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OF THE
ISLAND OF NEWFOUNDLAND.



By His Excellency WALTER EDWARD DAVIDSON, Esquire,
Companion 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.

First Session of the Twenty-Third General
Assembly, 1914.

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PROCLAMATION.

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

GEORGE *the* FIFTH, *by the Grace of*
GOD, *of the United Kingdom of*
Great Britain and Ireland, and
of the British Dominions beyond
the Seas, King, Defender of the
Faith, Emperor of India.

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 Legislative 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 WALTER ED-
WARD DAVIDSON, Esquire, Companion of the
Most Distinguished Order of Saint Michael and
Saint George, Governor and Commander-in-
Chief in and over Our said Island of Newfound-
land and its Dependencies, at St. John's, in
Our said Island of Newfoundland, this 27th day
of May, A.D., 1913.

By His Excellency's Command,

R. WATSON,
Colonial Secretary.



PROCLAMATION.

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

By His Excellency WALTER EDWARD DAVIDSON, Esquire, *Companion 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 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 said 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 Colony, *for the despatch of business*, on WEDNESDAY, the FOURTEENTH day of JANUARY, next, of which all persons concerned therein are hereby required to take due notice and govern themselves accordingly.

Given under my Hand and Seal, at the Government House, Saint John's, this 30th day of December, A.D., 1913.

By His Excellency's Command,

JOHN R. BENNETT,
Colonial Secretary.

Legislative Council of Newfoundland.

First Session of the Twenty-Third General Assembly.

WEDNESDAY, January, 14th 1914

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

The House met.

PRESENT :

The Honourable JOHN HARRIS,
President.

The Honourables GEORGE SKELTON,
ROBERT K. BISHOP,
SAMUEL MILLEY,
MARMADUKE G. WINTER,
PATRICK T. McGRATH.

At three o'clock p.m. the Honourable John Harris, President of the Legislative Council, the Honourable George Skelton, and the Honourable R. K. Bishop, members of the Legislative Council, nominated and appointed by His Excellency the Governor as Commissioners, having taken their seats the Honourable the President commanded the Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod attendant on the Council, to proceed to the Honourable House

of Assembly and inform the members thereof that His Excellency the Governor's Commissioners desire their immediate attendance in the Council Chamber to hear the Commission read ; and they being come thereto the following Commission was read by the Clerk of the Legislative Council :

By His Excellency WALTER EDWARD
DAVIDSON, *Esquire, Com-
panion of the Most Dis-
tinguished Order of St.
Michael and St. George,
Governor and Commander-
in-Chief in and over the
Island of Newfoundland and
its Dependencies.*

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

*To the Honourable JOHN HARRIS, President of
the Legislative Council, the Honourable
GEORGE SKELTON, and the Honourable
ROBERT K. BISHOP, Members of the Legis-
lative Council, Greeting :*

Whereas I have deemed it expedient that the First Session of the Twenty-third General Assembly should be opened for the despatch of business on Wednesday, the Fourteenth day of this instant month, whereof I have given notice in my Proclamation dated the 30th day of December last ; 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 House of Assembly have

proceeded to the choice of a Speaker, you the said Honourable JOHN HARRIS, Honourable GEORGE SKELTON, and Honourable ROBERT K. BISHOP, are hereby authorized and directed to signify to the Members of the said House of Assembly, on the Fourteenth day of January, instant, that it is my pleasure that they should proceed to the choice of some proper person to be their Speaker, and present such person on the following day for my approbation.

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

By His Excellency's Command,

JOHN R. BENNETT,

Colonial Secretary,

The Honourable JOHN HARRIS, President of the Legislative Council, addressing both Houses of the Legislature, then said :—

Honourable Gentlemen of the Legislative Council :

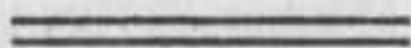
Gentlemen of the Honourable House of Assembly :

It is not convenient for His Excellency the Governor to declare the reasons of his calling this General Assembly on this day and it being necessary that a Speaker of the House of Assembly should be first chosen :

You Gentlemen of the House of Assembly repair to the place where you are to sit and there proceed to the appointment of some proper person to be your Speaker and present such person whom you shall so choose here to-morrow at Three o'clock for His Excellency's approbation.

The House of Assembly then withdrew.

On motion made the House adjourned until to-morrow, Thursday, January 15th, at a quarter to three o'clock p.m.



THURSDAY, January 15th, 1914.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

PRESENT :

The Honourable JOHN HARRIS,

President.

The Honourables JAMES ANGEL,

GEORGE SKELTON,

GEORGE KNOWLING,

JAMES BAIRD,

JOHN B. AYRE,

ROBERT K. BISHOP,

JAMES D. RYAN,

JOHN ANDERSON,

JOHN HARVEY,

SAMUEL MILLEY,

MICHAEL P. GIBBS, K.C.,

WILLIAM C. JOB,

J. ALEX. ROBINSON,

MARMADUKE G. WINTER,

PATRICK T. McGRATH,

AUGUSTUS F. GOODRIDGE,

JAMES RYAN,

JOHN J. MURPHY,

MICHAEL F. POWER,

At three o'clock p.m. His Excellency the Governor, Walter Edward Davidson, Esquire, Companion of the Most Distinguished Order of St.

