Leading Ticks..	Samuel Budgel..	120 00	
Exploits and Burnt Bay.....	Matthew Arnold..	25 00	3 mos
Fermense, North, and Riverhead	Michael Rossiter .	20 00	
Fermense, South, and Riverhead	Joseph Green....	12 00	
Flower's Cove & Lance-au-Loup	E. C. Watson....	8 00	
Flower's Cove and ditto.	Richard Norman.	30 00	
Flower's Cove and St. Barbe...	Richard Norman.	6 00	
Fogo and Change Islands	John King	65 00	
Fogo and Musgrave Harbor....	Solomon Mutch ..	6 00	1 trip
	<i>Forwarded ..</i>	\$3,928 40	

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	<i>Brought forward</i>	\$3,928 40	
Fogo and Seldom-Come-By	Elizabeth Willis . .	44 00	
Fogo and Tilton Harbor	Philip Coats	53 90	
Forteau Ferry	E. C. Watson	7 50	
Fortune and Grand Bank	Jacob Hiscock	90 00	6 mos
Fox Harbor, Trinity Bay, and Northern Bight	Edward Benson	110 40	
Fox Harbor, Placentia, and Railway Crossing	— Duke	22 50	
Gaultois and Hermitage	Samuel Dowding	140 00	
Glovertown and Troytown	Elijah Burry	4 00	
Goulds and Petty Harbor	Emanuel Chafe	80 00	
Grand River and Codroy	James Downey	19 00	
Grate's Cove and New Perlican	George Howell	240 00	
Greenspond and Cape Freels	William Spurrell	95 00	
Greenspond and Ladle Cove	Benjamin Tulk	120 00	
Greenspond and Pool's Island	John Abbott	20 00	
Griquet and Cape Norman, Flower's Cove	Henry Bowfish	100 00	
Hall's Bay, Little Bay	William King	54 00	
Harbor Briton and Burnt Islands	William Tibbo	800 00	
Harbor Briton and Garnish	Thomas White	540 00	
Harbor Briton and Hermitage	John Harris	138 00	
Harbor Grace and Carbonear and Holyrood	Robert Lahey	186 60	^{\$12 to} Holyrood
Harbor Main and Conception Harbor	William Brick	192 00	
Harbor Mille and Head of Bay	Charles Barnes	50 00	
Heart's Content and Hants Hr.	Eliel Hopkins	108 00	
Heart's Content and Shoal Bay	Thomas Faust	120 00	
Heart's Content and Shoal Har.	Edmund Seward	900 00	
Hickman's Harbor and Shoal Hr	— Blundell	14 00	
Jersey Harbor and Little Bay	Charles White	8 00	
Kelligrews and Railway P. P. O.	William Tilley	24 00	
	<i>Forwarded.</i>	\$8,209 30	

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	<i>Brought forward</i>	\$8,209 30
King's Cove and Bonavista....	Thomas Ford....	62 00
King's Cove and Plate Cove...	Michael Devine ..	132 00
Ladle Cove and Rocky Bay....	Samson Whealan.	24 00
Lark Harbor and Birchy Cove.	Stephen Molbon..	100 00
Lawn Ferry and _____ ..	Andrew Strong..	24 00
Little Bay, W., and Jersey Har.	William Rose....	16 00
Little Bay, N., and Nipper's Har	R. D. Walsh	4 00
New Harbor, Railway P.P.O., Shoal Bay.....	Edw'd Woodman.	188 60
Nipper's Har. and Three Arms.	Thomas Snow ...	28 00
Pack's Har. and Sandwich Bay.	Thos. McDonald.	20 00
Pass Island and Grole.....	James Fudge....	15 60
Placentia and Branch.....	Pierce Burke	208 00
Placentia and Little Placentia..	Alex. Burke.....	92 00
Placentia and Railway Station..	Edward Sinnott..	307 00
Pouch Cove and Bauline.....	Richard King....	12 50
Rose Blanche and Burnt Island	Wm. Hilliard	50 00
St. Bride's and Cape St. Mary's.	Lawrence Connors	10 00
St. George's and Bay of Islands	Adolph Garnier..	20 00
St. George's and Gravels.....	John Chinn... ..	160 00
St. George's and Highlands....	John McPherson.	120 00
St. George's and South Side...	— Morris	5 00
St. Jacques and Belloram.....	Mrs. Snelgrove...	9 45
St. John's and Broad Cove	David Tucker ...	70 00
St. John's and Portugal Cove..	Martin Bolger....	90 00
St. John's and Pouch Cove	Jno. Easterbrook.	100 00
St. John's and Har. Grace and Holyrood.....	William Coughlan	52 00
St. John's and Portugal Cove...	ditto.	10 00
St. John's and Railway Station.	ditto.	420 00
St. John's and Toad's Cove....	ditto.	400 00
St. John's and Torbay.....	John McGuire...	40 00
St. Kyran's aud Paradise.....	Thos. Sullivan ...	160 00
		\$,11,159 45

POSTAL DEPARTMENT.

Statement of amounts paid to Contractors and others, for conveyance of Mails, during the year 1889.

Route.	Contractor's name.	Amount.
	<i>Brought forward</i>	\$11,159 45
St. Lawrence and Lamaline	Slaney & Barbage	167 00
St. Mary's and Holyrood, C. Bay	Mary Carew	800 00
St. Mary's and Peter's River		100 00
Salvage and Gambo	Patrick Daley	120 00
Salvage and Happy Adventure.	Albert Lane	16 00
Salvage and Fair Islands	Joseph Dyke	12 00
Salvage and Greenspond	Joseph Dyke	150 00
Shoal Harbor, G., and Gambo	James S. Butler	30 00
Shoal Hr., G., & George's Brook.	Charles Pelley	14 80
Shoal Harbor G., and Bald Nap	John Pitman	20 00
Shoal Har., G., and British Har.	Joseph Pitman	224 00
Sound Island and Newtown	Joseph Giles	1 50
Southern Bay and Sweet Bay	William Ryan	20 00
Southern End and Change Is'ld.	John King	10 00
Spaniard's Bay and Island Cove	John Crane	100 00
Toad's Cove and Renewes	John Killegrew	150 00
Topsail and Railway P. P. O.	Joseph Moyse	80 00
Tilt Cove and Harbor Round	Bryan Connell	100 00
Tilt Cove and Little Bay	Wm. Cunningham	6 00
Tilt Cove and Round Harbor	John Squires	45 50
Trinity and Bonavista	Thomas White	180 00
Trinity and British Harbor	Richard Hiscock	60 00
Trinity and Brooklyn	Francis Stares	200 00
Trinity and English Harbor	Hy. Geo. Batstone	20 00
Trinity and King's Cove	George DeGrish	136 00
Trinity and New Perlican	John Milley	936 00
Trinity [and office rent]	M. R. Buchanan	10 00
Twillingate and Herring Neck	J. Purchase	4 00
Twillingate and Moreton's Har.	Henry Pearce	80 00
Twillingate and South Side	John Davis	20 00
Western Bay and Bay-de-Verde	William Perfect	228 00
		\$15,200 25

GEO. LEMESSURIER,
Accountant.

J. O. FRASER,
Postmaster-General.

POSTAL DEPARTMENT.

Statement shewing the number of Registered Letters received and sent through the General Post Office, St. John's, Newfoundland, during the year ended 31st day of Dec., 1889.

Mailed at General Post-Office and forwarded	6,147
Received from outports and from abroad, and re-forwarded.	5,146
Received from outports and from abroad, and delivered at St. John's.....	11,299
	<u>22,592</u>
Returned to writers, as persons addressed could not be found	<u>3</u>
Increase over 1888.....	<u>356</u>

J. O. FRASER,

Postmaster-General.

GEO. LEMESSURIER,

Accountant.

REPORT OF THE PHYSICIANS OF THE SAINT JOHN'S
HOSPITAL, FOR THE YEAR 1889.

ST. JOHN'S HOSPITAL,
MARCH 15TH, 1890.

SIR,

We beg leave to report that the number of patients admitted into the General Hospital during 1889 was 324, which, added to 27 remaining from 1888, made a total of 351. Of these, 13 have died.

The surgeon's quarters and female nurses' have been much improved during the year by the addition of a mansard roof. The wards would require new floors, as the present ones are in a very bad state.

The roof of the men's wards has been thoroughly repaired, and is now in a good condition.

We must again call your attention to the want of a filter at the outlet of the pond. The water is not fit for use, owing to refuse of the pond getting into the pipes. This causes considerable expense, as the services of a plumber are constantly required—especially in winter, as the water must, of necessity, freeze when stopped by fish, &c., accumulating in the pipes.

We should strongly recommend the building being heated by hot water, as, during the late severe winter, the wards were exceedingly cold—the thermometer not registering more than 32° on many days. If heated by hot water, the expense would not be greater, as the furnace would consume less coals than the present arrangement of such a number of fires.

In addition to the patients received into the General Hospital, 269 were admitted to the Fever Hospital; 245 of these were diphtheria, 23 fever and 1 erysipelas. Of these, 24 have died—20 from diphtheria and 4 from fever.

We beg to call the attention of the Board to the large increase in the number of admissions to the Fever Hospital: 64 were admitted in 1888, and 249 in 1889, which has added considerably to our duties in that establishment.

We also wish to bring again under your notice the unfitness of St. George's for an hospital. The roads during the winter are totally unfit for patients to travel, owing to exposure and quantities of snow; many days it is almost impossible for us to visit the institution.

We have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your obedient servants,

HENRY SHEA,

ALFRED J. HARVEY.

To JAMES DAY, Esq.,

Chairman of the Board of Works.

Summary of Diseases for year 1889.

No. in hosp'l Jan. 1, '89.	Total under treatment for year '89	Diseases.	January.	February.	March.	April.	May.	June.	July.	August.	September.	October.	November.	December.	Deaths.
2	61	Respiratory organs...	7	1	7	6	10	4	5	4	4	6	1	6	4
2	17	Brain, nervous system.	2	..	1	3	2	1	1	1	2	2	1	1	1
1	22	Abdome visceral	1	1	2	3	2	1	6	2	..	1	1	2	3
....	11	Urinary, genital organs	..	..	1	3	1	2	1	1	1	1	..	..	2
....	18	Syphilis .....	..	1	1	1	6	2	2	1	1	1	2	..	..
4	65	Accidents	4	4	6	5	5	7	12	4	6	4	5	3	1
....	14	Rheumatism	1	..	1	1	6	1	2	..	1	1	..	..	..
8	42	Scrofula	3	4	5	2	4	7	9	5	..	1	1	1	1
4	15	Abscesses and ulcers..	4	..	..	1	2	4	1	2	..	..	..	1	..
1	10	Diseases of skin.....	..	1	2	1	..	1	..	4	..	..	1	..	..
2	9	Diseases of eye	1	1	1	..	1	1	..	1	..	..	2	1	..
1	3	Fever .....	..	1	..	..	1	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..
2	11	Cancer .....	..	..	1	..	2	..	1	..	1	2	3	1	..
....	26	Diseases not enu'erat'd	3	4	1	4	2	..	3	3	2	2	1	1	1
27	324	.. .....	26	18	29	30	44	31	43	28	19	21	18	17	13

REPORT ON THE CIRCUMSTANCES AND CONDITION
OF THE POOR ASYLUM OF NEWFOUNDLAND,
FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31ST DEC., 1889.

TO THE HON. THE CHAIRMAN BOARD OF WORKS,—

SIR,—I beg to submit, for the information of the Government, the customary Annual Report of the state of the Poor Asylum institution. At the close of the past year there were in the asylum a total number of 104 inmates; of these, 57 were males and 47 females. I annex a detailed statement.

During the past summer and autumn the following improvements and additions have been made: 1st—Two new porches were built in rear of building; 2nd—Two new stairs; 3rd—A new bridge over the river; 4th—A new platform over water-closet; 5th—New board fence, with gates, in back yard.

In conclusion, I would draw the attention of your honorable Board to the wisdom of taking into your earliest consideration the advisability of heating the institution with hot water. In my reports for the past five years I have brought this matter before your honorable Board for its consideration, and last year received a promise that it would be attended to. If this plan were adopted, fifty per cent. would be saved yearly on the cost of coal, and it would be much safer for the institution.

Having made these observations, I now beg to submit to the Government my report for the year 1889.

EDWARD MORRIS,

Superintendent.

ST. JOHN'S, January, 1890.

List of Female Pauper Inmates in the Poor Asylum for year ending 31st Dec., 1889.

	Name.	Age	Religion.				Former residence.	Avocation or trade.	Debility.
			R. Catholic.	Ch. of England.	Methodist.	Presbyterian.			
1	Bridget Cooney.....	32	1				St. John's.....	Demented.	
2	Ellen Forristal.....	80	1				".....	Idiot.	
3	Mary Tuffin.....	78	1				".....	Cripple.	
4	Ann Flanagan.....	76	1				".....	Idiot.	
5	Bridget Hearn.....	52	1				".....	Cripple.	
6	Princella Knight.....	48		1			".....	Blind.	
7	Sarah Knight.....	46		1			".....	General debility.	
8	Elizabeth Penney.....	61	1				Burin.....	Bad leg.	
9	Elizabeth Healey.....	50	1				St. John's.....	Cripple.	
10	Mary White.....	34		1			Carbonear.....	Demented.	
11	Ann Hanrahan.....	41	1				St. John's.....	General debility.	
12	Sarah Hunt.....	71			1		Trinity.....	Blind.	
13	Mary Murphy.....	36	1				St. John's.....	General debility.	
14	Ann Austin.....	63		1			Topsail.....	Cripple.	
15	Mary Kearney.....	75	1				St. John's.....	General debility.	
16	Elizabeth Gillege.....	27		1			Catalina.....	Idiot.	
17	Catherine Dalton.....	78	1				St. John's.....	General debility.	
18	Lucy Macintosh.....	68		1			".....	General debility.	
19	Mary Terry.....	69	1				".....	General debility.	
20	Bridget Follet.....	24	1				Cat Harbor.....	Idiot.	

List of Female Pauper Inmates in the Poor Asylum for year ending 31st Dec., 1889.

	Name.	Age	Religion.				Former residence.	Avocation or trade.	Disability.
			R. Catholic.	Ch. of England.	Methodist.	Presbyterian.			
21	Matilda Butler	47	..	..	1	..	St. John's	General debility.
22	Mary Neil	58	1	..	..	..	Topsail	General debility.
23	Ellen Gale	60	1	..	..	..	St. John's	General debility.
24	Elizabeth Clarke	22	1	..	..	..	ditto.	Idiot.
25	Elizabeth Brown	90	1	..	..	..	Tilt Cove	General debility.
26	Susan McGarman	26	1	..	..	..	Burgeo	Idiot.
27	Catherine Doherty	46	1	..	..	..	St. John's	Idiot.
28	Margaret Brophy	29	1	..	..	..	Harbor Main	Idiot.
29	Margaret Kennedy	29	1	..	..	..	Harbor Grace	Demented.
30	Margaret Martin	24	1	..	..	..	Codroy	Bag legs.
31	Jane Whitten	71	1	..	..	..	St. John's	Blind.
32	Alice Hollihan	17	..	1	..	..	Bird Island	Idiot.
33	Ellen Regelly	4	1	..	..	..	St. Pierre	General debility.

List of Male Pauper Inmates in the Poor Asylum for year ending 31st Dec., 1889.

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	Name.	Age	Religion.				Former residence.	Avocation or trade.	Disability.
			R. Catholic.	Ch. of England.	Methodist.	Presbyterian.			
1	John Kavanah.....	67	..	..	1	..	Harbor Grace.....	Idiot.	
2	Samuel Rowe.....	45	1	..	..	..	Green Bay.....	Idiot.	
3	Henry Flood.....	39	1	..	..	..	Catalina.....	Idiot.	
4	Robert Earle.....	73	..	..	..	1	St. John's.....	Baker.....	General debility.
5	David Barter.....	77	..	1	..	..	ditto.....	Tailor.....	General debility.
6	Thomas Mullooney.....	72	1	..	..	..	ditto.....	Fisherman.....	General debility.
7	George McPherson.....	46	1	..	..	..	ditto.....	Moulder.....	General debility.
8	Robert Cribb.....	62	..	1	..	..	Pass Island.....	Fisherman.....	General debility.
9	Lawrence Butler.....	76	1	..	..	..	St. John's.....	ditto.....	General debility.
10	Robert Blundon.....	85	..	1	..	..	Petty Harbor.....	ditto.....	General debility.
11	Robert Stanton.....	36	1	..	..	..	St. John's.....	Tailor.....	General debility.
12	Thomas Day.....	14	1	..	..	..	ditto.....	.....	Dumb.
13	Moses Whelan.....	19	..	1	..	..	Harbor Grace.....	.....	Idiot
14	James Clooney.....	77	1	..	..	..	Torbay.....	Fisherman.....	General debility.
15	James O'Neil.....	26	1	..	..	..	St. John's.....	.....	Idiot.
16	Edward Murphy.....	68	1	..	..	..	".....	Carpenter.....	General debility.
17	William Blandford.....	78	1	..	..	..	Torbay.....	Fisherman.....	General debility.
18	John Reardon.....	58	1	..	..	..	Perry's Cove.....	.....	Idiot.
19	Stephen Froud.....	62	1	..	Old Perlican.....	Demented.
20	William Purcell.....	71	1	St. John's.....	Ships' Carpenter.....	General debility.

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List of Male Pauper Inmates in the Poor Asylum for year ending 31st Dec., 1889.

	Name.	Age	Religion.				Former residence.	Avocation or trade.	Debility.
			R. Catholic.	Ch. of England.	Methodist.	Presbyterian.			
21	Stephen Carew.....	65	1				St. John's.....	Fisherman.....	Blind.
22	Lawrence Ryan.....	75	1				".....	ditto.....	General debility.
23	John Benson.....	82	1				Bay-de-Verde ...	ditto.....	Blind.
24	Henry Fitzgibbons	59		1			".....	ditto.....	General debility.
25	Henry Harris.. ..	32			1		Scilly Cove		Idiot.
26	Christopher Maher.....	35	1				St. John's.....	Fisherman.....	General debility.
27	John Farrell.....	48	1				".....	ditto.....	General debility.
28	Oliver Barry.....	45	1				".....		Cripple.
29	Robert Barry.....	67	1				".....	Fisherman.....	Cripple.
30	Patrick House	27	1				".....		Cripple.
31	John Thorne.....	92		1			".....	Fisherman.....	Cripple.
32	William Dunphy.....	44	1				".....	Farmer	General debility.
33	Thomas Shelly.....	58	1				".....	Fisherman.....	Cripple.
34	Michael Finnican.....	61	1				".....	Tailor	General debility.
35	Barzallai Hiscock.....	43		1			Heart's Content ..		Idiot.
36	John Sutton.....	43	1				Bay-de-Verde ...	Fisherman.....	Demented.
37	Noah Moores.....	41	1				Labrador	".....	General debility.
38	John Price	52	1				Petty Harbor.....	".....	General debility.
39	Nicholas Grace	61	1				St. John's.....	".....	General debility.
40	Patrick Kielly	26	1				Petty Harbor.....		Blind.

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41	John Whitten	54	1	Petty Harbor	One hand.
42	Albert Dodd	41	1	St. John's	Pedler
43	John Billin	70	1	ditto.	Fisherman
44	John Downey	49	1	ditto.	Cooper.
45	John Redmond	39	1	Carbonear	Demented.
46	Laurence Fowler	69	1	Holyrood	Fisherman
47	Robert Bridge	31	1	Twillingate	Idiot.
48	Samuel Lane	51	1	Salvage	Idiot.
49	Thomas Murphy	67	1	Black Head	Fisherman
50	John Fordin	75	1	Holyrood	General debility.
51	John Ryan	71	1	St. John's	Farmer
					General debility.

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RECAPITULATION.

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No. pauper inmates in Poor Asylum on 1st January, 1889.....	104
No. admitted during year	80
No. discharged during year	71
No. deaths during year	29

LIGHT-HOUSES AND PUBLIC BUILDINGS.

ST. JOHN'S, January 1st, 1890.

SIR,

I have the honor herewith to submit my Reports upon Light-Houses (enclosure No. 1) and Public Buildings (enclosure No. 2,) together with copies of the estimates of the expenditure required for repairs and maintenance during the current year (enclosures Nos. 3 and 4.)

The light and alarm stations have been suitably supplied with stores, and necessary repairs have been made.

The public buildings have had repairs made in prevention of dilapidation.

Matters requiring special notice in connection with either service are recited in enclosures Nos. 1 and 2.

On the 2nd August the S. S. *Lady Glover* left St. John's on a voyage of inspection. The stations on Baccalieu Island, Fort Point, (Trinity,) Green Island, Cape Bonavista, Little Denier, Puffin, Cabot, Wadham, Cann, and Gull Islands; Long Point, Twillingate, Sandy Point and Channel Head were visited. Thirteen court-houses were inspected, and surveys made of the sites of possible light-stations on Nipper's Harbor Island, Lobster Cove Head, (Bonne Bay) Keppel Island, Port Saunders and Bay of Islands. Workmen and materials for the erection of a store were landed on Penguin Island. The Conception Bay light and court-houses have been visited; also the light-stations at Fort Amherst, Cape Spear, Ferryland, Point Verde and Hant's Harbor; and the court-houses at Ferryland, Placentia, Holyrood and Heart's Content were inspected.

The mechanician has been occupied in making repairs and adjustment of machinery and apparatus at Cape St. Francis, Green Island, Wadham's, Cabot, Brunette, and Ireland Islands; Cape St. Mary's, Rose Blanche and Rocky Point. He was also at Penguin Island, examining it with a view to the light-house proposed there.

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I have been twice to Colinet—the first time to make a survey preparatory to designing a new bridge over the river at that place. Plans were prepared, submitted to and approved by the Board. Prices were obtained from England for the iron-work of a suspension bridge subsequently erected. The second visit was for the purpose of seeing the commencement of the foundations of the piers.

The construction of a light-house on Penguin Island renders an alteration in the character of the Wadham's Island light necessary. It was a matter of some little difficulty to secure a distinctive appearance for each station. There are revolving lights in the neighborhood, viz.: at Cape Bonavista and Cabot Island, rendering it desirable to have this a fixed light, located as it is almost between them. On the other side are the fixed lights at Wadham's and Cann Islands, and too near each other for lights of the same character. By interposing a revolving light on Wadham's Island a proper distinction will be secured, of alternate fixed and revolving lights on that part of the coast. The necessary apparatus for carrying out these views has been ordered.

In my last three reports attention has been called to the advantages of individual responsibility and lessened cost resulting from having each light-station in sole charge of one keeper. During this year there will be an opportunity of continuing this beneficial system when appointing a keeper to Penguin Island.

I am happy to be able to report that the Forster system of lighting, formerly spoken of as being likely to solve the difficulty of providing a safe light on the continually foundering Harbor Grace Island, is such as can safely be recommended. It is also specially adapted for harbor light, such as Nipper's Harbor, St. Jacques, &c. Plans shewing different methods of altering the court-house, accompanied by estimates, have been prepared and submitted; also for a light-house on Penguin Island, and alterations to women's wing, Quidi Vidi hospital.

Last year mention was made of materials having been provided for the construction of a fence round the penitentiary, and you will notice in my estimate that \$600 has been put down for its erection. This amount supposes that the greater part of the work is to be done by prisoners, under the directions of a foreman.

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A sum of \$2,500 is put down for providing an iron casing for the brick light-tower at Ferryland.

The remarks made last year relative to the expenditure at Government House again apply, as it again very considerably exceeds the estimate and "caused, to a large extent, by items being charged to *repairs* that really are not such, and yet, no doubt, essential for the due maintenance of the house. I may instance furniture, of which I have no cognizance; and as no one can anticipate what the Governor, for the time being, may require, it is impossible to fairly estimate the probable outlay."

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

J. T. NEVILL.

Supt. Light-houses and Public Buildings.

To JAMES DAY, Esq.,

Chairman of the Board of Works.

LIGHT-HOUSES AND PUBLIC BUILDINGS.

LIGHT-HOUSES.

[*Enclosure No. 1.* To accompany Report of 1st January, 1890.]

Gull Island.—Since last visited, this station has been considerably improved by the keepers, in filling up and levelling round their houses. The road was considerably out of repair; the brick-work of the chimneys was perishing, and the cellars were reported as not being frost-proof. An expenditure of \$12 was authorized for repairing the road, and the material supplied to the keeper with which to case the chimneys and line the cellars. The foundation-walls should be pointed, the caps of the chimneys taken down and re-built, and a concrete floor put in an unfinished part of the covered way. The stone-built block supporting the mart and boom used for hoisting supplies from one part of the road to another at a higher level is very much burst; a wood wharf should be put in its place.

Long Point, Twillingate.—This station was in excellent condition, both in fabric and management. A free-stone of the tower cornice and a brick in the tower showed signs of decay. These have been cut out and replaced in concrete. The cornice has been coated with hot oil to protect it from the weather. The porch will have to be shingled this year.

Wharf Light, Twillingate.—This has been re-built and supplied with new lamps.

Cann Island, Seldom-Come-By.—Buildings in good condition, and not needing any repair. Two bridges or cross-drains should be renewed, and the damage done to the road by the pigs of the summer-livers on the island will have to be made good, and the road generally repaired. The keeper, now getting old, complains much of the changed circumstances of the island, owing to no other families now remaining during the winter—thus leaving him alone on a place at times unapproachable.

Wadham's Island.—The brick-work of the tower had been effectively repaired by the keepers before the station was inspected. They have been supplied with material for re-shingling the covered way between the light-tower and dwelling-house. After this work is done, the whole place will be in excellent condition.

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Penguin Island.—After the mechanician had visited this place, arrangements were made for putting up a store, making a road, clearing a foundation, collecting sand, making a well, &c., all which have been done satisfactorily, and will greatly facilitate an early commencement of the light-house in the spring. Immediately after returning from my own inspection, plans were prepared, submitted and approved. The carpenters' and joiners' work has been commenced, and the iron light-tower and apparatus ordered. The lumber is to be supplied by one of the local mills, and it is proposed to employ as much local labor as possible about the building. Similar arrangements were made for the erection of the light-house on Little Denier Island, resulting in its satisfactory completion in thirteen weeks from the time the material was landed.

Cabot Island.—There were some defects in the roof. The keeper has been supplied with material to remedy these, and also for covering over a chimney not in use since the removal of the assistant keeper to take charge at Little Denier Island.

Puffin Island.—The granite of the walls will have to be pointed with cement as early as possible in the spring. Otherwise the station is in excellent condition, though the keeper complains of his family having too limited accommodation. The erection of an outside kitchen would give the additional bed-room required and be beneficial to the light—the steam from the existing kitchen rising into the light-room and condensing on the glass of the lantern.

Little Denier Island.—My inspection on August 3rd was the first since the erection of this light-house in 1888, and I am pleased to be able to report its condition as being far better than any other station has been found in at a first visit. The short time it took to build (thirteen weeks) and the excellence of the work are creditable to William Stowe, building foreman, and Mr. Cornick, mechanician to the department. The cellar should have a concrete floor put into it. A water-closet is wanted. The turfy surface around the building is always blowing about, and should be secured by sowing grass seeds to sod it down.

Cape Bonavista.—Some parts of the foundation-walls being defective, a mason and material were sent to make the necessary repairs. Some repairs were also made to the roofs; but the older

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parts will have to be renewed before long. The machine operating the light is getting very much worn, and cannot be relied on for any length of time. It has been in use since 1810, it having in that year been installed at Bell Rock. Repairs will be required to the road.

Green Island, Catalina.—A new steam-pump was supplied early in the year; the old one has been repaired and is now in store, ready for any emergency. A new winch has been provided at the landing-place. During the coming season, the water-tanks will have to be repaired. The roofs over them and that of the store and the paling fences about the house require renewal.

Fort Point, Trinity.—The keeper may certainly claim the distinction of having the best-kept station in the whole service. The only things required to make the place complete were a new stove-funnel, a flag-staff and flag; the latter was supplied and the former ordered.

Hant's Harbor.—This station is in good order and well cared for. A leaky fountain caused trouble with the lamp for a time; but, being repaired, no further difficulty was experienced.

Baccalieu Island.—The station here was in very good condition. Some repairs have been made to the landing gear, and a protecting hood of galvanized iron has been supplied for the light-room. The road will require some repairs.

Carbonear Island.—When inspected, the landing-wharf was found to be in very bad condition. The most urgent repairs were forthwith carried out; but further ones are needed in the spring.

Harbor Grace Island.—The degradation of the island is gradually proceeding, though no very extensive slips have taken place recently. A bridge across a gulch running across the island, between the landing-place and the light-house, has had to be renewed—the old one having become unsafe. The gallery-railing is rusted past repair, but it may answer its purpose for another year. The roof, chimney and gallery require repairs.

Bay Robert's Point.—The flat roof requires re-felting. The foundations should be pointed. In other respects this station is in very good order.

Harbor Grace Beacon.—The lantern continues to be leaky; otherwise, everything is satisfactory.

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Brigus, Northern Head.—When visited, the station was in good condition, except a leak or two in the flat roof; and the keeper has been supplied with material to stop these. A small block and hoisting-gear are required at the landing-place. The foundations require a little pointing.

Cape St. Francis Light and Alarm.—Except some matters of minor importance, this station is in good repair. Twice during the past year considerable repairs have had to be made to the road, owing to serious damage done by floods. The launchway at Biscayan Cove was slightly damaged by ice, and forthwith repaired. The sectional boiler being somewhat out of order, the other one was taken into use. The former was fitted with new baffle-arch to fireplace, and new feed-water arrangements designed to secure an even distribution over a larger area. Severe frost, as usual, has stopped the water-supply, and that required has had to be carted.

Fort Amherst Light-House.—It was mentioned in my last report that the south gable had bulged so considerably as to render shoring necessary. This wall has since been taken down and re-built; the house has been covered with Allpook's patent wire roofing; the cellar and sally-port have been repaired, and the house generally put in good condition.

Leading Lights, St. John's.—The keeper having been found neglecting his duties, he was suspended and eventually retired on half-pay. He had got past service, and consideration of his infirmities and long attention to the lights induced a retiring allowance. The new man accepted the position on half the former pay during the life-time of Lawlor.

Cape Spear Light-House and Alarm.—An improvement has been made in the roof of the alarm house, by which better arrangements have been made for the isolation of the boiler smoke-stack. The roof of the keeper's house and that of the alarm house have become very leaky, and some portions of them will have to be recovered this year. Frosty weather and continuous dry summer weather cut off the supply of water to the alarm-tanks; and in such times it has to be hauled.

Ferryland Head.—The brick-work of the light-tower, as I have often before reported, is very defective. Each season, for many past ones, considerable and increasing sums have been required for repairs.

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The only effectual cure would be the casing of the tower with iron, backed with concrete, in a similar manner to the work done at Cape St. Mary's. This would make the building practically indestructible, requiring but paint for its future maintenance. Some of the quoins and clapboarding need repair to make the house weather-tight.

Cape Pine Light-house.—The cost of repairing the road from Trepassey—one chiefly used by the people of St. Shott's, still continues to be charged to light-house account. During the past year a bridge, known as "Hickey's" has had to be rebuilt. Some repairs are required about the eaves of the dwellings to prevent the weather beating in.

Point La Haye.—The foundations under the house-sills require pointing.

Point Verde Light-house.—On inspection the tower-gallery was found to be leaky, the porch doors broken by the wind; house roof also leaky. One-half of the latter had to be stripped and a new and larger porch was built. A gale of wind in December shook the house very much, and the privy was blown away. Some improvements have been made by which the water supply in the well has been increased; and in the spring further repairs will be required. The road over the beach has annually to be cleared of rocks thrown up by heavy seas.

Cape St. Mary's.—A small band of concrete work, under the tower-gallery has been cased with iron; two years experience having shewn that concrete was unable to keep out the weather. Rocks have been cleared out of the landing dock at Lear's Cove, a bridge repaired, and the annual re-grading of the hill done. Repairs have been made to porches and covered way. In the assistant's house new stairs and new floors are wanted.

Dodding Head Light-house.—Owing to the mildness of the spring of last year the hilly road from Cross's Cove to the lighthouse received more than usual injury by floods. It was repaired. A new cart has been supplied. The entrance porch will have to be re-built this year, and new window sills are required on the S. E. side of the house.

Garnish Light-house.—Last year it was mentioned that an addition then recently made to the break-water had somewhat

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jeopardized the safety of the block on which the tower stands, and that material had been ordered with which to connect the end of the break-water with the beach, for the purpose of fending off the seas from the rear. This work has been carried out, and none too soon for the safety of tower and breakwater; the keeper writing that it was most useful in fending one particularly heavy sea.

Brunette Island Light-house.—The plate-glass panes of the lantern reported as being erected last year have been taken out and new glass put in. The masonry of the light-tower and the foundations have been pointed. Some repairs will be required in the keeper's dwelling to quoins and eaves, and probably a new sill will have to be put in the west end.

Rocky Point, Harbor Briton.—A new lense and lamp has been shipped, by which an improvement has been made in the appearance of this light, and at the same time safer and easier to manage.

Pass Island Light-house.—Some damage has been done to the lense of the tower-light by the keeper falling against it: he having slipped while carrying oil to the light-room. Examination will have to be made as to the repairs required. Some cracked panes in the tower-lantern will have to be re-placed. The porch will want new sills, the uprights scarfed and other incidental repairs.

Boar Island.—The road from the landing to the light-house has been repaired.

Ireland Island.—The irregularity in the performance of the machine operating the light has been adjusted by the mechanic and the keeper reports it working better than it ever did before.

Rose Blanche.—Eight new plate-glass panes have been put in lantern. The wharf, kitchen, and oil-house have been repaired. In the fall an accident occurred in the light-room, whereby the lense was considerably damaged and the keeper badly burned about the hands. The keeper's excuse was "bad oil;" and, fearing it might be correct, a sample was forthwith obtained and tested. Instead of being bad it was particularly good, it being 10° above the stipulated test of 150° . So far I have not been able to locate the fault, but hope to do so when the station is inspected. The keeper reports that wet still drives under the roof-slates and requires further pointing.

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Channel Head.—The new block and gangway make a great improvement to the landing-place. The eastern side of light-tower will have to be stripped and re-shingled, as it is very leaky. A water-tank is much wanted.

Sandy Point Light-House.—The foundation of the tower requires repair. A heavy sea nearly cut through the beach in Dec.; and, unless some further stockading is done to gather sand, it does not seem unlikely for the house to be left on an island. Some stockade work done recently has gathered such a bank of sand as to completely protect the building on one side. If grass seeds were sown on the Point, it would preserve the sand from blowing away. Years ago it was all grass; but this was ploughed up, and the surface has been a shifting one ever since. For this seeding to be serviceable, it would be necessary to fence across the Point to keep out cattle and pigs—at any rate until after the seed had become thoroughly established.

Respectfully submitted,

J. T. NEVILL,

Superintendent of Light-Houses.

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[*Enclosure No. 2.* To accompany report of 1st January, 1890.]

Court-House, St. John's.—Repairs have been made to the roof, pointing done to the west wall, chimneys, &c. Under the supposition that extensive alterations were imminent, no repairs but those absolutely necessary to prevent serious dilapidation have been made. Pending these alterations, the Chief Clerk and Registrar's offices have remained unfinished, as they were left, after some partially-made alterations, three years since. It should be properly fitted up. The roof, the outsides of the walls and the chimneys will require repair this year to maintain them in fair condition. In June last, the public pound, police-closet and dead-house were suddenly removed by the Municipal Council, without notice to the Board of Works. In consequence of this destruction, the closets had to be re-erected.

Penitentiary.—The wash-house has had a concrete floor laid in it, and slate washing-troughs, supplied with hot and cold water, have been fitted—the hot water supplied from a circulating boiler formerly in use for the registrar's office. A water-closet and urinal have been fitted up within the building for the use of officers and visitors. A convenient porch has been erected, and the coal-shed covered with asphalted felt. Some alterations have been made to the old wash-house and work-shop, to adapt them for the broom-factory inaugurated by the Governor. The roof has been re-covered with felt. Considerable inconvenience has been caused, from time to time, by fish obstructing the water-pipes. The water, also, is frequently very much discolored by organic matter from the source of supply. These difficulties point to the necessity of putting an improved screen near the pond, and a filter in the hospital grounds for use of both institutions. Some of the plastering of cells and corridors should be replaced with matched board ceiling. The hot-water boiler for heating the females' prison is so much more powerful than is necessary for that part of the building that two other radiating coils may be taken off it—one in the wardens' kitchen and one in the entrance of the males' prison—thus doing away with an open fire. Some of the cold-air flues will need repair. The roof-light, reported on last year as being in bad condition, has not been removed; but it must be renovated shortly.

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Outport Court-Houses and Gaols.—During the past year repairs of greater or less extent have been made to all these buildings, the most important being the removal of the old out-buildings at Harbor Grace and the erection of new ones; at Holyrood, Trinity, St. Mary's and Sandy Point; at the latter place amounting to partial reconstruction. Last year it was said that these extensive repairs were required here, and that it was almost necessary to have a new court-house at Placentia. Instead of this, just sufficient repairs were made as bare maintenance required. During the ensuing season, besides those repairs incidental to all buildings, new fences will be required at Bonavista, water-service and drain at Carbonear, painting at Brigus and Sandy Point, and new fences and shingling at Grand Bank. The magistrate's house at Bay of Islands will have to be re-shingled.

Lunatic Asylum.—Repairs have been made to the roofs and parts of the walls; concreting has been done in the air-flues; walls and ceilings repaired. The engineer has been supplied with a portable forge and the necessary fittings for making repairs. A dam has been constructed across the brook whence water is obtained. During the coming year repairs will be required to roofs, walls, floors and plastering; and the engineer will want some fittings. The small boiler used for heating water for distribution throughout the building will probably require some repair, and possibly the locomotive steam-boiler also. Some of the lavatories and urinals and a part of the wash-house require new floors. The corrugated iron of the divisions of the rooms in the oldest women's wing should be punched to afford an interchange of air between the corridor and sleeping rooms, and in the men's wing the rusted lower ends will have to be made good. The coal-shed will have to be repaired. Very much of the internal wood-work requires paint or varnish, as the case may be.

Poor Asylum.—Last year it was mentioned that porches and stairways in the rear of each wing were in course of construction. These, when completed were found fully to obviate the inconvenience heretofore felt, of servants and inmates using the same entrances. My recommendation of closing the gate from the women's yard has not been carried into effect, and until that is done there can be no real separation between the sexes without virtually making pris-

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oners of the women by keeping them in their rooms. The wards and halls should have the ceilings washed and wood-work painted. Besides such repairs as time may develop the necessity of, there is nothing of special character.

Hospital, Quidi Vidi.—Last year mention was made of the necessity of altering the roof of the women's wing, it having always been a source of annoyance by leaking, owing to the original faulty principle of construction, and an outlay of \$2,400 was recommended. Plans and specifications were prepared in accordance thereto, but a more expensive method was adopted and the whole building raised five feet. I wish to put on record that I objected to the load of this additional height being put on walls known to be weak, and I have not yet been able to see that any advantage has been gained in increased accommodation of a useful character. Messrs. Herder and Hallaren are the contractors for carrying out these alterations, and their work is almost complete. The eaves of the males' wing have been thoroughly repaired. The stable walls have been clap-boarded outside. The women's wing and doctor's house, as soon as the work is sufficiently dry, will have to be painted and papered throughout. So much work was done last year that the outside painting was postponed, but the sooner it is done the better. The remarks relative to water-service, under the heading of "Penitentiary," equally apply to this institution.

Custom House, St. John's.—The changeable weather of last winter so damaged the roof-covering of the examining warehouse as to make it leaky past repair. It was re-covered. An iron post and chain fence have been put on each side of the entrance steps. The water-closets and urinal have been re-arranged. It is proposed to adapt the room over the light-house store on the Queen's wharf for use by the tide-waiters, to relieve the Custom House entrance of an inconvenient crowding and give more space to the landing-waiters' offices, by throwing into that department the room vacated by the tide-waiters. The roof will need some repairs, and painting should be done inside and out.

Colonial Building.—The lantern light has been removed from the roof, and its work of lighting the entrance-hall and staircase is now done partly by a dormer light and partly by a new window over

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the principal entrance. The roadway at the entrance to the grounds has been graded, and that part immediately in the gate-way paved with wood blocks. Internal vestibule doors are being fitted up in the basement hall, to check the strong draughts passing through the building and into the offices. It is proposed to remove the outside porches instead of renewing them; the lower part of these is rotten, and the upper part leaky. The installation of the electric light, in the place of gas, that came into use early last year, has been a success, and has relieved the building from the ever-recurring smell of gas from leaky pipes that has been, to say the least, an annoyance for years. An alteration has been made in the arrangement of the water-service to the kitchen and Council water-closet, whereby a much better pressure has been secured in the latter. The roofs will require the season's repairs to slating and plumbing, and some painting should be done inside and out. The foundations require a little pointing.

Imperial Buildings.—Early in the year some repairs were made to the engineer's house, and new eaves-conductors were fitted to the commissariat house. These and some other properties having been transferred to the Municipal Council, the department will, in future, be relieved of the cost of their repairs. Last year it was mentioned that the pointing of the walls of St. George's hospital should be done; but the building having been in use ever since by persons under treatment for the prevailing epidemic, diphtheria, it was thought to be prudent not to have workmen about the building. The work should, however, be done as soon as possible. Repairs have been made to the roof of the lazarette; but it is extremely difficult to do this work effectively—to felt and gravel roofs; probably the roof will have to be re-covered at an early date. Necessary repairs have been made to the signal-men's quarters, and further ones will be required this year. The same remark applies to the buildings on the Queen's wharf.

Kerosene Oil Store.—Repairs have been made to fences, doors and gates; and similar ones will be required this year.

Custom House, Harbor Grace.—A flag-staff has been supplied, and the men's rooms have been painted, &c. The walls (outside) should be coated this year with silicate paint.

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Government House.—The old sheds used for storing coals, and cow, pig, sheep and poultry-houses have been taken down. They were bad buildings thirty years ago; and, notwithstanding frequent repairs, lapse of time had made them worse. A new building, of much smaller size than the ones removed, has been put up, wherein to accommodate cows, pigs, sheep and poultry, and a small propagating house has been placed at its western end. The entrance-porch and the sashes and frames throughout the building have been painted. Some papering and plumbing has been done in the rooms. The gardener's lodge on Bannerman road has been repaired and fitted for occupation. A good deal of work was required, as it had not been used for some years. Repairs have been made to the roof, walls and chimneys, and further ones will be needed this year. Great comfort has been derived from the installation of the electric light and the removal of the gas-fittings. The light is satisfactory, and its purity, as regards smell, is a great comfort after the long continual annoyance in that respect from the gas-fittings. The fences will require considerable repairs. New posts are wanted at the eastern gate, and a new gate to the posts recently put to the western entrance. Several rooms require whitewashing, papering and painting. New coach-house doors and a new platform are wanted.

Block-House.—A combined barb-wire and picket fence has been put round the yard enclosing the powder-magazine. Repairs to clapboarding, &c., have been made, and other similar ones will be wanted, and a further amount of painting.

Respectfully submitted,

J. T. NEVILL,

Superintendent Public Buildings.

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NEWFOUNDLAND LIGHTS.

[Enclosure No. 3.]

Estimate for maintenance for the year 1890.

NAME OF STATION.	
Gull Island.....	\$1,600 00
Long Point, Twillingate.....	1,300 00
Wharf light.....	120 00
Cann Island.....	700 00
Wadham Island.....	1,400 00
Cabot Island.....	1,400 00
Puffin Island.....	700 00
Little Denier Island.....	1,000 00
Cape Bonavista.....	1,600 00
Green Island.....	2,200 00
Fort Point, Trinity.....	220 00
Hant's Harbor.....	220 00
Baccalieu Island.....	1,500 00
Carbonear Island.....	700 00
Harbor Grace Island.....	1,500 00
Harbor Grace Beacon.....	400 00
Bay Roberts Point.....	220 00
Brigus, Northern Head.....	650 00
Cape St. Francis.....	4,000 00
Fort Amherst.....	1,600 00
St. John's Leading Lights.....	300 00
Cape Spear.....	2,650 00
Ferryland Head.....	1,700 00
Cape Pine.....	1,800 00
Point La Haye.....	220 00
Cape St. Mary's.....	1,700 00
<i>Forwarded</i>	<hr/> \$31,100 00

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 Estimate for maintenance for 1890—(Concluded).

<i>Brought forward</i>	\$31,400 00
Point Verde	750 00
Dodding Head	1,400 00
Lamaline	220 00
Brunette	1,400 00
Garnish	220 00
Belloram	220 00
Rocky Point	220 00
Pass Island	700 00
Gaultois	220 00
Boar Island	700 00
Ireland Island	850 00
Rose Blanche	950 00
Channel Head	850 00
Sandy Point	450 00
Trepassey Buoy	250 00
General Light-Houses	500 00
Mechanician	700 00
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	\$42,000 00

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PUBLIC BUILDINGS.

[*Enclosure No. 4.*]

Estimate of cost of repairs for the year 1890.

NAME OF BUILDING.	
Court-House and Gaols, St. John's	\$1,500 00
“ “ “ Outport	2,830 00
Lunatic Asylum	1,200 00
Poor Asylum.....	500 00
Hospitals, Quidi Vidi (fever).....	1,300 00
Custom House, St. John's.....	350 00
Colonial Building	550 00
Imperial Buildings	700 00
Kerosene Oil Store	50 00
Custom House, Harbor Grace	50 00
Government House	2,500 00
Block House	200 00
Drill Shed	100 00
Penitentiary fence.....	600 00
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	\$12,430 00
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REPORT AS TO LUNATIC ASYLUM.

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

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY,—

On receipt of the commission directed to us by Your Excellency, of date the fifth day of April last, appointing us to inquire into the management of the Lunatic Asylum, and the acts and conduct of the officers, servants, and inmates of the said Lunatic Asylum, we immediately proceeded to carry out Your Excellency's commands; and we now have the honor to submit this our Report, together with the evidence taken upon oath in relation thereto.

The examination was conducted by the Hon. R. Bond, and the witnesses were examined in presence of all the members of the commission, and of Dr. Stabb, the medical superintendent of the institution. The trustworthiness of the male witnesses was substantiated by the testimony of Dr. Stabb, as was that of Ellen Joyce and other of the female witnesses.

We have to report that the mis-management complained of has been established by the sworn testimony of nearly all the servants in the institution, and a condition of things has been brought to light that is of the most revolting nature.

In the first place, the head attendant of the male department, Mr. Henry Penston, in his evidence has stated that a number of the unfortunate patients in the department which he is supposed to control are in a most filthy condition, being infested with vermin; and his statement is corroborated and emphasized by the evidence of all the other male servants.

The condition of the female wards is similar to that of the male department, as set forth in the evidence of Kate Halley and Ellen Joyce, the only two female attendants who are not patients, and who

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can be considered as sane and reliable. This condition of things is accounted for by the witnesses as being due to insufficiency of clothing and to incompetent people, lunatic patients, being employed as servants to wash the clothing and attend to other patients.

Out of the nine resident females entered in the pay-sheets as servants, only three can be considered as perfectly sane, viz.: Kate Hally, Ellen Joyce and Mary Ann Kielly. The latter is cook, and does not attend to either of the wards.

Mary Ann Frampton, who has charge of eighteen patients, entered the asylum twenty-six years ago as a patient, and has never been discharged as well. Mrs. Spracklin, who has charge of six patients, entered as a patient and was never discharged as well. Mrs. Stabb, in her evidence, describes her as very excitable at times, and as not being sufficiently sane to give reliable evidence. Thomas Haynes, in his evidence, states that she is a lunatic and that he was lately ordered by Dr. Stabb to lock her up. Kate Halley states that she is not fit to take charge of a ward. Ann Dorothy, who has charge of fourteen patients, entered as a patient three years ago, and was never discharged as well. Dr. Stabb, in his evidence, states that she is not an attendant, "but is doing her best to fill the place."

It was evident to the Commissioners that neither of the three parties above alluded to was fit to have charge of other patients.

Mrs. Taylor, Emma Manuel, and Mrs. Walsh, who are entered in the pay-sheet as servants and who perform the washing for the institution, are beyond doubt totally unfitted for the work. Mrs. Taylor was not examined, as Dr. Stabb stated she was too violent to be brought in. Mrs. Stabb, the lady-superintendent, described her as a very bad patient. Emma Manuel was briefly examined; her evidence goes to show that she is employed in the wash-house with Mrs. Walsh and Mrs. Taylor. Her examination did not go further than that, as it was apparent that she was not capable of giving evidence. Mrs. Walsh was brought in, but Dr. Stabb stated that she was too insane to be examined, and she was immediately dismissed.

The fact that these three insane people have been employed to wash the clothing of the institution explains, to some extent, the unclean condition of the patients and bed-clothing.

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Although these three women have been acting as servants, and their names appear upon the pay-sheet as having received wages, Mrs. Stabb's evidence goes to show that they do not receive wages, but extra clothing occasionally.

It appears from Mrs. Stabb's evidence that Miss Scott, who is entered in the pay-sheet as one of the servants, does not reside within the asylum, but lives in the town and does washing for Dr. Stabb's family.

In the second place, the evidence goes to prove that the institution has not been conducted as a curative establishment. There has been no proper classification of patients, but all have been allowed to mix together in their respective departments without any reference whatever to their temperament or the form of disease under which they suffer.

The patients have not been treated medicinally, nor visited by the resident physician, except occasionally when they have exhibited extra symptoms of illness. Even then they do not appear to have received proper attention, or to have had remedies or sufficient nourishment supplied to them. In this respect the institution has not partaken of the character of an asylum for the care and treatment of unfortunate humanity.

In the third place, parties not insane have been admitted to the asylum, and have been confined therein for years. This is admitted in Dr. Stabb's evidence; and he asserts that he could not refuse to admit them, as they were sent there upon the certificates of medical men.

In view of this fact, we would suggest that, as there are no commissioners in lunacy in this country, it would be well to enact a law relating to the admission of inmates into the Lunatic Asylum, providing that the Board of Works be constituted a Board of Examiners, and that no one be allowed to be entered as a patient upon the books of the institution until due enquiry has been made and a certificate of lunacy has been signed by two regularly qualified physicians.

We beg to suggest that immediate steps be taken for the proper classification of the inmates of the asylum, so that age and decrepitude, harmless from brain-decay, may be separated from excited

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maniacs, and that sensitive youth may no longer remain an associate with the victims of hopeless dementia.

With respect to medical treatment, the evidence goes to show that this is not practiced at all. Although drugs may not be the most potent agents in the restoration of individuals from brain trouble, yet we submit that medication is of use in properly-selected cases, and should be adopted. We are led to this belief from a perusal of reports upon the management of similar institutions in other countries. As the most important element in the treatment of insane persons is, doubtless, to divert the mind from the absorption of self-brooding, to wholesome relations with matters outside of self, we would suggest that, so far as possible, all those that are at all able to perform work of any description, should be regularly employed. We not only believe that such would prove beneficial to the patients, but that it would also become an important source of revenue to the institution.

In asylums abroad, various amusements are provided for the benefit of the patients during the period of their confinement. It is believed that, next to employment, this is the most important factor in the treatment—successful treatment—of the patients; and they have the advantage of rendering life less unbearable, even if they should fail in conducing to convalescence. With the aid of church choirs, theatrical troupes, local bands, &c., the patients have been edified and improved.

We would suggest the necessity of establishing a convalescent ward in connection with this institution. The large wards of the asylum are not fit places to treat sick and convalescent patients, as it is impossible to procure for them immunity from the noise which is caused by hapless and excited inmates, or those wholesome surroundings, associations and influences which tend to divert the mind from morbid thoughts, and restore it to its wonted strength and balance.

We would point out the great need that exists for rooms in which to place private patients, whose friends would be willing to pay for their maintenance and treatment. Such departments are to be found in every similar institution in other countries, and might, with equal advantage, be fitted up in the asylum here.

As complaints have arisen relative to the times and manner in which religious services have been conducted, it would be well to

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have each denomination hold their respective services upon fixed days, and that clergymen should be notified when any member of his flock is seriously ill or requires his attendance.

Certain days should be set apart as "visiting days," on which the friends of the patients, as well as others, might visit the institution, and manifest that interest in the insane which should actuate all good citizens. Frequent visits would, in a large number of instances, benefit the patients, and add tone and health to the establishment itself. The lack of interest manifested by our citizens, and by public officials—whom a sense of duty, if not personal interest, should have prompted to give attention to the same—no doubt largely accounts for the deplorable condition in which this institution is to-day. The evidence goes to show that the members of the late Board of Works only visited it once in four years.

We have to direct Your Excellency's attention to the fact that the statistics of the institution are indifferently kept, and that but meagre returns are sent year by year to be laid upon the table of the Legislature. In other places comprehensive and valuable reports are annually made, bearing upon every point in connection with the management of like institutions.

We are pleased to be able to state that the evidence points to the fact that, although the institution has been gradually going down for years, it is only within the past twelve months or two years that it reached its present condition.

The institution was established about forty years ago, and has ever since been under the superintendence of Dr. Stabb, the present resident physician. For many years it was looked upon as a model institution, that is, while Dr. Stabb had health and energy to devote to its management. He is now nearly eighty years of age, and cannot be expected to bring to the management that attention and skill which are so essential.

We most strongly urge that immediate steps be taken to remedy the existing state of affairs. It is necessary that a change be at once made in the management; that a matron be engaged to take charge of the female department, and that a sufficient staff of female servants be employed to take the place of those patients who are at present utilized as attendants in the wards. A considerable outlay will be

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necessary to supply the clothing absolutely required. Mr. Henry Penston, the head attendant, states in his evidence that "the greater part in use at present is only fit to be burnt." Michael Kielly says, "to make the place clean you would require to burn the most of the bed-clothes and men's clothes." But, apart from this, there is not nearly sufficient clothing to furnish each inmate with a change. There are eighty-seven male patients and fifty-eight female patients at present in the asylum. Upon taking an inventory of the clothing on hand, we found that 43 cotton shirts, 5 flannel shirts, 32 pairs stockings, 16 blanketing drawers, 7 cotton drawers, 10 pairs canvas trowsers, 4 canvas jackets, and 1 vest comprised the total amount of clothing to change eighty-seven male patients.

We had great difficulty in eliciting facts respecting the supply of clothes to the female department. The lady-superintendent stated that "on account of so many female patients having been lately admitted, deficient in clothing, there is little or none remaining in store." There have been no regular books of account kept; no account of receipts or disbursements of clothing, so that there has been no statistical information to guide us, apart from that furnished by the witnesses and the Secretary of the Board of Works. We are of opinion that it is advisable that the services of a man thoroughly skilled in the care and management of the insane be obtained from one of the institutions of England, Canada, or the United States, and that a visiting physician be appointed instead of a resident physician. It is manifest that there is a tendency, when a permanent appointment is made to a public position, for the individual to become careless and indifferent as to the duties he is appointed to discharge.

We have the honor to be,

Your Excellency's most obedient servants,

JAMES DAY,
J. SINCLAIR TAIT,
PHILIP CLEARY,
J. L. DUCHEMIN,
R. BOND.

ST. JOHN'S, May 20th, 1890.

*REPORT OF THE LABRADOR MEDICAL OFFICER,
FOR YEAR 1889.*

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

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY,—

I beg to submit my Report of medical visits to Labrador during the past season.

According to instructions received from your Government, per Colonial Secretary, I joined the *S. S. Leopard*, at St. John's, on the second day of July, and remained on board until the nineteenth day of September. During that time I made five trips up and down the coast (two trips north to Nain, the other three north to Cape Harrigan and south to Battle Harbor) attending, to the best of my ability, all demands for medicine and attendance in each port of call. On two occasions Capt. Kean called at ports not on the route—viz.: Corbett's Harbor and Little Harbor—for the purpose of my visiting persons said to be seriously ill. In Corbett's Harbor, previously reported to the Government, I found diphtheria had appeared in a family named Hussey. The treatment adopted proved successful—all four in number, recovering from the disease—as also the means used to prevent the disease from spreading. The case in Little Harbor proved to be erysipelas, and not diphtheria as reported to me. I also visited Cape Charles twice and Fox Harbor once, per Mr. Bendell's steam-launch. Herewith your Excellency will find a tabulated statement of cases treated. I adopt this method, believing it will give a better idea of the work done than a detailed report on any other lines. On the whole, the coast has been free from any serious disease or accident the past season.

I have the honor, &c.,

R. E. FORBES,

Medical Officer for Labrador.

Bonavista, Oct. 4th, 1889.

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Diseases.	Trips.					Remarks.
	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	
Disease of nervous system.....	7	4	4	1	3	Chiefly women.
“ women.....	14	10	3	4	9	
“ eye and ear.....	19	9	6	1	8	Eye trouble, chiefly night blindness; ear inflammation, external and internal.
“ throat.....	6	5	2	2	....	Inflammatory affections.
“ chest.....	43	31	20	13	13	Include bronchitis; pleurisy and influenza.
“ heart.....	6	2	2	....	....
“ stomach.....	38	31	16	17	12	With few exceptions, some form of dyspepsia: acute and chronic.
“ bowels.....	9	11	8	6	8	Simple diarrhoea amongst children, and few cases of dysentery amongst adults.
“ bladder and kidneys...	5	3	3	1	5	One case of Bright's disease sent to hospital.
“ skin.....	4	3	1	2	3	
Whooping cough.....	2	5	8	6	1	
Rheumatism and lumbago.....	17	14	7	5	10	A few cases of acute rheumatism, but chiefly chronic; same applies to lumbago.
Diphtheria.....	5	2	....	1	....	Reported to Government.
Paralysis, following diphtheria....	1	1	These had diphtheria before coming to Labrador.

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Diseases.	Trips.					Remarks.
	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	
Fever, (simple continued).....	5	3	1	
Erysipelas.....	1	2	1	1	
Scurvy.....	1	1	1	1	2	Schooner men.
General debility.....	.....	2	.....	5	1	Red people, natives of Labrador.
Diabetes... ..	.....	1	1	.....	.....
Insanity.....	.....	1	.....	1	.....	Both Newfoundlanders.
Neuralgia.....	2	2	1	1	2	
Worms in children.....	6	6	2	1	.....
Extracting teeth.....	18	18	9	10	2	
Abscess of finger; hand ditto....	5	5	2	2	5	
Injuries, sprains, &c.....	13	9	10	7	4	
Ulcers (of leg).....	1	1	.....	.....	.....
Tongue-tie, (operation for).....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....
Hydrocell, ditto.....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....
Dislocation of shoulder.....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	A native woman. The accident occurred six weeks before I saw her. Recovered.
“ of patella.....	.....	.....	.....	1	.....	Newfoundlander. Recovered.
Fractured ribs.....	1	1	.....	1	.....	Schooner men.
	233	182	107	91	89	

*REPORT OF INSPECTOR OF CONSTABULARY,
FOR YEAR 1889.*

CONSTABULARY OFFICE, FORT TOWNSHEND, }
January 24, 1890. }

SIR,

I have the honor to forward, for the information of His Excellency the Governor-in-Council, the following returns relating to the Constabulary Force of the colony for the past year:—

1. Present state and distribution return.
2. Estimate of pay and allowances.
3. Estimate of pensions.
4. Return showing men appointed, promoted, resigned, dismissed, dead, &c.
5. Return of persons confined in lock-up, central district.
6. Comparative return of same during the past five years.
7. Return of persons committed to the penitentiary by stipendiary magistrates, central district.
8. Comparative return of same during the past ten years.
9. Return showing nationalities of persons confined in the lock-up, St. John's.
10. Return of prosecutions by constabulary for breaches of municipal laws and licensing acts.
11. Return of persons confined in lock-up of Harbor Grace.
12. Comparative return of same during past five years.
13. Return of persons summoned, for various offences, by constabulary at Harbor Grace.
14. Return of persons prosecuted by constabulary for various offences at Carbonear.
15. Return showing number of prosecutions and arrests, for various offences, by constabulary in all outports of the colony, exclusive of Harbor Grace and Carbonear.
16. Return showing number of prosecutions for breaches of licensing act.

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17. Return showing the number of dogs destroyed by the constabulary in all parts of the colony.

I have great pleasure in being able to record the fact that, during the year last past, the colony has enjoyed a remarkable immunity from crime of an aggravated or serious nature, and that the peace has been uniformly well maintained.

The conduct of the non-commissioned officers and constables composing the force, their discipline and general attention to the discharge of their various duties, has continued to be highly satisfactory; but, from various causes, the number of changes during the past twelve months has been greater than the ordinary number.

I have to record, with great regret, the death of Mr. James Kenna, Sub-Inspector (retired,) which occurred on the 28th November after a long illness. Mr. Kenna had served in the constabulary for thirty-two years—from 1856 to 1888—when he was placed on a retired allowance. His character and conduct had, throughout that long period of service, been exemplary; and, by his steady and unassuming discharge of duty, he had risen to the rank which was the object of his ambition. I also regret to have to record the deaths of constables James Russell and Richard Cleary. Constable Russell had served for fifteen years in the force, and was an intelligent and reliable officer. He has left a widow and young family.

Two constables have been dismissed and six have resigned during the year. The recruits taken to supply those vacancies are young men of fine physique and good promise.

Considerable demands were again made, during the year, on the force for extra duty in carrying out the Bait Protection Act—Sub-Inspector Sullivan, with an average number of eight sergeants and constables being so employed during a great part of the year.

I would respectfully beg to bring to the notice of Government the very defective accommodation at the police office, St. John's, as well as its bad condition. The cells for prisoners have no heating apparatus, or anything, other than the floor, on which to lie; there is no secure place in which to keep property taken from prisoners, or otherwise, in the possession of the police; and the building outside, used as a mortuary, having been removed and not replaced, it has

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recently been necessary to place and keep the body of a man—accidentally killed—in the cells. The piece of ground formerly used as a public pound has been thrown open by the removal of the buildings above-mentioned, and there is now no place available for that purpose. There is abundant space within the building for the construction of a proper police-station.

I have visited the whole of the stations in the colony during the year, and with generally satisfactory results; but I would again beg to bring to the notice of the Government the unsuitability, in their present condition, of the so-called gaols, at Little Bay, Burin, Grand Bank, and Harbor Briton. These buildings are in fact nothing more than lock-ups, and are wholly unfitted for being used to carry out a lengthened sentence of imprisonment.

In many stations the accommodations obtainable for constables is very indifferent, and in several cases inconvenience and expense have been caused by the absence of a lock-up. I would beg to suggest, that in every station where it is considered advisable that a constable should be resident, that a lock-up should be provided. It would also, in my opinion, be very advantageous, as well as economical, if proper quarters with lock-up, were built by Government at every station unprovided with them.

At present, quarters are specially needed at Harbor Grace Junction, at Upper Island Cove, and at Harbor Main; a lock-up is also urgently required at Topsail. The absence of magistrates in certain districts places constables in a difficult position. Lamaline, where the want of a magistrate is much felt, owing to the facilities there existing for smuggling, has not been visited for a long period by any magistrate. I would again beg to bring to the notice of the Government the fact that since the month of July, 1887, a constable has been constantly employed as night-watchman at the General Post-Office, without any payment being made by the post-office authorities. It is, I submit, altogether unfair and misleading that pay should be charged against the constabulary for private duty of that character, and I would request that the amount of a constable's pay, from the date named, should be paid by the Postmaster-General, and credited to the constabulary. It would also, I would beg to submit, be equitable if constable Murray were paid out of the funds of the Central District Court,

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instead of from the constabulary pay; he being exclusively employed as an officer of the court. I have further to report that the mounted constables have continued very efficient. In addition to their ordinary duties of patrolling, furnishing orderlies, and guards; attendance at Supreme Court, enforcement of Game Act, &c., they have performed various duties in all parts of the central district, and by their being so employed, a saving of horse and carriage hire has in most cases been effected. On the 5th June, the constabulary force at St. John's, were inspected by His Excellency the Governor, who expressed himself as being well satisfied with all that he saw, especially remarking on the fine physiques of the men, their steadiness in the ranks, and in marching. He also remarked very favorably on the drill and general turn-out of the mounted constables.

I have the honor to be,

Your most obedient servant,

MORRIS J. FAWCETT,

Colonel,

Inspector and Superintendent of Constabulary.

TO SIR W. V. WHITEWAY, K.C.M.G.,

Premier and Attorney General.

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Distribution Return of the Newfoundland Constabulary for 1889.

Rank.	Station.	1st class.	2nd class.	3rd class.	Total.	Total for each station.
Insp'r and Gen'l Superintendent	St. John's	1	..	..	1	
Sub-Inspector ..	“	1	..	..	1	
Head-constables	“	1	1	..	2	
Sergeants	“	5	4	..	9	
Constables	“	25	8	12	45	58
Head-constables	Harbor Grace	1	..	..	1	
Sergeants	“	1	..	..	1	
Constables	“	12	..	..	12	14
Head - constable	Carbonear . . . . .	..	1	..	1	
Constables	“	5	..	..	5	6
Sergeants	Brigus	1	..	..	1	
Constables	“	1	..	..	1	2
Sergeants	Outp'rts and W. coast	7	1	..	8	
Constables	“ “	40	..	1	41	49
		101	15	13	129	

MORRIS J. FAWCETT,

St. John's, Jan. 1, 1890.

Inspector.

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Estimate of pay and allowances of the Newfoundland Constabulary, for the year 1890.

One Inspector and General Superintendent.....	\$2,000 00
One sub-inspector	1,000 00
One head-constable	425 00
One head-constable, cavalry department.....	409 00
One sergeant, cavalry department	357 00
Four sergeants, infantry	1,380 00
Four acting-sergeants, infantry	1,268 00
Seven constables, cavalry department.....	2,219 00
Thirty-eight constables, infantry	11,199 60
Allowances for forage, &c., for cavalry horses.....	2,530 72
Probable cost of clothing	3,703 00
Probable repairs to barracks.....	500 00
Probable fuel, light and lodging allowances.....	2,412 92
Probable furniture and bedding	150 00
Rough rider, allowance.....	28 00
Clerk and store-keeper's allowance.....	48 00
One head-constable at Harbor Grace.....	425 00
One sergeant at Harbor Grace.....	345 00
Twelve constables at Harbor Grace.....	3,660 00
One head-constable at Carbonear.....	397 00
Five constables at Carbonear.....	1,525 00
One sergeant at Brigus	345 00
One constable at Brigus.....	305 00
One sergeant at Bay of Islands.....	345 00
One constable at Bay of Islands.....	305 00
One sergeant at Bay St. George.....	345 00
One constable at Bay St. George.....	305 00
One constable at Bonne Bay.....	305 00
One constable at Codroy.....	305 00
<i>Forwarded</i>	<u>\$38,542 24</u>

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<i>Brought forward</i>	\$38,542 24
One sergeant at Bonavista	345 00
One constable at Bonavista	305 00
One sergeant at Burin	345 00
One constable at Burin	279 00
One sergeant at Fogo	345 00
One sergeant at Little Bay	345 00
One constable at Little Bay	305 00
One sergeant at Twillingate	345 00
One constable at Twillingate	305 00
One acting-sergeant at Heart's Content	317 00
One constable at Bay Bulls	305 00
“ at Burgeo	305 00
“ at Bay Roberts	305 00
“ at Channel	305 00
“ at Catalina	305 00
“ at Cape Broyle	305 00
“ at Fortune	305 00
“ at Ferryland	305 00
“ at Greenspond	305 00
“ at Grand Bank	305 00
“ at Harbor Briton	305 00
“ at Holyrood	305 00
“ at Herring Neck	305 00
“ at Harbor Grace Junction	305 00
“ at Harbor Main	305 00
“ at King's Cove	305 00
“ at Lamaline	305 00
“ at Old Perlican	305 00
“ at Oderin	305 00
“ at Placentia	305 00
“ at Portugal Cove	305 00
“ at Port-de-Grave	305 00
<i>Forwarded</i>	\$48,488 24

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	<i>Brought forward</i>	\$48,488 24
One constable at Renews		305 00
“ at Rose Blanche... ..		305 00
“ at St. Mary’s		305 00
“ at Spaniard’s Bay		305 00
“ at Topsail		305 00
Two constables at Trinity		610 00
One constable at Tilt Cove		305 00
“ at Trepassey		305 00
“ at Upper Island Cove		305 00
“ at St. Lawrence		305 00
Rent of outpost barracks		772 00
Incidental and travelling expenses, &c		1,254 00
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		\$53,869 24
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MORRIS J. FAWCETT,

Inspector.

January 1st, 1890.

REPORT—CONSTABULARY.

Estimate shewing the amount required for Constabulary Pensioners for the year 1890.

John Sage	\$200 00
John McCrudden	200 00
John McKay	170 00
Michael Bryan	170 00
William Burke	120 00
Frederick Rowe	140 00
	\$1,000 00

Comparative Statement of the number of Prisoners confined in the Police Station at St. John's, for the past five years.

Years.	No. of prisoners.
1885	1,283
1886	1,374
1887	1,205
1888	1,169
1889	1,133

January 1st, 1890.

MORRIS J. FAWCETT,
Inspector.

REPORT—CONSTABULARY.

Return shewing the number of men appointed, resigned, dismissed, promoted, and disrated, and the number of stations established and discontinued during the year 1889.

Strength of force, 1st Jan., 1889.	No. of men appointed.	No. of men dismissed.	No. of men promoted.	No. of men disrated.	No. of men resigned.	Deaths.	Stations established and discontinued.		Present strength.	No. of men pensioned.	Remarks.
							Established.	Discontinued.			
126	13	3	5	..	6	3	127	..	Inspector and Sub-Inspector, (also Health Inspector, Head-Constable Winslow), not included in this return.

MORRIS J. FAWCETT,

Inspector.

January 1st, 1890.

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Return of Persons confined in the Lock-up during the year 1889.

Nature of crimes.	January.	February.	March.	April.	May.	June.	July.	August.	September.	October.	November.	December.	Totals.
Arson													
Assault and injury to person		3	4	3	11	5	2	10	8	6	3	3	55
Assaulting females ..	2	6	2	3	6	2	8	8	4	3	2		46
Assaulting constables	2	1	2	2	1	6	1	1	2	3	4		25
Burglary													
Bigamy													
Barratry													
Bastardy		2	1			2				4	2	2	13
Breach of License Act					1								1
Concealment of birth.					1								1
Drunk	35	39	23	37	43	33	43	56	40	43	74	47	513
Drunk and disorderly	24	20	9	28	5	11	14	11	24	24	22	13	205
Desertion				2	10	12	15	6	3		1	1	50
Deserting family				1	1		1					1	4
Destitute					1	11	1	2	2		1	1	19
Forgery											1	1	2
Furious and careless driving						1				1			2
Homicide													
Infanticide					1								1
Indecent exposure	2					4	1	1	1	1	1	1	12
Keeping brothels													
Larceny	4	2	6	2	9	4	5	5	4	8	8	14	71
Malicious injury to property	2	1		3	5	1	1	3	1	5	4	2	28
Obtaining goods, &c., by false pretences..		1						2					3
Prostitution	1												1
Plundering wrecks													
Refusing duty on board ship				4		2	2	1	3				12
Setting fire to forests						2				3	1		6
Threatening language													
Vagrancy	6	2	3	5	8	6	4	1	6	10	6	6	63
Wrecking trains													
	78	77	50	90	103	102	90	107	102	112	124	98	1133

Return of Persons committed to the Penitentiary by the Stipendiary Magistrates for the
Central District, during the year 1889.

..	Arson.
15	Assault and injury to person.
12	Assaulting females.
5	Assaulting constables.
2	Burglary.
..	Bigamy.
..	Barratry.
..	Bastardy.
..	Breach of License Act.
1	Concealment of birth.
27	Drunk and disorderly.
25	Desertion.
..	Deserting family.
2	Forgery.
..	Furious driving.
..	Homicide.
1	Infanticide.
1	Indecent exposure.
..	Keeping brothels.
43	Larceny.
6	Malicious injury to property.
3	Obtaining goods, &c., by false pretences.
1	Prostitution.
..	Plundering wrecks.
2	Refusing duty board ship.
..	Setting fire to forests.
..	Threatening language.
25	Vagrancy and remand.
..	Attempting to wreck railway trains.
171	TOTALS.

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MORRIS J. FAWCETT,

Inspector.

Return shewing the number of Prisoners committed to the Penitentiary by the Stipendiary Magistrates for the Central District, for and during the past ten years.

Years.	Arson.	Assault and injury to person.	Assaulting females.	Assaulting constables.	Burglary.	Bigamy.	Barratry.	Bastardy.	Breach of License Act.	Concealment of birth.	Drunk and disorderly.	Desertion.	Deserting family.	Forgery.	Furious and careless driving.	Homicide.	Infanticide.	Indecent exposure.	Keeping brothels.	Larceny.	Malicious injury to property.	Obtaining goods, &c., by false pretences.	Prostitution.	Plundering wrecks.	Refusing duty on board ship.	Setting fire to forests.	Threatening language.	Vagrancy and remands	Attempting to wreck trains.	Totals.
1880	..	13	4	1	1	132	14	5	..	2	32	1	..	4	1	24	..	135
1881	1	20	4	2	1	2	47	22	1	1	26	1	4	..	3	40	..	175
1882	..	19	..	14	..	1	..	..	2	40	22	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	132	2	..	7	9	..	..	..	24	5	181
1883	..	19	4	5	..	..	..	2	2	23	1	1	..	..	1	3	..	..	30	1	..	..	11	5	..	..	24	3	142
1884	..	26	5	20	1	..	..	..	..	53	7	..	..	..	..	1	..	3	234	..	..	..	8	4	..	..	3	..	183
1885	..	10	5	31	1	..	52	1	2	23	6	1	2	2	1	1	..	1	53	..	193
1886	1	10	4	17	..	..	..	1	..	49	6	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	32	6	2	..	9	1	..	..	1	19	161
1887	..	16	7	14	1	..	3	35	13	2	..	4	2	245	1	4	2	..	1	1	30	186	
1888	..	5	5	6	1	2	29	6	3	..	1	130	4	8	8	5	21	136	
1889	..	15	12	5	2	1	27	25	..	2	1	43	6	3	1	2	25	171	

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1st January, 1890.

MORRIS J. FAWCETT,

Inspector.

Return shewing the Nationalities of Prisoners confined in the Lock-up during the year 1889.

Newfoundland.		851
St. John's.	Outports.	173
England and Wales.		17
Ireland.		14
Scotland.		14
Dominion of Canada.		26
United States of America.		18
Sweden.		4
Holland.		..
Germany.		2
Norway.		3
Denmark.		1
Austria.		2
Spain.		1
France.		3
Italy.		3
West Indies.		1
Australia.		..
Africa.		..
TOTAL.		1,133

Return of the number of Prosecutions by the Constabulary for breach of Municipal Laws and License Act, at St. John's, for the year 1889.	
21	Cruelty to animals.
5	Furious and careless driving.
12	Encumbering side-walks.
.....	Defective chimneys.
5	Breach of Game Laws.
1	Slaughtering within town.
39	Unlicensed dogs.
8	Mischievous dogs.
3	Breaches of Quarantine and Board of Health Laws.
14	Breaches of the License Act.
8	Breach of the Nuisance Act.
116	Total.

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Return shewing the number of Prisoners confined in the Police Station, at Harbor Grace, for various classes of offences, during the year 1889.

Nature of offence.	January.	February.	March.	April.	May.	June.	July.	August.	September.	October.	November.	December.	Total.
Assault and injury to person	1								1				2
Bastardy											2		2
Drunk		1	1			1	3		1	1			8
Drunk and disorderly				2		1	1	1		4	1		10
Disorderly conduct							2		1			1	4
Desertion				1			1	1		1			4
Larceny	2					1					1	1	5
Obstructing police					1								1
	3	1	1	3	1	3	7	2	3	6	4		236

Comparative Statement of the number of Prisoners confined in the Lock-up at Harbor Grace for the past five years.

Years.	No. of prisoners.
1885	117
1886	97
1887	79
1888	65
1889	36

MORRIS J. FAWCETT,

January 1st, 1890.

Inspector.

REPORT—CONSTABULARY.

Return shewing the number of persons summoned by the Constabulary, at Harbor Grace, for various classes of offences during the year 1889.

Nature of offence.	January.	February.	March.	April.	May.	June.	July.	August.	September.	October.	November.	December.	Total.
Assault													4
Drunk			1	1			2						4
Drunk and disorderly				4		1		2	1	2	1		11
Disorderly conduct			1	2		3				5			617
Furious driving				1									1
Malicious injury to property							4						4
Obstructing police										2			2
Obstructing side-walks				4									4
Obstructing public wharf					1								1
Setting fire to forests										4			4
			2	12	1	4	6	2	1	13	1		648

Return shewing the number of prosecutions and arrests, by the Constabulary at Carbonear, during the year 1889.

Nature of offence.	January.	February.	March.	April.	May.	June.	July.	August.	September.	October.	November.	December.	Totals.
Assaulting police							4						4
Concealment of birth		2											2
Drunk				1		2		1					4
Drunk and disorderly	1		2	2	3	2		3	1		1	3	18
Disorderly conduct								1					1
Infanticide					1								1
Larceny		1											1
Other offences	1					1							2
	2	3	2	3	4	5	4	5	1		1		333

MORRIS J. FAWCETT,

Inspector.

January 1st, 1890.

REPORT—CONSTABULARY.

Return shewing the number of prosecutions and persons arrested, for various classes of offences, by the Constabulary in all the outports in the Colony where trained constables are stationed, exclusive of Harbor Grace and Carbonear, for the year ending 31st December, 1889.

Nature of offence.	No. of prosecutions and arrests.	Comparative statement.
Assault and injury to person....	59	In 1888 there were 371.
Assaulting constables.....	3	
Burglary	1	
Bastardy	21	
Concealment of birth.....	4	
Drunk	7	
Drunk and disorderly.....	34	
Desertion.	55	
Deserting family.....	1	
Indecent exposure.....	1	
Larceny	34	
Malicious injury to property. . .	26	
Obtaining goods, &c., by false pretences	3	
Refusing duty on board ship...	2	
Setting fire to forests.	3	
Threatening language.	10	
Other offences.....	99	
Violation herring fishery laws..	4	
Violation Bait Act	54	
	421	

MORRIS J. FAWCETT,
Inspector.

1st January, 1890.

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Return shewing the number of prosecutions by the Constabulary for breaches of the License Act of 1875 and amendments thereof, during the year 1889.

Station.	No.	Comparative statement.
Harbor Grace	14	
St. John's	14	
Placentia	10	
Burin	5	
Greenspond	5	
Little Bay	5	
Brigus	3	
Holyrood	3	
Bay Bulls	2	
Bay Roberts	2	
Carbonear	2	
Ferryland	2	
Rose Blanche	2	
Harbor Main	1	
Oderin	1	
Renews	1	
	72	

78 prosecutions.			
In 1885 there were	63	110	120
In 1886	“	“	“
In 1887	“	“	“
In 1888	“	“	“

MORRIS J. FAWCETT,

Inspector.

January 1st, 1890.

REPORT—PENITENTIARY.

Statement shewing the number of dogs destroyed by the Constabulary during the year 1889.

Station.	No.	Comparative statement.
Bonavista	94	In 1888 there were 1739 destroyed.
Harbor Grace.	83	
Bay Bulls.....	80	
Carbonear.....	50	
Topsail.....	38	
Brigus.....	31	
Little Bay.....	29	
Port-de-Grave	29	
Bay Roberts.....	27	
Catalina.....	26	
Renews.....	25	
Rose Blanche.....	24	
Bay St. George.....	18	
Ferryland	18	
Herring Neck.	18	
Burgeo.....	16	
Fortune.. ..	15	
Spaniard's Bay	15	
Grand Bank.....	14	
Cape Broyle.....	10	
St. John's	10	
St. Mary's.....	9	
Channel.....	8	
Burin	7	
Trepassey	2	
Total	696	Decrease 1889..... 1043.

MORRIS J. FAWCETT,

Inspector.

January 1st, 1890.

REPORT BY SUPERINTENDENT OF THE PENITENTIARY FOR THE YEAR 1889, WITH STATISTICS.

PENITENTIARY,

St. John's, March, 1890.

THE HON. SIR W. V. WHITEWAY, Q.C., K.C.M.G.,
Her Majesty's Attorney General,—

SIR,

I have the honor to submit the Annual Report of this institution, together with the usual criminal statistics, for the year ended the 31st December, 1889.

The total number of persons committed was 187, against 164 for the previous year, being a comparative increase of 23. Of the total committed, 25 were remanded and discharged, and 162 sentenced as follows:—6 for one year and upwards, 10 for over three months, and 146 for three months and less.

Of the number sentenced, 97 were for the first time, 26 for the second, and 39 for the third and more times. The number of re-committal evidences that short sentences for habituals serve no good object, as the protection thereby afforded to society is of no avail—while, for purposes of reformation, they are perfectly useless, costly to the public, and detrimental to the prisoner on all sides.

The habitual criminal should be more recognized as a morally-diseased subject, who preys upon society dishonestly—whose place is in prison, where he should be kept under definite sentence until his moral character is brought into harmony with law, which protects and affords liberty to all.

Of the 187 persons committed, only 71 could both read and write, 28 read only, and 88, or 47.05 per cent., were totally illiterate. Their conduct and industry, with one exception, have been very good.

An incorrigible prisoner, named Rigby, undergoing a term of five years for manslaughter, seriously assaulted one of the turnkeys, for which he was sentenced by Judge Conroy to receive 25 lashes. That punishment, I regret to say, has not had the desired effect upon him, as his conduct since has been bad. It is, however, satis-

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factory to know that this man's behavior is not countenanced by any of the other prisoners, as, at the time of the assault, some of them protected the officer.

I would strongly urge the enacting of a "commutation law." This is, I believe, the only British colony in which such a very excellent and humane system does not prevail. It is the chief, and, in fact, only means by which long-sentenced prisoners are encouraged to good behavior, diligence and faithfulness in the performance of their work, as by this method they can daily earn a stipulated number of "marks" towards gaining a remission of sentence.

The short-sentenced prisoners have as usual been employed outside the prison, upon works of public utility, viz.: at the hospital, Government House, and on the public roads, especially during the winter months shovelling snow.

The female prisoners have also been afforded constant employment in making, mending, and washing all prison clothing. The estimated value of their earnings, as per detailed statement to the Board of Works, exceeded that of previous years.

I again beg to call the serious attention of the Government to the insecure structural arrangements of the male prison.

This wing is on what is termed the "associated system," a system, which, through its debasing influences alone, has been conclusively condemned by all the highest authorities upon the subject. The cost of the re-arrangement of the whole of the cells, on the same plan as those occupied by the female prisoners, would indeed be very little as compared with the great moral gain it would be to many of the unfortunate inmates, and therefore to society generally.

Under the "separate system," which is the very best in every respect, the prisoners would be more secure, and better under the control of the officers. I sincerely hope this matter will receive the consideration which its importance demands. The other requirements of the prison will, no doubt, be referred to by the Inspector of Public Buildings, in his annual report; but I may, however, say that a large work-shop and store-room are much needed.

During the past year corn-broom-making was established in this institution, but considerable delay occurred in procuring the neces-

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sary machinery and material, and it was, therefore, late in the season before we commenced work. This industry is eminently suited to prison labour, and since its inception, all long-sentenced prisoners, who would otherwise be practically idle, have been constantly employed, and so far we have progressed beyond our expectations; and I have, therefore, every reason to believe that should the Government so regulate the tariff as to prevent the importation of Canadian and United States prison-manufactured brooms and whisks, this institution within a couple of years will largely contribute towards its own maintenance and thereby relieve the honest and industrious taxpayer.

A financial statement of the operations of this department has been duly submitted to the Board of Works.

His Excellency the Governor, on his assumption of office, accompanied by the Hon. Mr. Justice Pinsent, D.C.L., visited the prison and made a thorough inspection of the whole establishment, and a careful inquiry into the system of prison discipline pursued and the employment and treatment of the prisoners; and, before leaving, they were pleased to record the following minute:—

“ We have visited the Penitentiary this day and have found everything to our entire satisfaction, and reflecting much credit upon the Superintendent’s management.”

(Signed), T. O’BRIEN, *Governor.*

ROBERT J. PINSENT, *Judge, S.C.*”

The discipline of the prison during the year has been well maintained, and the conduct of the officers has been good.

I have the honor to be, Sir,

Your very obedient servant,

JOHN R. McCOWEN,

Superintendent.

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Return shewing the number of persons committed to the Penitentiary during the year ending the 31st Dec., 1889.

	TOTAL COMMITTED.	No. committed for debt, want of bail, and sentenced.			No. sentenced who have been previously convicted.			No. of persons sentenced to imprisonment, with or without hard labor.		
		For debt.	On remand.	Sentenced.	Once.	Twice.	Thrice or more.	1 year or upwards.	More than 3 mos., and less than 1 yr.	3 months and less.
	187	.....	25	162	97	26	39	6	10	146
Men	154	...	19	135	85	20	30	3	7	125
Women	26	.....	2	24	11	4	9	3	2	19
Juveniles.....	7	.....	4	3	1	2	.....	.....	1	2
Total.....	187	.....	25	162	97	26	39	6	10	146

Classification.	Ages of persons committed.				
	Males.	Females.	Total.		
				From 10 to 16.....	7
				“ 16 to 20	33
				“ 20 to 25	54
Debtors	0	0	0	“ 25 to 30	24
Felons	44	12	56	“ 30 to 35	10
Misdemeanants	117	14	131	“ 35 to 40	19
				“ 40 to 45	12
				“ 45 to 50	12
				“ 50 upwards ...	16
Total	161	26	187	Total	187

REPORT—PENITENTIARY.

Return shewing collective days in prison according to classification, also nationalities, religion, degree of education, &c., for the year 1889.

Felons.....	3,430
Misdemeanants	3,545
Before commitment	913
Total.....	7,888
Daily average.....	21 ²²³ / ₃₆₅

Nationalities.	Religion.
Newfoundland	Roman Catholics.....
167	118
England.....	Church of England.....
11	48
Ireland	Methodists
3	18
Nova Scotia.....	Lutherans.....
2	3
Foreigners	
4	
Total..... 187	Total..... 187

Degree of Education.	Disciplinary Punishments.
Read and write	Males.....
71	2
Read only.....	Females.....
28	1
Unable to read or write ..	
88	
Total..... 187	Total..... 3

225 persons received passes to visit prisoners.

REPORT—PENITENTIARY.

Classification of offences for which persons have been committed to the Penitentiary during the year ending the 31st day of December, 1889.

Offence.	Convicted.	Remanded and discharged.	Total.
Assaults, common.....	21	1	22
Assaults, aggravated.....	1	.....	1
Assaulting police.....	3	.....	3
Breach of Naval Discipline Act.....	9	.....	9
Burglary.....	1	1	2
Concealment of birth.....	3	.....	3
Cruelty to animals.....	1	.....	1
Defrauding the revenue.....	1	.....	1
Deserting service—Merchant Shipping Act...	11	.....	11
Deserting service—Masters' and Servants' Act.	23	.....	23
Deserting from Her Majesty's army.....	.....	1	1
Drunk and disorderly.....	24	.....	24
Embezzlement.....	.....	1	1
Forgery.....	1	1	2
House-breaking.....	1	1	2
Incendiarism.....	.....	1	1
Indecent assault.....	4	.....	4
Larceny.....	30	13	43
Malicious injury to property.....	2	3	5
Obtaining money under false pretences.....	3	.....	3
Prostitution.....	4	.....	4
Rape.....	1	1	2
Threatening language, &c.....	2	0	2
Vagrancy.....	16	1	17
Total.....	162	25	187

REPORT, &c., ST. JOHN'S MUNICIPAL COUNCIL.

ST. JOHN'S, NEWFOUNDLAND,
February 18th, 1890.

Hon'ble ROBERT BOND,
Colonial Secretary.

SIR,—

In accordance with the requirements of section 58 of the Municipal Act, I have now the honor of furnishing herewith Statement of Revenue and Expenditure of the St. John's Municipal Council, to the 31st December, 1889, with copy of Balance Sheet at that date, together with Mr. Martin's Annual Report for the past year.

I also forward you, under separate cover, Detailed Statements of all the Accounts for the year 1889; particulars of Expenditure for the quarter ending 31st day of December, 1888, having been already furnished.

The Council are not yet in a position to furnish an estimate of the proposed expenditure for the current year, as required by section 59 of the Municipal Act, but such estimate will have the Council's early attention, and will be forwarded as soon as completed.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your obedient Servant,

J. GOODFELLOW,

Chairman St. John's Municipal Council.

REPORT—ST. JOHN'S MUNICIPAL COUNCIL.

 Expenditure and Revenue account, 31st December, 1889.

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Expenditure.

To paid Receiver General year's interest on sewerage loan	\$3,461 58
“ H. M. Government for General Water Company and Parks' grants	20,000 00
“ Salaries accounts, for 15 months	10,145 00
“ East end roads, for 15 months	6,898 13
“ Street pumps, for 15 months	45 65
“ West end roads, for 15 months	9,215 76
“ Maintenance sewers, for 15 months	17 13
“ Sewerage repairs, for 15 months	1,634 37
“ City Clerk's contingencies, for 15 months	814 10
“ Stationery and printing, for 15 months	936 37
“ Municipal offices, for 15 months	1,522 42
“ Fire Company's account, for 12 months	4,954 20
“ Street lighting, for 15 months	7,154 91
“ Sanitary account, for 15 months	22,093 52
“ General Water Company, for 15 months	12,919 03
“ Public water-closets, for 15 months	13 44
“ Paving blocks account, for 15 months	210 53
“ South Side roads, for 15 months	391 65
“ Preliminary expenses, for 15 months	1,306 41
“ Amount, as per Government Statement of Interest, paid to the holders of Water Co's stock at 6 per cent., on paying off the same or re-investing the amount in Debentures of the Colony at 4 per cent., under Act 51 Vic., cap. 5, at various dates from first of Aug., 1888, to 27th June, 1889, on \$380,400, \$20,147.39; less one-sixth provided for by General Revenue of the Colony, as per Municipal Act, section 50, to be taken from loan, 3,357.89.	16,789 50
“ Amount, as per Government Statement of Interest, on \$389,000, Debentures issued under St. John's Municipal Act, 51 Vict., Cap. 5, at 4 per cent., at various periods from 6th February, 1889, to 6th December, 1889, viz.:	7,630 09
<i>Forwarded</i>	\$128,153 79

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 Expenditure and Revenue account, 31st December, 1889.

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<i>Brought forward</i>		\$128,153 79	
Less.			
On Grant for Preliminary Expense:			
Interest on \$8,724.59 from 1st Oct, 1888, to 20th April, 1889, 203 days, at 4 per cent.....		\$194 09	
On Grant Sewerage Construction :			
Interest on \$25,000 from 1st Oct., to 27th Oct., 1888, 27 days, at 4 per cent.....	\$74 00		
Interest on \$67,098.57 from 1st Oct., 1888, to 1st Feb., 1889, 122 days, at 4 per cent.....	897 10		
			971 10
On Grant for General Water Co.:			
Interest on \$4,000 from 1st Oct., 1888, to 6th Oct., 1888, 5 days, at 4 per cent.....	2 19		
Interest on \$6,000 from 1st Oct. to 29th Dec., 1888, 89 days, at 4 per cent.....	58 52		
			60 71
On Grant for Parks:			
Interest on \$2,000 from 1st Oct. to 29th Dec., 1888, 89 days, at 4 per cent.....	19 51		
Interest on \$8,000 from 1st Oct., 1888, to 22nd April, 1889, 203 days, at 4 per cent.....	177 98		
			197 49
			1,423 39
			<u>\$126,730 40</u>

J. GOODFELLOW, *Chairman.*
P. W. KELLY, *Secretary.*

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Revenue.

By East End roads, for 1 year's grant.....	\$3,143 74
“ West End roads, for 1 year's grant.....	2,698 12
“ Lighting and sanitation, 15 months.....	10,000 00
“ Watering vessels, for year.....	901 64
“ Insurance tax, year.....	583 33
“ Impoundage fines, year.....	3 50
“ Water Company's assessment, year.....	24,062 79
“ Sewerage assessment, year.....	4,686 78
“ Crown rents, 15 months.....	2,440 01
“ Coal duties, year.....	16,687 14
“ Customs' water rates, year.....	3,063 31
“ South Side roads, 15 months.....	966 84
“ Platform scales, one-half year.....	5 00
“ Balance carried to next year.....	57,488 20

\$126,730 40

E. & O. E.

St. John's, Nfld., 31st December, 1889.

J. SYME,
Accountant, M. C.

 REPORT—ST. JOHN'S MUNICIPAL COUNCIL.

 Annual Balance Sheet, 31st December, 1889.

DR.

1889.

Decr. 31.—Inventory account	\$13,496 20
General Water Company stock	385,000 00
Town improvement	12,178 22
Windsor Lake land	1,600 00
New Works.....	37,200 00
Commercial Bank	43,158 85
Sewerage construction.....	35,504 10
Municipal offices	1,000 00
Arrears General Water Company	1,971 23
Bulley's Lane property	1,990 78
Public Wharf, Riverhead.....	35 82
Fish markets	1,431 57
Des Barres' estate.....	21 00
Revenue and expenditure.....	57,488 20
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	\$592,075 97
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1899.

Dec'r. 31.—H. M. Government account.....	\$515,000 00
Savings' Bank account.....	46,563 00
Fire Alarm account	300 00
Interest account	25,449 57
Bannerman Park account.....	3,713 79
Victoria Park account	1,049 61
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	\$592,075 97
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JAMES GOODFELLOW, *Chairman.*
 P. W. KELLY, *Secretary.*

E. & O. E.

St. John's, Nfld., 31st Dec., 1889.

J. SYME,
Accountant, M. C.

REPORT—ST. JOHN'S MUNICIPAL COUNCIL.

Report of Mr. J. Martin for 1889.

P. W. KELLY, ESQ.,
Secretary M. Council.

MY DEAR SIR,—

I beg to submit to the Municipal Council the Annual Report on the Water Department, for the year ending December 31st., 1889:—

Length of new main pipe laid, 300 feet in Darling street; total length of main water pipes in town, 50,080 feet. Three new hatch boxes put down in Queen's road and Gower street; four new sluice valves in Queen's road and Gower street. One new hydrant for fire purposes; total number of hydrants, 165. Four new fountains; total number of public fountains, 66. Number of new service pipes, 62; total number of service pipes, 1,934. Number of condemned service pipes, and new ones put down, 25. Number of burst service pipes for the year, 300.

The cause of so many burst pipes is due to the shutting off of hydrants washing the street drains. I have consulted with our mechanical engineers on the subject, and they are of the opinion that air-vessels on the pipes would prevent this, so as to form an air-cushion to take off the shock, or better known as water-hammer.

The supply of water for the town. This is a question of great importance and requires the Council's serious consideration, as at the present there is no water on the high parts of the town, nor has been for the last six weeks. The cause of this want of water is due to the running off water to prevent pipes from freezing up. There are 1,934 service pipes, and if this number were to run off one gallon of water each per minute, this would be 2,784,960 gallons daily; this quantity of water the present pipes will deliver; but when people let three gallons of water run per minute, then 700 service pipes will run off 3,024,000 gallons of water daily; so in this case the low part of the town runs off all the water from the high part; and such is the present state of the town's water supply.

The question is, can this quantity of water which is run off be reduced anything? I say it can; and the best way, and the cheapest that I can see, is the ferrules; so that only one gallon of water per

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minute can pass through the pipe. I may say this quantity of water running will prevent one pipe from freezing up, but not two pipes. Neither will the present supply of water admit of any more new main pipes to be taken off it, nor service pipes. In this case I am inclined to say additional supply of water for the town should be looked for as soon as possible. Also, I have to bring under your notice the state of the present main pipe in Pokeham Path, which is only four inch diameter; this is by far too small for the length of the street, and so many service pipes. In the case of fire arising, in this case I advise a six-inch pipe to be put down: also the ten-inch pipe to be lengthened to the head of Job's Lane.

Your obedient servant,

J. MARTIN.

St. John's, February 12th, 1890.

ST. JOHN'S, MARCH 10th, 1890.

Hon. ROBERT BOND,
Colonial Secretary.

SIR,—

In accordance with the requirements of sec. 50 of the Municipal Act, I have now the honor of furnishing herewith an estimate of the necessary expenditure for the current year, amounting to \$105,342.58, and also an estimate of probable income from all sources of \$87,855. for the same period, and I am requested by the Municipal Council to call the attention of the Government to the apparent deficit in the estimated revenue of \$17,487.58, with the view of provision being made to meet such deficiency. Will you therefore be pleased to bring this matter before the Hon. the Executive Council for that purpose, and on behalf of the Municipal Council I would respectfully ask for it their favorable consideration, as to the best means of providing what is necessary to bring the revenue for the current year up to the required amount.

I have the honor to be, Sir,

Your obedient servant,

J. GOODFELLOW,

Chairman St. John's Mun. Council.

REPORT—ST. JOHN'S MUNICIPAL COUNCIL.

**Condensed Statement of Estimated Revenue and Expenditure
of the St. John's Municipal Council, for year 1890.**

Estimated Expenditure.

Municipal salaries	\$7,329 00
Municipal offices	1,950 00
Water department.....	13,280 00
Engineer's department.....	3,500 00
Sanitary department.....	17,480 00
Fire department.....	5,460 00
Lighting streets	6,800 00
Public parks.....	1,600 00
Road service	16,300 00
Fire Hall—estimated cost of new Central Fire Hall....	2,000 00
Insurance	250 00
Total	\$105,342 58

Estimated Revenue for the year 1890.

Amount grant for lighting and cleansing town.....	\$8,000 00
Assessments—Water rates, estimated at.....	30,000 00
Sewerage rates, estimated at.....	6,000 00
Duties on coals, from H. M. Customs.....	20,000 00
Amount for watering vessels.....	900 00
Road grants from general revenue.....	12,700 00
Amount from insurance companies.....	585 00
Rents from Crown properties.....	3,500 00
From arrears water rates due to the Council	6,000 00
Rent from Bulley street property.....	100 00
" Fish markets	50 00
" Platform scales.....	20 00
	\$87,855 00
Deficit.....	\$17,487 58

J. GOODFELLOW,
Chairman.

ST. JOHN'S MUNICIPAL COUNCIL.

Letter from J. Goodfellow to Colonial Secretary.

ST. JOHN'S, March 14th, 1890.

HON'ble ROBERT BOND,
Colonial Secretary.

SIR,—

I have the honor to acknowledge receipt of your communication of March 11th, asking what means the Council propose for raising the necessary money to meet the deficit of last year and that appearing in the estimate for the current year: you also ask me for a reply to your letter of the 1st instant. I will, therefore, take up your several inquiries in the order in which you have put them, placing in writing what I stated to you at our interview on the Monday after receipt of your first letter.

First,—The debit balance of \$57,488.20 on 31st December, 1889. No part of that amount has been borrowed from outside creditors, the last item in the account, a charge for interest, \$22,996.20, is still unpaid, but is included in the sum appearing at the credit of interest account, which credit has been left there for the purpose of meeting that and other interest not yet adjusted.

I may here state for the information of the Government, that when the Council began their work in October, 1888, they decided to carry on the Water Company's accounts distinct from the other departments under their charge until the close of the year, the 31st December, being considered a better time for their adjustment. A committee was therefore appointed to take charge of that branch of the work; and the expenditure, for the Water Department and the Fire Company were continued and the accounts kept as formerly until the close of that year's work.

When the Water Company's account was made up at the close of 1888, it was found that the Council had to pay the Commercial Bank the sum of \$19,861.69, and had to meet other amounts outstanding amounting to \$1,913, making \$21,774.69, against which amount the Council has only recovered the sum of \$7,872.31 from the arrears then due to the Company, thereby leaving a loss to the Council of \$13,902.38; this may be put as the first item in the balance referred to.

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The next important item arises from the fact that the Council began their labors on the 1st of October, 1888, without any provision having been made to cover the necessary expenditure on the different services placed under their management, for the quarter ending 31st December, 1888,—with the exception of lighting;—consequently, the expenditure for that quarter being \$12,943.41, and deducting the \$2,000 received for lighting, &c., leaves a further loss to the Council of \$10,943.41; or say a total loss of \$24,845.79 at and before the commencement of the work of 1889.

By reference to the detailed statements furnished for the past year's work it will be seen where the further losses have been made. The expenditure under the Sanitary Department has been heavier than usual, owing to a larger staff being required for flushing and other work during the greater part of the year; but I desire to specially call your attention to the expenditure on roads for the purpose of saying that the grant from the general revenue is altogether inadequate for that service, and the Council thinks a much larger grant should be given. You will observe that the expenditure on the East end roads is \$6,898.13 with a grant of \$3,143.74; and for the West end roads, the expenditure is \$9,215.76 with a grant of \$2,698.12, showing a total over-expenditure on the part of the Council of \$10,272.03 on roads for the past year.

Second,—The account of expenditure on sewerage asked for in your letter of the 1st instant, has already been furnished with the other accounts, and I now send, herewith, the City Engineer's report for the past year with his estimate of proposed work for the coming season, which is now being considered by the Council.

Third,—You also ask if the sum of \$46,563.00 has been borrowed from the Savings' Bank; that sum appearing to the credit of of the bank is made up as follows:—

Loan of £9,300, or	\$37,200,	on account of new works, borrowed by the General Water Co.
“ of	1,600	for land at Windsor Lake, purchased by the General Water Co.
“ for purchase	2,000	of the Bulley's Lane property.
“ by the Council of	5,763	for town improvements, under the St. John's Re-building Act.
Total	\$46,563	

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You will please notice that the first item is a loan which should have been paid off by the Government, as provided in the Municipal Act, more particularly as the rate of interest on that loan is at $4\frac{1}{2}$ per cent., and the Council expect to have the difference refunded.

Fourth,—The accountant says that particulars of \$10,145 charged for salaries, was furnished with the other detailed statements, but I inclose herewith a copy of the same, lest it may have been mislaid.

A meeting of the Council has been called to consider the best means of raising the additional amount required for the coming year, and also to discuss the proposed work referred to in the City Engineer's report on sewerage construction, and the result of their deliberations will be forwarded for the information of the Government as early as possible.

I have the honor to be, Sir,

Your obedient servant,

J. GOODFELLOW,

Chairman St. John's Mun. Council.

ST. JOHN'S MUNICIPAL COUNCIL.

ST. JOHN'S, April 3rd, 1890.

Hon. ROBERT BOND,
Colonial Secretary.

SIR,—

The Municipal Council having met for the consideration of the means for raising the additional revenue required to cover the estimated expenditure for 1890, and having agreed to recommend the following methods, in accordance with section 59 of the Municipal Act, they now beg to submit the same for the approval of the Government:—

- First*,—That a tax on horses, carts and carriages be imposed, say
- | | |
|---|-------------|
| (a) An annual license fee on horses of..... | \$2.00 each |
| (b) On carts on hire, or carts employed in trucking, of.. | 2.00 “ |
| (c) On ordinary carriages for hire, per horse..... | 3.00 “ |
| (d) On private carriages in town, per horse..... | 3.00 “ |

N.B.—No tax to be levied on vehicles in excess of the number of horses owned.

Second,—An annual assessment of two per cent. on the absolute value of lands upon which no buildings are erected, as provided in Consolidated General Water Co's Act, sections 45 to 50, inclusive.

Third,—An annual assessment of all houses within the city limits that are not paying water and sewerage rates, and not otherwise exempted, of three per cent.

Fourth,—An annual license fee to be paid by—

- | | |
|---|---------|
| (a) Resident auctioneers, of | \$20.00 |
| (b) Non-resident auctioneers..... | 50.00 |
| (c) Non-resident Life Insurance Agents..... | 50.00 |

With the proviso that auction sales are to be made within limited hours, to be fixed by the Municipal Council.

Fifth,—An extra tax on the property of *bona fide* absentee landlords, where the tax will not be a burden on the resident tenant, of five per cent.

Sixth,—An extra duty on coal imported into St. John's, of ten cents per ton.

Seventh,—The transfer of Crown lands to the Municipal Council.

I have the honor to be, Sir,

Your obedient servant,

J. GOODFELLOW,

Chairman St. John's Mun. Council.

ST. JOHN'S MUNICIPAL COUNCIL.

Report of Select Committee of the Assembly.

We, the undersigned members of a select committee appointed to examine into the accounts and expenditures of the Saint John's Municipal Council, from the date when the said Council assumed office to this date, with power to examine witnesses, to take evidence and to report to this House, beg leave to report as follows:—

We have examined the accounts, statements, and books laid before us; we have taken the evidence of Mr. Kelly, the Secretary of the Municipal Council, and also that of the two accountants, Messrs. Syme and Kearney, which evidence is hereto annexed.

First,—With regard to the annual balance sheet of the Council for the year 1889, there would appear to be a debit of \$57,488.20, whereas the actual balance was \$27,488.20. The error, as shewn in the first balance sheet prepared by Mr. Syme, and given in evidence, (a copy of which marked E. F. C. H., is hereto annexed), is accounted for by Mr. Syme, who attributes it to erroneous entries made by him under orders. This balance of \$27,488.20 is subject to further reduction by arrears due for water and sewerage rates, amounting to \$10,957.67, and from rents due on Crown lands amounting to \$2,800 more; estimating these as worth \$10,000, and deducting this sum from the \$27,488.20 we have an actual indebtedness of the Municipality on the 31st of December, 1889, of \$17,488.20 instead of \$57,488.20.

On the debit side of the annual balance sheet there is an item, "New Works, \$37,200;" and on the credit side, another, under head of "Savings' Bank account, \$46,563." The latter amount is made up by the following:—

Amount due Savings' Bank by the General Water Co., being amount borrowed from the Saving's Bank, some years ago, to construct certain works.....	\$37,200
Property purchased by the General Water Company at Windsor Lake.....	1,600
Property purchased in Bulley's Lane.....	2,000
Land taken for widening and improving streets, under the St. John's Re-building Act, during months of September and November, 1889.....	5,763
	\$46,563

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It would appear that the \$37,200 mentioned above is not due by the Municipality to the Savings' Bank, but is really due by the Government to that institution, as it is part of the loan of \$607,000 borrowed under the Saint John's Municipal Act, 1888, and to be handed over by the Government to the Savings' Bank in liquidation of the Water Company's indebtedness. This the late Government failed to do, though provided by the Municipal Act, and it is still retained in the Colonial Treasury.

The Municipal Act was passed on the 9th of May, 1888, and by it all the powers of the Governor in Council as regards the widening of streets under the St. John's Rebuilding Act, was vested in the Municipal Council. The Municipal Council did not come into existence until the first of October, 1888. By the 60th section of the Act the Council had no power to incur, enter upon or contract, or become liable for any expenditure or indebtedness beyond or in excess of the amount of its actual receipts or income, without the express sanction of the Legislature; therefore there was no power either in the Governor in Council or in the Municipal Council to appropriate any land for the widening of the streets between the 9th day of May, 1888, and the close of the Legislature in 1889. We do not find any proposed estimate, in the estimate for 1889, for money for compensation to owners of property taken for widening or improving the streets in St. John's; but, upon inquiry, we are informed that the item of \$1,000 under the head of "Current interest on loans under St. John's Rebuilding Act," was intended by the Municipal Council to cover the interest on a proposed expenditure of (as alleged) \$25,000 for widening and improving streets. This is a mode of estimating an expenditure which could not possibly be understood without an explanation, and was therefore calculated to mislead. From the return of the amounts paid for widening and improving streets, between the 21st March, 1889, and the 14th December in the same year, which are hereto annexed, marked I. J. K. L., it would appear that the sum of \$11,620.08 has been awarded to various parties for land apparently taken, and the sum of \$355 as fees to arbitrators (as per account). Such a mode of preparing estimates conceals the true nature of the proposed expenditure, and we are of opinion that no money should be expended by the Municipal Council for widening and improving

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the streets of St. John's, except under express authority from the Legislature. If the foregoing method of estimating an expenditure were tolerated, the result would be a continuous increasing of the Public Debt by the Municipality, which certainly ought not to be permitted.

According to a return furnished by the Surveyor General's Department to your committee and herewith submitted, marked M., it appears that in addition to the amounts before mentioned as being expended and added to the Public Debt of the Colony for the widening and improving of the streets in St. John's, there was expended between March 10th and December 31st, 1888, the sum of \$39,554.80. A debenture was issued by the Government on the 31st December, 1888, for this amount, a copy of which is herewith submitted, marked N., under the St. John's Re-building Act; and thus the Public Debt of the Colony has been increased and the interest made payable out the general revenue, which ought to be paid by the St. John's Municipal Council. A reference to this return from the Surveyor General's Department shews that a portion of this \$39,554.80, viz.: \$17,028.10 should have been paid by debentures issued under the Municipal Act, 1888, and not under the St. John's Re-building Act; and of the balance of \$22,526.70, it will be found that a large proportion was paid for labor and material in building walls and other works, for which the St. John's Re-building Act, in the opinion of your committee, affords no authority.

Referring to the Council's report, we gather that it is proposed to over-expend in 1890 the sum of \$17,487.58; but your committee has suggested certain reductions in the Council's income, the particulars of which can be seen on comparison of statement A., herewith attached, with the Council's report; these reductions will increase the amount proposed to be over-expended by \$2,158.14, making in all \$19,645.72; this sum added to the deficit for 1889, of \$27,488.20, will be equal to \$47,133.92, the estimated balance due by the Municipal Council at the end of the year 1890. This balance must be provided for, either by reduction of expenditure or by increase of taxation.

Your committee believe that a considerable reduction can be made in the expenditure, and we have set down, as per statement C.

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herewith, the items which, we think, should be deducted from the Council's expenditure for the current year. In explanation of this statement, we would beg to say that there might be saved on the item of salaries the sum of \$2,449, by reducing the number of officials in such a manner as will bring the expenditure under this head to a sum of, at most, \$16,000, which sum we consider ample to defray all the necessary cost of officials required for the management of the affairs of a municipality, the population of which is not over thirty thousand persons; and we consider that the expenditure under this head should be further reduced. The estimate for stationery is put down at \$1,000, viz.: \$800 for Municipal offices and \$200 for the Engineer's department; it is considered that \$500 ought to cover all the expenditure, thus effecting a save of \$500. The charge for "sundries" in water department, \$800, should be taken off, as all expenses appear to be fully provided for otherwise. "Incidentals" \$1,000, in sanitary department should be disallowed, as it is thought that \$10,000 should be sufficient to cover all expenses. "Incidentals," \$100, fire department, should also be disallowed. Interest on sewerage debentures, 26th Vic., \$69,230.76 at five per cent., the present rate of interest, is \$3,461.58, which, converted to four per cent., would be \$2,769.22, a saving of \$692.35. Interest on public improvements can be reduced to \$480, as we consider \$12,000 quite sufficient to be expended under this head, instead of the amount of \$25,000 proposed by the Council; this reduction will effect a saving of \$520. The sum of \$500 for interest on amount paid on account of General Water Co. ought to be struck off, as there is no such interest. One steam roller costing \$2,500 may also be struck off. Roads, east end, instead of \$5,000, amount as given per Council's estimate, say \$3,143.74, which sum is the legislative grant, and to the expenditure of this amount the Council should confine itself, effecting thereby a saving of \$1,856.26. The same applies to roads in St. John's, West, where the grant is \$2,698.12; this would give a further saving of \$4,301.88.

We consider the amounts to be spent on roads within the Municipal limits, as set down in the Council's estimate, viz.: \$12,000, entirely too much, as the said amounts represent, within a few dollars, the Legislative vote for all the streets and wards in the electoral districts of St. John's, East and West.

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The sum set down for a new fire-hall we consider unnecessary; this would give another saving of \$2,000. These various items make up a sum of \$17,219.49, which, deducted from the total expenditure as given in the Council's estimate of \$105,342.58, would give us \$88,123.09 as required to meet the current expenditure for 1890; to this must be added the balance against the Council on the 31st of December, 1889, of \$27,488.20, making in all a sum of \$115,611.29 to be provided for in order to place the Council out of debt at the end of the current year.

To meet this we estimate the revenue as follows:—

Grant for lighting and cleansing the town.	\$8,000 00
Assessments, viz.:—Water rates	30,000 00
Sewerage rates	6,000 00
Duties on coal	20,000 00
Watering vessels	900 00
Road grants from general revenue, St. John's, East and West	5,841 86
Road grant, South Side	700 00
Amount from Insurance Companies	585 00
Rent from Crown properties	3,500 00
Arrears, water rates and Crown land rents	10,000 00
Rent of Bulley's street property	100 0)
" Fish-markets	50 00
" Platform scales	20 00
	\$85,696 86

a sum of \$85,696.86, which still leaves a deficit on current account of \$2,426.23, and with last year's balance, a balance against the Council of \$29,914.43.

To meet this in part, we would suggest the items of taxation as given in statement D., attached to this report, which we estimate would give a revenue of \$14,810, and still leaving a balance of \$15,104.43 against the Council; this sum, if due care be paid to economy during the present year, so as not to increase it by deficit on current account, might be paid off in 1891.

There is a difference between the charge for interest due the Government, as shewn by Council's accounts for 1889, and the

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amount actually due; this, together with amounts due for compensation for land taken, can be paid out of the sum of \$12,000 provided for public improvements.

Your committee have not yet entered upon an investigation of the mode adopted by the Municipal Council for fixing prices of materials and supplies furnished them for public requirements, but they propose to attend to this branch of their duties during the interval of recess, if permitted so to do, and will report thereon at the next session of the Legislature.

Your committee would strongly recommend that in the present state of the Municipal finances no expenditures should be entered upon during the current year for widening the public streets, which would include compensation for the removal of private buildings; but, that the Council should be required to keep strictly within the bounds of their income and of their financial liabilities as defined in the Municipal Act.

E. P. MORRIS,
Chairman.

J. HALLAREN,
LAWRENCE J. GERAN,
J. SINCLAIR TAIT,
W. V. WHITEWAY,
JAMES MURRAY.

[The resolution submitted to the House in connection with the above report appears on page 204 of the Journal, and the resolutions in amendment of the said resolution appear on page 205.]

*REPORT OF EXAMINER-IN-CHIEF OF MASTERS
AND MATES.*

OFFICE OF CHIEF EXAMINER AND HARBOR MASTER,
ST. JOHN'S, NEWFOUNDLAND.

March 8th, 1890.

SIR,—

I beg leave to forward to you a report on the examinations that have been carried out in St. John's during the year 1889, with a review of the positions of the competency and service list. I have also the honor to enclose copies of the examiners' record, lists of certificates of competency that have been cancelled for any cause, a report on the examinations for colour-blindness, revised lists of service certificates, printed lists of competency seamen that have left the colony, and copies of the revised list of competency seamen.

I also beg to enclose copies of the above mentioned lists that are required by the Board of Trade.

Report.

During the year 1889 examinations for competency certificates have been held on forty-six days, and twenty seamen have been examined ; of this number seven masters and nine mates have passed the necessary examination, and seventeen failures have been recorded.

It will be noticed that during the past year the list of service certificates has been re-opened and two certificates granted, which I venture to think is an undesirable course, as this list has already fulfilled all its functions, and any further additions can only be made to the disadvantage and discouragement of seamen who pass their competency examination at considerable expense, which it is the evident interest of the colony to foster and encourage.

The revised list of competency certificates corrected to January, 1890, exhibits a slight advance in numbers over the previous decade when the inception of this office had produced fairly satisfactory results; but it cannot be said to have maintained an adequate supply of the junior class for all the purposes of the trade of the colony. It will be noticed that a considerable number of our certificated seamen of both classes have sought employment in other countries, where, it may be supposed, a larger field for their abilities presents itself

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to them, and although the number is not very large, yet it produces a considerable effect upon a limited available list like ours; a list that exhibits an advance of only one-and-a-half mates per annum cannot be termed progressing rapidly, and any further deportation or loss would be unsatisfactory.

The junior class of our St. John's seamen do not apparently seek for advancement in their occupation unless stimulated to further exertion by their employers holding out to them some future preferment, provided that they pass the necessary examination and obtain a mate's certificate, they appear to be satisfied with their present position before the mast, or they seek and find other occupations on shore; and, in order to place the position of St. John's in its proper light as affording comparatively a limited supply of certificated seamen as compared with other sources, it may be remarked that only nine certificates out of a total of sixty-four have been granted to residents of this city during the past five years, or since January, 1885. If we further examine the list, it becomes apparent that although the educational advantages of Harbor Grace, Carbonear and Trinity are not so extended, and probably are more expensive than St. John's, yet a larger proportion of our seamen, and the best educated men, are derived from these localities; and, when it is remembered that the expenses of a candidate from either of these harbors much exceeds the resident in this city, it appears to be more than probable that inducements have been extended to the seamen of Conception and Trinity Bays, by the resident merchants of these harbors, which have certainly produced good results.

It may be well to glance briefly over the figures of the last decade and compare them with the present list.

On January 1st, 1880, sixty-six certificates had been issued, of which number forty-four were masters, and twenty-two mates; six of the mates had been advanced to masters, and three certificates had been cancelled.

On January 1st, 1890, one hundred and eighty-eight certificates had been issued; seventy of these had been cancelled for various causes in the ten years, leaving a list of seventy masters and forty-eight mates; but, in order to place this list on the same footing as the

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previous decade it will be necessary to make a further reduction, for, owing to circumstances in connexion with the trade or prospects of the colony there has been a considerable exodus of seamen for this small list; and it is to be feared that very few of these men are likely to return to these waters. The greater number, it appears, have left the last three or four years. Ten masters and eleven mates have migrated to various parts of the world, which if subtracted from the above-mentioned list, leaves an available number of sixty masters and thirty-seven mates, or an advance in the ten years of sixteen masters and fifteen mates.

The service list is to a large extent composed of elderly men, natives of this colony, who are not likely to migrate in large numbers, yet we find that the revised list of 1888 containing one hundred and nine seamen has been reduced sixteen by this cause; and sixteen more, for various reasons, are not available; leaving a total of seventy-seven seamen, and a number of these men will not serve again. The two younger men added to the service list in 1889 increases the total to seventy-nine.

During the past six months the want of mates has been apparent, and in consequence, the seamen holding certificates are in a position to decline service until they can obtain the vessel they desire to sail in, which is productive of considerable inconvenience; for, unlike other countries or colonies, we are not favored with any considerable number of foreign certificated seamen to supply the deficiencies in our own ranks; the English portion of the list is considerable, but many appear to take advantage of the facilities of this office and then leave for other countries.

There is, therefore, a greater necessity for endeavoring to increase the list of competency seamen, so as to maintain a moderate supply of certificated men, and cover the deficiency in numbers caused by migration and other forms of loss.

I have the honor to be, Sir,

Your obedient servant,

The Honorable

The COLONIAL SECRETARY,

St. John's, Newfoundland.

GEO. ROBINSON.

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF AGRICULTURE, SAINT JOHN'S, FOR THE YEAR 1889.

To His Excellency the Governor in Council:

The Board of Agriculture appointed under the Act 52 Victoria, chapter 8, have the honor to present herewith a report of their proceedings since their appointment, in accordance with the requirements of section 7 of the said Act.

The first meeting of the board was held on the 11th of September last, at the office of the Surveyor-General, and at that meeting Mr. James B. Sclater was elected secretary of the board, in accordance with section 3 of Act.

Since then the board have held regular monthly meetings on the first Monday in each month, at the office of the Surveyor-General.

On account of the lateness of the season when the board was appointed they deemed it advisable to defer the importation of improved stock until the coming spring, when they hope to be in a position to deal with this part of their duties in such a manner as will prove of lasting benefit to the agricultural interests of the colony.

The board propose to import one or more suitable horses, one Holstein bull and several cows; one Ayrshire bull and several cows, and one or more standard breed of pigs. They are now in correspondence concerning these animals and hope to have them in Saint John's during the early part of the month of May.

Since the appointment of the board, two Agricultural Societies have been organized in accordance with the provisions of section 8 of the Act, one located at St. John's and the other at the Goulds, and the board have reason to believe that during the coming season several others will take advantage of the provisions of this section.

The board present herewith a detailed account of their expenditure to date, amounting to \$135.04, which will leave a balance to their credit of \$8,864.96 at this date.

H. J. B. WOODS,
Chairman.

JAMES B. SCLATER,
Secretary.

St. John's, Newfoundland,
February 14th, 1890.

REPORT—BOARD OF AGRICULTURE.

Statement of Expenditure of the Board of Agriculture, in accordance with the provisions of section 7 of the Act, 52 Victoria, chapter 8.

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1889.	
Oct. 16,—To paid grant to Nfd Agricultural Society....	\$79 00
Dec. 31,— “ for stationery.....	1 84
“ for printing.....	4 20
“ Secretary’s salary to date.....	50 00
1890.	
Feb. 15th,—To balance to credit of board at this date... ..	8,864 96
	<u>\$9,000 00</u>

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By grant as per account.....	\$5,000 00
“ grant as per account, due January 15th, 1890.....	4,000 00
	<u>\$9,000 00</u>

We certify the foregoing statement to be correct.

H. J. B. WOODS,
Chairman.

JAMES B. SCLATER,
Secretary.

St. John’s, Newfoundland,
February 15th, 1890.

REPORT OF THE OFFICER IN CHARGE OF THE FISH-
ERY PROTECTION SERVICE AT CAPE JOHN.

10th June.—Six French bankers came to the Cape for caplin; none in Cape Cove; very little on the Cape, none could be got except with the seine in deep water.

11th.—French vessels waiting in Cape Cove; no bait. At noon two more arrived, one brig and one barquentine.

12th.—No sign of caplin at the Cape. The French were very anxious for bait; some left for LaScie. Codfish very scarce; punts average one-quarter quintal.

13th.—Strong wind from the eastward; no caplin. Two more bankers arrive. Six this afternoon between the Cape and LaScie; at 7 p.m., the French left the Cape and stood off the land.

14th.—Wind moderate, five ships came into Cape Cove. Some sign of caplin, but very little; cast one seine but hauled none. Codfish scarce, punts about one-half quintal each.

15th.—French vessels still hovering about Cape Cove. Caplin were in very deep water, two seines took about 30 barrels each; that was all that was between the two Capes.

16th.—Wind south, with heavy rain. Seven French bankers at the Cape. Some caplin taken, but not sufficient. Four French vessels passed north to-day in search of bait. Cod scarce.

17th.—Wind S. W.; fine. Nine bankers around the Cape this morning, hauling often, but with little result. Caplin lying in deep water and no codfish to drive it ashore.

18th.—Very fine weather, water smooth; cod and caplin very scarce. The French were very eager to get bait, and anxious to know where they could obtain a supply. Punts to-day half-quintal each; not sufficient bait.

19th.—Wind west; fine. To-day we have nine bankers around the Cape which obtained from 20 to 50 barrels of bait each. Twelve vessels in La Scie, all seeking bait. Caplin scarce for the time of year. Cod also very scarce; punts and traps doing very little; traps average about four or five quintals per day. Fish very small.

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20th.—Fine weather. Cod and caplin very scarce. Four of the bankers left and went north; at noon one French boat came into Mansfield Bight and intended to cast. I told him if he persisted I would destroy his haul; and, after a time, he thought best to retreat.

21st.—Wind N. E., strong, with heavy sea. French stood out to sea; too rough for seine or traps. Punts half-quintal each; traps very little.

22nd.—Wind east; light. Five French bankers came in Cape Cove; took 30 or 40 barrels caplin each and then went north. Traps and seines doing very little; punts about one quintal.

23rd.—Wind south; fine. Caplin scarce to-day; fishermen cannot get sufficient for bait. Three bankers at the Cape all day. No fish taken by seines or traps; punts one-half quintal.

24th.—Wind south-west, hot; temperature 78°. Fish very scarce, punts one-quarter qtl.; traps one, two and three seines. Caplin scarce.

25th.—Wind south-west, very fine; ther: 80°. Two bankers in Cape Cove; one seine took bait in fifteen fathoms. The French seine is equal in size to the cod-seine, and if the bait is in the water, no matter how deep, it will take it. No fish for either seines or traps; punts half and quarter quintal each and very small.

26th.—Weather very fine and still hot, too much so for fishing. Two bankers finished baiting to-day and left for the bank. Cod-fish scarce; seines and traps doing very little; punts half-quintal.

27th.—Wind south, fine weather; bait scarce, some difficulty in getting enough for the hook-fishermen. Saw three bankers going south.

28th.—Wind east; fine. One banker came to Cape Cove and not being able to get caplin left for the north side of White Bay. Six bankers in La Scie. Cod very scarce; traps three and four qtls each; seines did nothing; some punts half-quintal, some a quarter. A number of small fishing craft going north. Most of them bound for White Bay searching for fish.

29th.—Wind west, very fine; ther: 77°. Fish still very scarce; traps to-day from five to eight quintals; seines very little; punts half quintal and some less. At seven p. m., spoke some craft from the north; heard that there was a good sign of fish at the Groais Islands, but no caplin.

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30th.—Weather very fine and hot. Both fish and caplin scarce, and in water too deep for cast-net. One banker came into Cape Cove and took 40 barrels in two casts, in about eighteen fathoms of water. Caplin have not yet landed on the beach in any quantity up to date. The fishermen say it is because they have been so much disturbed.

July 1st.—Wind south and some rain. French vessel finished baiting and left. Fish very scarce; traps seven and eight quintals. One English seine hauled to-day twenty-five quintals; punts one-and-a-half quintals. Hook-and-line average per punt, to this time, about ten quintals or five a man.

2nd.—Wind south-west, fine, and very hot; temperature 79°. Fish very scarce and very little caplin; traps three and four quintals; punts one quintal each.

3rd.—Wind south-west, still very hot. No fish in-shore; and whattrifle there is is very small.

4th.—Wind south-east, with heavy rain; no boats on the ground.

5th.—Wind east-south-east, blowing stiff. No boats about the Cape. Four French vessels passed south. French war-ships passing the Cape, bound north, stopped about twenty minutes at Middle Bill.

6th.—Wind moderate. Several boats at the Cape; fish very scarce and small; traps doing very little. Seines took no fish.

7th.—Wind north-west, light, and very fine. A number of fishing craft going north. No fish at the Cape; caplin scarce. Punts took half-quintal fish to-day. At noon English war-ship passed south for Tilt Cove.

8th.—Fine calm day and no cod; caplin very scarce. Punts about a quarter quintal; traps none. Some salmon hauled in the coves to-day, a thing never known before.

9th.—Wind south, heavy rain. Fish still scarce. One French schooner came to the Cape; found no caplin and went north. Some punts to-day fishing with herring did better than with caplin. Traps took no fish to-day.

10th.—Fine, with wind south. At seven a. m., war-ship passed north. Punts to-day about one quintal each; traps none. Caplin very scarce, but plenty of herring.

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11th.—Wind south-west. At noon the thermometer stood at 78°. Little or no fish at the Cape. Four French bankers gone south-east. Caplin very scarce. At four p. m., French brigantine came to Cape Cove, got no bait and went north. Punts to-day, quarter quintal; traps three and four quintals each. Herring plenty, but no demand. Great number of small craft going north; spoke to some; told me there was no fish south to Cape Race.

12th.—Wind west; fair weather, with water extremely smooth and no cod. French vessels searching for bait. Caplin almost disappeared; a small quantity still in deep water. Punts using herring.

13th.—Wind south-east, with heavy rain. Several boats at the limit. Fish still scarce; average to-day no more than a quarter-qt. per man; traps none. Some salmon taken to-day.

14th.—Wind south, fine weather; ther: 76°. Both English and French in want of bait, and fish very scarce. A few salmon taken in traps.

15th.—Wind south-west; very hot weather; fish scarce and water very clear. Boats at the Cape do not average more than half-quintal; traps nothing. Plenty of herring in Mansfield Bight.

16th.—Wind south-west; fine weather. French bankers all left for the banks. Up to this date sixty-eight visited between Partridge Point and Cape John; further north don't know how many. One seine only attempted to take caplin south of the limit. Punts half a quintal to-day. There were three bears on Cape Cove beach this morning.

17th.—Wind south-east, with rain. Several boats at the limit; fish scarce and caplin all but gone; punts half-quintal and traps very little.

18th.—Wind south; fine. Bait scarce, but better sign of fish. Some boats, one quintal and-a-half, caught with herring.

19th.—Wind south-west; fine. At noon ther: 80°. A number of boats at the limit doing fairly well; several boats one-and-half quintals; traps being taken up and put ashore.

20th.—Wind south-west, fine, very warm. Fishery improving somewhat, as some punts to-day got two quintals. No caplin to be seen. Nineteen fishing craft passed north to-day.

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21st.—Wind north-east; strong, with considerable sea on. A few boats at the limit doing very well on herring.

22nd.—Wind east-north-east, moderate. Boats at the Cape taking one and two quintals. Herring plenty, and a few squid taken in herring nets. Boats up to this time average fifteen quintals; traps twenty to fifty.

23rd.—Calm, fine day; fish rather scarce; boats at the limit about one quintal each.

24th.—Wind south, fine. Boats half-quintal.

25th.—Wind south-west, fine. Fishermen at the Cape doing well; some boats one-and-a-half quintals. Herring plenty and some squid.

26th.—Wind west, fine. Some fish at the Cape, but very small.

27th.—Wind north-west, strong. Fishermen doing a little; herring plenty.

28th.—Wind north-east, strong, but fine; fish scarce. A salmon-catcher from north side White Bay reports 14 tierces and 20 qtls cod.

29th.—Wind north with some sea. A number of boats at the limit average one quintal.

30th.—Wind east with rain and thunder. No fish taken to-day.

31st.—Wind south, fine. Fishermen doing well; some boats two quintals, caught on squid. Two p.m., French man-of-war came to Cape, stayed a short time and then passed into the Bay.

August 1st.—Wind south-east, strong, with heavy rain. A good sign of fish but too much sea to do good work.

2nd.—Wind south-south-west, fine. Boats at the limit doing well on squid bait. Caplin all gone. On making enquiries from Shoe Cove to South Head, a distance of thirty-six miles of coast, I find there were 13,600 barrels of caplin hauled to put on the land, and the greater part of that large quantity was taken with the seine in deep water; it never landed to spawn. I have noticed, for the last ten years, caplin getting scarce. There was great difficulty this last summer in getting bait with the cast-net. In former years people used sea-weed and fish-offal, but now it is nothing but caplin; and, in my opinion, in a few more years there will be none for bait.

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3rd.—Wind south-west, fine, hot weather. Several boats at the limit secured one and two quintals each.

4th.—Wind westerly, very hot; ther: 80°. Fish scarce to-day; boats half-quintal.

5th.—Weather very hot. Boats at the limit, one quintal each. A large steamer going east.

6th.—Wind south, very hot; boats at the Cape not doing much.

7th.—Fine, hot weather. Boats at the limit getting a little fish.

After this date there is nothing particular to note, except that on the 3rd September the thermometer stood at 81°. Boats that remained at the Cape till the last of October made up from 30 to 40 quintals per man; traps average for six men each, 30 to 50 quintals.

Left the Cape the 30th of October.

HENRY KNIGHT.

Exports of quintals of Cod-fish from Newfoundland during the years 1804 to 1815, inclusive.* And from 1820 to 1873, inclusive.

Years.	Quintals of fish.	Years.	Quintals of fish.
1804.....	661,277	1810.....	884,474
1805.....	625,519	1811.....	923,540
1806.....	772,809	1812.....	711,059
1807.....	674,810	1813.....	891,360
1808.....	576,132	1814.....	947,762
1809.....	810,219	1815.....	1,086,266
1820.....	901,159	1851.....	1,017,152
1822.....	881,476	1852.....	972,921
1823.....	864,741	1853.....	922,718
1825.....	973,464	1854.....	774,117
1826.....	963,942	1855.....	1,107,388
1832.....	619,177	1856.....	1,268,334
1833.....	683,536	1857.....	1,392,322
1834.....	674,988	1858.....	1,038,089
1835.....	712,588	1859.....	1,122,244
1836.....	860,354	1860.....	1,379,804
1837.....	.....	1861.....	1,224,326
1838.....	724,515	1862.....	1,241,740
1839.....	865,377	1863.....	1,012,321
1840.....	915,795	1864.....	1,013,037
1841.....	1,009,725	1865.....	801,339
1842.....	1,007,980	1866.....	930,447
1843.....	932,202	1867.....	1,066,215
1844.....	852,162	1868.....	1,169,948
1845.....	1,000,233	1869.....	1,159,780
1846.....	879,005	1870.....	1,164,535
1847.....	837,973	1871.....	1,328,726
1848.....	920,366	1872.....	1,221,156
1849.....	1,175,167	1873.....	1,369,205
1850.....	1,089,182		

* Thomas Luck: Office for Trade, Whitehall, 24th June, 1817.

Exports of quintals of dried Cod-fish from Newfoundland and Labrador, from 1874 to 1889, inclusive.

Years.	Quintals of fish.	Years.	Quintals of fish.
1874.....	1,609,724	1882.....	1,231,607
1875.....	1,136,235	1883.....	1,624,037
1876.....	1,110,791	1884.....	1,397,637
1877.....	1,029,064	1885.....	1,284,710
1878.....	1,074,646	1886.....	1,344,180
1879.....	1,419,505	1887.....	1,080,024
1880.....	1,583,132	1888.....	1,175,720
1881.....	1,463,439	1889.....	1,076,507

RULES AND REGULATIONS

Respecting the Lobster Industry and Cod-fishery, made under and by virtue of Section 16, of an Act passed in the Fifty-second year of the Reign of Her present Majesty, entitled "An Act to provide for the formation of a Fisheries' Commission, and for other purposes."

I.—Lobster Canning Industry.

1.—No owner or manager shall engage in the business of canning lobsters in the Island of Newfoundland without having previously taken out a license.

2.—The Receiver General, or any Justice, Sub-Collector or Preventive Officer shall, on application, issue such licenses, and shall make a return to the Fisheries' Commission of all Licenses issued within three months after granting the same.

3.—There shall be no fee charged for said licenses.

4.—The Fisheries' Commission shall supply all those authorized to issue licenses with a sufficient number of blank forms of license and of printed copies of all rules and regulations relating to the lobster industry.

5.—The said license shall be in the following form, viz:—

NEWFOUNDLAND:

District. }

By virtue of the power vested in me under the rules and regulations respecting the lobster industry made under and by virtue of section 16 of an Act passed in the fifty-second year of the reign of Her present Majesty, entitled "An Act to provide for the formation of a Fisheries' Commission, and for other purposes," I, _____, of _____, do hereby license _____ to engage in the business of lobster canning at _____ for a period of one year from the date hereof, subject to the said rules and regulations, a copy of which is hereto attached.

Given under my hand at _____, in the district of _____,
this _____ day of _____, A.D., 18 _____.

*RULES AND REGULATIONS—LOBSTER INDUSTRY
AND COD-FISHERY.*

6.—The owner or manager of any lobster canning establishment convicted before a Justice of a breach of rule and regulation numbered 1 shall be subject to a penalty not exceeding \$400, and, in addition thereto, such Justice may declare all the lobster gear of such owner or manager forfeited, and order the same to be sold at public auction.

7.—No person within this Colony shall spear, kill, take, catch, trap, buy, or sell any lobster for the purpose of being canned, from the 5th day of August in any year until the 1st day of April in the next year, under a penalty not exceeding five dollars for each lobster so taken:

Provided, that any person may spear, kill, take, catch, trap, buy, or sell any lobster between the 5th day of September and the 30th day of November in the year 1890:

Provided also, that any person may, if he elect not to take advantage of the provision immediately preceding, spear, kill, take, catch, trap, buy, or sell any lobster, for or to any lobster factory situated northward of Cape St. Francis, from the first day of April to the first day of September in the present year 1890, and it shall be unlawful for any person making such election to spear, kill, take, catch, trap, buy, or sell any lobster after the first day of September aforesaid, under the penalty hereinbefore provided.

8.—Except as hereinafter provided, no person shall, on any part of the coast or islands of this Colony, spear, kill, catch, take, trap, buy, or sell, or have in his possession any lobster less than 10 inches in length, under a penalty not exceeding five dollars for each offence:

Provided, that this section shall not during the fishing season of 1890 apply to that part of the coast of this Colony extending from Pass Island along the coast of Fortune Bay to Fortune Bay Head, but no person resident on the last-mentioned part of the coast shall, during the fishing season of 1890, spear, kill, catch, take, trap, buy, or sell, or have in his possession, any lobster less than nine inches in length, under a penalty not exceeding five dollars for each offence.

9.—Any fisherman may capture lobsters of any length, at any time, for food for himself and his family.

10.—For the purposes of this Act, a lobster shall be measured from the tip of the rostrum, or frontal projection, to the end of the telson, or tail, exclusive of the hairs.

*RULES AND REGULATIONS—LOBSTER INDUSTRY
AND COD-FISHERY.*

11.—No person shall offer for sale a tail of a lobster which has been separated from the body, under a penalty not exceeding five dollars for each offence: nor shall any such tail of a lobster be purchased, under a like penalty.

12.—It shall be the duty of the Justices, Sub-Collectors, Fish-Wardens, Preventive Officers, and Constables, to see to and aid in the carrying out of the provisions of these rules and regulations, and the manager or proprietor of any canning establishment shall, on demand, produce his license to any such Justice, Fish-Warden, Sub-Collector, Preventive Officer, or Constable, and upon refusing to do so, or otherwise obstructing any such officer in the discharge of his duty, shall be subject to a penalty not exceeding four hundred dollars.

13.—On the requisition of any person authorized or employed by the Fisheries' Commission to hatch lobsters, the manager or owner of any lobster canning establishment shall, as far as possible, and with due care, take from and keep in such manner as may be prescribed by the Fisheries' Commission, all eggs attached to lobsters brought to said establishment, and deliver the same to a person authorized by the Fisheries' Commission, under a penalty not exceeding five dollars for each refusal.

14.—Any person convicted before any Justice of violation of these rules and regulations, may by order of such Justice have his license forfeited, and be declared incompetent of holding a license for the canning of lobsters for any period not exceeding one year thereafter.

15.—All penalties and all proceeds of sales of forfeited lobster gear imposed and collected under and by virtue of the foregoing rules and regulations shall be distributed as follows, viz.: one-half to the person prosecuting the offender to conviction, and the residue to the Receiver General for the use of the Colony.

16.—Any person may secure, at any time, or by any means, any lobster or lobsters for scientific or procreative purposes, anything in these rules and regulations contained to the contrary notwithstanding.

*RULES AND REGULATIONS—LOBSTER INDUSTRY
AND COD-FISHERY.*

II.—Cod-Fishery.

17.—The use of cod-traps shall be allowed in the fisheries of Newfoundland and its dependencies, subject to the limitations hereinafter contained.

18.—No person shall, upon the coast of Newfoundland or its dependencies, use, for the purpose of taking cod-fish, any cod-trap the walls or sides of which consist of meshes of less than four inches; nor shall any person use for the said purpose, in connection with the walls or sides of any cod-trap, any netting which consists of meshes of less than four inches, except for the purpose of removing fish from the trap.

19.—No person shall place in the waters along the coast of Newfoundland any cod-trap, or cod-trap mooring, before the fifteenth day of June in any year.

20.—No person shall place in the waters of that portion of Labrador coast which is under the control of the Government of Newfoundland any cod-trap or cod-trap mooring, before the twenty-fifth day of June in any year.

21.—Any codtrap, contrivance used in connection therewith, or codtrap mooring, used or placed in contravention of rules and regulations numbered 18, 19 and 20, may be seized by any Justice, Sub-Collector of Customs, Preventive Officer, Fish-Warden, or Constable, on view, or by warrant issued by any Justice upon complaint made upon oath before him, and detained until the trial of the offender; and upon conviction the same may be declared forfeited, and ordered to be sold at public auction.

22.—Any person violating rules and regulations numbered 18, 19 and 20 shall be subject to a penalty not exceeding one hundred dollars. If such person be the owner of the trap, contrivance used in connection therewith, or mooring, the above penalty of one hundred dollars shall be in addition to the forfeiture provided for under rule and regulation numbered 21.

23.—Any person using a herring-seine or caplin-seine to take or haul cod-fish, shall, on conviction, forfeit the same, and be subject to a penalty not exceeding one hundred dollars.

*RULES AND REGULATIONS—LOBSTER INDUSTRY
AND COD-FISHERY.*

24.—No person shall, in the following harbors in Placentia Bay, namely: Paradise Sound, Boat Harbor, and Roger's Harbor, use any bultow, cod-trap, cod-seine or any other contrivance, except hook-and-line, for catching codfish, under a penalty of one hundred dollars, and confiscation of such contrivance hereby prohibited.

25.—Fish required for scientific or procreative purposes or for immediate use may be taken at any time by any method.

26.—All penalties and the proceeds of all sales of forfeited fishing gear imposed and collected under the foregoing rules and regulations shall be distributed as follows, viz.:—One-half to the person prosecuting the offender to conviction, and the residue to the Receiver General for the use of the Colony.

27.—All forfeitures and penalties for a breach of these rules and regulations shall be recovered in a summary manner before a Stipendiary Magistrate.

28.—Whenever the penalty imposed shall exceed one hundred dollars, or the penalty and the value of the forfeited fishing gear together amount to more than one hundred dollars, then any person feeling himself aggrieved by any judgment by such Magistrate shall have liberty to appeal to the Supreme Court, in St. John's or on Circuit, upon giving sufficient security for the due performance of such judgment if confirmed, and for the payment of all costs, and to prosecute the said appeal.

29.—The security provided under rule and regulation numbered 28, shall, in no case, exceed the sum of one thousand dollars.

30.—Pending the hearing and adjudication of such appeal, the owner or master of the cod-trap, herring-seine, or caplin-seine, shall be permitted to fish with the same.

31.—These rules shall continue in force for one year from the fifteenth day of May, 1890, and until the next session of the Legislature; and provided further that these rules shall not be construed as affecting the fisheries on that part of the coast where the French have treaty rights, until the approval of Her Majesty has been obtained.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE HOUSE ON
ROADS AND BRIDGES.

On the road from Portugal Cove to Pouch Cove, <i>via</i> Bauline, provided the sum of two hundred dollars be appropriated out of the local grant.....	\$300 00
On the road from Torbay to Bauline, provided the sum of one hundred and fifty dollars be appropriated out of the local grant.....	250 00
On the Thorburn road.....	100 00
On the Kenmount road to Topsail.....	300 00
On the road from City limits to the Goulds.....	500 00
On the road from Old Placentia road to Topsail road....	200 00
On the road South Side St. John's.....	200 00
On the South Side road extension.....	500 00
On the road from City limits to Portugal Cove.....	500 00
On the road from City limits to Cape St. Francis.....	700 00
On the road from City limits to Cape Spear.....	300 00
On the road from City limits to Brigus.....	1,325 00
On the road from Horse Cove to Topsail.....	75 00
On the road from the Goulds to Renew's.....	1,525 00
On the road from Trepassey to Renew's, half to be expended by the respective districts of Placentia and Ferryland.....	1,000 00
On the road from Manuel's to Price's, Topsail road.....	100 00
On the road from Salmon Cove, Gastars.....	100 00
On the road through Cat's Cove, Collier's and Bacon's Cove.....	150 00
On the road from Holyrood through Seal Cove.....	100 00
On the road from Holyrood to Placentia.....	1,000 00
On the road from Brigus to Carbonear.....	1,000 00
On the branch road from Brigus mainland to Nine-Island Pond.....	150 00
On the road from Hall's Town to Snow's Pond.....	200 00
On the road from Goulds and on Long Harbor road.....	150 00
On the road from Spaniard's Bay to New Harbor.....	330 00
On the road from New Harbor to South Dildo.....	100 00
On the road from Dildo to Chance Cove.....	700 00

* See page 135 of Journal.

*REPORT OF COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE HOUSE
ON ROADS AND BRIDGES—(Continued).*

On the Northern Mail route	\$ 2,000 00
On the road from New Harbor to Heart's Content.....	900 00
On the road from New Harbor to Broad Cove Station...	200 00
On the road from Green's Harbor to Harbor Grace and connecting Spaniard's Bay road.....	600 00
On the Glover road, Trinity Bay end.....	300 00
On the road from Carbonear to New Perlican.....	1,200 00
On the road from Carbonear to Heart's Delight.....	200 00
On the Central road, Bay Roberts	600 00
On the Agricultural road, Coley's Point.....	400 00
On the road between Spaniard's Bay and Bishop's Cove.	200 00
On the road from New Perlican to Lead Cove.....	775 00
On the road from Lead Cove to Grate's Cove.....	325 00
On the road from Grate's Cove to Bay-de-Verde	200 00
On the road from Bay-de-Verde to Red Head	100 00
On the road from Old Perlican to Island Cove.....	400 00
On the road from Old Perlican to Bay-de-Verde.....	200 00
On the road from Carbonear to Bay-de-Verde.....	1,250 00
On the road from Salmon Cove Bridge to Heart's Con- tent road.....	300 00
On the road from Heart's Ease to Butter Cove.....	60 00
On the road from Trinity to British Harbor.....	500 00
On the road Trinity to Catalina	720 00
On the road from Trinity to King's Cove, half on Trinity side and half on King's Cove side.....	800 00
On the road at Riverhead, Southern Bay, towards Muddy Cove	100 00
On the road from Trinity to Indian Arm, half by the dis- trict of Trinity and half by the district of Bonavista	400 00
On the road from Plate Cove to head of Southern Bay...	500 00
On the road from Southern Bay to Goose Bay.....	50 00
On the road from Southern Bay to Goose Bay, <i>via</i> Sweet Bay	200 00
On the road from Catalina to Bird Island Cove.....	300 00
On the road from Catalina to Bonavista.....	360 00
On the road from King's Cove to Tickle Cove	200 00
On the road from Greenspond to Cape Freels.....	700 00

*REPORT OF COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE HOUSE
ON ROADS AND BRIDGES—(Continued).*

On the road from Shambler's Cove to New Harbor and Indian Bay.....	\$200 00
On the road from Brown's Marsh towards King's Cove..	125 00
On the road from Plate Cove towards Brown's Marsh...	125 00
On the road from Open Hall towards Brown's Marsh....	100 00
On the road from Salvage to Happy Adventure.....	100 00
On the road from Salvage Bay to Alexander Bay.....	100 00
On the road from Tickle Cove to Plate Cove.....	200 00
On the road from Bonavista to Bird Island Cove... ..	100 00
On the road from Greenspond to English Harbor, or on landing place near English Harbor	150 00
On the road at Black Head Bay, to be spent at the head of the Bay, where most required.....	400 00
On the road from Amherst Cove to Catalina, one hundred and fifty dollars to be spent by the district of Trinity, and one hundred dollars by the district of Bonavista, the Bonavista portion to be spent at the head of Black Head Bay, where most required, by Chairman of Bonavista Road Board.....	250 00
On the road from Cape Freels to Cat Harbor.....	100 00
On the road from Cat Harbor to Musgrave Harbor, half at each place	200 00
On the road from North side Ragged Harbor, to North side Apsey Cove, inclusive.....	100 75
On the road from Rocky Bay to Gander Bay, half each place.....	74 00
On the road from Seldom-Come-By to Fogo, half each place.....	327 00
On the road from Tilton Harbor to Joe Batt's Arm, under Chairman of each Board, one hundred dollars at Tilton Harbor and twenty dollars at Joe Batt's Arm.....	120 00
On the road from Shoal Bay the Fogo main line.....	75 00
On the road from Barr'd Islands to Fogo and Seldom-Come-By	177 43
On the road from Hare Bay to Fogo	75 00
On the road from Twillingate to Bluff Head	50 00
On the road from Gillard's Cove, round Kettle Ceve, connecting Purcell's Harbor	312 50
On the road from Twillingate to Little Harbor.....	100 00

*REPORT OF COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE HOUSE
ON ROADS AND BRIDGES—(Continued).*

On the road from Twillingate to Long Point.....	\$ 50 00
On the road across the marsh between Little Harbor and Purcell's Harbor	50 00
On the rink road, leading from the Congregational Church to Bluff Head Cove.....	100 00
On the road from Jenkin's Cove to French Beach	50 00
On the road from Tizzard's Harbor to Moreton's Harbor, to be expended by the Tizzard's Harbor and More- ton's Harbor Boards.....	100 00
On the road from Tizzard's Harbor to Carter's Cove.....	200 00
On the road from Moreton's Harbor to Western Head...	112 50
On the road from Black Island Tickle to Kier's Cove....	57 00
On the road from New Bay Head to Fortune.....	40 00
On the road from Fortune Harbor to Cottrell's Cove....	100 00
On the road from Jackson's Arm to King's Cove.....	100 00
On the road from Lushe's Bight to Ward's Harbor.....	100 00
On the road from Southern Harbor, Little Bay Islands, to Sullian's Cove	50 00
On the road from Jackson's Cove to Birchy Cove and Colchester.....	66 66
On the road from North-west Arm to Rouge Harbor....	66 66
On the road from Rouge Harbor to Bett's Cove	87 50
On the road from Bett's Cove to Snook's Arm.....	50 00
On the road from Round Harbor to Tilt Cove.....	75 00
On the road from Round Harbor to Snook's Arm.....	75 00
On the road from Shoe Cove to LaScie.....	100 00
On the road from Placentia to Little Placentia and Fox Harbor	400 00
On the road from Little Placentia towards Long Harbor.	100 00
On the road from Salmonier to St. Mary's.....	700 00
On the road from Placentia to Cape Shore.....	1,000 00
On the road on Western Shore, Placentia Bay.....	300 00
On the road from Branch to Distress.....	500 00
On the road from St. Shott's to Cape Pine.....	350 00
On the road from Holyrood to St. Mary's.....	200 00
On the road from Burin to Garnish.....	245 00
On the road from Garnish to Burin.....	245 00

*REPORT OF COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE HOUSE
ON ROADS AND BRIDGES—(Continued).*

On the road from Burin to Grand Bank	2,200 00
On the road from Grand Bank to Garnish	100 00
On the road from Garnish to Grand Bank.....	\$100 00
On the road from Hermitage Cove to Pass Island....	300 00
On roads in Bay d'Espoir	220 00
On the road from Gaultois to Picarre	50 00
On the road from Gaultois to Connaigre Bay	100 00
On the road from Harbor Briton to Connaigre	300 00
On the road from Harbor Briton to Belloram, half to be expended from Harbor Briton and half from Belloram	550 00
On the road from St. John's Bay to Wreck Cove	225 00
On the road from Belloram to St. Jacques.....	100 00
On the road from Miller's Passage to Little Bay.....	225 00
On the road from Bay L'Argent to Baine Harbor and from thence to Rushoon, half to be expended at each end	1,000 00
On the roads, district of Burgeo and LaPoile	1,900 00
On the roads, district of St. Barbe.....	2,225 00
On the roads, district of St. George	2,584 45
On the road from Upper Island Cove to Harbor Grace ...	200 00
On the road from Upper Island Cove to Tilton	130 00
On the road from Tilton to Brazil's Hill	50 00
On the road from Tilton to Spaniard's Bay	120 00
On the road from Little Bay Mines towards Indian Brook	500 00
On the Ship Harbor line towards Hodge Waters	1,500 00
On roads in and about Whitbourne	500 00
On the main roads, where most required.....	6,000 00
	\$57,306 45

*REPORT OF COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE HOUSE
ON ROADS AND BRIDGES—(Concluded).*

Local Road Appropriations for the various Districts, 1890.

St. John's City (under Municipal Council) {	West	\$2,698	12
	East	3,143	74
St. John's East (extern)		4,620	31
St. John's West (extern)		2,888	58
Ferryland		2,365	20
Placentia and St. Mary's		4,126	15
Burin		2,975	70
Fortune Bay		2,420	95
Burgeo and LaPoile		2,290	40
St. George		1,915	55
St. Barbe		2,277	00
Fogo		2,192	40
Twillingate		4,920	30
Bonavista Bay		5,770	10
Trinity Bay		6,058	15
Bay-de-Verde		3,534	65
Carbonear		2,172	10
Harbor Grace		5,154	45
Port-de-Grave		3,044	30
Harbor Main		3,127	25
		67,695	40
Main Lines (brought forward from p. 334)		57,306	45
		\$125,001	85

REPORT FOR 1889 IN RE PLACENTIA RAILWAY.

OFFICE OF THE GOVERNMENT ENGINEER,
NEWFOUNDLAND, 26th MARCH, 1890.

THE CHAIRMAN OF THE RAILWAY COMMISSION,—

SIR,—The following is respectfully submitted, with reference to the Placentia Railway, for the year 1889:—

Construction during the year comprehended the completion of station arrangements at Placentia, the extension of the railway from the station to the waterside, and the greater part of the work on the pier. The pier, it may be observed, is built in such a manner and of such material as to withstand the mischievous limnoriæ which are so active at Placentia. This appeared necessary from the fact that the old government wharf built near the same place was almost completely destroyed in about eight years.

The expenditure includes the entire outlay for right of way and the arbitration expenses connected therewith.

Operation.—During the year 1889 this line has been regularly operated. From January 1st to June 1st, trains were run both ways over the line three times a week, viz.: on each alternate day. From 1st June until the end of the year, daily trains have been run each way. All trains have been arranged to connect with those of the Newfoundland Railway Company.

The rolling stock was maintained in good order throughout the year. This equipment was increased by the addition of a Baldwin locomotive, of the standard American type, which has rendered economical and otherwise satisfactory service.

The road-bed suffered considerably, during the spring, from the prevailing heavy freshets, but was repaired and kept in excellent condition during the remainder of the season.

The receipts of the line, notwithstanding the extra traffic arising from prosecution of work on the Hall's Bay Railway, were small. This was largely due to the lack of any arrangement for through traffic from St. John's to various points on Placentia and Fortune Bays *via* Newfoundland Railway, Placentia Railway, and the mail

REPORT FOR 1889 in re PLACENTIA RAILWAY.

steamer. The Newfoundland Railway Company has been approached on this subject, but showed no disposition to make the reasonable concessions sought. At present, the Placentia Railway is drawing to the Newfoundland Railway Company a traffic which costs them, practically speaking, no additional expense, and which is a clear gain to the Newfoundland Railway of about double the gross earnings of the Placentia Railway. In return for this, the Government, so far, has had the privilege of running its trains into the Railway Company's station-ground at Whitbourne. Outside of such traffic as may result from the prosecution of operations on the Hall's Bay Railway, there seems to be no prospect of a healthy increase of business until some arrangement is made, whereby the people of Placentia and Fortune Bays may be able to travel, and to have their goods forwarded with a reasonable degree of convenience, regularity, and economy.

I have the honor to be, Sir,

Yours obediently,

H. C. BURCHELL.

REPORT FOR 1889 in re PLACENTIA RAILWAY.

Statement of Expenditure on Placentia Railway, January 1st
to December 31st, 1889.

Construction, Equipment and Right of Way.

Labour	\$33,200	08	
Superintendence, engineering, stationery, and use of telephone	4,318	33	
Native timber	1,637	17	
Native manufactures, tools and materials pur- chased in colony	4,131	91	
Tools and materials purchased abroad (includ- ing one locomotive)	21,743	04	
Freights, plant, and hire of same	8,395	74	
Right of way and general expenses	4,822	83	
	\$78,249	10	
Less sundry credits		409	70
			77,839 40

Operation.

Maintenance of way and works	\$19,998	54	
Less earnings—			
Passengers	\$4,291	55	
Freight	1,347	52	
	5,639	07	14,359 47
			\$92,198 87

NOTE.—To the above earnings should be added an amount for carrying mails.

REPORT FOR 1889 IN RE HALL'S BAY RAILWAY.

OFFICE OF THE GOVERNMENT ENGINEER,
NEWFOUNDLAND, 26th MARCH, 1890.

THE CHAIRMAN OF THE RAILWAY COMMISSION,—

SIR,—The following, with reference to the Hall's Bay Railway, for the year ending 31st December, 1889, is respectfully submitted:—

Survey.—Surveying parties were placed in the field in the latter part of July. Through unusually favorable weather, and a completely successful working out of the organization, all the field-work of a final location of the entire route (about 260 miles) was completed by the end of December. The line is a favorable one, and as the estimates will show, may be built at a moderate cost.

The cost of the surveys will be found to be very low when compared with the expense of other work of similar character.

Construction.—Work of construction commenced at Placentia Junction, seven miles from Whitbourne on the Placentia Railway, about the middle of September and was continuously prosecuted until the end the year. The line was then cleared of timber from Placentia Junction to Rantem, a distance of about thirty miles, and the disconnected pieces of grading then done would sum up altogether about fifteen miles.

I have the honor to be, Sir,

Yours obediently,

H. C. BURCHELL.

REPORT FOR 1889 in re HALL'S BAY RAILWAY.

**Statement of Expenditure on account Hall's Bay Railway, up
to December 31st, 1889.**

Total Expenditure.			
Survey.....			\$57,823 54
Construction—say superintendence and en- gineering, stationery, telephones, &c...	\$3,047	97	
Labour.....	96,058	38	
Native timber purchased	1,466	20	
Native manufactures, goods, tools, &c., pur- chased in the Colony.....	9,244	48	
Tools and materials purchased abroad.....	9,400	92	
Freights, plant, and hire of same.....	2,204	97	
General expenses.....	84	88	
			\$121,507 80
Less received.			
For board of engineers.....	\$306	54	
“ tools, supplied labourers.	2,910	10	3,216 64
			118,291 16
			\$176,114 70

REPORT OF H. C. BURCHELL, Esq., ON SURVEYS MADE
FOR PROPOSED RAILWAY FROM PLACENTIA
JUNCTION TO HALL'S BAY.

OFFICE OF THE GOVERNMENT ENGINEER,
NEWFOUNDLAND, 14th APRIL, 1890.

Hon. Colonial Secretary:

SIR,—

I have the honor to submit the following with regard to the surveys made last season for a proposed railway from Placentia Junction to Hall's Bay.

From the starting point to Pitt's Pond, in the neighborhood of Clode Sound, a length of 96.4 miles is known as the Southern Division. Mr. W. M. Bright, with three locating parties at his disposal, had the general supervision of this portion of the line.

The Northern Division, from Pitt's Pond to Hall's Bay, a distance of 164.3 miles, was in charge of Mr. Alexander Middleton, who had under his control four locating parties.

The following are respectfully submitted herewith:—

Report of Mr. Bright in the Southern Division.

Report of Mr. Middleton in the Northern Division.

General estimate of cost of work.

Statement of iron bridging from 20 feet span, upwards.

The Placentia Railway was located with a view to the first seven miles from Whitbourne, westward, being utilized as portion of the route to Hall's Bay, hence the selection of the starting point at what is now known as Placentia Junction, seven miles from Whitbourne and about twenty miles from Placentia.

From Placentia Junction to Come-by-Chance broken and uninviting country is passed through, much of it being barren, and, where wooded, the timber is of small growth. The neighborhood of Rantem is exceedingly rough. Considerable care and skill have been displayed here in getting a favorable line through country studded with almost innumerable ponds and lakes and traversed in all directions by irregular and abrupt ridges. In comparison with former surveys it is satisfactory to know that much lighter curves and more favorable grades have been secured without either lengthening the line or increasing its cost.

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The valley of the Come-by-Chance is much better country and is suited for settlement. After passing the water-shed northward to the Random district, uncommonly rough ground is again met with. Between South-west Arm of Random and Shoal Harbor, lines were tried, both along shore and inland, with results decidedly favorable to the inland route, upon which in consequence the location was made.

More or less timber is to be found throughout this section; it is proposed to make connection with the waterside at Shoal Harbor by constructing a spur line and wharf, provision for which is made in the estimates.

From Shoal Harbor to Clode Sound presents no features of special interest. The timber is comparatively small and the ground is for the most part covered with boulders. There would be no difficulty, however, in getting all the railway timber required, such as sleepers and grillage.

At Clode Sound the line passes along the water-side with a fine deep-water frontage, and at such elevation as to admit of running on to the wharf, which it is proposed to build here, with a siding of ordinary length.

The streams running into the Sound will necessitate considerable expense in bridging.

From Clode Sound to Gander Lake some difficulty was met with, owing to numerous ridges and large lakes that cross the direction of the route. Several extensive lakes that had not previously been surveyed or mapped were met with.

Two lines were tried on this section, the eastern one having been adopted as being shorter and as affording better accommodation to the shore settlements through connection by Freshwater Bay. The Terra Nova and the Gambo, both of which rivers are crossed on this section, traverse with their tributaries valleys which are now yielding valuable timber for lumbering purposes. North of the Gambo and around the south end of Gander Lake has been made bare by forest fires. The north side of the lake, along which the line is located, though rocky, is well timbered with pine and spruce.

No special difficulty presents itself on this part of the route except at King's Head, where, owing to deep ravines with high intervening ridges, an exceedingly tortuous line was necessary. It is quite possible, however, that, without increasing the cost, the line may be materially improved by resorting to tunnelling.

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Crossing the Gander, near where it leaves the lake, the route lies along Salmon Brook at the eastern base of Mount Peyton and on to the valley of the Exploits, opposite Bishop's Falls.

The south side of the Exploits is kept to a point a little above Grand Falls, where the crossing is made.

It is possible that an equally good, or even better, line might be got by keeping more to the west on leaving Clode Sound, crossing the Terra Nova above the lake, thence on past the west end of Gambo Lake to Dead Wolf River, down Dead Wolf River to the south-west branch of Gander River, across the south-west branch and the main Gander Rivers, and by way of Cooper's or Migwell's Brook to the present location at or near the crossing of the Exploits.

It was hoped that an exploring party recently sent out to examine this route would have returned in time for the result to be embodied in this report, but unfortunately the information must follow later.

The crossing of the Exploits River would be by far the most costly bridging. It is proposed to provide one span of 200 feet and two each of 150 feet. The crossing is said to be entirely free from ice-jams, and presents several other important advantages. Lines were run with a view to crossing at Grand Falls, but were abandoned as being unfavorable compared with the present location.

From Exploits, north, to Hall's Bay, a very favorable line has been got with easy curves and grades and light work.

A line was tried east of Hodge's Hill, but was abandoned as being more difficult and as passing through country inferior to that through which the location has been made.

The line ended at what is known as the Rowsell Settlement, Salmon Brook, Hall's Bay, the total length being 260.7 miles.

The most extensive tract of land met with, favorable for settlement, is the valley of the Exploits with the tributary valleys, all of which are already well known as to timber wealth and as to capability of agricultural development; and it is pleasing to be able to state that, so far as the observations of the railway surveying parties went, they very fully bear out previous official reports on this subject.

It is encouraging to know that in the immediate neighborhood of the line, already the LaManche Mines are being opened up, and that at Random there exist extensive clay deposits and quarries of excellent roofing slate. It is to be hoped that these and kindred industries

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may speedily develope, under a fostering railway policy, to the advantage of the railway and of the country at large.

It will be observed that the greater part of the route runs across the principal water-courses and water-sheds of the country, a fact which renders difficult the effecting a favorable location as to grades, alignment, and cost of work.

The maximum grades have been kept within 2.5 per cent., and these as a rule are very short. The highest ground passed is between Gander and Exploits Rivers, being 785 feet above sea level.

The curvature generally does not exceed 10° or 573.7 feet radius. In very few instances, however, it reaches 14° or 410.3 feet radius.

There will be considerable expense in bridge superstructure, but it is believed that there will be no difficulty in obtaining thoroughly satisfactory foundations at very moderate expense.

With a view to the construction of a line that might be maintained at a minimum expense and operated at minimum risk, that would be capable of furnishing a thoroughly efficient service, and that would be of a permanent character, the estimate for construction and for equipment has been based upon the attached memoranda *re* specification and rolling stock.

It has also been assumed in estimating, that the work would be completed within a period of five years.

I have the honor to be, Sir,

Your obedient servant,

H. C. BURCHELL,

Government Engineer.

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Memorandum re Specification.

- ROAD BED.**—12 ft. wide in embankments.
16 ft. wide in cuttings.
- SLOPES.**— $1\frac{1}{2}$ ft. to 1 ft. in earth.
 $\frac{1}{2}$ ft. to 1 ft. in rock.
- BALLAST.**—1800 c. y. per mile of best material available.
- SLEEPERS.**—7 ft. long, 6 ins. thick, 7 ins. to 8 in. faces.
2,640 to a mile, to be of sound spruce, juniper, pine or fir.
- RAILS.**—50 (fifty) pounds per yard, steel.
Newfoundland Government Section of 1889.
- JOINTS.**—Ordinary straight fish-bars and $\frac{3}{4}$ in. bolts.
- SPIKES.**— $5\frac{1}{2}$ ins. (inside of head) x $\frac{9}{16}$
- WATER STATIONS.**—Not more than fifteen miles apart.
- TURN-TABLES.**—50 (fifty) feet, iron, of approved design.
- TELEGRAPH.**—Single wire line along entire length of line, Government or Anglo-American Standard.
- BRIDGES.**—Of 20 (twenty) feet span and over to be of steel or iron, designed for an engine load of 58 (fifty-eight) tons on a 43 (forty-three) feet wheel-base, and to be otherwise in accordance with special specification.

Statement of Steel and Iron Bridges.

20 feet spans.	9
25 " "	1
30 " "	3
40 " "	6
50 " "	4
60 " "	5
75 " "	5
80 " "	2
90 " "	1
100 " "	9
130 " "	1
150 " "	2
160 " "	1
200 " "	1
	50
Total number spans.	50
Total length of spans.	3,350 ft.

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Memorandum of Rolling Stock.

- 3 Locomotives (25 tons), ordinary American pattern.
- 3 Locomotives (30 tons), Mogul pattern.
- 2 Ten-ton contractor's engines.
- 4 Iron snow-ploughs, interchangeable for either of the above.
- 3 First class cars.
- 3 First and second composite, or first and mail.
- 5 Second class cars.
- 10 Box cars.
- 30 Flat cars.
- 1 Conductor's van.
- 2 Flanger cars.
- 2 Snow ploughs—Russel, or other approved.
- 1 Repair shop, with all tools necessary for the maintenance and repairs of above rolling stock.

Table of Distances via Survey of 1889.

From St. John's to	Whitbourne	57 miles.
"	" Placentia Junction.....	64 "
"	" Chapel Arm, Long Harbor road.....	71½ "
"	" Rantem	92 "
"	" LaManche	93 "
"	" Come-by-Chance.....	104 "
"	" Bay of Bull's Arm	106 "
"	" S. W. Arm, Random.....	118 "
"	" Upper Shoal Harbor.....	132½ "
"	" Clode Sound.....	151 "
"	" Terra Nova River.....	165 "
"	" Gambo River, Freshwater Bay.....	189 "
"	" Gander Lake, east end.....	200 "
"	" Crossing of Exploits above Grand Falls	275 "
"	" Hall's Bay.....	326 "
"	" Crossing of Exploits to St. George's Bay (estimated).....	155 "

NOTE.—The distance from St. John's to Whitbourne 57 miles, though generally accepted, cannot be taken as accurate.

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Report of W. M. Bright, Esq., Engineer in charge Southern Division Hall's Bay Railway Survey.

ST. JOHNS, NEWFOUNDLAND,
12th March, 1890.

H. C. BURCHELL, Esq., *Government Engineer-in-Chief:*

SIR,—

On the 20th July, 1889, I received your letter instructing me to organize parties and take the field as Engineer in charge of the Southern Division of the Hall's Bay Railway, extending from the Placentia Railway, northerly, to a point at or beyond Clode Sound, there making connection with the location of the Northern Division. On the 22nd July I left St. John's by rail, with party No. 1, (W. G. Yorston, transit-man; R. B. Jack, leveller) and made our first camp that evening at the summit cut, on the Placentia Railway, near the seven-mile post. Our camp outfit was landed during a heavy rain-storm, which lasted all the evening, and our experience that night was not an agreeable one. We started work on the following day, tried several lines between the sixth and seventh mile-posts, to determine our point of departure from the Placentia Railway, and the present location was only decided upon after a careful examination of the surrounding country. About three miles from the starting point, we intersect the old line of survey, 1882, and from this point to the end of the section, we crossed it a number of times, and at other points our line is from three-quarters to a mile distant from it. In comparing the present location with the old one, the advantages are decidedly in favor of our line. The distance is shortened half a mile, and the alignment is a very decided improvement—they having used 16 deg. curves frequently, while our maximum is 14 deg., and that used only a few times.

On this section the ponds are numerous, and this of necessity causes a considerable amount of curvature. The curves are light as a rule, and, up to the fourteenth mile, the general direction is good. At this point we make the first bad break from our general course, this being necessary to avoid North West and several smaller ponds. At the sixteenth mile (Saville Lake) we get our general direction again, and it continues good to the end of the section. The maximum curvature allowed was 15 deg. I found it necessary to use a very few 14 deg. curves to avoid heavy work. At all difficult points alternative lines were run, these being shown on plans in blue line.

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The maximum grade allowed was 2.50 per station, and this has been used frequently. Grades are broken, when by so doing heavy work could be avoided, and due attention has been given to allowing as much level as possible at intersection of grades.

The elevation of Station 0 is 600 (assumed height); at Station 75 we have 675 for grade elevation, then for two miles the grades are very light; the elevation at Station 165 being 685; at Station 300 we have dropped to 520, and cross a small pond. The next summit of importance is at Station 500, where we have an elevation of 690. At Station 646 we have dropped 193 feet; from this point the grades are good to Station 900, where the elevation is 495. At Station 1014 grade elevation is 585, and in the next mile, Station 1065, we drop 90 feet to grade elevation 495. At Station 1110 we have risen 80 feet to 575. At Station 1300 we drop to 436, and at Station 1391 rise to 542. At Station 1416 we are down 62 feet to 480. At Station 1570 our grade is 650 and then descends to Arnold's Cove River, Station 1942, where grade elevation is 190, being only 30 feet above high water in Placentia Bay; our crossing of this river is about three-quarters of a mile from the Bay. At Station 2126 we intersect with party No. 2, at grade elevation of 275. At this intersection we are about half a mile from Placentia Bay and directly opposite the Adams farm at mouth of the Come-by-Chance.

On this Section of forty miles we have but ten miles of woods, and that is generally a light growth of fir, spruce, and mixed hard wood; very little of this timber is large enough to make sleepers. The country for a considerable distance east and west of the line is of the same character.

In a few places timber large enough for culverts and sleepers may be had in small quantities, but a great portion of the sleepers must come from other sources. The remaining thirty miles consists of burnt land and barrens, which are in many cases covered with a growth of scrub spruce and other bushes.

On the first fifteen miles the material is earth and largely mixed with boulders, there being very little solid rock showing at the surface; the earth is hard, being a mixture of clay and gravel. On the remaining twenty-five miles there will be a considerable amount of solid rock, generally trap, very hard to bore and not easily worked. The earth on this portion is also a mixture of clay and gravel.

Boulders are plenty; they are in a very rough state, of small size, but will answer well for drains and rough masonry; they will not split well, and it is difficult to get cover stones for culverts. On some parts of this section there are granite boulders, and these can

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be worked to good advantage. I have not been able to discover any quarries in the vicinity of the line.

The quantity of rough masonry required on this Section will be large. Many structures from 12 to 15 feet span will be required. The only bridge on the section will be at Arnold's Cove River, where a span of fifty feet will be necessary. The foundations are good in all places where masonry will be wanted, and a small amount of excavation will give a solid foundation. There are several crossings of small ponds and corners of lakes, and in some of these places there is a considerable depth of mud; such places may be filled with earth or crib work. I had no means of sounding to find if piles could be driven, but think that once through the soft mud, rock would be found.

At Station 391 \times 50 we cross the road leading from Long Harbor to Chapel Arm; the distance between these two points is nine miles; our location is about mid-way. That portion of the road from the line to Chapel Arm has been put in good order and used for packing supplies to the line. The other end of this road to Long Harbor would require a considerable outlay to be of any service for construction purposes. A traverse of this line will be made to both Trinity and Placentia waters, and shown on the general plan. A traverse will also be made along the path cut to Tickle Harbor and Famish Gut, and these, with the topography taken, will be of value. At Station 1515 we cross the road from Rantem in Trinity Bay to LaManche in Placentia Bay. This road is very rough and could only be made useful in the way of getting supplies by a very considerable outlay. A road has been cut and grubbed from Rantem to Station 1,400, which will be used for packing purposes.

Party No. 1 reached Come-by-Chance on the 31st of October and connected with the location of party No. 2. A traverse was made from the line to Placentia Bay, showing the mouth of Come-by-Chance river.

After completing this work party No. 1 went by schooner to Lower Shoal Harbor to run some preliminary lines, and to locate a connection with the parties south and north. The first camp was made two-and-a-quarter miles west from Lower Shoal Harbor. We commenced at a point marked 0, being the same point from which parties 2 and 3 had previously started, and ran a preliminary line northward to the water-shed between Lower and Upper Shoal Harbors.

The alignment being bad and work heavy, we ran another trial line further to the eastward and intersected the first line at the sum-

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mit above referred to, continuing this line to Station 235. Making this our 0 point, we started our location south. After locating two-and-a-quarter miles, getting very bad alignment maximum grades and heavy work, this line was abandoned and a third line run between the other two. On this line the first location was made, starting from the same 0 point. At Station 66 we cross the north-west branch of Lower Shoal Harbor River. We made at least six crossings of this stream and adopted the present line, it being in every way the best. At Station 222 \times 55 we intersected the location of party No. 2. We then moved camps to the 0 point named above, and ran trial line to Station 140, and made a location on this line. At Station 38 we pass through a valley just west of Bill Eddy's Hill, and take the eastern slope of the Syenite Ridge, working our way down this slope with a maximum grade, and connecting at Station 134 with the location of party No. 3.

On this Section, 0 to 222 \times 55 south, and 0 to 134 north, a considerable divergence is made from the general direction, owing to the trouble in crossing the north-west branch of Lower Shoal Harbor River; we are obliged to cross this stream on a 12 deg. curve. On this portion of the work the alignment is bad, 10 and 12 deg. curves are numerous, and in one instance we were obliged to use a 14 deg. curve.

There is also a large amount of maximum grade rising from north to south, 257 feet in six-and-three-quarter miles.

The Section is entirely covered with woods, spruce, fir and birch, generally of good size.

A very large number of sleepers may be cut on this Section.

The soil is clay, mixed with gravel and boulders, and is of the same nature as that found on Section 1. There is a large quantity of rock, and wherever a cutting is of much depth, rock may be counted on with certainty.

Small streams are numerous, and a large quantity of culvert masonry will be necessary. But one bridge will be required in this Section, a span of seventy-five feet, at north-west branch of Lower Shoal Harbor River. Foundations, where masonry will be required, are all solid.

In connection with this survey we made a traverse to Upper Shoal Harbor, and along shore to Dark Hole. (Shown in plan of Section 3).

In connection with this survey I would suggest that a line be tried to the eastward of Bill Eddy's Hill, starting from 0 point. I

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could not get time to run this line, but in looking the ground over, thought a good location could be made there; it would possibly increase the length of the main line a trifle, but the grades would be much easier and we would get clear of the Syenite Ridge, which is solid rock. From this line there would be less trouble in getting our spur to Upper Shoal Harbor.

Party No. 2, J. C. McDonald, Engineer in charge, E. C. Lawson, transit-man; D. J. V. Eaton, leveller, left St. John's in str. *Falcon*, July 22nd, and were landed at Deep Bight in Random Sound. They started work at a point about one-and-a-half miles west of Deep Bight at a hill marked 0, and ran preliminary lines in a southerly direction; they first tried a short line, and, after running some fifteen miles, were obliged to abandon it on account of greatly increased length, very bad alignment, and heavy work. The land near Random Sound waters, is so abrupt that a location along shore is entirely out of the question.

Our next line started from the same 0 point, running to the west of Deep Bight Pond and east of Beaver Pond, crossing North-west Brook at Station 230. This line we found to be a good one to locate on, and it was continued to Come-by-Chance; here we started location north, making our starting point 0. On this section the general direction is good; there are a great many curves, but generally they are easy ones. A 10° curve is the sharpest in this section and we have but four of them.

The grades are broken frequently with a view to making the work reasonably light, and we have but little maximum grade.

The elevation of Station 0 is 212, and for five miles grades are very easy, at Station 267 the grade elevation being 203. At Station 587 we have risen to elevation 480, then easy grades to 810, when the elevation is 530. The next summit is at Station 912, elevation 675. From this point we drop to Station 1015, where the elevation is 582. At Station 1080 we have risen to 630. From this point grades are easy to end of the Section Station 1303 \times 38.

On this Section about five miles are barrens; balance, say four-fifths is covered with a growth of spruce, fir, and some hard wood, with an occasional light growth of juniper; at several points on this Section the timber is of sufficient size for culverts and sleepers; the barrens have the scrub-bush growth. The work on this section is light and the material appears to be fairly good; the earth has less of clay and more loam and gravel than on the first Section; rock crops out at various points, and, where cuttings are of any great depth, will get some rock.

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There are a good many small brooks and streams, and boulders seem scarce. I saw no quarries near the line, though in some of the rock cuts there will probably be stone quarried that will answer for the rough masonry required for culverts and drains. There are five stream crossings where spans of from twenty to forty feet will be necessary. All these spans in this division are specified in detail in estimates.

There are no roads crossed by the line in this Section; about Station 40 there is a foot-path from Bay Bull's Arm to Come-by-Chance, the distance, by the path, being two miles. At Station 75 the line is within three-quarters of a mile of Bay Bull's Arm.

From Station 150 to 450 the line follows the eastern slope of Powder Horn Range, and Centre Hill, the highest point of land on the Peninsula, is about two and-a-half miles to eastward of line. At Station 750 we are about two miles in a direct line from the South-west Arm of Random.

Party No. 2 finished their part of the location on the 4th December, and packed their outfit to Lower Shoal Harbor. The next day—5th—they took a schooner at Dark Hole and sailed for St. John's, arriving on the 10th, and at once started to complete the office-work, plans, profiles, &c.

Party No. 3 (W. H. Mitchell, Engineer in charge; J. A. Pickett, transit-man) left St. John's on the 25th of July, and took a schooner at Dildo for Deep Bight, arriving the next day. They started their survey from the same 0 point as the No. 2 party, one and-a-half miles west of Deep Bight. The preliminary line northward for the first five miles is to the eastward of the White Hills. At the fifth mile this line intersects survey made later in the season by party No. 1, and referred to in report of that party's work. This line was found to be much longer, and had a great deal of maximum grade; the work was also heavier—for these reasons this portion of the line was abandoned, and the more easterly one adopted. At the fifth mile we reached the summit of divide between Lower and Upper Shoal Harbor waters. From this point the line runs to the west of Bill Eddy's Hill, and works down the eastern slope of Syenite Ridge to the crossing of Upper Shoal Harbor River, at Station 501, trial line, elevation 260.

The line from this point to the divide between Shoal Harbor and Clode Sound waters, at Station 790, elevation 550, is reached by a uniform grade. The line then following a regular slope, falls to the South-west River of Clode Sound, which we reach at Station 1163, elevation 40 feet above tide water.

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From this point the line skirts the waters of Clode Sound to the North-west Brook, Station 1546. The next summit is reached at Station 1750, elevation 488. Up to this point we were running with the idea of intersecting with party No. 4 on the east side of Pitt's Pond. While working at this summit we were notified that it would be necessary that the party No. 4 locate their line to the westward of Pitt's Pond. Accordingly, from this summit our general direction was changed, and we worked down by a regular slope to west side of Pitt's Pond at Station 1948. This last four miles being so much off the general course was practically useless as a base-line for location, but it enables us to show the topography of the Section correctly. Having made this intersection, we established a 0 point common to parties 3 and 4, and started our location south. Running along the west side of Pitt's Pond and Little Pitt's Pond at Station 130, we are on the divide of water between Terra Nova and Clode Sound. The alignment on this portion is good, the curves all being easy. The grades are light, in fact to this point it is a practically level country. At this point we commenced the descent to Clode Sound water. At Station 245 we cross the North-west brook of Clode Sound. The alignment to the brook is easy; here we have a 10 deg. curve. This crossing means very heavy work, and before construction commences, I think it would be well to try a crossing about 300 feet up stream. I think the span might be somewhat reduced, and I should expect a general improvement—the cuttings about this stream are solid rock. The grade down to this brook is uniform, the drop being 165 feet in two miles, 1600 feet of the distance being maximum grade, (2.50 per hundred).

At Station 336 we cross Salmon River, and at Station 417 reach Muddy Brook; the alignment is very good and grades easy. At Muddy Brook we are down to the level of water in Clode Sound and within 300 feet of the mouth of the brook. At Station 532 we cross Middle Brook, and at Station 700 we are at the South-west branch of Clode Sound; this is the heaviest stream on the division, and two spans, one of 160 ft. and one of 90 ft., will be required. The spring freshet here is very heavy, the height of this bridge must be very carefully attended to. To this point general direction is good, curves are numerous, but there are no sharp ones. This portion of the line follows closely the water of the Sound, and grades are consequently light; on parts of this Section, where the location is on Steep-side Hill, some slight changes in alignment and grade may be made with advantage to the work. After crossing South-west Brook we are on a rising grade to the outlet of Thorburn Lake, Station 870; in this distance, $3\frac{1}{4}$ miles, we are risen 315 feet; we then have a mile-and-a-

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half practically level, then another rise of 125 feet in one-and-a-half miles; the elevation Station 1035 is 572, and this is the summit, between Clode Sound and Shoal Harbor waters. The alignment on this last portion is not good; having to pass to the westward of Thorburn Lake, we get away from our general course. The sharpest curve on this Section is 12 deg. We have now a uniformly descending grade to Upper Shoal Harbor River, Station 1232, elevation 315; our crossing of this stream is some two miles above the crossings on trial line, and is a great improvement. In the next seventeen Stations our grade rises 30 feet and then falls to Station 1280; from this point the ground is level to Station 1,301 \times 90, when we intersect the location of party No. 1; on the last portion the general direction is good and the curves light. Of this section eight miles may be classed as barrens and swamps with a growth of scrub spruce and other bushes; the remainder is covered with a growth of fir and spruce with some hard wood; the growth generally is light. In the valley of Upper Shoal Harbor River, about Thorburn Lake, and at South-west River of Clode Sound, a large quantity of culvert timber and sleepers may be had. On the South side of Clode Sound River crossing, there is also a large amount of ballast; the earth on this Section is a mixture of clay and gravel and there will also be a good share of boulders; the percentage of rock on this Section will be greater than on the other two, and it is of a similar nature.

There are some granite boulders at the stream crossing, and at North-west Brook, two miles down the stream from our crossing and close to the Chain Bridge, there is a deposit of slate rock; it has never been opened, but looks well in color and appears to be of good quality. The bridging in this Section will be heavy; there will be ten spans required, ranging from 20 to 160 feet; these are all specified in detail in the estimate returned. The small brooks and streams are numerous; a large amount of rough masonry and drains will be required; generally boulders will be found near the line for this rough class of masonry. I know of no quarries near the line where suitable stone for bridge masonry can be had; there are some fine granite boulders in bed of stream at South-west River, Clode Sound. At all the river crossings in this Section the foundations are good, and a solid bottom will be found at little depth from the surface.

The line in this Section crosses no roads. From Shoal Harbor to North-west Brook of Clode Sound the path used by the winter mail couriers, and also the line of telegraph, is at no great distance to the eastward of our line. Starting from Placentia Junction and running north on the first Section of 40 miles, there will occasionally be found a small area of swamp, with a good depth of black mud, that,

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with proper drainage, would be good grass land. At the end of this Section, and extending over a portion of Section 2, in the Come-By-Chance Valley, there is a large area of good farming land—the “Adams’” farms are at the mouth of Come-By-Chance River. Good land will also be found in some of the stream valleys on this Section. On Section 3, south of Clode Sound, the land is poor, excepting some small areas of swamp land, which, with proper drainage, would be good. North of Clode Sound, and near the water, the land is fairly good, but back from the water the soil is rocky, and useless for cultivation. At the northerly end of this Section, on the west side of Pitt’s Pond, there is a considerable tract of good farming land.

Parties 1 and 3, having completed the work assigned to them, moved camps to Shoal Harbor on the 24th December. Party No. 1 made a traverse from the line to Upper Shoal Harbor, and along shore to Dark Hole; this line and the topography in connection with it being shown on plan of Section 3. On the 28th December we left Lower Shoal Harbor in schooner *Wild Rover*, and after a very rough trip, arrived at Dildo and took train to St. John’s, arriving on 1st January, 1890.

The parties at once started to complete the plans, profiles, &c., connected with the survey.

For the first three weeks we had rain nearly every day. From that time the season was an exceptionally fine one, and very little time was lost on account of bad weather.

The camp outfit was of the best, and the supplies furnished were always A 1. Each of the parties had good officers and able men, always willing and ready for any work assigned them.

Accompanying this report, are the plans and profiles of each Section, together with estimates in detail.

Respectfully submitted,

W. M. BRIGHT,

*Engineer in charge Southern Division
of Hall’s Bay Railway Survey.*

REPORT—SURVEYS HALL'S BAY RAILWAY.

Report of A. Middleton, Esq., on Survey Northern Division
Hall's Bay Railway.

ST. JOHN'S, NEWFOUNDLAND

January, 1890.

H. C. BURCHELL, Esq.,

Government Engineer, St. John's.

SIR,—

According to instructions, a location survey has been completed for that part of the proposed Hall's Bay Railway between Clode Sound and Hall's Bay, and I herewith submit approximate estimate of the work.

The Northern Division was divided into four Sections. Section four, from the junction with the Southern Division near Pitt's Pond to the barren country near Butt's Pond ($37\frac{1}{4}$ miles), was located by Mr. Walsh. Section five extended to the crossing of the Gander River, and was surveyed by Mr. Turnbull, the distance being $34\frac{1}{2}$ miles. From Gander River, northwards, to within ten miles of the crossing of the Exploits River, ($33\frac{1}{2}$ miles), referred to as Section six, was located by Mr. Drummond. Sections seven and eight were located by Mr. McLellan, the former extending from the northern end of Section six to $5\frac{1}{2}$ miles northwards of the crossing of the Exploits River, ($15\frac{1}{2}$ miles), and Section eight northwards from Section seven to Hall's Bay, 44.2 miles.

The total length of the Division is $164\frac{1}{2}$ miles.

South of Terra Nova River sand and gravel, with an occasional rock cutting, are met with. Northwards of the Terra Nova River, until the water-shed between Bloody Bay and Freshwater Bay is crossed, the land, although generally unfit for cultivation, might be utilized for grazing. The country draining into the Gambo Lake is well wooded with pine, tamarac and spruce. Skirting the eastern end of Gambo Lake the line passes near the Gambo and Middle Brook settlements at Freshwater Bay, and crosses the Southern Arm of Butt's Pond. An alternative line was here tried passing further inland; this would be more cheaply built, but would lengthen the total distance considerably and would not tap the settlements at Freshwater Bay.

In regard to Section four, it should be borne in mind that there is a possible line passing to the east of Pitt's Pond, crossing the Terra Nova River near Bloody Bay, thence east of Mackerel Lake

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and joining the present location near the Gambo River. Much may be urged against this route, but the increased convenience to the settlers at Bloody Bay, while at the same time giving an outlet to the resources of the country about Terra Nova Lake, would seem to warrant more definite information being obtained as to the difficulties to be overcome.

Section five, draining into the Gander Lake, is a broken and rocky country, but generally heavily timbered with pine, spruce and white birch. The alignment near the Gander River on this Section compares unfavorably with that on the other sections. Should the traffic, however, be deemed sufficient to warrant the expenditure, rock tunnelling, as shewn on the plan, would eliminate the worst features of the alignment. Another route was tried further from the Lake, but the results proved unsatisfactory.

Crossing the Gander River, near the outlet of the lake, heavy timber is still met with for six miles. From this to within 17 miles of the crossing of the Exploits, a distance of 16 miles, the country is barren, rocky, and unfit for settlement. The next 17 miles are heavily timbered and available for settlement.

The Exploits River is crossed above the Grand Rapids, fully 20 miles above where shipping generally reaches. By crossing the river at Bishop's Falls instead of the Grand Rapids, the river-crossing would be ten miles nearer the Exploits Bay. The grades, however, would be unfavorable, and I think a short spur built from Juniper Brook to the deep water would be more satisfactory.

The location follows the Valley of the Exploits for a short distance, gradually getting to the waters of the Badger Brook, which it follows to near their source. The country is all well wooded and fit for settlement.

An alternative line was tried passing immediately to the east of Hodge's Hill, the grades, however, were very steep and the country traversed either muskeag or rocky ridges, uninviting to the settler. The line as now laid down, while being in the more fertile country, is also sufficiently close to timber belts that might have been tapped by a more easterly route.

Crossing the water-shed of the Exploits River at an elevation of 620 feet above the sea level, the location passes to the valley of the South-west Brook, and follows it to Hall's Bay.

As a summary of the country in the immediate vicinity of the location, it may be said that near the Terra Nova River, and south to Pitt's Pond, the gravel ridges are unfavorable for settlement. From

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Terra Nova River northwards to the watershed of the Gambo Lake, there is little encouragement for the lumberman, but some pasture land is passed through. Near the Gambo Lake good timber is met with, and settlers might find some suitable lands there and near Freshwater Bay. A little northwards of Freshwater Bay, the line passes through marsh, boulder, and rocky country to Gander Lake. For 25 miles along the north shore of Gander Lake there is heavy pine and spruce, but the broken country precludes settlement.

The six miles north of Gander River are well wooded with pine, spruce, and white birch, and favorable for settlement. The next sixteen miles passing over the high watershed (785 feet above sea level) between Gander and Exploits Rivers, immediately east of Mount Peyton, is open, barren, boulder, and rocky country.

From there the 52 miles draining into the Exploits River contains good pine, spruce, and white birch, and is suitable for settlement. The country draining into Hall's Bay, with the exception of scattered patches, is not encouraging for settlers, and generally the timber has been destroyed by fire.

The above description, of course, only refers to the immediate surroundings of the located line. Many of the numerous bays and lakes that will be tapped by the proposed railway offer good inducements to settlers, and compare favorably with lands now being settled in other countries.

As to the material to be moved in the construction of the line, the portion south of Terra Nova River is sand and gravel, with an occasional rock-cutting. The country northwards of the Terra Nova and draining into Bloody Bay is generally boulders and solid rock. That draining into Gambo Lake and Freshwater Bay is clay, with a large percentage of boulders and solid rock. From there to the Gander River is chiefly solid rock. For six miles north of Gander River may be assumed to be clay-work with a percentage of boulders. Solid rock and boulders predominate on the next sixteen miles. North of this, and draining into the Exploits, clay, boulders, and solid rock will be met with.

Crossing the Exploits, and northwards to the watershed, clay with considerable proportion of boulders and solid rock is passed over. Draining into Hall's Bay, light, gravelly country may be expected, with some boulders and solid rock. The rock on the division, with few exceptions, is either granite or trap. From the Terra Nova River to near the Exploits River, the greater part of the material borrowed for embankments will require to be brought by train from the valley of the Southwest Brook of Hall's Bay, or south of the Terra Nova River: this will necessitate a long and costly haul.

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While recognizing that hard, cemented material will be found on the division, it is assumed that the grades have been generally laid down on the profile, so as to confine the work to the looser material overlying.

Good foundations for the bridges will, in all cases, be easily obtained; sufficient timber and building stone for structures and ties can be got near the line. Easy access can be had to the line from the coast in several places, so as to facilitate the introduction of plant and supplies.

South of the Exploits River some short grades of $2\frac{1}{2}$ per cent. have been introduced, and in a few cases curves sharper than 10 deg. have been utilized. North of the Exploits River the maximum grade is 2 per cent., and the sharpest curve 10 deg.

As shewn by the plan and profile, there are only four important rivers, Terra Nova, Gambo, Gander, and Exploits, to cross, and all afford good facilities for bridging; at the crossing of the Terra Nova River, the railway will be of easy access to any lands that may lie on the Terra Nova Lake, and about fifteen miles from the Bloody Bay settlement. The Gambo and Gander Lakes will afford easy communications between the railway and alleged fertile lands near their shores. The Exploits River, with a few improvements, will give settlers near the shores connection with the railway.

The estimates attached are for a completed railway ready to receive the rolling stock.

ALEX. MIDDLETON,
Division Engineer, Hall's Bay Railway.

TENDERS FOR CONSTRUCTION OF RAILWAY TO
HALL'S BAY.

[COPY.]

No. 1.

A Tender for the Construction and Operation of the Newfoundland Railway.

HON. R. BOND, *Colonial Secretary,*

NEWFOUNDLAND,—

We, the undersigned, having carefully examined all the information furnished at the office of the Government Engineer, namely, plans and profiles of location survey, a memorandum of specification setting out generally the class of road required, weight and section of rail proposed, and the character and quantity of rolling stock, &c., now offer the colony of Newfoundland:—

To construct, equip, maintain, and operate for fifteen years from signing of contract, a line of railway (3' 6" guage) and single wire telegraph line, generally in accordance with the above requirements, from Placentia Junction to Hall's Bay.

- (a) Will construct, equip, maintain and operate free during construction, or for at least five years free to the colony, for \$16,200 per mile of main line, and \$5000 pr mile for sidings.
- (b) Will maintain and operate for a further term of ten years, after the termination of the five years above mentioned, for and in consideration of \$150,000 subsidy per annum, *all*, on the conditions hereinafter stipulated.

Construction and Engineering.

Contractors will do all the necessary engineering, and will have the right to revise the present line, adhering generally to the maximum grades and curves on the present location. Any variation in that respect to be subject to the approval of the Government Engineer; and, should the Colony decide to reduce the cost at any point by substituting wood for the more permanent structures of stone and iron now proposed, the contractors will submit to a diminution of the lump sum of their contract, equal to the saving effected by such a change.

Contractors will take over from the Colony, and release them in every respect from any further expenditure on work done or materials delivered north of Placentia Junction, on the following terms:—

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- (a) Excavation and other works of construction done on the line to date to be measured and paid for by the contractors on a yard basis, and at such rates as may seem fair, considering the character of the work done and material.
- (b) Such materials as rails, fastenings, ties, new tools, &c., will be paid for at invoice cost, and reasonable charges added.
- (c) Old tools and plant that can be utilized will be taken by the contractor and paid for at a fair valuation.

Operating the Line.

For the first five years, during which it is proposed to extend the construction, the road will be operated by the contractors at their own expense.

A limited service will be furnished after the completion of the first fifty miles, and the facilities will be increased as the different sections are completed, and all requirements of traffic fully accommodated.

At the end of the term of five years, and for a further period of ten years, the contractors agree to operate the road for the subsidy already mentioned, and under all reasonable circumstances will run at least one train daily each way, unless hindered by accidents or other unforeseen difficulties. Should delays to trains be occasioned at any time during the winter season by exceptionally heavy snow-storms, floods, or other causes over which the contractors have no control, the suspension of traffic under those circumstances will not entail on the contractors any further liability than the withdrawal from them of the portion of the annual subsidy for each day they fail to operate the line.

The contractors will hand over to the colony, monthly, one-half the gross receipts from traffic during this last period of ten years. And the colony will have the right at any time during this period to take the road over and discontinue subsidy on giving the contractors six months notice, in writing, releasing their security and taking from them, at a valuation, tools, machinery, material, &c., then on hand, for the operation and maintenance of the railway.

Security.

As security for the due performance of the foregoing, the Colony may retain from the contractors ten (10) per cent. of all moneys becoming due to them until the same amounts to one hundred thousand dollars, after which contractors will be paid in full for work done as hereinafter specified, but the sum of one hundred thousand dollars will be held by the Colony (at three per cent. interest, payable to the contractors) until satisfactory completion of this contract for construction and operation.

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As further security for payment of men's wages, &c., the contractors will deposit at the outset, with a chartered bank at St. John's, N.F., any reasonable amount to be agreed upon, to be held and used solely for the above purpose. Interest on same to be paid to contractors.

Payments.

Payments for construction to be made to the contractors, as follows:—For each section of ten (10) miles, (*a*), when graded ready for rails, \$10,000 per mile. When rails are laid \$5,000 per mile. Balance when completed in sections as above. Payments of subsidy for operation to be made between the 10th and 15th of each month.

Right of Way.

The Colony will furnish right of way free, also all lands required for the construction and operation of the line.

The contractors will have the right to take free from all lands owned by the Colony, timber, stone, gravel, or other material, required for construction.

The contractors will be allowed to import, duty free, all materials, machinery, plant, tools, animals, and feed for horses, required for construction, equipment and maintenance of the railway.

The contractors to be allowed on equitable terms to haul with their own engines, over the Placentia branch, any materials that may be required for construction.

In the event of any dispute as to the meaning of this contract, or in relation to the character, quantity, or quality of work done or to be done, and all matters properly belonging to the engineer of the colony for the time being, will be first referred to him, but if his decision is unsatisfactory, the party aggrieved will be entitled to arbitration in the usual way.

Reference.

The contractors refer, for the present, to the Union Bank, St. John's, Newfoundland.

APRIL 15th, 1890.

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No. 2.

NEW YORK, April 4th, 1890.

HON. ROBERT BOND, *Colonial Secretary,* }
St. John's, Newfoundland. }

SIR,

In response to the advertisement of the Honorable Colonial Secretary, dated St. John's, Newfoundland, March 3rd, 1890 (copy hereto annexed) the undersigned contractors of the city of New York respectfully submit the following tender:—

For the construction and equipment of the line from Placentia Junction to Hall's Bay, about 260 miles, and the line from Brigus Junction to Clarke's Beach, or Brigus, about twelve miles, the sum of seventeen thousand and five hundred (\$17,500) dollars per mile in cash, and two thousand (2,000) acres of land.

All branches, or spur lines, that may be constructed by the direction of the Government, to give access to navigable waters, shall be paid for at the rate of thirteen thousand (\$13,000) dollars per mile: provided a good line can be obtained free from heavy rock cuttings or tunnelling.

All sidings lying parallel with the main line, and not exceeding twelve (12) feet between the rail of said siding and rail of main track, shall be paid for at the rate of one and one-half (1½) dollars per running foot, to be measured from the frog of switch to end of siding.

Upon the completion of each five (5) miles of track (not including sidings) the same shall be inspected by an engineer to be appointed by the Government, and upon his certification to the fact of its having been constructed in accordance with the specifications, ninety (90) per cent of the price per mile shall be paid to the contractors.

Upon the completion of branches, spur lines, or sidings, and their inspection and acceptance by the Government engineer, the same payments of ninety (90) per cent. of the contract price shall be paid.

The Government shall provide for the admission, free of duty, of all plant required for the construction and equipment of the line.

The Government shall provide, free of expense to the contractors, all the land required for the construction of the main line, branches and sidings, and shall allow the use of timber from the Government land for cross ties, piling, and such bridging and trestling as may be needed.

The Government shall furnish and facilitate, free of charge to the contractors, transportation over any line or lines of railway con-

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trolled, or hereafter to be controlled, by the Government, of any men, goods or materials, to be employed or used in and for the construction of the projected line.

Character of Railway.

The railway and branches shall be built in a substantial and reliable manner, well ditched and drained. The width of roadway in cuttings shall be sixteen (16) feet, and on embankments twelve (12) feet, at grade.

The guage of track shall be three feet and six inches (3' 6").

The rails shall be best steel T. rails of the weight of fifty (50) pounds per yard. They shall be well secured to the ties with nine-sixteenth inch spikes. The joints secured with fish-plates, bolted to the rails.

Ties shall be sound spruce, pine, juniper or birch, cut square at ends, seven (7) feet long, and not less than six (6) inches by seven (7) inches square. They shall be laid at a distance of two (2) feet between centres, and treated with "Carbolineum Avenarius" for preservation.

The track shall be brought to an even surface and well ballasted and tamped.

Culverts shall be of stone, or pipes where stone cannot be procured suitable for the purpose.

Bridges shall be of iron; abutments and piers to be of stone.

Equipment.

One first-class frame station-house shall be built at Placentia Junction, to be built in accordance with plans in the office of the Government engineer.

Nineteen second-class station-houses to be built at such points on the line as may be designated by the Government, and upon such plans as may be satisfactory; all said houses to be built of wood, and the cost of each station not to exceed fifteen hundred (\$1,500) dollars.

Water-stations to be put at an average distance apart of fifteen (15) miles.

Three (3) frame engine-houses shall be built with stalls for six (6) engines each, with iron turn-tables for turning engines and cars.

Four (4) frame coal-sheds and platforms shall be provided, with capacity for storing five hundred tons of coal each. To be located as directed by the Government.

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Rolling Stock.

- 4 First-class passenger engines, weight 28 tons each.
- 4 Modoc freight engines, weight 30 tons each.
- 2 Light freight engines, weight 15 tons each.
- 4 First-class passenger coaches.
- 4 Second-class passenger coaches.
- 3 Composite passenger coaches.
- 3 Mail and baggage cars.
- 30 Flat freight cars.
- 10 Box freight cars.
- 4 Snow ploughs.
- 4 Flange ploughs.

Should it be considered desirable by the Government, the contractors will agree to operate such portions of the road as may be finished and accepted by the Government, during the construction of the line, for the sum of fifteen hundred (\$1,500) dollars per mile per annum. Said amounts to be paid in monthly payments during the time of such operation.

The contractors will also build, free of cost to the Government, a good substantial telegraph line along all the railways constructed by them in Newfoundland, provided the Government give them the free use of the present telegraph system during the time of construction of such railway.

The contractors will agree to complete the whole of said lines within *four* (4) years from the time of commencing the work. Said time of commencing to be stated in the contract (reserving the right to complete the work earlier if deemed expedient to do so).

It is understood and agreed by the parties to this tender that all labor and material that can be procured in the colony will be preferred, and that the contractor will furnish all engineering force required for the work of construction.

The rate of wages for good laborers to be one dollar and twenty-five cents per day (of ten hours); ordinary laborers according to worth, but not less than one dollar per day (of ten hours), to be paid in cash the first Friday in each month. To prevent imposition and high prices, the contractors reserve to themselves the right to furnish all supplies to the men during the time of construction, or grant said right to others, who will give a guarantee to charge fair prices only.

Upon all imported material the Government shall pay cash to the contractors (as per schedule of prices to be hereafter agreed upon) upon delivery, less ten per cent. to be reserved until such material is used in construction of each five (5) mile section. The value of such

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material, based upon schedule prices, to be deducted from the price per mile as each five (5) mile section is completed and accepted.

All reservations held by the Government, to be paid by the Government to the contractors within thirty days after completion of each fifty miles of the work contemplated in this tender. Undoubted security will be given by the contractors for the faithful performance of this tender.

APRIL 3rd, 1890.

HON. R. BOND, *Colonial Secretary,*
St. John's, Newfoundland. }

DEAR SIR,—

We desire particularly to call the attention of the Government to that portion of our tender for railway herewith, wherein we specify that all ties must be treated with "Carbolineum Avenarius" for preservation. This treatment will virtually make the ties imperishable, as tests for fifteen years in Europe have proved. The saving to the Government will be readily appreciated when the fact is taken into consideration that there are over 2,600 ties in each mile of road, which are worth, in place, at least 50 cents each, and the cost to remove decayed ties and replace with new, including the labor, will usually exceed one dollar per tie. We shall be pleased to submit, at the proper time, full information as to the *merits* of "Carbolineum Avenarius," which we have thoroughly demonstrated, and to our entire satisfaction.

Your obedient servants,

No. 3.

In reply to the advertisements contained in the public newspapers, dated at St. John's, 3rd March, 1890, and signed by the Hon. Robert Bond, Colonial Secretary, on behalf of the Newfoundland Government, asking for tenders for—

First,—The construction and equipment of a narrow guage (3ft. 6in.) railway from Placentia Junction to Hall's Bay, about 260 miles, and for a branch from Brigus Junction to Clarke's Beach or Brigus, about 12 miles;

Second,—The maintenance and operation thereof;

Third,—The construction, equipment and operation thereof.

I, _____, of _____, Civil Engineer, on behalf of myself and associates, hereby submit to the Hon. the Colonial Secretary, on behalf of the Government of Newfoundland, the following proposals:—

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First,—We will construct and equip a narrow guage railway (3ft. 6in.) from Placentia Junction to Hall's Bay, about 260 miles, and a branch from Brigus Junction to Clarke's Beach or Brigus, about 12 miles, adopting the present line of railway between St. John's and Harbor Grace as a standard, and the equipment named by the Government engineer as necessary for the new line from Placentia Junction to Hall's Bay, for \$13,000 per mile; or,

We will construct and equip the line from the Placentia Junction to Hall's Bay, with the branch to Brigus or Clarke's Beach, distance 272 miles, more or less, and in accordance with the present requirements for the said line as now set forth by the Government engineer, for the sum of \$14,950 per mile.

Payments.

Payments for the above to be made in cash or its equivalent on the completion of every five-mile section. The Government to withhold 10 per cent. until final completion is insured.

Operation during Construction.

As each 20 miles is completed, we will agree to operate the line so constructed, by running a train each way every alternate day during construction, until the whole line is completed.

During construction we will agree to operate the Placentia branch to the satisfaction of His Excellency the Governor in Council, or to the satisfaction of the Colonial Secretary, or we will be satisfied by obtaining "running powers" for our engines and trains free of charge over the Placentia branch.

Right of Way.

The Government to provide for us all rights of way over the proposed line and branch.

Admission of Articles Duty Free.

The Government shall admit, free from all duty and taxation, all plant and material whatsoever required for the construction and equipment of the said line.

Wood and Timber.

We require to be permitted to cut all wood and timber necessary for the construction of the line to be found on Government lands or on lands on which the Government have the right to cut for public purposes, as we may require for the said work.

Labor.

We undertake, in the performance of the work, to employ local workmen and laborers in the construction of the line on all occasions, except where skilled or scientific labor is necessary, and without this

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exception, where such skilled and scientific labor can be obtained in the colony.

We also undertake that the standard price for labor on the said line shall be at the rate of one dollar and twenty-five cents per working day of twelve hours.

This undertaking as to the employment of local labor, and the payment of a standard rate of wages, is conditioned on the understanding that such laborers faithfully and honestly perform their work and give full satisfaction to the contractors and master-workmen, and that no strikes, disorder, or such improper conduct occur amongst the laborers.

Security for Wages.

Due and ample provision will be made by us for the monthly payment in cash for all labor on the line.

Time of Construction.

The time over which the work shall extend, and the number of miles to be built per annum, to be extended over such period as the Government may decide upon in the contract.

Second Proposal.

We will build and operate the before-mentioned line and branch for a subvention, or its cash equivalent, of \$16,000 per mile and a land grant of 5,000 acres per mile. Under this proposal the Government shall be at liberty to retain \$1000 per mile out of each payment for completed sections to insure operation for a period of ten years. We would require the co-operation of the Government in obtaining rights under charter to bond the line and lands for a sum of \$6,000 per mile.

Third Proposal.

We will build, equip and operate the line aforesaid and branch for an annual payment of \$1,000 per mile, and a land grant of 5000 acres per mile.

Fourth Proposal.

We will build and equip the line and branch aforesaid for six per cent. on the outlay, agreeing to charge no percentage if the cost exceeds \$16,000 per mile.

Memoranda.

We consider as to the last proposal that, with the co-operation of the Government, and a careful location, we would reduce the cost to between \$14,000 and \$15,000 per mile.

We would agree that the Government may determine or annul the contract at the expiration of two years, if the work of construction was being proceeded with in an unsatisfactory manner.

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The condition contained in the first proposal as to the right of way, freedom from duty and taxation, right to cut timber, rates of wages, payment and employment of labor, &c., &c., apply of course to other proposals.

Respectfully submitted,

ST. JOHN'S, NEWFOUNDLAND,
15th April, 1890.

No. 4.

ST. JOHN'S, April 15th, 1890.

To the Colonial Secretary,
St. John's, Newfoundland. }

We, the undersigned, having examined the plans and profiles, with the estimate of quantities, of the proposed Hall's Bay Railway, and of the Brigus Junction branch, offer to construct and equip the same for the sum of *sixteen thousand four hundred dollars*, and two thousand acres of land per mile.

Or, should the Government wish to proceed with the construction of the southern portion of the work separately, we offer to build the portion south of Terra Nova River at the rate of *fifteen thousand two hundred dollars*, and two thousand acres of land per mile.

Payments to be made in five-mile sections, or in such other way as may be mutually agreed on between ourselves and the representatives of the Government.

We shall give satisfactory security for the performance of the contract if awarded to us.

Signed,

ST. JOHN'S, 15th April 1890.

To the Colonial Secretary,
St. John's, Newfoundland. }

We, the undersigned, having seen the plans, profiles and estimates of quantities of the Hall's Bay Railway and Brigus Junction Branch, offer to construct, equip and operate for a term of ten years, the above lines for the sum of *nineteen thousand two hundred dollars* and two thousand acres of land per mile; a sum of seven hundred

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and fifty thousand dollars in cash, or its equivalent, to be retained by the Government on the completion of the construction, as security for the efficient operation of the road.

Or, we offer to perform the above services for sixteen thousand four hundred dollars per mile, and two thousand acres of land per mile, and a subsidy of eighty thousand dollars per year for the ten years subsequent to the completion of the construction.

The Government to pay us for mail or other services at the rate usually paid in America for such services.

We offer to give satisfactory security.

Signed,

No. 5.

To the Colonial Secretary of the Government of Newfoundland:

I will build your line of railway from Harbor Grace Junction to Hall's Bay or any other terminus required by the Government, with steel rails of fifty pounds per yard, including engineering, stations, engine-houses, machine shops, turn-tables, and tanks, and the following rolling stock:—

- 15 Locomotives,
- 6 Baggage and mail cars,
- 10 First-class passenger cars,
- 100 Flat cars,
- 10 Second-class passenger cars,
- 60 Box cars,
- 25 Hand cars,

for the sum of \$16,000 per mile, the rolling stock being based on a mileage of 250 miles, and to be increased or diminished according to said mileage.

All materials to be first class, and all work to be done in a good substantial and workmanlike manner, tanks protected against frost, to the satisfaction of the Government.

I will bind myself to build 50 miles per year, with the privilege of building more; it being understood that I am to have free use of the line already constructed from the coast to the Junction for the transport of material.

Materials and tools to be free of Customs' duty.

Signed,

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No. 6.

To the Hon. the Colonial Secretary of the Colony of Newfoundland:

I, _____, hereby make the following tender for the construction and equipment, and doing work and being at all expenditures connected therewith, of your proposed railway, extending from Placentia Junction to Hall's Bay, to wit: To do the excavations and preparing the roadway, grubbing and clearing, paving and riprap, make the drains, erect the structures of masonry, and put the prescribed bridges and trestles; do all timber work, erect the buildings as called for by the specifications, furnish steel rails 50 pounds per lineal yard, with the masonry fastenings, furnish the sleepers, lay the track, ballast it, put up turning tables, construct two wharves, erect a telegraph line and coal-sheds, furnish water and water tanks, together with such right of way as may be owned by private parties; be at the entire expense of constructing and completing said railway in all particulars and details, both as regards the items above enumerated, but also those unenumerated—being two hundred and sixty miles and six hundred and fifty-eight thousandths ($260\frac{658}{1000}$) miles of main line—for the sum of sixteen thousand and six hundred dollars per mile, and of side track in addition to the above of eight and two-tenths ($8\frac{2}{10}$) miles for the round sum of sixty-five thousand (\$65,000) dollars, making a total of \$4,391,922.82.

Attached hereto are specifications of the Government Engineer which form a part of this tender.

Should the tender be accepted, the parties hereto stand ready to enter into a more particular undertaking, which shall be such as appears to be contemplated by the Government of the Colony.

Dated St. John's, 15th April, 1890.

Hall's Bay Railway—Memorandum re Specification.

ROAD BED—12 feet wide in embankments; 16 feet wide in cuttings.

SLOPES— $1\frac{1}{2}$ to 1 ft. in earth; $\frac{1}{4}$ to 1 ft. in rock.

BALLAST—1800 c. y. per mile of best material available.

SLEEPERS—7 feet long, 6 in. thick, 7 in. to 8 in. faces, 2,640 to a mile. To be of sound spruce, juniper, pine, or fir.

RAILS—50 lbs per yd., steel. Newfoundland Gov't. section of 1889.

JOINTS—Ordinary straight fish-bars, and three-quarter bolts.

SPIKES—Five-and-a-half (inside of head) by nine-sixteenths.

WATER-STATIONS—Not more than 15 miles apart.

TURN-TABLES—50 feet, iron, of approved design.

TELEGRAPH—Single wire line along entire length of line. Government or Anglo-American standard.

ENGINEERING—To be provided by contractor.

TENDERS—HALL'S BAY RAILWAY.

Memorandum of Rolling Stock.

- 3 Locomotives (25 tons) ordinary American pattern.
- 3 Locomotives (30 tons) Mogul pattern.
- 2 Ten-ton contractors' engines.
- 4 Iron snow-ploughs, interchangeable for either of the above.
- 3 First-class cars.
- 3 First and second composite, or first and mail.
- 5 Second-class cars.
- 10 Box cars.
- 30 Flat cars.
- 1 Conductor's van
- 2 Flanger cars.
- 2 Snow-ploughs—Russell, or other approved.
- 1 Repair shop, with all tools necessary for the maintenance and repairs of above rolling stock.

No. 7.

ST. JOHN'S, April 15th, 1890.

HON. ROBERT BOND, *Colonial Secretary.*

SIR,—

On behalf of _____, selves and associates, we have the honor to submit to the Government the following proposals for constructing and operating the Hall's Bay Railway and the Brigus or Clarke's Beach branches.

We offer and agree to construct and equip the Hall's Bay railway and the branch line to Clark's Beach or Brigus, in accordance with the plans, profiles, and specifications exhibited in the Government Engineer's office, on the following terms and conditions:—

The undersigned and associates to be formed into a Railway Company by Act of Parliament, with the powers and privileges usually granted to such corporations.

The said company, when formed, to be allowed to issue railway bonds over the entire railway line, to be constructed at eighteen thousand dollars per mile.

Said bonds to bear interest at four per cent. per annum, half-yearly.

Payments to be guaranteed by the Government.

Said bonds to be handed over to company as may be agreed upon.

TENDERS—HALL'S BAY RAILWAY.

The Government to furnish right of way and all other lands necessary for construction and operation of said railway free of charge.

The Government to allow timber necessary for construction to be taken off Crown lands free.

The Government to furnish free transportation over railways owned or controlled, or that may hereafter be owned or controlled, by them, and also running powers over said railways.

All material, plant, equipments, animals, and forage for animals, to be admitted duty free.

The said company to have full control of the engineering and final adjustment of the line.

The said company offers and agrees to operate the said railway for a term of ten years from date of contract for the sum of two hundred and eighty dollars per mile per annum.

Each twenty miles to be opened and operated as completed.

At the expiration of ten years the subsidy to be adjusted on the basis of earning capacity of the road.

Should the Government accept the foregoing propositions, a contract to be drawn up and mutually agreed upon, setting forth the foregoing conditions and all further details necessary to the working out of the contract in a satisfactory manner, and to be ratified by the Government and the undersigned before having any effect or force.

Full and adequate security will be given by us for the faithful performance of any contracts we may enter into.

We have the honor, &c.,

April 15th, 1890.

Hon. ROBERT BOND, *Colonial Secretary:*

SIR,—

In connection with our proposal for the building, equipping and operating of the Hall's Bay railway, we think it necessary to explain one or two points. Our price provides for the payment of the interest on the guaranteed *bonds* during the period of construction, relieving the Government of any payment on account of the bonds during that time, and we are prepared to fully secure the Government from any payment on account of such *bonds*, during said period of construction.

TENDERS—HALL'S BAY RAILWAY.

In case the Government do not require the road operated, for the public convenience, during the period of construction, as contemplated in our proposition, then, in that case, we are willing to operate in so far as the necessities of construction require at our own cost, and free of charge to the Government. At the same time we will agree to do any business offering by the public on our trains as run for own convenience for construction or other purposes, but will not agree to run any special or time trains for public convenience unless arranged and paid for on the basis of our tender. In case the Government should not favor the plan on which our proposal is based, we would be pleased to make any change necessary to meet the views of the Government, or submit further proposals on different basis.

After considering the tender, should the Government require any further explanation regarding our offer, we will be happy to attend and explain all points in connection therewith. As the Government will, no doubt, take some little time considering the different propositions received, and will not likely take up the matter of deciding on awarding the contract for some time, we have decided to leave by to-night's boat for Montreal. Please cable us to Windsor Hotel, Montreal, at our expense, for any further explanation or information, and if any chance of leading to business, will return immediately on receipt of cablegram.

We have, &c.,

No. 8.

To the Hon. R. BOND, *Colonial Secretary*:

In answer to your demand for tenders, I am prepared to build, equip and operate the proposed 272 miles of railway on the following conditions:—

1st.—The railway to be narrow guage and similar in construction to those built by the French Government in the Colonies, and ample to dispose of all the Newfoundland business.

2nd.—Iron bridges throughout, where required, to be used also by vehicles and foot passengers.

3rd.—Rolling stock of engines and cars to be ample and according to models approved by the Newfoundland Government.

4th.—Daily trains to run all the year round at an average speed of 25 miles, passenger, and 15 miles for freight trains.

TENDERS—HALL'S BAY RAILWAY.

5th.—Free right of way to be granted by the Government on the main line, as well as on branches leading to gravel-pits or elsewhere.

6th.—Free timber and other materials to be found on the line of construction.

7th.—The line to be built and equipped throughout for \$25,000 a mile, or \$6,800,000, for the 272 miles, payable in four per cent. terminable or permanent bonds, as work progresses. The whole line to be built in three years from the beginning of operations.

8th.—The company will operate the road for the number of years agreed upon at seventy per cent. of gross earnings, the thirty per cent. coming to the Government being applied to pay interest on railway bonds, as well as proceeds of sale of lands on the line of railway.

If this proposition is agreeable to the Government, I will at once leave for St. John's to complete the proposition, and proceed to Europe to meet the capitalists whom I represent, and close the agreement so as to begin operations at the earliest possible moment in June or July.

(Signed),

Statement of Expenditure on account of Railway Law-Suit,
for 1886, 1887, 1888 and 1889.

1886.

Sept. 3,—To Her Majesty's Attorney General, expenses whilst in London	\$484 00
30, " Union Bank exchange, £98 7s. 10d. stg., on account expenses Hon. Sir. J. S. Winter in London on railway subsidy affairs	476 22
Dec. 16,— " A. J. W. McNeily, expenses Acting Attorney General <i>re</i> Railway Co	200 00
	<u>\$1,160 22</u>

1887.

Feb. 21,—To Solicitor, London, for expenses, &c., &c., Railway Co. <i>vs.</i> The Government	\$702 00
Nov. 12, " Geo. H. Emerson, retaining fee, suit Railway Company	200 00
	<u>\$902 00</u>

1888.

April 23—To Hon. Attorney General, expenses in suit against Railway Co	\$500 00
May 29, " Hon. Sir James S. Winter, Att'y General, balance of cost, expenses of appeal, in Railway suit <i>vs.</i> the Government, for solicitor in England	3,935 93
June 18, " paid to A. J. W. McNeily, account subsidy	100 00
Sep. 12, " Winter & Morison, expenses of Mr. Gregory, C. E., witness in case Railway <i>vs.</i> Government	700 00
" 30, " Hon. Sir James S. Winter	800 00
Dec. 31, " ditto to remit to London, expenses of suit against Railway Co	2,430 00
" " " ditto, expenses of suit between Railway Co. and Government	400 00
	<u>\$8,865 93</u>

Statement of Expenditure on account of Railway Law-Suit,
for 1886, 1887, 1888 and 1889—(Concluded).

1889.

Mar. 11,—	To	Hon. Sir Jas. S. Winter, Mr. Kent's bill of costs—rules to dismiss counter-claims <i>re</i> Railway Co. <i>vs.</i> Government.....	\$66 56
June 15,	“	A. J. W. McNeily, Acting Att'ney General from 23rd Oct. to 24th Nov., 32 days....	210 40
“ 21,	“	A. J. W. McNeily, acc't Railway subsidy, from Oct. 3rd, 1888 to Nov. 25th, 1888..	144 60
Sept. 14,	“	Winter, Morison & Hayward, remitted Graham, Borden & Parker, solicitors, Halifax, cost of Attorney General for tenders for contract.....	125 32
“ “	“	ditto, remitted Graham, Borden & Parker, cost and expenses on commission to take evidence in suit Railway Co.....	84 75
Nov. 23,	“	Hon. Sir J. S. Winter, on acc't of expenses suit between Gov'ment and Railway Co..	800 00
			<u>\$1,431 63</u>

1890.

April 23,—	To	M. Murphy, C. E., professional services, Newfoundland Government <i>vs.</i> Evans, in 1888 and 1889.....	<u>\$245 50</u>
Total as above.....			\$12,605 28
Amount claimed by Burn & Berridge...			\$3,034 04
Amount claimed by Seward, DaCosta & Guthrie.....			999 32
			<u>4,033 36</u>
			<u>\$16,638 64</u>

REPORTS OF INCORPORATED COMPANIES.

Annual Report of the Avalon Wood Manufacturing Company
(Limited) for the year ending December 31, 1889.

Capital subscribed	\$3,800 00
Capital paid	3,800 00
Debts due by company.....	2,987 61
Debts due to company.....	278 41

JAMES ANGEL, *President.*

D. MORISON, *Secretary.*

JOHN SCORE,
JOHN McDOUGALL, } *Directors.*
JOHN C. HILL,

I, DONALD MORISON, Secretary of said company, do swear that the foregoing report is correct.

D. MORISON.

Sworn before me, at St. John's, this
10th day of February, A.D., 1890.

J. G. CONROY, J.P.

REPORTS OF INCORPORATED COMPANIES.

General Statement of the Commercial Bank of Newfoundland,
30th June, 1889.

DR.	
To proprietors, for capital stock	\$306,000 00
“ notes of this Bank in circulation	389,688 00
	\$695,688 00
“ due to sundries on current account, deposit receipts, &c., &c.	1,386,042 89
“ dividend at 9 per cent.	\$27,540 00
of which one-half was paid Dec. 31, '88	13,770 00
	13,770 00
“ bonuses at 1 per cent	3,060 00
“ reserve fund	145,000 00
“ profit and loss, unappropriated.	22,338 11
	\$2,265,899 00

CR.	
By Specie in the vault, in gold and silver coin	\$92,464 38
“ Notes of, and cheques on, other banks	14,456 87
	106,921 25
“ Debenture bonds, Water stock, Dominion and other securities, including interest due thereon, &c....	331,853 21
“ Local Bills discounted, Bills of Exchange on hand, amounts due from other banks, &c., &c.	1,803,124 54
“ Bank premises, with iron safes, office furniture, land adjoining with the brick buildings erected thereon, &c., &c.	24,000 00
	\$2,265,899 00

REPORTS OF INCORPORATED COMPANIES.

**General Statement of the Commercial Bank of Newfoundland,
30th June, 1889—(Concluded).**

Average amount of Notes in circulation, and Specie on hand, in each month
for the year ending 30th June, 1889.

Months.	Notes.	Specie.	Months.	Notes.	Specie.
1888.			1889.		
July	357,362	77,544	January	482,833	88,994
August	357,953	75,305	February	437,016	89,467
September	376,050	73,581	March	418,949	90,501
October	413,354	79,916	April	424,096	88,895
November	522,918	73,900	May	413,424	90,399
December	528,504	86,762	June	392,562	92,644
		Average for the year		427,085	88,992

We, the undersigned, Directors of the Commercial Bank of Newfoundland, hereby certify to the best of our knowledge and belief, that the within account is a true and correct statement of the affairs of the Bank, as made up from the books of said Bank to 30th June, 1889.

J. GOODFELLOW,
GEO. A. HUTCHINGS,
EDWIN J. DUDER,
A. F. GOODRIDGE,
JAMES S. PITTS.

NEWFOUNDLAND, }
St. John's, }
To wit: } HENRY COOKE, of St. John's, Newfoundland,
} Manager of the Commercial Bank of New-
} land, maketh oath and saith that the within
} statement is just and true, to best of his
} knowledge and belief.

Sworn before me at St. John's, }
this 5th day of July, 1889. } HENRY COOKE,
} *Manager.*

R. R. W. LILLY,
J. P. for Newfoundland.

REPORTS OF INCORPORATED COMPANIES.

**Report of the Cashier of the Newfoundland Savings' Bank
for the year ending 31st Dec., 1889.**

Amount of deposits on 31st Dec., 1889	\$2,184,723 21
Amount of deposits on 31st Dec., 1888	2,002,833 42
Increase.....	<u>\$181,889 79</u>

Amount deposited during the year 1889.....	\$499,009 28
Amount withdrawn during the year 1889.....	<u>317,119 49</u>

Amount recv'd for interest on investments of all kinds \$90,294 19
which account is closed, as follows:—

Amount of interest paid to depositors for the year 1889.....	\$60,910 38	
Paid salaries, Directors, stationery, &c..	5,290 08	
Rent of offices and Water rates.....	943 36	
Harbor Grace branch disbursements	628 93	
Heart's Content branch disbursements...	128 92	
Little Bay branch disbursements	230 80	
Balance to reserve account.....	22,161 72	
		<u>\$90,294 19</u>

The Reserve Account, as follows :

By Balance from 1888.....	\$421 91	
Profits for 1889.....	22,161 72	
		<u>22,583 63</u>
To Sinking fund	22,000 00	
Kent's costs, suit Aylward vs. Bank..	46 00	
Balance to 1890.....	537 63	
		<u>\$22,583 63</u>

REPORTS OF INCORPORATED COMPANIES.

Report of the Cashier of the Newfoundland Savings' Bank for
the year ending 31st Dec., 1889—(Continued).

The Assets, as follows :

Deposit in Union Bank..	\$697,124 51
Colonial debentures..	1,271,648 76
Commercial Bank..	125,598 42
General Water Co. running account.. . . .	38,800 00
Mortgages	91,586 95
Discounts and loans..	6,179 20
Harbor Grace Water Co. debentures	8,100 00
“ “ “ running account	8,000 00
Carbonear Water Co. stock	6,460 00
St. John's Municipal Council	5,763 00
	\$2,259,260 84

CONTRA.

Deposits	\$2,184,723 21
Sinking fund	74,000 00
Reserve	537 63
	\$2,259,260 84

Statement of Sinking Fund, to 31st December, 1889.

Amount transferred from reserve account of the Savings' Bank to credit of the Sinking Fund, in the year 1879, in accordance with Act 42 Vic., cap. 20	\$100,000 00
Amounts transferred during the following ten years, to 31st Dec., 1889, in accordance with the above Act.	174,513 31
	274,513 31
Less applied to liquidation of Colonial debentures, by order of the Government, February, 1881..	\$100,482 07
Ditto ditto ditto 1887	100,031 24
	200,513 31
Now to credit of Sinking Fund	\$74,000 00

Examined and found correct,

J. S. WINTER,
M. MONROE,
D. J. GREENE, } *Directors.*

E. D. SHEA,
Cashier.

REPORTS OF INCORPORATED COMPANIES.

**Report of the Cashier of the Newfoundland Savings' Bank for
the year ending 31st Dec., 1889—(Concluded).**

Classification of Deposits.

2,512	accounts under	\$200
1,053	“ from 200 to	500
459	“ “ 500 to	1,000
274	“ “ 1,000 to	2,000
95	“ “ 2,000 to	3,000
33	“ “ 3,000 to	4,000
20	“ “ 4,000 to	5,000
32	“ over	5,000
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4,478		
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Harbor Grace Branch statement shews 473 depositors;
amount \$168,609 01

Heart's Content Branch shews 67 depositors; amount. \$4,443 43

Little Bay Branch shews 43 depositors; amount..... 5,833 67

REPORTS OF INCORPORATED COMPANIES.

General Statement of the affairs of the Union Bank of Newfoundland, for the year ending 31st May, 1889.

DR.	
Liabilities.	
To Proprietors Capital.....	\$456,000 00
“ Reserve Fund.....	300,000 00
“ Profit and loss (undivided profit).....	22,392 53
“ Bank notes in circulation.....	534,734 00
“ Due by Bank, including deposits at interest, payable in January and July only, on receiving 15 days notice	2,269,598 80
“ Dividend, No. 68, of 6 per cent. for half-year ending 30th Nov., 1888.....	\$27,360 00
“ Dividend, No. 69, of 6 per cent. for half-year ending 31st May, 1889.....	27,360 00
“ Bonus, No. 31, of \$3 per share for year ending 31st May, 1889.....	13,680 00
	68,400 00
Less Dividend to 30th Nov. last paid \$27,360 00	41,040 00
	\$3,623,765 33

CR.	
Assets.	
By Specie in vault of the Bank	\$223,836 02
“ Notes of other Banks.....	2,620 00
“ Bills discounted, loans, &c.....	2,849,267 12
“ Balance due by agents and funds available in 15 days	532,042 19
“ Bank premises, iron safes and furniture.....	16,000 00
	\$3,623,765 33

REPORTS OF INCORPORATED COMPANIES.

General Statement of the affairs of the Union Bank of Newfoundland, for year ending 31st May, 1889—(Concluded).

Average amount of Notes in circulation, and Specie on hand, for each month for the year ending 31st May, 1889.

Months.	Circulation.	Specie.	Months.	Circulation.	Specie.
1888.			1888.		
June.....	519,032	187,500	December ...	643,987	223,110
July.....	525,238	184,286	1889.		
August.....	517,387	180,766	January.....	593,610	226,528
September....	519,067	180,454	February....	552,012	228,709
October.....	569,301	204,530	March.....	540,284	228,238
November....	701,080	222,790	April.....	578,266	225,241
			May.....	546,857	224,608
		Average	for the year...	567,176	209,730

We, the undersigned, Directors of the Union Bank of Newfoundland, hereby certify that to the best of our knowledge and belief, the within is a true and correct statement of the affairs of the Bank.

ROBERT THORBURN,
W. B. GRIEVE,
A. W. HARVEY,
W. J. S. DONNELLY.

NEWFOUNDLAND, }
St. John's, }
To wit: } JAMES GOLDIE, of St. John's, Manager of the
Union Bank of Newfoundland, maketh oath
and saith that the within statement is just
and true, to the best of his knowledge and
belief.

Sworn before me at St. John's, }
this 12th day of June, A.D., 1889. }

R. R. W. LILLY,
J. P. for Newfoundland.

JAMES GOLDIE,
Manager.

REPORTS OF INCORPORATED COMPANIES.

(A.)—Schedule referred to in "The Life Insurance Companies' Act, 1888,"
of Newfoundland.

Canada Life Assurance Co'y. (Statement to April 30, 1889.)

Assets of the Company as at 30th April, 1889.....	\$9,984,450	13
Liabilities " " " ".....	9,328,027	93
Amount of capital stock (subscribed).....	1,000,000	00
Amount paid thereon.....	125,000	00
Total amount of premiums received during the year..	1,338,776	82
Number and amount of new policies issued during the year: 2,135 pols., for.....	5,040,188	00
Amount of death-claims on Company during the year	401,422	97
Amount of endowments paid.....	33,492	00
Total expenses of management and agencies, &c....	228,432	87
Total amount of premiums received during the year in Newfoundland.....	18,414	36
Number and amount of policies issued during the year in Newfoundland: 34 pols., for.....	64,000	00
Amount at risk on total policies during the year in Newfoundland.....	582,323	00
Number and amount of policies that became claims during the year in Newfoundland: 5 pols., for...	10,000	00
Amount of losses paid during the year in New'fd...	10,000	00
Amount of losses due and unpaid in Newfoundland..	none.	
Losses adjusted and not due in Newfoundland.....	none.	
Losses in suspense and awaiting further proof in Nfld.	none.	
Losses, the payment of which is resisted, &c., in Nfld.	none.	
All other claims against the Company in Nfld.....	none.	

NEWFOUNDLAND, }
St. John's, }
To wit: }

I, GEORGE MACNESS JOHNSON, of St. John's,
aforesaid, barrister, of the firm of White-
way & Johnson, agents for the said Com-
pany, make oath and say that the contents
of the above-written statement (marked
A.) are correct and true, to the best of
my knowledge and belief.

G. M. JOHNSON.

Sworn before me at St. John's, aforesaid, }
this 5th day of Feb., A.D., 1890. }

D. W. PROWSE,

[L.S.] *Stip. Magistrate for Nfld.*

REPORTS OF INCORPORATED COMPANIES.

**Newfoundland Report of the Equitable Life Assurance Society
of the United States, December 31st, 1889.**

Assets of the Society	\$107,150,309	12
Liabilities of the Society	84,329,234	92
Capital stock.....	100,000	00
Amount paid thereon.....	100,000	00

Assets:—Investments.

House and landed property	24,653,296	39
Loans on bond and mortgage (1st liens).....	23,637,873	52
Collateral loans secured by bonds and stocks (market value \$3,404,859)	2,705,000	00
Book value of bonds and stocks absolutely owned...	37,319,147	45
Deposited in Trust Companies at interest.....	7,758,448	14

Cash.

Deposited in Banks at interest	2,732,993	61
On hand and in process of transmission (since re- ceived)	1,227,637	02
Agents and other secured balances.....	771,166	14
Commuted commissions	567,800	04
	<u>\$101,373,362</u>	<u>31</u>

Other Assets.

Interest and rents due and accrued	829,895	26
Market value of bonds and stocks over book value..	2,697,138	55
Deferred premiums: being the balance of the year's premiums, when paid semi-annually or quarterly	1,908,717	00
Outstanding premiums.....	341,196	00
	<u>Total assets.....</u>	<u>\$107,150,309</u>
		<u>12</u>

REPORTS OF INCORPORATED COMPANIES.

**Newfoundland Report of the Equitable Life Assurance Society
of the United States, Dec. 31st, 1889—(Concluded).**

Total amount of premiums received during the year, including consideration for annuities.....	\$25,357,522 75
Number of policies issued during the year.....	45,381
Amount of policies issued during the year.....	\$175,264,100 00
Amount of claims during the year.....	\$6,825,797 38
Total expenses of management, agency, commissions, &c., &c.....	\$5,750,345 48

Business in Newfoundland.

Total amount of premiums received during the year.	\$ 21,554 12
Number of policies issued during the year.....	50
Amount of policies issued during the year.....	\$ 134,638 00
Total amount at risk.....	\$ 534,709 00
Number of policies that have become claims during the year.....	6
Amount of policies that have become claims during the year.....	\$ 17,512 12
Amount of losses paid during the year.....	\$ 17,512 12
Amount of losses due and unpaid.....	none.
Losses adjusted and not due.....	none.
Losses resisted.....	none.
All other claims against the Company.....	none.

NEWFOUNDLAND, }
St. John's, }
To wit: }
I, JAMES AUGUSTUS CLIFT, of St. John's, in
the Island of Newfoundland, solicitor, Agent
in Newfoundland to the Equitable Life Assur-
ance Company of the United States of America,
make oath, and say, that the contents of the
foregoing statement of "Newfoundland busi-
ness" are to the best of my knowledge and
belief, correct and true.

JAMES AUGUSTUS CLIFT.

Sworn before me at St. John's, aforesaid }
this 20th day of March, A.D., 1889. }

D. W. PROWSE,

J. P. for Newfoundland.

 REPORTS OF INCORPORATED COMPANIES.

 Statement of the Mutual Life Insurance Co. of New York for
 the year ending December 31st, 1889.

Assets	\$136,401,328 02
Liabilities	126,744,079 58
Amount of capital stock	none.
Amount paid thereon	none.

Of what the Assets of the Company consist, viz.:—

Value of real estate in cash, exclusive of all incumbrances	\$12,382,623 41
Loans on bonds and mortgages (first liens) on real estate	56,979,289 72
Loans, secured by pledge of bonds, stocks, or other marketable collaterals	9,845,500 00
Book value of bonds and stocks owned absolutely ..	47,015,519 81
Cash in Company's office, and in Banks and Trust Companies	2,988,632 79
Miscellaneous investments	46,342 29
Agents' ledger balances	13,567 01
Suspense account	173,099 32
Interest due and accrued on bonds and mortgages, and other securities	921,924 24
Rents due and accrued on Company's property or lease	77,978 40
Market value of bonds over book value	3,307,950 00
Gross premiums due and unreported on policies in force December 31st, 1889	921,668 24
Gross deferred premiums on policies in force, December 31st, 1889	1,727,232 79
	<u>\$136,401,328 02</u>

REPORTS OF INCORPORATED COMPANIES.

Statement of the Mutual Life Insurance Co., of New York, for
the year ending December 31st, 1889—(Concluded).

Total amount of premiums received during the year.	\$23,727,858 70
Number and amount of policies issued during the year, 44,577.....	151,602,483 37
Amount of claims on Company during the year.....	15,200,608 38
Expenses of management, agency, &c.....	6,428,894 23
Total amount of premiums received during the year in Newfoundland.....	18,330 06
Number and amount of policies issued in Newfound- land, 185.....	414,950 00
Amount at risk on total policies issued in Newfound- land.....	408,950 00
Number and amount of policies that have become claims in Newfoundland during the year: 1...	2,000 00
Amount of losses paid during the year in Newfound- land.....	2,000 00
Amount of losses due and unpaid	none.
Losses adjusted and not due	none.
Losses in suspense and awaiting further proof	none.
Losses the payment of which is resisted and for what cause.....	none.
All other claims against the Company.....	none.
St. John's, Newfoundland, }	
7th April, 1890. }	

A. S. RENDELL, agent Mutual Life Insurance Co., maketh oath and saith that the foregoing statement is just and true in every particular, to the best of his knowledge and belief.

A. S. RENDELL.

Sworn before me at St. John's, aforesaid, }
this 23rd day of April, A.D., 1890. }

D. W. PROWSE,

Stip. Magistrate for Nfld.

 REPORTS OF INCORPORATED COMPANIES.

 Annual Report of the Standard Life Assurance Company, as
 required by the Insurance Act, 1888.

Assets of the Company on the 15th Nov'r., 1889..	£7,343,956	0	4
Liabilities of the Company on the 15th Nov., 1889	7,343,956	0	4

Of what the Liabilities consist :

Shareholders Capital paid up.....	£120,000	0	0
Assurance and Annuity Fund.....	6,995,026	15	4
Guarantee fund.....	40,000	0	0
Balance carried forward.....	9,889	16	6
Claims under policies admitted but not matured...	166,281	14	0
Dividends to proprietors (due at and prior to 15th November, 1889) outstanding.....	11,238	6	0
Annuities, outstanding.....	1,519	8	6
	<u>£7,343,956</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>4</u>

Of what the Assets consist :

Mortgages on property within the U. Kingdom...	£3,524,832	2	5
Mortgages on property out of the United Kingdom	1,082,495	16	0
Loans on the Company's policies, within their sur- render value.....	369,799	9	5

INVESTMENTS.

British Government securities.....	39,779	5	6
Indian and Colonial Government securities.....	408,388	2	2
United States Government securities.....	5,442	5	5
Indian and Colonial Municipal and other Bonds...	372,350	4	9
Railway and other Debentures and Debenture Stock	189,249	8	0
<i>Carried forward</i>	<u>£5,992,336</u>	<u>13</u>	<u>8</u>

REPORTS OF INCORPORATED COMPANIES.

Annual Report of the Standard Life Assurance Company, as
required by the Insurance Act of 1888—(Continued).

Of what the Assets consist of:—(Continued).

<i>Brought forward</i>	£5,992,336 13 8
Railway Shares (guaranteed)	8,250 0 0
Bank Deposits for fixed periods	250,000 0 0
House property—freehold	£318,552 9 10
“ —leasehold	28,015 8 5
	346,567 18 3
Stocks of Scottish Chartered Banks	20,898 2 7
Company's Shares	615 1 9
Ground Rents and Feudities	55,878 17 6
Life rents and reversions purchased	4,933 18 1
Loans upon Indian Government securities	12,965 0 0
Loans upon personal security with policies of as- surance, re-payable by instalments	67,138 3 6
Agents' balances in course of collection	191,205 5 7
Premiums outstanding in course of collection	93,395 13 1
Interest accrued, but not due	59,600 13 2
Interest due, but not paid	23,538 10 10
Cash—On deposit	£133,383 6 8
On current accounts and in hand	83,170 9 10
	216,553 16 6
Deed and receipt stamps on hand	78 5 10
	£7,343,956 8 1

REPORTS OF INCORPORATED COMPANIES.

 Annual Report of the Standard Life Assurance Company, as
 required by the Insurance Act, 1888—(Concluded.)

Amount of capital stock.....	£500,000	0	0
Total amount of premiums received during the year	682,131	4	4
Number and amount of policies issued during the year, No. 2,671	1,379,002	0	0
Amount of claims on Company during the year...	455,777	0	6
Expenses of management, agency, &c., (including commission).....	112,155	18	8
Total amount of premiums received during the year in Newfoundland	\$13,992	30	
Number and amount of policies issued in New- foundland (two policies).....	5,000	00	
Amount at risk on total policies issued in New- foundland (100 policies)	294,700	00	
Number and amount of policies that have become claims in Newfoundland during the year	none		
Amount of losses paid during the year in New'fd	none		
Amount of losses due and unpaid.....	none		
Losses adjusted and not due.....	none		
Losses in suspense and awaiting further proof.	none		
Losses, the payment of which is resisted, and for what cause.....	none		
All other claims against the Company.....	none		

HENRY J. STABB,
Agent.

Declared before me this 15th day of May, }
A.D., 1890, at St. John's, aforesaid. }

J. G. CONROY,
Justice of the Peace.

REPORTS OF INCORPORATED COMPANIES.

Annual Report of the Colonial Cordage Company, (Limited),
for year ending 31st Dec., 1889, as required by 36 Victoria,
Chapter 8, Section 22.

Amount of Capital subscribed.....	<u>\$124,000 00</u>
Amount of Capital paid up.....	<u>\$124,000 00</u>
Amount of debts due by Company.....	<u>\$42,240 83</u>
Amount of debts due to Company	<u>\$29,363 52</u>

M. MONROE,

President.

ROBERT THORBURN,

Vice-President.

E. J. DUDER, }
J. H. MONROE, } *Directors.*

St. John's, Newfoundland, }
1st July, 1889. }

I hereby certify that the above statement is correct.

F. C. ALDERDICE,

Secretary.

I, FREDERICK C. ALDERDICE, do swear that the foregoing statement of account is correct and true.

F. C. ALDERDICE.

Sworn before me at St. John's, aforesaid, }
this 5th day of Feb., A.D., 1890. }

D. W. PROWSE,

Stip. Magistrate for Nfld.

 REPORTS OF INCORPORATED COMPANIES.

Annual Report of the Newfoundland Consolidated Foundry Company (Limited), for the year ending 31st Dec., 1889, as required by 36 Vic., Cap. 8, Sec. 22.

Amount of Capital subscribed	\$80,000 00
Amount of Capital paid in	80,000 00
Amount of Debts due by Company	200 00
Amount of Debts due to Company	1,614 64

J. GOODFELLOW, *President.*

JAMES BAIRD, *Vice-President.*

KENNETH R. PROWSE, *Secretary.*

W. P. WALSH,
GEO. A. HUTCHINGS, } *Directors.*
JAMES ANGEL,

St. John's, N.F., February, 1890.

I hereby certify that the above statement is correct.

KENNETH R. PROWSE, *Secretary.*

K. R. PROWSE maketh oath and saith that the foregoing account contains a correct and true statement of the affairs of the said Co.

KENNETH R. PROWSE.

Sworn to at St. John's, 1st Febr'y, }
1890, before me,

D. W. PROWSE,
Stipendiary J. P.

REPORTS OF INCORPORATED COMPANIES.

Statement of the Floating Dry-Dock Company, 1889-90.

Capital Stock	\$22,000 00
Capital paid in	22,000 00
Liabilities	nil
Due to the Company	nil

St. John's, January 16, 1890.

GEO. A. HUTCHINGS, *President.*

WILLIAM N. GRAY, *Secretary.*

J. GOODFELLOW.

P. G. TESSIER.

CENTRAL DISTRICT, NFLD., }
 St. John's, }
 To wit: }

WILLIAM N. GRAY, of St. John's, accountant, maketh oath and saith that the above statement is correct and true in every particular.

WILLIAM N. GRAY.

Sworn before me at St. John's, }
 18th January, 1890. }

D. W. PROWSE,
Stipendiary Magistrate.

REPORTS OF INCORPORATED COMPANIES.

**Annual Report of the Harbor Grace Bank-Fishing Company,
(Limited), for the year ending 31st January, 1890.**

Authorized capital.....	\$20,000 00
Amount of capital paid	9,500 00
Amount of debts due by Company	2,948 00

NEWFOUNDLAND, NORTHERN DISTRICT, }
 Harbor Grace, Feb., 1890, }
 To wit:

PATRICK FARRELL and ANDREW T. DRYSDALE make oath and say that the foregoing account contains a correct and true statement of the affairs of the said Company.

PATRICK FARRELL, }
 ANDREW T. DRYSDALE, } *Directors.*

Sworn to at Harbor Grace, this twentieth day of February, 1890.
 T. R. BENNETT, *J.P.*

**Annual Report of the St. John's Nail Manufacturing Company,
(Limited), for year ending 31st December, 1889, as required
by 36 Vic., Cap. 8, Sec. 22.**

Amount of capital subscribed.....	\$48,200 00
Amount of capital paid.....	48,200 00
Amount of debts due by Company.....	27,643 77
Amount of debts due to Company.....	234 50

M. MONROE, *President.*

JAMES S. PITTS, *Vice-President.*

GEO. A. HUTCHINGS, *Secretary.*

EDWIN J. DUDER, *Director.*

St. John's, Newfoundland, January, 1890.

I, GEORGE HUTCHINGS, solemnly swear that the above statement is correct.
 GEO. A. HUTCHINGS, *Secretary.*

Sworn before me at St. John's, aforesaid, }
 this 27th day of Jan., A.D., 1890. } D. W. PROWSE,
Stip. Magistrate.

REPORTS OF INCORPORATED COMPANIES.

**Annual Report of the Masonic Hall Joint Stock Company,
(Limited), for the year ending 31st December, 1889.**

Amount of capital	\$30,000 00
Amount of capital paid up	23,550 00
Amount of debts due by the Company	5,324 75
Amount of debts due to the Company	483 91

W. V. WHITEWAY, *President.*

M. MONROE, *Vice-President.*

C. S. PINSENT, *Treasurer.*

E. ROTHWELL, *Secretary.*

W. S. CANNING,

JAMES GORDON,

JAMES BAIRD,

GEO. A. HUTCHINGS.

} *Directors.*

St. John's, Newfoundland.

I hereby certify that the above is a correct statement.

E. ROTHWELL, *Secretary.*

Declared before me, at St. John's, }
this 19th day of Feb., 1890. }

D. W. PROWSE, *J.P.*

 REPORTS OF INCORPORATED COMPANIES.

Annual Report of the Newfoundland Boot and Shoe Manufacturing Company, (Limited), for the year ending 31st Dec., 1889, as required by 36 Vic., Chapter. 8, Section 22.

Capital subscribed.....	\$60,000 00
Capital paid in.....	60,000 00
Amounts due by Company.....	17,434 88
Amounts due to Company.....	50,889 66

JAMES BAIRD, *President.*

M. MONROE, *Vice-President.*

JAMES S. PITTS, *Secretary.*

JAS. GOODFELLOW, }

JOHN B. AYRE, }

ALEX. TAYLOR, }

JOHN STEER, }

Directors.

St. John's, Newfoundland, }
 January , 1890. }

I hereby certify that the above statement is correct.

JAMES S. PITTS.

I, the said JAMES S. PITTS, do swear that the above account is correct.

Sworn before me at St. John's aforesaid }
 this 30th day of Jan'y., A.D., 1890. }

D. W. PROWSE,
J. P. for Newfoundland.

REPORTS OF INCORPORATED COMPANIES.

Annual Report of the Newfoundland Coastal S. S. Company,
(Limited), for the year ending 31st December, 1889, as re-
quired by 36 Victoria, Chapter 8, Section 22.

Capital subscribed.....	\$155,000 00
Capital paid in.....	155,000 00
Debts due by the Company.....	64,626 21
Debts due to the Company.....	26,013 28

I hereby certify the above statement to be correct.

A. J. HARVEY,
Secretary Newfoundland Coastal S. S. Co., (Limited).

ST. JOHN'S, N.F., Dec. 31st, 1889.

I, A. J. HARVEY, do swear that the foregoing statement is cor-
rect and true.

A. J. HARVEY,
Secretary Newfoundland Coastal S. S. Co., (Limited).

Sworn before me at St. John's, this }
8th day of Feb., A.D., 1890. }

D. W. PROWSE,
Justice of the Peace.

REPORTS OF INCORPORATED COMPANIES.

Annual Report of the Newfoundland Furniture and Moulding Co., (Limited), for the year ending December 31st, 1889, as required by 36 Victoria, Chapter 8, Section 22.

Capital subscribed.....	\$18,500 00
Capital paid up.....	18,500 00
Debts due the Company.....	13,371 80
Standing liability.....	34,000 00
Other liability	11,905 19

C. E. ARCHIBALD, *President.*

E. A. MUTCH, *Secretary.*

A. W. HARVEY, } *Directors.*
JOHN HARVEY, }

I, C. E. ARCHIBALD, President and Manager of the said Company, do swear that the foregoing account is correct and true.

C. E. ARCHIBALD.

Sworn before me at St. John's, }
this 12th Feb., 1890. }

D. W. PROWSE,
Stipendiary Magistrate.

REPORTS OF INCORPORATED COMPANIES.

**Statement of the Newfoundland Steam Sealing and Whaling
Company. (Limited), for year ending 31st Dec., 1889.**

Amount of capital stock.....	\$80,000 00
Amount paid up	41,200 00
Amount of debts due by the Company...	6,298 00
Amount of debts due to the Company.....	none.

ROBERT THORBURN, *President.*

JAMES BAIRD,
J. OUTERBRIDGE, } *Directors.*
JAMES S. PITTS,
M. MONROE, }

Sworn before me, at St. John's, this 15th } ROBT. THORBURN.
day of February, A.D., 1890. }
J. G. CONROY, *J.P.*

**Annual Report of St. John's Electric Light Company, (Limited),
for year ending 31st Jan., 1890, as required by 36 Vic., Cap.
8, Sec. 22.**

Amount of capital subscribed.....	\$45,000 00
Amount of capital paid in.....	40,700 00
Amount of debts due to the Company.....	670 99
Amount of debts due by the Company.....	10,232 92

A. M. MACKAY, *President.*

M. MONROE,
JOHN STEER, } *Directors.*
E. J. DUDER, }

St. John's, March 8th, 1890.

Declared before me at St. John's, aforesaid, }
this 13th day of March, A.D., 1890. }
D. W. PROWSE, *Stip. Magistrate.*

REPORTS OF INCORPORATED COMPANIES.

Annual Report of Terra Nova Bakery, (Limited), for year
ending 31st Dec., 1889, as required by 36 Vic., Cap. 8, Sec. 22.

Amount of capital subscribed	\$24,000 00
Amount of capital paid in	24,000 00
Amount of debts due to Company	1,710 25
Amount of debts due by Company	1,396 47

JAMES BAIRD, *President.*

A. F. GOODRIDGE, *Vice-President.*

GEO. SKELTON, } *Directors.*
M. MONROE, }

I hereby certify the above statement to be correct.

G. T. RENDELL, *Director and Secretary.*

Sworn before me, at St. John's, }
this 5th day of Feb., 1890. }

D. W. PROWSE, *J.P.*

Statement of Townships Timber and Land Company, (Limited),
for the year ending 31st December, 1889.

Amount of capital subscribed	\$14,000 00
Amount of capital paid up	10,886 09
Amount of debts due by the Company	7,403 01
Amount of debts due to the Company	2,496 33

We certify the above statement to be correct, to the best of our
knowledge and belief.

R. BOND, *President.*

E. ROTHWELL, *Vice-President.*

M. MONROE, *Secretary.*

W. V. WHITEWAY, } *Directors.*
JAS. J. CALLANAN, }

Declared by Hon M. Monroe, before me, at St. }
John's, this 5th day of April, 1890. }

M. MONROE,
Secretary.

J. G. CONROY, *J.P.*

CONTESTED ELECTIONS.

ST. JOHN'S, 9th June, 1890.

SIR,

In compliance with the Act entitled "Of the Election of Members of the Legislative Assembly," 1889, I have the honor to report to your Excellency that, in the month of January last, a petition was filed in the office of the Chief Clerk of the Supreme Court, complaining of the return of William Duff, Esquire, sitting member for the district of Carbonear, upon the ground of bribery, alleged to have been practised at the election last November.

Upon this petition, from some irregularity on the part of the petitioners—Messrs. James Taylor and Edward Best—the first appearance of the parties before me, who had the trial of the petition, was on the first March, and then was on the motion of Mr. Duff's counsel.

Upon subsequent formal proceedings, application was made for the withdrawal of the petitioners, which was permitted, and the substitution of Mr. John Davis, an elector for Carbonear, which, after argument and consideration of the provisions of the Act, I was of opinion might be done under the 179th section, having regard to the English practice in like cases.

Notice was then given by Mr. Duff's counsel for particulars of the bribery complained of; but these have not been furnished, nor anything further done until this day.

As I was desirous that the proceedings on this petition should be terminated before the prorogation of the Legislature, I was attended this day by Messrs. Johnson and Morison, solicitors for the respective parties, when, on Mr. Johnson moving for the dismissal of the petition from want of prosecution, Mr. Morison, for the substituted petitioner, asked leave to withdraw the petition—the same not being intended to be further prosecuted—which was acceded to.

The course thus taken terminates, in law, all the proceedings in this matter, and there is nothing further existing before me or the Supreme Court questioning the right of Mr. Duff to retain his seat.

I have the honor to be,

Your Excellency's most obedient servant,

F. B. T. CARTER, *Chief Justice.*

HIS EXCELLENCY SIR T. O'BRIEN, K.C.M.G.,
Governor.

CONTESTED ELECTIONS.

SUPREME COURT,
JUDGES' CHAMBERS,
St. John's, N.F., May 28, 1890.

In the matter of the petition of William Bartlett and Henry Dawe, electors of the district of Port-de-Grave, complaining of the undue return and election of James A. Clift, Esquire, for the representation of that district in the General Assembly of this Island. }

SIR,

In accordance with the requirements of the Election Act of 1889, I have the honor to report to your Excellency on the result of the action taken by the petitioners in this matter. The proceedings were instituted by the filing of the petition in this Court on the sixth day of January last, the petitioners alleging that the election of a member to represent said district in the General Assembly of this colony took place on the sixth day of last November and resulted, as declared by the returning officer, in the return of Mr. Clift, whose candidature was opposed by William H. Horwood, Esquire.

Petitioners charged that Mr. Clift was not duly elected, and that his election was void, on the alleged ground that treating and bribery were used and employed by him for the purpose of obtaining the votes and support of the electors of said district at the then election.

The respondent, by his answer, filed in due course, denied, under oath, the truth or correctness of these charges. Preliminary to the hearing or trial of the issue thus raised, an application was made for a rule calling on the petitioners to amend their petition by more particularly setting out the charges of bribery and corruption, and also to furnish the respondent with the names of parties bribed or treated, and the occasions and places when and where the alleged acts occurred.

Upon hearing counsel for the respective parties, this rule was made absolute on the 28th January last. From that time up to the 14th instant, no further step or action was taken in these proceedings, nor was the rule or order so granted complied with in any particular.

Under these circumstances, on the 15th instant, a motion having been made upon the affidavit of the respondent setting out the foregoing facts, a rule was granted calling on the petitioners to show cause why their petition should not be dismissed for want of prosecution.

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On the return of this rule, the time was further enlarged for its hearing, at the instance of petitioners' counsel, to the 26th inst., when he informed the Court of his intention not to proceed further in the matter, and of his and petitioners' inability to comply with the former orders of the Court herein. The petition was thereupon dismissed and all proceedings thereunder thus terminated.

The return, therefore, made of the election of the respondent as such representative for said district, is in no way affected by reason or on account of these proceedings, or of the matters or charges set out in the said petition.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

JOS. I. LITTLE,

Assistant Judge, S.C.

HIS EXCELLENCY SIR TERENCE N. O'BRIEN, K.C.M.G.,
Governor, &c., &c., &c.

DESPATCHES.

Despatch respecting Legislative Council.

The Right Honorable the Secretary of State to His Excellency the Governor.

[COPY.]

NEWFOUNDLAND,
No. 52.

DOWNING STREET,
August 11th, 1889.

SIR,—

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your Despatch, No. 32, of the 31st May last, submitting an address to the Queen from the Legislative Council of Newfoundland, setting forth that it would be desirable that the qualification of persons for membership in that body should be defined in Her Majesty's Royal Instructions, and recommending the exclusion in future appointments "of any person who may be the occupant of any office of profit or emolument under the Crown, or the Government of the Colony, or under any Board or Public Body the members whereof are appointed by the Government, but not to include or extend to any person holding a departmental office, or being a member of the Executive Council."

I request that you will inform the Council that I have laid their address before the Queen, who was pleased to receive it very graciously. I have not, however, thought it necessary to recommend Her Majesty to alter the Royal Instructions in the manner suggested by the Council—it seems to me that the object desired will be fully attained if the Governor understands that it is the desire of Her Majesty's Government that he should, unless in any special and exceptional case, adhere to this principle in making appointments in the future,—and I request that you will adopt this course accordingly.

I have the honor, &c.,

KNUTSFORD.

Governor

SIR TERENCE O'BRIEN, K.C.M.G.,
&c., &c., &c.

DESPATCHES.

Despatches relating to the Fisheries.

[COPY.]

NEWFOUNDLAND,
No. 67.

DOWNING STREET,
9th Nov., 1889.

SIR,—

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your Despatch, No. 34, of the 1st of June last, enclosing a joint address to the Queen, from the Legislative Council and House of Assembly of Newfoundland, relating to matter connected with the Newfoundland fisheries.

This address, after alluding to the case of the removal, last year, of Messrs. Andrews and Murphy's lobster factory at White Bay, and referring to various clauses of the treaties and engagements bearing upon the rights given to French fishermen, proceeds as follows:—

“Having regard to all the facts referred to, and the necessary deductions resulting therefrom, we are led to the expression of opinion that in this matter, that is to say, in the assertion that protection of the rights of your Majesty's subjects in Newfoundland as against the aggressive and unwarranted claims of French subjects, and for the avoidance of discord, tumult and disturbance between the subjects of the two great powers, it is necessary that some firm and vigorous action should be taken by the colony, with the countenance, co-operation and active assistance of your Majesty's Government.

We humbly submit that such action should have special reference to the following points:—

1. To the protection of British fishermen in the prosecution of their lawful avocations as regards lobster fishing.

2. To the resistance to the claims of the French, now first asserted, in respect of this new industry.

3. To the removal of all lobster factories, or buildings in connection with the lobster fishery, erected by French subjects upon Newfoundland territory.

4. To the assertion and protection of the rights of British subjects to the uses of British territory in Newfoundland for agricultural, lumbering, or mining purposes, without the interruption, molestation or interference of the French under any pretended treaty claims.”

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I have to request that you will inform the Council and Assembly that their address has been laid before the Queen, who was pleased to receive it very graciously, and with respect to the points referred to above, to which particular attention has been called, that you will state to them, with regard to point 1, that the instructions given to the naval officers are framed with the view of the proper protection of British fishermen in the prosecution of their lawful fishery, but that the question whether the establishment of lobster factories on shore is consistent with the engagements with France is now the subject of discussion between the two countries, and that no further instructions can at present be given on this subject; that the Council and Assembly are aware that the British Declaration of 1873 declares, that in order that the fishermen of the two nations may not give cause for daily quarrels, His Britannic Majesty will take the most positive measures for preventing his subjects from interrupting in any manner, by their competition, the fishery of the French during the temporary exercise of it, which is granted to them upon the coasts of Newfoundland; and he will, for this purpose, cause the fixed settlements which shall be formed there to be removed. It is evident, therefore, that the fishery of British fishermen, whether lobster or otherwise, must be carried on subject to the above restriction as to the non-interruption of the French fishery.

You will apprise the Council and Assembly, with reference to points 2 and 3, that the pretensions of the French in regard to the lobster fishery and the erection of lobster factories on shore are disputed by Her Majesty's Government who, however, trust that some understanding may be arrived at with the French Government, between the present time and the opening of the next year's fishery season, and that Her Majesty's Government altogether deprecate any action such as is suggested whilst the matter is the subject of diplomatic negotiation.

With reference to point 4, Her Majesty's Government can only return an answer to the memorialists similar to that given to a recent memorial from the inhabitants of the West Coast of Newfoundland, which was transmitted in the Governor's despatch of the 16th of March last. Those memorialists, amongst other things, requested free access to the coast for the purpose of mining, ship-building, and all other operations, and grants of land unhampered by certain conditions which were there referred to.

The reply given to the memorialists as to free access to the coast for mining operations was to the effect that this matter was to a great extent dealt with in the arrangement of 1885, which, much to

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the regret of Her Majesty's Government, was rejected by the Newfoundland Legislature: that until some fresh arrangement should have been made with the French in the matter of the fisheries, such free access as is desired for the purposes mentioned could not be given by Her Majesty's Government; and with respect to the question of the issue of grants of land unhampered by the conditions subjecting such grants to a reservation in favor of French rights, the memorialists were informed that Her Majesty's Government regretted that they were unable, in the present position of the fishery question, to meet the wishes of the memorialists. The memorialists were, however, assured that any favorable opportunity which might present itself for arriving at a settlement with the Government of France of the general question of the fisheries would not be neglected by Her Majesty's Government.

I have the honor to be, Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

KNUTSFORD.

DESPATCHES.

Despatches as to "Modus Vivendi" in re Fisheries.

Copy of Telegraphic Correspondence between the Right Honorable the Secretary of State for the Colonies and His Excellency the Governor.

(From the Secretary of State, 7th December, 1889.)

Her Majesty's Government desires to consult with Whiteway on subject of fisheries. When can he leave for this country early in the year?

(To the Secretary of State, 9th December, 1889.)

Executive Council tender resignation and Whiteway assumes office at the beginning of next week. He informs me that it is quite impossible for him to leave until his administration gets into working order. He desires to know what will be probable fishery question under consideration so as to discuss the question in consultation with his colleagues before his departure.

(From Secretary of State, 16th December, 1889.)

In answer to your telegram of 9th December, Her Majesty's Government desires to consult with Whiteway, generally, on the subject of the present state of affairs, fishery question, more especially lobsters, with the object of determining whether it is possible to submit to arbitration French claims to lobster fishery, and to consult with him as to terms of reference, also to consult as to Bait Acts and marking of fishing boats. When can he probably leave, early in the year?

(From Secretary of State, 23rd December, 1889.)

Referring to my telegram of 16th December, desire to be furnished with earliest possible information as to Whiteway's probable date of departure. Naval officers must be brought home.

(To Secretary of State, 24th December, 1889.)

Whiteway cannot leave until about the end of March, perhaps not before the end of the session.

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(From Secretary of State, 29th January, 1890.)

An agreement is proposed with the Government of France for a *modus vivendi* during the coming fishing season, which will give more time for negotiations on the lobster factory difficulty, namely: That there shall be no alteration in the position of British lobster factories or grounds as existing on the 1st July, last year; and the French Government agree that they will undertake to grant no new lobster fishing concessions this year on fishing grounds occupied by British subjects on or before 1st July last year. In case of any competition in the same locality the naval commanders on the station will be authorized to make a temporary arrangement delimiting the boundaries of their respective fisheries. All questions as to rights are reserved to both nations.

(To the Secretary of State, 30th January, 1890.)

Am I correct in assuming that the agreement provides that the English may not establish any new factories this year, but that the French are permitted to do so, provided that the ground they select was not occupied by the English previous to the 1st July last?

(From the Secretary of State, 8th February, 1890.)

Referring to your message of 30th ultimo, the proposed *modus vivendi* recognizes, for this season only, the lobster factories of both countries as they existed on the 1st July last. Factories may, however, be transferred to other localities, if approved of by the naval officers of both nations. No new concessions for lobster catching to be conceded this year by either Government. This is strictly provisional and only for this season.

(From the Secretary of State, 12th February, 1890.)

It is absolutely necessary that an answer respecting the *modus vivendi* should be given to the French Government immediately. Reply must be given by the day after to-morrow.

(To Secretary of State, 12th February, 1890.)

I only received your telegram of 8th inst., late on Saturday night, and submitted it to a special meeting of Executive Council on Monday. I find that no law exists prohibiting the erection of lobster factories, and it is stated that several are now in the course of construction. I have telegraphed for information, and after a meeting of Council, will again telegraph to your Lordship to-morrow.

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(To the Secretary of State, 13th February, 1890.)

My ministers strongly contest the French claims to lobster fishing, but desire to meet the wishes of Her Majesty's Government as to a *modus vivendi*—for this season only. They desire that the proposed date may be extended to 1st January last, otherwise great hardship must ensue, as a large amount of money has been invested in erecting new factories.

(To Secretary of State, 15th February, 1890.)

I had been told before I sent my last telegram to your Lordship that about nine new factories were commenced—but I have since learned that more are begun, or contemplated. There is great difficulty in obtaining information, so I cannot give definite numbers, but should estimate about twenty, though how far they have progressed, I cannot say.

(To Secretary of State, 5th March, 1890.)

Is it desirable to refer to the *modus vivendi* with the French Government in my speech at the opening of the Legislature on 7th March?

(From Secretary of State, 6th March, 1890.)

You may mention in your speech 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 the 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, and ultimately a final solution of the difficulty.

(From Secretary of State, 12th March, 1890.)

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

The question of principle and 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 estab-

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lishments 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 on the spot shall proceed 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.

(To Secretary of State, 14th March, 1890.)

My ministers strongly protest against what would, in *modus vivendi*, appear to be an admission of concurrent rights of lobster fishing, and they are of opinion that this arrangement will be prejudicial to the position of Newfoundland in future negotiations.

They further contend that the Imperial Government should bear the expense of the losses of those who have established factories since date of 1st July.

They consider that as this *modus vivendi* has been concluded without their concurrence, it is not for them to advise as to giving notice to those whom it may concern.

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Despatches respecting the Fisheries Commission.

[COPY.]

DOWNING STREET,

16th January, 1890.

SIR,—

I have the honor to inform you that, among the subjects on which I proposed to consult Sir William Whiteway, if he had been able to come to England at an early date, was the Act to provide for the formation of a Fisheries Commission, and for other purposes, Cap. 7 of the Acts of last session.

2. The powers of the Commission are defined by section 1 to be the making of enquiries and researches in respect to matters connected with the fisheries and fishery questions, and to collect, preserve and diffuse the knowledge and information so acquired; and so far as these duties are concerned, the Commission deserves every encouragement, and the result of its labors cannot but be of very great value to the colony.

3. But sections 16, 17 and 18 provide for the making of regulations which will become law, if passed and confirmed in the manner prescribed in these sections, and it was these provisions which I had hoped to have the opportunity of discussing with Sir W. Whiteway. For, among the subjects to be dealt with by such regulations, are the fixing of close seasons, and the methods, appliances and contrivances to be used and adopted in and for the taking of fish, and the times, seasons and manner for and in which the same, or any of them, may be used or adopted.

4. The French have certain rights by treaty which such regulations might infringe, possibly without being meant to have that effect, and although the law of the colony ought to be obeyed by natives and foreigners alike who are sojourning within the territorial limits of its jurisdiction, yet if a law has inadvertently been passed which is in any degree or respect at variance with rights conferred on a foreign Power by treaty, the correction of the mistake so committed, at the earliest period after its existence shall have been ascertained and recognised, is a matter of international obligation.

5. It is always desirable to avoid the necessity of repeating or amending any legal instrument after it has once been issued, and this is especially the case if the necessity arises from the well-founded complaints of a foreign Power. I must, moreover, point out that the Act under discussion places Her Majesty's Government in a grave

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dilemma: Her Majesty has the power of disallowing an Act of the Newfoundland Legislature, but regulations under this Act are to become law without being submitted to Her Majesty's Government, and without it being possible to disallow any of them in the event, probably unintentional, of their amounting to a violation of the treaty rights of French subjects.

6. Under these circumstances, the only power at present possessed by Her Majesty's Government would be to obtain the disallowance of the present Act, a course which they would be most unwilling to take in respect to a measure which in all other respects appears to be of a most beneficial character, and the difficulty may easily be met by the introduction of an amending Act protecting all treaty rights, and providing that regulations affecting that part of the colony where the French have treaty rights shall not take effect unless approved by Her Majesty. Such approval might be obtained without much delay, even after the regulations were framed, or might be obtained beforehand if the final draft were sent home before the regulations were issued, and in either case might be signified by telegraph.

7. You will doubtless recognise that a personal discussion of this subject with Sir W. Whiteway would have been advantageous, but as that course has not been possible, I shall be glad if you will invite your ministers to consider the matter at their earliest convenience, and enable you to favor me with a reply.

I have, &c.,

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NEWFOUNDLAND,
No. 9.

GOVERNMENT HOUSE,
St. John's, 11th Feb., 1890.

MY LORD,—

With reference to your Lordship's despatch, No. 1, of 16th January last, suggesting that certain modifications be introduced into an Act (Cap. 7) of last session, "For the Formation of a Fisheries Commission," &c., I have the honor to report that, having brought the matter to the notice of my present ministers, they, at their meeting yesterday, passed the enclosed Minute, promising that the amendments suggested will be carried out by an Act to be brought forward after the House assembles.

I have the honor, &c.,

T. O'BRIEN, *Governor.*

The Right Hon. LORD KNUTSFORD, K.C.M.G.,
&c., &c., &c.

 COPY OF MINUTE.

"His Excellency the Governor laid before Council despatch No. 1, of 16th January, 1890, received from the Right Hon. Secretary of State for the Colonies, relating to matters on which Her Majesty's Government desired to consult Sir W. V. Whiteway, and calling special attention to sections 16, 17, and 18 of the Act to provide for the formation of a Fisheries Commission, and for other purposes, Cap. 7 of the Acts of last session, and recommending the introduction of an amending Act protecting all treaty rights, and providing that regulations affecting that part of the colony where the French have treaty rights shall not take effect unless approved by Her Majesty. A reply to be sent that the Government will recommend to the Legislature a Bill in accordance therewith."

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Copy of Telegraphic Correspondence between His Excellency the Governor and the Right Honorable the Secretary of State for the Colonies, on the subject of the "Modus Vivendi."

15th March, 1890—Telegram sent.

Forwarding the resolutions passed by both Houses of the Legislature—without comment.

18th March, 1890—Telegram received.

"Referring to your telegrams of 14th and 15th March, I fear adoption of reported resolutions will not improve the prospects of an ultimate settlement most favorable to British claims. There is some misapprehension in supposing that any British territorial rights are prejudiced by *modus vivendi*, or any French right admitted. All questions of principle and of respective rights on both sides are stated expressly to be reserved. Neither Her Majesty's Government nor the Colonial Legislature have power of declaring what are British and French rights respectively; and provisional arrangement is necessary for next season."

18th March, 1890—Telegram received.

"Referring to my telegram of to-day, lobster fisheries; it seemed open to doubt whether as regards permanent settlement the interests of Newfoundland would best be served by compromise or arbitration, but the strong conviction entertained by the Colony as to the incontrovertible nature of their contentions, clearly points to arbitration. On learning that your ministers agree, Her Majesty's Government will at once take steps to push on negotiations for this purpose. No doubt that Newfoundland will prefer to prepare its own case, but every assistance will be given by those who have studied original correspondence here. Question had better be limited to lobster fishery. Terms of reference and choice of arbitrators will require every consideration."

20th March, 1890—Telegram sent.

"My ministers raise question, whether under *modus vivendi* French have right of erecting as many factories as they desire by authority from naval officers; or are naval officers limited to granting permission to French to erect factories only to equivalent number erected by British since 1st July, 1889; or if British do not erect new factories after that date, can the French erect a single factory."

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24th March, 1890—Telegram received.

“Referring to your telegram of 20th March, a new factory of each nation can be erected only if both naval officers commanding, consent. *Modus vivendi* enables, but does not compel, two naval officers commanding to limit new factories to exactly equal numbers on each side. We agreed to amendment as to new factories, believing that such latitude desirable, as French new factories very unlikely to be so many as reported commenced by British. If your ministers give preference to strict maintenance of *status quo ante* 1st July, 1889, prohibiting any new factory of either nation, we believe that French Government would probably agree, but early notice desirable. In that case, or if informed of exact number of proposed new British factories, French Government would probably limit their preparations accordingly, and friction might be avoided, but they would not consent to British having all the best places, and make a stand for equal advantage of site.”

22nd March, 1890—Telegram sent.

“House of Assembly ask for production of all correspondence regarding lobsters during the last four years. May I produce all or any confidential despatches.”

25th March, 1890—Telegram received.

“Referring to your telegram of 22nd March; will inform you as soon as possible, after consultation with Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, what papers can be published. It is necessary to inform French Government before publishing any of their notes.”

24th March, 1890—Telegram sent.

“Following telegram received from London published by opposition daily paper:—‘Under Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs states that present Newfoundland Government was consulted and terms of *modus vivendi* were modified to their views.’ Great indignation expressed against my ministers in consequence of publication of this alleged statement, and public meetings are being convened in all parts of the country—impossible to say what will be the probable result of present excitement. My ministers, since first intimation, strongly protested against *modus vivendi* telegraphed by you as concluded with the French Government, and they now request official denial of statement of Under Secretary of State. Answer urgently required.”

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25th March, 1890—Telegram received.

“ Referring to your telegram of 24th March; statement incorrect. Who telegraphed it? Answer of Under Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs was as follows: ‘The Newfoundland Government was consulted as to the terms of the *modus vivendi*, which was modified to some extent to meet their views; but it was necessary to conclude it without referring it to them in its final shape.’”

25th March, 1890—Telegram sent.

“ My Ministers request that incorrect statement made by Under Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs be immediately contradicted, as the terms of *modus vivendi* were not modified in accordance with their views. Ministers protested against any claims of French, and desired time to be changed to 1st January for reasons given; but that was ignored, and *modus vivendi* entered into without regard to their wishes. Ministers much embarrassed by incorrect statement made by Under Secretary of State.”

28th March, 1890—Telegram received.

“ Referring to your telegram of 26th March; answer of Under Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs was correct, and cannot be contradicted. See my telegram of 25th March, he did not state that *modus vivendi* was amended in accordance with your Ministers views, and showed distinctly that your Ministers were not responsible for *modus vivendi* as settled. They can of course quote his real answer and state what they desired, and that, though their wishes were not ignored, it was impossible to fully give effect to them. Facts are as follows: On receiving request that date might be changed to 1st January, 1890, we attempted to arrange for this, but French Government refused. After much discussion and with great difficulty we carried clause as to new factories in order to avoid as far as possible necessity for wholesale removal, which it was stated by you would create soreness and discontent.”

27th March, 1890—Telegram sent.

“ Joint Committee of both Houses of Legislature appointed to frame address on *modus vivendi*. Ministers request that your Lordship’s telegram of 24th March, in which possibility of date alteration suggested, be communicated to Committee.”

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29th March, 1890—Telegram received.

“Referring to your telegram of 27th March, in my telegram of 24th March, I did not suggest possibility of any alteration in date, but that French Government might agree to maintenance of *status quo ante* 1st July, 1889. You should give it to Committee and all telegraphic correspondence respecting *modus vivendi*, with the exception of my confidential message of 28th March, and it is most desirable that before framing Address they should await arrival of my despatch of 21st March, now on the way, giving account of negotiations.”

Received April 3, 1890.

[NEWFOUNDLAND, No. 15.]

DOWNING STREET, 21st March, 1890.

SIR,—

In my telegram of the 16th of December last, I informed you of the wish of Her Majesty's Government to consult Sir William White-way, generally, on matters connected with the Newfoundland fisheries, and especially with the object of determining whether it would be possible to submit to arbitration the French claims connected with the lobster fisheries, and to consult with him as to terms of reference.

In your reply of the 25th December you informed me that Sir William Whiteway would not be able to leave until the end of March, or perhaps not before the end of the session of the local Legislature. I have now to inform you that the Secretary of the French Embassy called at the Foreign Office on the 21st January, and observed that it could scarcely be hoped that the proposed arbitration with respect to the lobster fishery in Newfoundland could be brought to a close before the commencement of the fishing season, and that it therefore seemed desirable, in the interest of all parties, that some *modus vivendi* should be arrived at for the next season only, and pending the settlement of the question at issue. M. Jusseraud accordingly communicated, for the consideration Her Majesty's Government, the sketch of the basis on which such an arrangement might be made. I telegraphed to you the substance of the sketch on the 28th January. The proposal was to the following effect, viz.:—That it should be agreed as a *modus vivendi* for next season only that there should be no alteration in the position of British lobster factories or grounds as

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existing on the 1st of July last year, the French Government undertaking that no new lobster fishing concessions should be granted this year on fishing grounds occupied by British subjects on or before 1st July last. In case of any competition in the same locality, the naval commanders on the station should jointly arrange provisional delimitation of fishing grounds; and all questions of right were reserved by both parties. You telegraphed to me in reply on the 30th January, enquiring whether you were correct in assuming that, by the proposed agreement, British subjects were not to establish any new factories this year, but that the French might do so provided that the ground they selected was not occupied by the British prior to the first of July, 1889.

I informed you in reply by my telegram of the 8th of February, that the *modus vivendi* would recognise factories of both nations for this season only, as existing on the 1st July, 1889, but that transfers would be permitted to other localities if approved by the naval officers of both nations; that no new concession of lobster fishery should be accorded by either Government this year, and I informed you that the proposed agreement would be strictly provisional for only this season.

You replied by your telegram of the 13th February, to the effect that your ministers contested strongly the rights of the French to the lobster fishery, but that they were anxious to meet the wishes of the Imperial Government for a *modus vivendi* for this season only. You informed me that they wished the date to be extended to the first of January, 1890, as otherwise hardship would be inflicted, as considerable money has been invested in new factories. Your subsequent telegrams of the 13th and 15th February supplied further information in regard to the number of British factories believed to be under construction or to be contemplated.

With a view to meet the difficulty thus pointed out, an addition was proposed to be made to the draft *modus vivendi*, to the following effect :—

“British lobster fisheries which may have been established between the first July, 1889 and the first January, 1890, shall not be molested: but it shall be open to French fishermen to establish fresh lobster factories to a corresponding extent.

No other British lobster factories shall be in operation up to the first January 1891 unless by the joint consent of the British and French senior naval officers on the station, in consideration of some equivalent permission to some new French lobster fishery on another spot.”

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M. Jusseraud, however, called at the Foreign Office on the 20th ultimo, and stated that his Government was unable to accept this proposal as it would place the French fishermen at a manifest disadvantage. It was obvious, he remarked, that the British fishermen being on the spot would have had the choice of the best places for the new fisheries, and the French Government had no means of ascertaining to what extent advantage had already been taken of this priority of choice, or would be taken before the arrival of the French fishermen.

It was pointed out to M. Jusseraud that the prohibition of all the new lobster fisheries for which preparation had been made and money expended in the Colony would not only cause considerable hardship, but would excite a feeling of soreness and irritation, at the very commencement of the fishing season, which it was on every account most desirable to avoid.

After considerable discussion a further amended draft was agreed upon between the two Governments, the terms of which I telegraphed to you on the 12th instant. A copy of the *modus vivendi* thus agreed upon is enclosed.

It was hoped that this *modus vivendi* would have been acceptable to your Government as an arrangement for the present season only, and as a means of avoiding disputes during the coming season and as giving time for a more permanent settlement of the question. I was therefore much disappointed at receiving your telegrams of the 14th and 15th instant, apprizing me of objections to the agreement entertained by your ministers, and of the passing of identic resolutions in both Houses of the Colonial Parliament protesting against the *modus vivendi*, as being prejudicial to British fishing and territorial rights, contrary to assurances of Her Majesty's Government that the right of fishing should not be interfered with without the consent of the Colonial Legislature, and that the arrangement was objectionable as indicating the admission of non-existent concurrent rights on the coast.

I replied to the above telegrams by mine of the 18th instant, in which I expressed the fear which I entertained that the adoption of the resolutions which you reported would not improve the prospect of an ultimate settlement most favorable to British claims. I remarked that there was some misapprehension in supposing that any British territorial or other rights were prejudiced by the *modus vivendi*, or that any French rights were admitted. I pointed out that all questions of principle and of respective rights on both sides were expressly stated to be reserved, and I added that neither Her Majesty's Government nor the Colonial Legislature have the power of declaring

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what are British and French rights respectively, and that a provisional arrangement was necessary for the coming season.

Your ministers are, of course, aware that the views held by the British and French Governments in regard to the rights of their respective subjects, in the matter of the lobster fisheries, are antagonistic; the French Government holding that the establishment of British lobster factories on that part of the coast of Newfoundland to which the rights of French subjects extend is contrary to the engagements entered into by this country with France; while Her Majesty's Government contend that the French have no right to fish for lobsters, and consequently that the erection of lobster factories by them is in excess of the privileges granted by those engagements, and the fact of this divergence of views has given rise to the necessity of some *modus vivendi* for the coming season, so that time may be given for effecting some more permanent settlement.

The *modus vivendi* agreed to makes no concessions of right to the French, neither does it in any way detract from the maritime or territorial rights of the Colony, and therefore does not infringe the assurance contained in the despatch from the Secretary of State, (Mr. Labouchere) to Governor Darling, of the 26th March, 1857, which it is presumed is the assurance referred to in the resolutions of the two Houses. That assurance was to the effect that the "consent of the community of Newfoundland was regarded by Her Majesty's Government as an essential preliminary to any modification of their territorial or maritime rights." The *modus vivendi* obviously does not effect any such modification, and Her Majesty's Government can only hope that it will be accepted and acted upon loyally by the people of Newfoundland for the approaching season.

In the meantime, every effort will be made by Her Majesty's Government to come to some more definite settlement of the question.

I have the honor to be, Sir,

Your most obedient humble servant,

KNUTSFORD.

(Telegram received from Secretary of State, 2nd April, 1890.)

Referring to your telegram of 31st March, there is reason to fear legislation for legalization of cod-traps would further diminish any prospects of making arrangements at all favorable with French Government. Unless Bill contains suspending clause, it should be reserved for signification of the Queen's pleasure, and accompanied by statement of arguments for justification of legislation.

Rules and Orders for the Proceedings of the House of
Assembly of Newfoundland.

Proceedings at the Meeting of a New Assembly.

1.—On the first day of meeting of a new Assembly for the despatch of business pursuant to proclamation, the Clerk of the House shall obtain from the Colonial Secretary a list of the names of the members returned to serve in such Assembly and who have been duly sworn.

2.—His Excellency's pleasure having been signified personally or by Commissioners, that the members of the House shall proceed to the choice of some proper person to be their Speaker, the House shall forthwith proceed to elect a Speaker, and shall present such person on the following day for His Excellency's approbation.

3.—When the House proceeds to the election of a Speaker, a member addressing himself to the Clerk (who, standing up, points to him, and then sits down) shall propose another member, and move that such member "do take the chair of this House as Speaker."

4.—Such motion being seconded and supported, if no other member be proposed as Speaker, the member so proposed shall be called by the House to the chair, without any question being put.

5.—The member being unanimously called to the chair, shall be conducted to the chair by the members who proposed and seconded him.

6.—If more than one member be proposed as Speaker, a motion shall be made and seconded regarding each such member, "that he do take the chair of this House as Speaker."

7.—A question shall then be put by the Clerk that the member first proposed "do take the chair of this House as Speaker," which shall be resolved in the affirmative or negative, like other questions.

8.—If the question be resolved in the affirmative, the member shall be conducted to the chair; but if in the negative, a question shall then be put by the Clerk that the member next proposed "do take the chair of this House as Speaker," and if it be resolved in the affirmative, the member shall be conducted to the chair.

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9.—On the following day, the House being met, and Mr. Speaker elect having taken the chair, and a message from His Excellency being delivered desiring the immediate attendance of the House, Mr. Speaker elect and the House shall proceed to receive His Excellency's approbation of Mr. Speaker elect.

10.—Mr. Speaker then, in the name and on behalf of the House of Assembly, shall lay claim to their ancient and undoubted rights and privileges, and especially to freedom from arrest and molestation for their persons and servants, to freedom of speech in debate, and to free access to His Excellency's presence whenever occasion may require it; and that the most favorable construction may be put on all their proceedings.

11.—The House being returned, Mr. Speaker shall report that the House has been in attendance upon His Excellency who was pleased to approve of the choice the House had made of him to be their Speaker; and that he had in their name, and on their behalf, by humble petition to His Excellency, laid claim to all their ancient rights and privileges, which His Excellency had confirmed to them in as full and ample a manner as they have been heretofore granted or allowed by His Excellency or any of his predecessors.

12.—Mr. Speaker, having repeated his most respectful acknowledgments to the House for the high honor they have done him, shall take his seat.

13.—New members returned after a general election shall be introduced to Mr. Speaker, between two members, making their obeisances as they go up, that they may be the better known to the House.

14.—When the office of Speaker becomes vacant during a session of the Legislature, the House, on being acquainted by a member of the Executive Council that His Excellency gives leave to the House to proceed forthwith to the choice of a new Speaker, shall proceed to the election of a Speaker, according to the accustomed form.

15.—Whenever the Speaker so elected is presented for His Excellency's approbation, it shall not be necessary for him to lay claim to the privileges of the the House.

16.—Whenever the House shall be informed by the Clerk at the table of the unavoidable absence of Mr. Speaker, the Chairman of the Committee of Ways and Means shall perform the duties and exercise the authority of Speaker in relation to all proceedings of the House as Deputy-Speaker until the next meeting of the House, and so on from day to day, on the like information being given to the House,

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unless or until the House shall appoint a Speaker to act, under the provisions of the Consolidated Statutes; provided that, if the House shall adjourn for more than twenty-four hours, the Deputy-Speaker shall continue to perform the duties and exercise the authority of Speaker for twenty-four hours only after such adjournment.

Opening of the Legislature.

17.—On being summoned by the Usher of the Black Rod to attend His Excellency or his Commissioners, Mr. Speaker, with the House, shall go up to the bar of the Legislative Council to hear the speech read.

18.—Mr. Speaker and the House shall then retire from the bar of the Legislative Council, and return to the House, the Sergeant placing the mace on the table.

19.—Before His Excellency's speech is reported, some bill may be read a first time.

20.—Mr. Speaker shall report that the House had this day attended His Excellency, or Commissioners appointed under the Great Seal, and that His Excellency was pleased to make a most gracious speech from the throne to both Houses of the Legislature; or that the President of the Council, being one of the said Commissioners, delivered His Excellency's most gracious speech to both Houses of the Legislature in pursuance of His Excellency's commands, and of which Mr. Speaker, for greater accuracy, obtained a copy, which he would read to the House.

21.—The said speech having been read, a motion for an address to His Excellency shall be made and seconded.

22.—The resolution for presenting such address having been agreed to by the House, with or without amendment, a select committee shall be appointed to draw up an address to be presented to His Excellency upon the said resolution, and the speech shall be referred to the said committee.

23.—On the address being reported by the said committee, the House shall agree to the same, with or without amendment.

24.—When His Excellency has been pleased to make a speech from the throne, the address shall be presented by the whole House.

25.—In case the speech shall have been delivered by Commissioners in pursuance of His Excellency's commands, the address shall be ordered to be presented by such members of this House as are of His Excellency's Executive Council.

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26.—His Excellency's answer to any address presented by the whole House shall be reported by Mr. Speaker.

Sitting and Adjournment of the House.

27.—Unless otherwise ordered, the House shall meet upon Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays, Thursdays and Fridays, at four of the clock, and, upon the adjournment of Friday's session, shall stand adjourned until the following Monday.

28.—At the hour named for meeting, Mr. Speaker shall take the chair; and if twelve members be present, the Journal of the previous day's proceedings shall be read, and any mistake corrected.

29.—The reading of the Journal shall not be suspended unless by unanimous consent; and when any motion shall be made to amend the same, it shall be deemed a privileged question, and shall be proceeded with until disposed of.

30.—If twelve members be not present by a quarter after four of the clock, Mr. Speaker shall adjourn the House until the usual hour upon the next sitting day, without question first put.

31.—When the House meets before the ordinary time, and twelve members be not present, no business shall be entered upon until such number be present; but Mr. Speaker shall not adjourn the House until a quarter after four of the clock, without question put.

32.—When the attendance of the House in the Legislative Council has been desired by His Excellency, or by his Commissioners, the House, on its return, shall proceed with its business, although less than twelve members be present, until the notice of Mr. Speaker be drawn thereto.

33.—If it appear, on notice being taken, that twelve members be not present, Mr. Speaker shall order that members within the precincts of the House be summoned by the servants of the House to attend, and if twelve members be not present within five minutes of such notice being taken, the House shall be adjourned, without question first put, until the ordinary hour upon the next sitting day.

34.—If it appear to the Chairman of a committee of the whole House, on notice being taken, that twelve members be not present, the Chairman shall order that members within the precincts of the House be summoned by the servants of the House to attend, and if twelve members be not present within five minutes of such notice being taken, the Chairman shall forthwith report the fact to Mr. Speaker, who shall thereupon count and adjourn the House if twelve

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members be not present, without question first put. If it appear to Mr. Speaker that twelve members be present, the House shall again be resolved into committee of the whole without question first put.

35.—The doors of the House shall be unlocked while Mr. Speaker, or the Chairman of a committee, is preparing to count for a quorum, but no member shall be permitted to enter within the bar while the House is being counted.

36.—Whenever Mr. Speaker shall adjourn the House for want of a quorum, the time of adjournment, and the names of the members then present, shall be inserted in the Journal.

37.—If, at the hour of half-past six of the clock in the evening, the business of the House or of a committee of the whole be not concluded, Mr. Speaker or the Chairman, as the case may be, shall leave the chair until half-past seven.

38.—When the House adjourns, the members shall keep their seats until Mr. Speaker has left the chair.

39.—When the Sergeant-at-Arms shall announce that the Usher of the Black Rod is at the door, Mr. Speaker shall take the chair, whether there be a quorum present or not.

40.—Except in the cases mentioned in No's 30, 33, and 34, the House shall only be adjourned on its own resolution.

41.—No motion for the adjournment of the House shall be made until all the questions on the notice-paper shall be disposed of, and no such motion shall be made before the orders of the day or notices of motion have been entered upon, except by leave of the House, unless a member rising in his place shall propose to move the adjournment for the purpose of discussing a definite matter of urgent public importance and not less than ten members shall thereupon rise in their places to support the motion.

42.—When a motion is made for the adjournment of a debate, or of the House during any debate, or that the Chairman of a committee do report progress, or do leave the chair, the debate thereupon shall be confined to the matter of such motion; and no member, having moved or seconded any such motion, shall be entitled to move or second the same motion during the same debate.

43.—Every member shall be uncovered when he enters or leaves the House, or moves to any part of the House during a debate, and shall make an obeisance to the chair in passing to and from his seat.

44.—A sufficient number of seats upon the left hand of the chair shall be reserved for members and supporters of the Government.

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Business of the House.

45.—The ordinary daily routine of business of the House shall be as follows, except where priority has previously been given by the House to other orders:—

- (1) Presenting petitions.
- (2) Presenting reports of standing and select committees.
- (3) Giving notices of motion and questions.
- (4) Asking and answering questions.

“Government Orders” shall include all bills proposed by authority of the Government, and “Members’ Orders” shall include all bills for which private members are responsible. Within their respective classes all Government orders and Members’ orders shall be considered in the following rotation:—

- (1) Third readings.
- (2) Amendments reported from committee of the whole House.
- (3) Amendments made by the Council on House bills.
- (4) Committee of the whole on reports of select committees.
- (5) Committee of the whole on bills read a second time.
- (6) Second readings.

While the committees on supply and ways and means are open, they shall have precedence of all other Government orders on Tuesday and Friday, and, on the order being called, the question shall be proposed by Mr. Speaker “that I do now leave the chair.”

Upon motion, a Government order may be given precedence over any other Government order.

Upon motion, after due notice, an order may be transferred from “Members’ orders” to “Government orders.”

Questions put by members, notices of motion, and orders (other than Government notices of motion and orders) not taken up when called, shall be dropped. Dropped orders shall be set down in the order-book after all other orders of the day for the next day on which the House shall sit.

All notices of motion and orders uncalled at the time of the adjournment of the House shall be postponed until the next sitting day, without a motion to that effect.

A motion for reading the orders of the day shall have preference to any motion before the House.

Rule 45. was amended in session of 1893. See p. 130. of Journal 1893. - full

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Petitions.

46.—A petition to the House shall be presented by a member in his place, who shall be answerable that it does not contain impertinent or improper matter. It may be either printed or written, provided always that the signature of at least one petitioner is subscribed on the sheet containing the prayer of the petition.

47.—Every member offering to present a petition to the House shall endorse his name thereupon, and confine himself to a statement of the parties from whom it comes, the number of signatures attached to it, and the material allegations it contains. No member shall occupy more than five minutes in speaking to a petition, unless by permission of the House upon question put. If required, a petition may be read by the Clerk at the table.

48.—Every petition shall contain a prayer, shall be written in the English language or accompanied by a translation, shall be respectful, decorous and temperate in its language, and shall be signed by the parties whose names are appended, by their names or marks, and by no one else, except from incapacity by sickness. Petitions of corporations aggregate are required to be under their common seal.

49.—Petitions shall not be received after five o'clock, unless they relate to any order of the day, or to the subject of any motion, in which cases they may be presented when such order of the day is read, or immediately before such motion is made.

50.—Every member, in giving notice of motion, shall deliver at the table a copy of such notice, fairly written, together with his name, and the day proposed for bringing on such motion.

51.—A member may give notice for any other member.

52.—Every notice of motion shall be printed and circulated upon the notice paper.

53.—Any notice containing unbecoming expressions may be expunged from the notice paper by the House on question put without debate.

54.—A member desiring to change the day for bringing on a motion may give notice of such motion for any day subsequent to that first named, subject to the same rules as other notices of motion.

55.—After notice of motion has been given, the terms thereof may be altered by the member, on delivering at the table an amended notice.

56.—Motions shall have precedence on each day according to the order in which notices for the same were given.

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57.—An urgent motion, directly concerning the privileges of the House, shall take precedence of other motions, as well as of all other orders of the day.

58.—Precedence may be given, by unanimous consent, to a motion for a vote of thanks of the House.

59.—A motion may be made, by unanimous consent of the House, without previous notice.

60.—Notices of motion for the adjournment of the House, for the postponement of orders of the day, for leave of absence to members, and other formal motions concerning public business, may, by consent of the House, upon question put, be given precedence of the regular business of the day.

61.—Any motion not seconded may not be further debated.

62.—When a motion has been made and seconded, a question thereupon shall be proposed to the House by Mr. Speaker.

63.—A member who has made a motion may withdraw the same, by leave of the House, such leave being granted without any negative voice.

64.—A question may be superseded, (1) by the adjournment of the House, either on the motion of a member "that this House do now adjourn," or on notice being taken that twelve members are not present; (2) by a motion that "the order of the day be now read," which motion, however, is restricted to days on which notices have precedence of orders of the day; (3) by the previous question, viz.: "that this question be now put," being proposed and affirmed.

65.—If the previous question be resolved in the ^{negative} affirmative, the original question shall not be debated or put on the same day.

66.—A question for reading the order of the day, and also "the previous question," may be superseded by the adjournment of the House.

67.—The debate upon a question may be interrupted; (1), by a matter of privilege suddenly arising; (2), by words of heat between members; (3), by a question of order; (4), by a message from the Governor, Administrator, or Commissioners; (5), by an answer to an address; (6), by a message from the Legislative Council; (7), by the time being come for a conference; (8), by the Sergeant-at-Arms reporting the execution of any order of the House; (9), by a motion for reading an Act of the Legislature, an entry in the Journal, or other public document relevant to the question before the House; (10), by a report of reasons for disagreeing to Council's amendments to a bill.

This amendment was made in 1893. See Journal p. 132.

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68.—The House may order a complicated question to be divided.

69.—No question or amendment shall be proposed which is the same, in substance, as any question which, during the same session, has been resolved in the affirmative or negative.

70.—A motion which has been, by leave of the House, withdrawn, may be made again during the same session.

71.—A resolution or other vote of the House may be read and rescinded.

72.—An order of the House may be read and discharged.

Amendments to Questions.

73.—A question having been proposed, may be amended by leaving out certain words only; by leaving out certain words in order to insert or add other words; or by inserting or adding words.

74.—An amendment proposed, but not seconded, shall not be entertained by the House nor entered in the Journal.

75.—When the proposed amendment is to leave out certain words, Mr. Speaker shall put a question that the words proposed to be left out stand part of the question, which is resolved by the House in the affirmative or negative, as the case may be.

76.—When the proposed amendment is to leave out certain words, in order to insert or add other words, Mr. Speaker shall put a question that the words proposed to be left out stand part of the question; which, if resolved in the affirmative, shall dispose of the amendment; but if in the negative, another question shall be put that the words of the amendment be inserted or added instead thereof, which shall be resolved in the affirmative or negative, as the case may be.

77.—When the proposed amendment is to insert or add certain words, Mr. Speaker shall put a question that such words be inserted or added, which shall be resolved in the affirmative or negative, as the case may be.

78.—No amendment shall be proposed to be made to any words which the House has resolved shall stand part of a question, or shall be inserted in, or added to, a question, except the addition of other words thereto.

79.—A proposed amendment may be, by leave of the House, withdrawn.

80.—Amendments may be proposed to a proposed amendment whenever it comes to a question whether the House shall agree to such proposed amendment.

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81.—When amendments have been made, the main question, as amended, shall be put.

82.—When amendments have been proposed, but not made, the question shall be put as originally proposed.

Rules of Debate.

83.—Every member desiring to speak shall rise in his place, uncovered, and address himself to Mr. Speaker.

84.—By the special indulgence of the House, a member, unable conveniently to stand by reason of sickness or infirmity, may be permitted to speak sitting and uncovered.

85.—A member shall not read his speech, but may refresh his memory by reference to notes.

86.—Members can only speak to a point of order, while the House is dividing, by permission of Mr. Speaker.

87.—No member may speak to any question after the same has been put by Mr. Speaker, and the voices have been given in the affirmative or negative thereon.

88.—When two or more members rise to speak, Mr. Speaker shall call upon the member who first rose in his place.

89.—On resuming an adjourned debate, the member who moved its adjournment shall be allowed precedence, provided he rises in his place at the proper time.

90.—A motion may be made that any member who has risen “be now heard,” or “do now speak.”

91.—A member may speak to any question before the House, or upon a question or amendment to be proposed by himself, or upon a question of order arising out of the debate, but not otherwise.

92.—Questions may be put to Ministers of the Crown, relating to any bill, motion, or other public matter connected with the business of the House, in which such members may be concerned.

93.—In putting any such question, no argument or opinion may be offered, nor any facts stated, except so far as may be necessary to explain such question.

94.—In answering any such question, a member may not debate the matter to which the same refers.

95.—By the indulgence of the House, a member may explain matters of a personal nature, although there be no question before the House; but such matters may not be debated.

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96.—No member may speak twice to a question, except in explanation or reply, or in committees of the whole House.

97.—A member who has spoken to a question may again be heard to explain himself in regard to some material part of his speech; but is not to introduce any new matter.

98.—A reply shall be allowed to a member who has made a substantive motion to the House, ^{or moved an order of the day, or an instruction to a committee} but not to any member who has moved ~~an order of the day~~, an amendment, the "previous question," an adjournment during a debate, ~~or an instruction to a committee~~.

99.—Any member may rise to speak "to order," or upon a matter of privilege suddenly arising.

100.—Any member may require the question under discussion to be read at any time during the debate, but not so as to interrupt a member while speaking.

101.—No member may use offensive or unbecoming words in reference to any member of the House.

102.—No member shall speak disrespectfully of Her Majesty, nor of any of the Royal Family, nor of the Governor or person administering the Government; nor shall he use offensive words against either House, or against any member thereof; nor shall he speak beside the question in debate.

103.—When any member objects to words used in debate, and desires them to be taken down, Mr. Speaker, if it appears to be the pleasure of the House, shall direct them to be taken down by the Clerk accordingly.

104.—In a committee of the whole House, the Chairman, if it appear to be the pleasure of the committee, shall direct words objected to to be taken down, in order that the same may be reported to the House.

105.—Such an objection is to be taken down at the time when the words are used.

106.—Any member having used objectionable words, and not explaining or retracting the same, or offering apologies for the use thereof, to the satisfaction of the House, may be censured by a vote of the House.

107.—The House may interiere to prevent the prosecution of any quarrel between members, arising out of debates or proceedings of the House or of any committee thereof.

108.—No member of the House shall presume to make any noise or disturbance whilst any member is orderly debating, or whilst any

*This amendment
was made in 1893
in Journal 132*

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bill, order, or other matter is being read or opened; and in case of such noise or disturbance, Mr. Speaker shall call upon the member, by name, making such disturbance; and every such person may incur the displeasure and censure of the House.

109.—The several rules for maintaining order in debate are to be observed in every committee of the whole House, so far as the same may be applicable.

110.—Order shall be maintained in the House by Mr. Speaker, and in a committee of the whole House by the Chairman of such committee; but disorder in a committee can only be censured by the House, on receiving a report thereof.

111.—The Speaker or Chairman shall decide questions of order, subject to an appeal to the House: in explaining a point of order or practice, he shall state the rule or authority applicable to the case.

112.—Whenever Mr. Speaker rises during a debate, any member then speaking, or offering to speak, shall sit down, and the House shall be silent, so that Mr. Speaker may be heard without interruption.

113.—Every member against whom any charge has been made, having been heard in his place, shall withdraw while such charge is under debate.

Divisions.

114.—Whenever, during a debate, it shall appear to Mr. Speaker, or the Chairman of a committee, that the House or committee is prepared to vote, he shall ask, "Is the House (or committee) ready for the question?" If no member claims the right of speaking, and no demand to "call in the members" be made, Mr. Speaker or the Chairman shall put the question forthwith. If a member demand that the members be called in, Mr. Speaker or the Chairman shall summon the members within the precincts of the House to attend in their places, and shall wait three minutes before putting the question. No further debate shall be allowed after Mr. Speaker or the Chairman has put the question, or after the members have been summoned.

115.—A question, being put, shall be resolved in the affirmative or negative by the majority of voices, "Aye" or "No," and Mr. Speaker shall state whether, in his opinion, the "Ayes" or "Noes" have it. After Mr. Speaker or the Chairman has declared whether the "Ayes" or "Noes" have it, a division may be had, and the names taken down, upon the request of a member. After the Clerk has announced the number, the names of those who voted shall be read over upon the request of any member.

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116.—In case of an equality of votes, Mr. Speaker or the Chairman shall give a casting vote, and any reason stated by Mr. Speaker shall be entered in the Journal.

117.—No member is entitled to vote upon any personal question in which he has a direct pecuniary interest; and the vote of any member so interested shall be disallowed.

118.—No member shall be entitled to vote in any division, unless he was present in the House when the question was put; and the vote of any member who was not so present shall be disallowed.

119.—Every member present in the House when the question is put shall be required to vote; and in case he shall not have heard the question put, Mr. Speaker or the Chairman shall again state it to him.

Committees of the Whole House.

120.—A committee of the whole House shall be appointed by a resolution, "that this House will resolve itself into a committee of the whole House."

121.—When such a resolution has been agreed to, or an order read for the House to resolve itself into committee, Mr. Speaker shall put the question, "That I do now leave the chair," which being agreed to, he shall leave the chair accordingly.

122.—In forming a committee of the whole House, the Speaker, before leaving the chair, shall appoint a chairman to preside, who shall maintain order in the committee.

123.—When a bill or other matter (except Supply or Ways and Means) has been partly considered in committee, and the Chairman has been directed to report progress and ask leave to sit again, and the House has ordered that the committee shall sit again on a particular day, the Speaker, when the order for the committee has been read, shall forthwith leave the chair without putting any question, and the House shall thereupon resolve itself into such committee.

124.—So soon as Mr. Speaker has left the chair, the mace shall be placed under the table, and the Chairman shall take the chair of the committee at the table.

125.—A committee may consider such matters only as have been referred to them by the House.

126.—A motion made in committee need not be seconded.

127.—No motion for the previous question can be made in committee.

128.—In committee members may speak more than once to the same question.

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129.—The same order in debate is to be observed as in the House itself, so far as applicable.

130.—If any sudden disorder arise in committee, Mr. Speaker shall resume the chair without any question being put.

131.—Mr. Speaker shall also resume the chair if the time be come for holding a conference with the Council, or if a message be brought to attend His Excellency or his Commissioners in the Legislative Council.

132.—When all the matters referred to a committee have been considered, the Chairman shall report the same to the House.

133.—A motion may be made, during the proceedings of a committee, that the chairman do report progress and ask leave to sit again.

134.—A motion that the chairman leave the chair shall always be in order, and shall take precedence of any other motion.

135.—A motion that the chairman do now leave the chair will, if carried, supersede the further proceedings of a committee.

136.—The resolutions reported from a committee may be read a first and second time, and agreed or disagreed to by the House, or agreed to with amendments, or recommitted to the committee, or the further consideration thereof postponed.

Joint Committees.

137.—A committee may be appointed to join with a committee of the Legislative Council, and shall be called a "joint committee."

138.—When such committee is desired by the Assembly, they shall appoint a committee of a certain number of members to join with a committee of the Council. A message shall be sent to the Council acquainting them therewith, and requesting the Council "to appoint a number of Councillors to be joined with the members of this House."

139.—The committee of the House may be afterwards nominated, and a quorum ordered, and, in certain cases, power given them to send for persons, papers and records; and papers may be referred, and counsel ordered, as may be required.

140.—If the Council agree to the joint committee, and appoint a committee of a number of Councillors to join with the committee of the Assembly, and propose the time and place for the meeting, the committee of the Assembly shall be directed to meet the Councillors, as desired, and shall have power to agree to the appointment of a chairman.

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141.—When a joint committee is desired by the Legislative Council, and a message is sent to that effect, a number of members shall be appointed to be formed with a committee of the Council, with power to agree to a chairman, and a message shall be sent to the Council to acquaint them therewith.

Select Committees.

142.—No select committee may, without leave of the House, consist of more than seven members; such leave shall not be moved for without notice; and in the case of members proposed to be added or substituted after the first appointment of the committee, the notice is to include the names of the members proposed to be added or substituted.

143.—A select committee concerning the privileges of the House, or to draw up an address to His Excellency, or reasons for disagreeing to Council's amendments to bills, may be appointed at once, without notice.

144.—Lists of all members serving on select committees are to be fixed in some conspicuous place in the Clerk's office.

145.—To every question asked of a witness under examination in the proceedings of any select committee, the name of the member asking such question is to be prefixed in the minutes of the evidence.

146.—The names of members present each day on the sitting of any select committee are to be entered on the minutes of evidence, or on the minutes of the proceedings of the committee, as the case may be.

147.—In the event of any division taking place in any select committee, the question proposed, the name of the proposer, and the respective votes thereupon of each member present are to be entered on the minutes of evidence, or on the minutes of the proceedings of the committee (as the case may be), and reported to the House on the report of such committee.

148.—If, at any time during the sitting of a select committee of the House, a quorum of members be not present, the clerk of the committee is to call the attention of the chairman to the fact, who is thereupon to suspend the proceedings of the committee until a quorum be present, or to adjourn the committee to some future day.

149.—Members may be discharged from attending a select committee, and other members appointed.

150.—A majority of a committee shall be a quorum.

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151.—Whenever it may be necessary, a select committee shall have the power to send for persons, papers, and records.

152.—When a committee is examining witnesses, it may admit or exclude strangers at its pleasure; but shall always exclude them when deliberating.

153.—Members of the House may be present at the proceedings of a committee, except when the committee is deliberating.

154.—The chairman of a select committee may vote on any question, and may in addition have a casting vote when there is an equality of voices.

155.—A select committee may adjourn from time to time; and, by leave of the House, from place to place.

156.—Except by leave of the House, no select committee may sit during the sitting of the House.

157.—The Sergeant-at-Arms attending the House is, from time to time, when the House is about to open, to give notice thereof to all committees; and all proceedings of committees, after such notice, are declared to be null and void, unless such committees be otherwise empowered to sit after the House opens.

158.—The evidence taken by any select committee of this House, and documents presented to such committee, and which have not been reported to this House, shall not be published by any member of such committee, nor by any other person.

159.—By leave of the House, a committee may report its opinion or observations from time to time, or report the minutes of evidence only, or proceedings, from time to time.

160.—Every select committee may report its opinions and observations, together with the minutes of evidence taken before it, to the House, and also make a special report of any matters which it may think fit to bring to the notice of the House.

161.—The report of a committee shall be brought up by the Chairman, and shall be ordered to lie upon the table, or be otherwise dealt with as the House may direct.

Instructions to Committees.

162.—An instruction shall empower a committee of the whole House to consider matters not otherwise referred to them.

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163.—All committees of the whole House to which bills may be committed shall have power to make such amendments therein as they shall think fit, provided they be relevant to the subject-matter of the bill; but if any such amendments be not within the title of the bill, they shall amend the title accordingly, and report the same specially to the House.

164.—An instruction to a committee on a bill shall empower the committee to make provision therein; and may not be moved, if they already have power to make such provision.

165.—An instruction may be given to a committee to divide a bill into two or more bills, or to consolidate several bills into one.

166.—An instruction should ordinarily be moved after the order of the day has been read, and not as an amendment to the question that Mr. Speaker do now leave the chair.

167.—An instruction to a select committee may extend or restrict the order or reference.

Witnesses.

168.—Witnesses shall be summoned in order to be examined at the bar of the House, or before a committee of the whole House, or a select committee, by order of the House signed by the Clerk.

169.—When a witness is in the custody of the keeper of any prison, such keeper shall bring the witness, in safe custody, in order to his being examined, and so from time to time as often as his attendance shall be thought necessary; and Mr. Speaker shall issue his warrant accordingly.

170.—A committee having power to send for persons, papers, and records, shall summon witnesses by its own orders, signed by the chairman.

171.—If any witness shall not attend, pursuant to the order of a committee, his absence shall be reported, and the House may order him to attend the House; but such order may be discharged in case the witness shall have attended the committee before the time appointed for his attending the House.

172.—In any case, the neglect or refusal of a witness to attend in obedience to an order of the House, or of a committee having power to summon witnesses, may be censured, or otherwise punished, at the pleasure of the House.

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173.—When the attendance of a member is desired, to be examined by the House or by a committee of the whole House, he may be ordered to attend in his place.

174.—If a committee desire the attendance of a member as a witness, the chairman shall write to request him to attend.

175.—If any member of the House refuse, upon being sent to, to come to give evidence or information as a witness to a committee, the committee shall acquaint the House therewith, and not summon such member to attend the committee.

176.—If any information come before any committee that chargeth any member of the House, the committee shall only direct that the House be acquainted with the matter of such information, without proceeding further thereupon.

177.—When the attendance of a Legislative Councillor, or of an officer of the Legislative Council or of any committee thereof (not being a committee on a private bill) is desired, a message shall be sent to the Council requesting that leave be given to such Councillor or officer to attend, in order to his being examined accordingly upon the matters stated in such message.

178.—When a witness is examined by the House, or by a committee of the whole House, the bar shall be kept down.

179.—Mr. Speaker shall examine the witness, the mace being on the table; and any questions addressed by members are to be put through Mr. Speaker.

180.—In committee of the whole House, any member may put questions directly to the witness.

181.—When a witness is in custody at the bar, the mace being on the Sergeant's shoulder, he shall be examined by the Speaker alone, and no member is to speak.

182.—If any question be objected to, or other matter arise, Mr. Speaker may order the witness to withdraw while the same is under discussion.

183.—A member of the House shall be examined in his place.

184.—Legislative Councillors, Judges, or clergymen shall be introduced by the Sergeant, and have chairs placed for them within the bar.

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Messages between the two Houses.

185.—A Master-in-Chancery attending the Legislative Council shall be received as its messenger, and one of the clerks of either House may be the bearer of messages from one to the other.

186.—Messages so sent shall be received at the bar by one of the clerks of the House to which they are sent, or by a Master-in-Chancery in the Legislative Council, at any time whilst it is sitting or in committee, without interrupting the business then proceeding.

187.—As soon as any business proceeding when a message from the Council is received has been disposed of, Mr. Speaker shall communicate such message to the House.

Conferences.

188.—The House may communicate matters to the Council, or have matters communicated by it at a conference.

189.—A conference shall be desired by a message.

190.—In desiring a conference, the subject-matter thereof shall be stated.

191.—No conference is to be desired concerning any bill, or other matter, depending in the other House.

192.—Conference is to be required by that House which, at the time of the conference desired, shall be possessed of the bill, and not by any other House.

193.—In cases in which the Council disagrees to any amendments made by the Assembly, or insists upon any amendments to which the Assembly have disagreed, the Assembly will receive the reasons of the Council for disagreeing or insisting, (as the case may be), by message, without a conference, unless at any time the Council should desire to communicate the same at a conference.

194.—When a conference is agreed to, such agreement shall be communicated by message.

195.—The Council may appoint the time and place for every conference.

196.—The managers shall be named by the House.

197.—If either House should not insist upon its amendments, or its disagreement to amendments to any bill, after a conference, such resolution shall be communicated by a message.

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198.—After two conferences, a free conference may be desired, at which the differences between the two Houses may be discussed.

199.—The time for holding a conference being come, the names of the managers shall be called over, and they shall repair to the conference-chamber.

200.—No member is to presume to go out of the House till the managers are gone, and Mr. Speaker leaves the chair.

Public Bills.

201.—Every bill shall be brought in upon motion made and question put that leave be given to bring in such bill.

202.—Every bill not prepared pursuant to the order of leave, or according to the rules and orders of the House, shall be withdrawn.

203.—The first reading of every bill shall be proposed immediately after leave to introduce the same has been given.

204.—When any bill shall be presented by a member, in pursuance of an order of this House, or shall be brought from the Council, the question “that this bill be *now* read a first time” shall be decided without amendment or debate.

205.—A bill having been read a first time, shall be ordered to be read a second time on a future day, and shall forthwith be printed.

206.—On the order of the day being read for the second reading of a bill, a motion shall be made, and a question put, “that this bill be *now* read a second time.”

207.—Amendments may be moved to such question by leaving out “*now*,” and at the end of the question adding “three months,” “six months,” or any other time; or “that the bill be rejected.”

208.—No other amendment may be made to such question, unless the same be strictly relevant to the bill.

209.—A bill having been read a second time, shall be ordered to be committed to committee of the whole House; or, in certain cases, to a select committee.

210.—On the order of the day being read for the committee on a bill, a motion shall be made, and Mr. Speaker shall put the question, “that I do now leave the chair;” which being resolved in the affirmative, the House shall resolve itself into committee of the whole House on the bill; but where the committee has reported progress, the Speaker shall leave the chair without putting any question.

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211.—Amendments may be moved to the question for Mr. Speaker to leave the chair, by leaving out all the words after the word “that,” in order to add the words “this House will on this day three months (or six months), (or other time), resolve itself into the said committee”; or in order to add other words strictly relevant to the bill.

212.—An instruction may be moved to a committee on the bill, but cannot be moved by way of an amendment.

213.—Bills which may be fixed for consideration in committee on the same day, whether in progress or otherwise, may be referred together to a committee of the whole House, which may consider, on the same day, all the bills so referred to it, without the chairman leaving the chair on each separate bill; provided that, with respect to any bill not in progress, if any member shall object to its consideration together with other bills, the order of the day for the committee on such bill is to be postponed.

214.—In committee on a bill, the preamble shall stand postponed until after the consideration of the clauses, without question put.

215.—Any amendment may be made to a clause, provided the same be relevant to the subject-matter of the bill, or pursuant to any instruction, and be otherwise in conformity with the rules and orders of the House; but, if any amendment shall not be within the title of the bill, the committee shall amend the title accordingly, and report the same specially to the House.

216.—A question shall be put “that such clause stand part of the bill,” or “as amended stand part of the bill.”

217.—Any clause may be postponed, unless the same has already been amended.

218.—Postponed clauses shall be considered after the remaining clauses of the bill, and before any new clauses are brought up.

219.—If a clause be disagreed to, a new clause, in lieu thereof, may be brought up after the remaining clauses of the bill have been disposed of.

220.—New clauses shall be offered before the schedules of the bill are considered.

221.—New schedules may be offered after the original schedules of the bill have been disposed of, and shall be treated in the same manner as new clauses.

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222.—After every clause and schedule has been agreed to, and any new clauses or schedules added which are relevant to the subject-matter of the bill, or pursuant to any instruction, the preamble may be considered, and, if necessary, amended; and a question shall be put, “that this be the preamble of the bill.”

223.—No notice may be taken of any proceedings in a committee of the whole House, or in a select committee on a bill, until such bill has been reported.

224.—When all the clauses of a bill have not been considered, the chairman shall be directed to report progress, and ask leave to sit again.

225.—The bill having been fully considered, the chairman shall be directed to report the bill without amendment, or report the bill with the amendments, to the House.

226.—At the close of the proceedings of a committee of the whole House ~~on a bill~~, the chairman shall report the same forthwith to the House, with or without amendment, which report shall be received, and upon a motion for its adoption, any amendment may be proposed, and the questions upon the amendment and adoption of the report shall be disposed of forthwith without debate. A report from a committee of the whole upon a bill having been adopted, the bill shall be ordered to be read a third time on such future day as may be appointed by the House.

227.—Any clause containing any rates, penalties, or other blank, after having been read a second time, is also to be considered in committee before it is to be made part of the bill; but if any such clause be for increasing any burden upon the people, the bill is to be recommitted, and the clause proposed in committee on the bill.

228.—On consideration of the bill as amended, the bill may be ordered to be recommitted to a committee of the whole House, or to a select committee.

229.—The order for the third reading of a bill may be read and discharged, and the bill ordered to be recommitted.

230.—The order of the day being read for the third reading of a bill, a motion shall be made and question put “that this bill be *now* read a third time,” to which amendments may be moved, as on the second reading.

231.—No amendments, not being merely verbal, shall be made to any bill on the third reading.

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232.—After the third reading, and further proceedings thereon, the title of the bill may be agreed to, or amended and agreed to; and the bill passed without further question.

233.—The further proceedings on a third reading may be adjourned to a future day.

234.—The precise duration of every temporary law is to be expressed in a distinct clause at the end of the bill.

235.—When all the proceedings on a bill have been concluded, the Clerk shall be ordered “to carry the bill to the Council, and desire their concurrence;” or, when such bill has been brought from the Council, “to acquaint the Council that this House hath agreed to the same without amendment,” or “with amendments, to which amendments this House doth desire the concurrence of the Council.”

236.—When a bill is returned from the Council with amendments, such amendments shall be twice read, and agreed to, or agreed to with amendments, or disagreed to, or the further consideration thereof put off for three or six months, or the bill ordered to be laid aside.

237.—Council’s amendments to public bills shall be considered on a future day, unless the House shall order them to be considered forthwith.

Accounts and Papers.

238.—Accounts and papers may be *ordered* to be laid before the House.

239.—Whenever the House meets for the dispatch of business prior to the twentieth of February in any year, the public accounts for the preceding year, and the annual reports of all public institutions, shall be placed upon the table of the House before the first day of March; and whenever the House meets after the twentieth day of February, the said accounts and reports shall be laid upon the table before the expiration of ten days from the day of meeting.

240.—When His Excellency’s prerogative is concerned in any account or paper, an address may be presented, praying that the said account or paper may be laid before the House.

241.—Other papers may be presented by command of His Excellency, or pursuant to Act of the Legislature.

242.—When any account or paper is presented by a member, he shall, on being desired by Mr. Speaker, deliver it to the Clerk of the House.

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243.—Accounts and other papers which shall be required by any Act of the Legislature, or by any order of the House, to be laid before the House, shall be deposited in the office of the Clerk of this House, and the same shall be laid on the table, and a list of such accounts and papers read by the Clerk.

244.—Every account and paper may be ordered to lie upon the table, or referred to a committee.

245.—When papers are presented by command, or in pursuance of an order of the House, or in answer to an address, the same shall be laid upon the table in such a form as to ensure a speedy delivery thereof to the members.

246.—Accounts and papers may be ordered to be printed, whenever it is expedient.

247.—At the commencement of each session, a “select committee on contingencies” shall be appointed to assist Mr. Speaker in all matters which relate to the printing and reporting executed by order of the House, and for the purpose of selecting and arranging for printing returns and papers presented in pursuance of motions made by members, and also to deal generally with the contingent expenses of the Legislature.

Supply, and Ways and Means.

248.—All aids and supplies and aids to His Excellency in Legislature, are the sole gift of the Assembly; and all bills for the granting of any such aids and supplies ought to begin with the Assembly; and it is the undoubted and sole right of the Assembly to direct, limit, and appoint in such bills the ends, purposes, considerations, conditions, limitations, and qualifications of such grants; which ought not to be changed or altered by the Legislative Council.

249.—With respect to any bill brought to this House from the Legislative Council, or returned by the Legislative Council to this House with amendments, whereby any pecuniary penalty, forfeiture, or fee shall be authorized, imposed, appropriated, regulated, varied or extinguished, this House will not insist on its ancient and undoubted privileges in the following cases:—

- (1.) When the object of such pecuniary penalty or forfeiture is to secure the execution of the Act, or the punishment or prevention of offences.
- (2.) Where such fees are imposed in respect of benefit taken or service rendered under the Act, and in order to the

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execution of the Act, and are not made payable into the Treasury or Exchequer, or in aid of the public revenue, and do not form the ground of public accounting by the parties receiving the same, either in respect of deficit or surplus.

(3.) When such a bill shall be a private bill.

250.—This House will not insist on its privileges with regard to any clauses in private bills sent down from the Legislative Council which refer to tolls and charges for services performed, and are not in the nature of a tax.

251.—This House will not proceed upon any motion for a grant or charge upon the public revenue, or payable out of moneys to be provided by the Legislature, unless recommended by His Excellency.

252.—This House will not proceed upon any petition, motion, or bill, for granting any money, or for releasing or compounding any sum of money owing to the Crown, but in a committee of the whole House.

253.—If any motion be made in the House for any aid, grant, or charge upon the public revenue, or payable out of moneys to be provided by the Legislature, or for any charge upon the people, the consideration and debate thereof may not be presently entered upon, but it is to be adjourned until such further day as the House shall think fit to appoint, and then it is to be referred to a committee of the whole House before any resolution or vote of the House do pass thereon.

254.—The House will not proceed upon any motion for an address to the Crown, praying that any money may be issued, or that any expense may be incurred, except in a committee of the whole House.

255.—When several motions are offered, they shall be taken in the order in which the items to which they relate appear in the printed estimates.

256.—After a question has been proposed from the chair for omitting or reducing any item, no motion shall be made, or debate allowed upon any preceding item.

257.—When it has been proposed to reduce or omit items in a vote, the question shall be afterwards put upon the original vote, or upon the reduced vote, as the case may be.

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258.—The Chairman first called to the chair of the committee of supply, in a new Assembly, shall continue to take the chair of that committee and of the committee on ways and means until the Parliament shall be dissolved, and he shall be called the Chairman of the Committee on Ways and Means.

Motions and Questions.

259.—One day's notice shall be given of a motion for leave to present a bill, resolution, or address, for the appointment of any committee, or for the putting of a question; but this rule shall not apply to bills after their introduction, or to private bills, or to the times of meeting or adjournment of the House.

260.—Whenever the Speaker is of opinion that a motion offered to the House is contrary to the rules and privileges of Parliament, he shall apprise the House thereof immediately before putting the question thereon, and quote the rule or authority applicable to the case.

Proceedings on Bills.

261.—Every bill shall receive three several readings on different days, previously to being passed. On urgent or extraordinary occasions, a bill may, by leave of the House, be read twice or thrice, or advanced two or more stages in one day.

262.—When a bill is read in the House, the Clerk shall certify upon it the readings and the times thereof. After it has passed, he shall certify the same with the date at the foot of the bill.

263.—Every public bill shall be read twice in the House before committal or amendment.

264.—It shall be the duty of the Solicitor of this House to revise all public bills after their first reading, and to certify thereon that the same are correct; and the Solicitor shall be held responsible for the correctness of such bills, should they be amended.

Witnesses.

265.—The Clerk of the House is authorized to pay out of the contingent fund to witnesses summoned to attend before any committee of the House a reasonable sum per diem, to be determined by the Speaker, during their attendance, and a reasonable allowance for travelling expenses, upon any certificate or order of the chairman of the committee before which such witnesses have been summoned, but no witness shall be so paid unless a certificate shall first have been filed with the chairman of such committee, by some member thereof, stating that the evidence to be obtained from such witness is, in his opinion, material and important.

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Journal.

266.—A copy of the Journal of this House, certified by the Clerk, shall be delivered each day to His Excellency the Governor.

267.—This House doth consent that its Journal may be searched by the Legislative Council, in like manner as this House may, according to Parliamentary usage, search the Journal of the Legislative Council.

Printing.

268.—All bills shall be printed before the second reading.

Officers and Servants of the House.

269.—The hours of attendance of the respective officers of this House, and of the extra clerks employed during the session, shall be fixed from time to time by Mr. Speaker.

270.—It shall be the duty of the officers of this House, (including the Clerk and Clerk-Assistant) to complete and finish the work remaining at the close of a session.

271.—The Clerk of the House shall be responsible for the safe-keeping of all the papers and records of the House, and shall have the direction and control over all the officers and clerks employed in the offices, subject to such orders as he may from time to time receive from Mr. Speaker or the House.

272.—The Clerk of the House shall place on the Speaker's table every morning, previous to the meeting of the House, the order of the proceedings for the day, and shall cause a printed copy to be laid upon the desk of every member of the House.

273.—The Sergeant-at-Arms attending this House shall be responsible for the safe-keeping of the mace, furniture, and fittings thereof, and for the conduct of the messengers and inferior servants of the House.

274.—If any member shall take notice that strangers are present, Mr. Speaker, or the Chairman (as the case may be), shall forthwith put the question "that strangers be ordered to withdraw," without permitting any debate or amendment: provided that the Speaker or Chairman whenever he thinks proper, may order the withdrawal of strangers.

275.—Any stranger admitted into any part of the House or gallery, who shall misconduct himself, or shall not withdraw when strangers are directed to withdraw, while the House, or any committee of the whole House, is sitting, shall be expelled by the Serjeant-at-Arms or the servants of the House, acting under the orders of the Speaker.

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Miscellaneous.

276.—No member of this House shall be permitted to engage, either by himself or any partner, in the management of private bills before this House or the Legislative Council, for pecuniary reward.

277.—No member shall bring forward, promote, or advocate in this House, any proceeding or measure in which he may have acted or been concerned for or in consideration of any pecuniary fee or reward.

278.—In all contracts extending over a period of years, and creating a public charge, actual or prospective, entered into by the Government, there shall be inserted the condition that the contract shall not be binding until it has been approved of by a resolution of the House.

279.—Every such contract, when executed, shall forthwith, if the Legislature be then sitting, (or, if the Legislature be not then sitting, within fourteen days after it assembles), be laid upon the table of the House, accompanied by a minute of Council or statement setting forth the grounds on which they have proceeded in authorizing it.

Library.

280.—A proper catalogue of the books belonging to the library shall be kept by the librarian, in whom the custody and responsibility thereof shall be vested, and who shall be required to report to the House through Mr. Speaker, at the opening of each session, the actual state of the library.

281.—No person shall be entitled to resort to the library during a session of the Legislature, except the Governor, the Administrator, the members of the Executive Council and of the Legislature, and the officers of both Houses, and such other persons as may receive a written order of admission from the Speaker of the House. Members may personally introduce strangers to the library during the day-time, but not after the hour of seven o'clock, p.m.

282.—During a session of the Legislature, no books belonging to the library shall be taken out of the building, except by the authority of the Speaker, or upon a receipt given by a member of either House.

283.—During recess of the Legislature, the library and reading room shall be open every day in each week, Sundays excepted, from the hour of ten in the morning till three in the afternoon; and access to the library shall be permitted to persons introduced by a member of either House, or admitted at the discretion of the Clerk or Libra-

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rian, subject to such regulations as may be deemed necessary for the security and preservation of the collection; but no one shall be allowed to take any book out of the library, except members of either House, and such others as may be authorized by the Speaker of the House.

284.—During the recess of the Legislature, no member of either House, not residing in St. John's, shall be at liberty to borrow or have in his possession at any one time, more than three volumes from the library; or to retain the same for a longer period than one month.

285.—No person who may be privileged by card from the Speaker of the House to borrow books from the library shall be allowed to have in his possession more than two volumes at any one time, or to retain the same longer than two weeks, and such person shall return the books so taken when required by the Librarian.

286.—No books of reference, or books of special cost or value, may be removed from the Library under any circumstances.

287.—At the beginning of each session, a committee of five members, to be called the Library Committee, of which Mr. Speaker shall be chairman, shall be appointed. Such committee shall advise and assist Mr. Speaker in the control of the library, and shall have power to sit out of session, and until a new one has been appointed.

288.—At the first meeting of the Library Committee at every session of the Legislature, the Librarian shall report a list of the books absent at the commencement of the session, specifying the names of any persons who have retained the same in contravention of any of the foregoing rules.

289.—The Clerk of this House is authorized to subscribe for the newspapers published in the Colony and for such other papers, British and foreign, as may from time to time be directed by the committee.

Private Bills.

290.—All applications for private bills, whether for the erection of a bridge, the making of a railroad, turnpike road, or telegraph line; the construction or improvement of a harbor, canal, lock, dam, or slide, or other like work; the granting of a right of ferry; the incorporation of any particular trade or calling, or of any banking or other joint-stock company; or otherwise for granting to any individual or individuals any exclusive or peculiar rights or privileges whatever, or for doing any matter or thing which in its operation would affect the rights of other parties, or relate to any particular class of the community; or for making any amendment of a like nature to any former Act, shall require a notice clearly and distinctly specifying the

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nature and object of the application, and (except in the case of existing corporations), signed on behalf of the applicants, to be published in the *Royal Gazette* and one other newspaper. Such notices shall be continued in each case for a period of at least one month during the interval of time between the close of the preceding session and the consideration of the petition; and copies of newspapers containing the first and last insertion of such notice shall be sent by the parties inserting such notice to the Clerk of the House to be fyled in the committee room.

291.—All private bills for Acts of incorporation shall be so framed as to incorporate by reference the clauses of the general Acts relating to the details to be provided for by such bills;—special grounds shall be established for any proposed departure from this principle, or for the introduction of other provisions as to such details, and a note shall be appended to the bill indicating the provisions thereof in which the general Act is proposed to be departed from; bills which are not framed in accordance with this rule shall be re-cast by the promoters, and reprinted at their expense, before any committee passes upon the clauses.

292.—Petitions for private bills, when received by the House, are to be taken into consideration by the select committee, which is to report in each case whether the rules with regard to notice have been complied with; and in every case where the notice shall prove to have been insufficient, either as regards the petition as a whole, or any matter therein which ought to have been specially referred to in the notice, the committee is to recommend to the House the course to be taken in consequence of such insufficiency of notice.

293.—All private bills from the Legislative Council (not being based on a petition which has already been so reported on by a select committee of the House) shall be first taken into consideration and reported on by the said committee in like manner, after the first reading of such bills.

294.—No motion for the suspension of the rules upon any petition for a private bill shall be entertained unless the same has been reported upon by a select committee on such petition.

295.—All private bills shall be introduced on petition, and presented to the House upon a motion for leave, after such petition has been favorably reported on by a select committee.

296.—When any bill for confirming any letters-patent or agreement is presented to the House, a true copy of such letters-patent or agreement must be attached to it.

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297.—Any person seeking to obtain any private bill giving any exclusive privilege or profit, or private or corporate advantage, or for any amendment of any former Act, shall be required to deposit with the Clerk of the House a copy of such bill with a sum sufficient to pay for printing the same. The applicant shall be also required to pay a sum of \$50, and lodge the receipt for the same with the clerk of the committee to which such bill is referred—such payment to be made immediately after the first reading and before the second reading. Out of such deposit shall be paid the fees specified in sections 298 and 299, and the balance, if any, shall be returned to the depositor; and should the aforesaid sum be insufficient to discharge the dues upon a private bill, the applicant therefor shall deposit the balance before the third reading of such bill.

Solicitor's Fees.

298.—Drafting bill	\$10 00
Examining drafted bill	5 00
Attending bill during its various stages.....	5 00

Fees of Clerk and Assistant.

	Clerk.	Ass't Clerk.
299.—For every petition	\$1 50	\$0 75
For every notice.....	1 50	0 75
For each reading	1 50	0 75
For first committal.....	1 50	0 75
For every subsequent committal.....	0 75	0 37
For engrossing, per folio of 90 words.....	0 25	0 12
Sending bill to the Legislative Council.....	1 50	0 75
On Governor's assent.....	1 50	0 75

300.—One-half the foregoing fees on private bills returned from the Legislative Council with amendments shall be chargeable only on the respective stages through which the amendments shall pass.

301.—One-half of the said fees shall be chargeable on bills originating with the Legislative Council, excepting therefrom the charge for engrossing and drafting.

302.—All other fees, not included in the foregoing scale, shall be allowed and payable on the taxation of the Speaker.

303.—Every private bill, when read a second time, shall be referred to a select committee, and all petitions for or against such bill shall also be referred to such committee.

304.—No committee on any private bill originating in this House, of which notice is required to be given, is to consider the same until after one week's notice of the sitting of such committee has been first affixed in the lobby; nor, in the case of any such bill originating in the Council, until after three days' like notice.

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305.—On the day of the posting of any bill under these rules, the Clerk of the House shall cause a notice of such posting to be appended to the printed proceedings of the day.

306.—All persons whose interest or property may be affected by any private bill, shall, when required so to do, appear before the select committee touching their consent, or may send such consent in writing, proof of which may be demanded by such committee. And in every case, the committee upon any bill for incorporating a body may require proof that the persons whose names appear in the bill as composing such body are of full age, and in a position to effect the objects contemplated, and have consented to become incorporated.

307.—All questions before a committee on a private bill shall be decided by a majority of voices, including the voice of the chairman; and whenever the voices are equal, the chairman shall have a second or casting vote.

308.—It shall be the duty of the committee to which any private bill may be referred by the House to call the attention of the House specially to any provision inserted in such bill that does not appear to have been contemplated in the notice for the same.

309.—The committee to which a private bill may have been referred shall report the same to the House, in every case; and when any material alteration has been made in the preamble of the bill, such alteration, and the reasons for the same, are to be stated in the report.

310.—When the committee on any private bill report to the House that the preamble of such bill has not been proved to their satisfaction, they must also state the grounds upon they have arrived at such decision; and no bill so reported upon shall be placed upon the order of the day, unless by special order of the House.

311.—Private bills otherwise reported to the House by such committee shall be placed upon the order of the day following the reception of the report, for consideration in committee of the whole in their proper order next after amendments made by the Council on House bills.

312.—The chairman of the committee shall sign with his name at length a printed copy of the bill, on which the amendments are fairly written, and shall also sign, with the initials of his name, the several amendments made and clauses added in committee; and another copy of the bill, with the amendments written thereon, shall be prepared by the clerk of the committee, and fyled or attached to the report.

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313.—When any private bill is returned from the Council with amendments, the same not being merely verbal or unimportant, such amendments shall, previous to the second reading, be referred to the select committee to which such bill was originally referred.

314.—In cases of urgent and pressing necessity, a motion for the suspension or modification of any rule applying to private bills or petitions for private bills may be entertained by the House.

315.—A book, to be called the "Private Bill Register," shall be kept, in which book shall be entered by the Clerk of the House, the name, description, and place of residence of the parties applying for the bill, or their agent, and all the proceedings thereon from the petition to the passing of the bill; such entry to specify briefly each proceeding in the House or in any committee to which the bill or the petition may be referred, and the day on which the committee is appointed to sit—such book to be open to public inspection, daily, during office hours.

316.—The Clerk of the House shall cause lists of all private bills and petitions for such bills, upon which any committee is appointed to sit, to be prepared daily by the clerk of the committee to which such bills are referred, specifying the time of the meeting and the room where the committee shall sit, and shall cause such lists to be hung up in the lobby.

317.—Every Parliamentary agent conducting proceedings before the House of Assembly shall be personally responsible to the House and to the Speaker for the observance of the rules, orders and practice of Parliament and rules prescribed by the Speaker respecting such proceedings, and also for the payment of all fees and charges; and he shall not act as a Parliamentary agent until he shall have received the express sanction and authority of the Speaker.

318.—Any agent who shall wilfully act in violation of the rules and practice of the Legislature, or of any rules to be prescribed by the Speaker, or who shall wilfully misconduct himself in prosecuting any proceeding before the Legislature, shall be liable to an absolute or temporary prohibition to practice as a Parliamentary agent, at the pleasure of the Speaker; provided that, upon the application of such agent, the Speaker shall state in writing the ground for such prohibition.

319.—All rules and orders heretofore existing in this House are hereby repealed.

EXTRACTS FROM "REPRESENTATION ACT," 1890.

ANNO QUINQUAGESIMO TERTIO VICTORIÆ REGINÆ.**CHAPTER XII.****Of the Representation in the House of Assembly, and of the powers and privileges thereof.**

[PASSED 11TH JUNE, 1890.]

IV.—The House may establish rules for its government and the attendance of its members and the conduct of its business, and may alter, amend, and repeal the same: Provided that no such rules shall be altered, amended, or repealed, except by a vote of two-thirds of the members of such House: Provided also that no rule or order of such House shall affect in any way by fine or imprisonment any member of such House; and provided that no such rule or order, or anything in this Act shall, or shall be construed to limit or restrict the liberty and privilege of speech or debate of such House, or any rights or privileges of such House now existing. The rules and orders of such House existing at the time this Act shall come into operation shall continue in force until altered, amended or repealed. All orders and rules of such House existing at the time this Act shall come into operation shall have the force and effect of law, until altered, amended, or repealed by the House in manner aforesaid.

V.—Upon any enquiry touching the privileges, immunities, or powers of the House of Assembly, or of any of the committees or members thereof, respectively, any copy of the Journals of such House printed, or purporting to be printed, by the order of the same, shall be admitted as *prima facie* evidence of such Journals by all Courts, Justices, and others, without any proof being given that such copy was so printed.

VI.—The House, or any committee, may require that facts, matters and things relating to the subject of enquiry before the House or such committee be verified or otherwise ascertained by the oral examination of witnesses, and may examine such witnesses upon oath; and for that purpose the Speaker or Clerk of the House, or the Chairman or Clerk of such committee, may administer an oath in the form following, or to the like effect, to any such witness:—

“The evidence you shall give to the House (or committee) touching (stating here the matter *then under consideration*) shall be the truth, the whole truth, and nothing but the truth. SO HELP YOU GOD.”

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VII.—Where witnesses are not required to be orally examined before the House or a committee thereof, any oath, affirmation, declaration, or affidavit in writing, which is required to be made or taken by or according to any rule or order of such House or committee, and in respect of any matter or thing pending or proceeding before such House or committee, may be made and taken before the Clerk of the House, any Commissioner for taking affidavits in the Supreme Court, or any Notary Public.

VIII.—Any person examined before the House or any committee thereof, who shall wilfully give any false testimony on any question material to the subject-matter which the House or such committee is then engaged in investigating or enquiring into, shall be guilty of the crime of perjury, and on indictment therefor and conviction thereof before the Supreme Court, be subject to the penalties now attaching to the crime of perjury.

IX.—The House may at all times command and compel the attendance before the House, or before any committee thereof, or before any joint committee of the Legislative Council and the House, of such person, and the production of such papers and things, as such House or committee may deem necessary for any of its proceedings or deliberations. Any person neglecting or refusing to attend, or to produce such papers and things before such House or committee, shall be guilty of a violation of this Act: Provided that no person shall be liable to produce any paper or document which he would not be compelled to produce in a Court of Justice, or from the production of which he may be privileged by law.

X.—The following acts, matters and things are prohibited, and shall be deemed infringements of this Act:—

- (1.) Assaults upon members of the House during any session of the Legislature ;
- (2.) Obstructing, threatening, or attempting to force or intimidate members of the House ;
- (3.) The refusal or failure of any officer of the House or other person to obey any rule, order, or resolution of the House ;
- (4.) The offering to, or acceptance by, any member, of a bribe to influence him in his proceedings as such member ;
- (5.) Assaults upon, or interference with, the officers of the House while in the execution of their duty ;
- (6.) Tampering with any witness in respect to his evidence to be given to the House or any committee thereof, or directly or indirectly endeavoring to deter or hinder any person appearing or giving evidence ;

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- (7.) Presenting to the House, or to any committee thereof, any forged or falsified document with intent to deceive such House or committee;
- (8.) Forging, falsifying, or unlawfully altering any of the records of the House or of any committee, or any document or petition presented or fyled, or intended to be presented or fyled before such House or committee, or the setting or subscribing by any person of the name of any other person to such document or petition with intent to deceive.

XI.—No person shall be liable in damages or otherwise for any act done under authority of the House and within its legal power or under or by virtue of any warrant issued under such authority. All such warrants may command the aid and assistance of sheriffs, bailiffs, constables, and others; and every refusal or failure to give such aid or assistance, when required, shall be an infringement of this Act.

XII.—No member of the House shall be liable to any civil action or prosecution, arrest, imprisonment, or damages, by reason of any matter or thing brought by him by petition, bill, resolution, motion, or otherwise, or said by him before such House.

XIII.—It shall be lawful in every civil proceeding against any person for printing any extract from, or abstract of, any report, paper, votes on proceedings of the House, to give in evidence (under the general issue or denial) such report, paper, votes on proceedings, to show that such extract or abstract was published *bona fide* and without malice; and if such shall be the opinion of the Court, or of the jury, as the case may be, judgment shall be rendered or a verdict shall be entered for the defendant.

XIV.—In this Act the word "House" shall mean the House of Assembly of Newfoundland, and the word "committee" shall mean any standing or select committee of the House, or any joint committee of the Legislative Council and the House.

XV.—An persons violating sections 9 and 10 of this Act shall, upon conviction, be subject to a penalty not exceeding one hundred dollars, and, in default of payment, to be imprisoned for such time, (not exceeding three months), during the session of the Legislature then being held, as may be determined by the House.

XVI.—Proceedings for enquiry into any violation of the said sections shall be had and taken by the House or a committee thereof, and the warrant or summons of the Speaker, or Chairman of such committee, shall have the effect and force of a summons or warrant of a Stipendiary Magistrate.

[*The proceedings upon the passing of the above rules and orders will be found on page 176 of the Journal, May 29th, 1890.*]

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