Michael and St. George, having arrived at the Council Chamber, and being seated on the Throne, commanded the Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod, through the Honourable the President of the Legislative Council, to let the House of Assembly know—

“It is His Excellency the Governor’s pleasure that they attend him immediately in this House.”

Who being come thereto—

John R. Goodison, Esquire, Member for the District of Carbonear, having been presented by the Right Honourable Sir Edward Morris, Premier, as Speaker Elect, and the choice approved, and the usual privileges claimed and granted, His Excellency the Governor was pleased to speak as follows :—

Mr. President and Honourable Gentlemen of the Legislative Council :

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

I welcome you with pleasure at this, the opening of the Twenty-third General Assembly, and I trust that your labours, under Divine Providence, will tend toward a continuance of the gratifying conditions of prosperity and contentment now so general amongst our people.

I availed myself of the opportunities during the past year to visit different parts of the country and familiarize myself with the industries of the

people and the resources of the Island. It was a great pleasure to me to find the evidences of well-being every where manifest, and to note the industrial progress made in the different localities, and I take pleasure in expressing the hope that these happy circumstances will long continue, and that still other avenues of employment will open up, to enable the people further to improve their material position, and to add to the wealth of the community. I was specially gratified to observe the increased interest in agriculture, and to learn that developments in this respect are but the forerunner, it is believed, of still further efforts to raise at home larger quantities of many of the foodstuffs now partly procured from other countries.

Feeling confident that in so doing I was but voicing the wishes of the Legislature and the people of Newfoundland, I recently extended an invitation to their Royal Highnesses the Duke and Duchess of Connaught to visit this country during the coming summer, if their engagements will permit, and you will rejoice to know that they have promised to do so if it is at all possible. I am confident that, should they find themselves able to come to Newfoundland, they will receive the whole-hearted welcome that always goes out to members of the Royal Family from the people of the Oldest Colony.

You have been summoned thus early in the year in the belief that a session at this season, when virtually undivided attention can be given to

public business, will operate to the general advantage.

The General Election held in October last was, it is pleasing to note, marked on the whole by a continuation of the good order and peaceful discussion characteristic of such contests hitherto, a fact affording strong testimony to the law-abiding character of the people.

The fishing industry last year in its various branches was, I rejoice to say, attended with success. The catch of codfish was about an average one and the prices realized were good. The returns from the seal fishery were considerably in excess of those of 1912. Though the lobster pack was small, the high prices which ruled helped to offset the shortage. The outlook in the foreign markets, moreover, is encouraging, and the recent change in the American Tariff Law, by which our fishery products are admitted free to the markets of the United States, will help materially to maintain prices as well as stimulate the export of green fish.

The agricultural prospect, viewed in the light of last year's operations, is most gratifying. The number of agricultural societies is increasing, and the stimulus imparted to the industry by their activity warrants the belief that, as the years go by, this pursuit will be much more widely practiced. The results of the distribution of improved stock and seeds during the past few years are becoming apparent, and each season increasing numbers of our people are widening the scope of their activities

in this regard as disclosed by the encouraging exhibits at the series of exhibitions held in the various districts, some of which exhibitions it was my good fortune to open.

The volume and value of our exports are being swollen each year by the constantly increasing output of the mining companies at Bell Island and of the pulp and paper companies in the Exploits Valley, while, of course, the high prices obtained for our fishery products are a chief contributory to our economic stability. The output of iron ore for the calendar year amounted to one million, four hundred and fifty-eight thousand, five hundred and twenty-five tons, valued at one million six hundred and four thousand dollars, against one million, one hundred and seventy-six thousand, five hundred and ninety tons for the previous calendar year, and a similar increase is estimated for the year just opened. The export of pulp and paper for the fiscal year amounted to two million, four hundred thousand dollars, as against one million, six hundred thousand dollars for the previous year, and figures for the past six months show an output from this source valued at one million, nine hundred thousand dollars, so that the exports of these commodities will probably represent a very large increase at the end of June next over the shipments for the twelve months which ended in June, 1913.

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

The revenue for the fiscal year 1912-13 was substantially in excess of that for the previous

year and resulted in a surplus of over one hundred and fifteen thousand dollars. The revenue for the first half of the current fiscal year is below the estimate, the removal of the duties from certain necessaries of life last session having had the effect of lessening the Customs receipts. As the expected increase in duties paid on additional imports of other articles has not been realized, proposals will be submitted to you at an early date to adjust the equilibrium between revenue and expenditure, without, however, departing from the principles embodied in last session's enactment, namely, that the producing classes should have, so far as possible, the necessaries of life untaxed.

The estimates for the public service will be laid before you in due course. They have been prepared with regard to economy and the efficient administration of the public service.

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

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

In view of the increasing cost of coal to our people, the price of which has been enhanced because of the advance in wages paid to those mining it in Cape Breton and the ever-growing demand for coal in Canada, the Government have decided to make a further effort to determine whether our own coal deposits are commercially workable, and have invited Professor Dunstan, Director of the Imperial Institute, London, to visit

this country and thoroughly examine our carboniferous areas. He has promised to come here early this season, and besides undertaking this duty will also study the possibilities of our oil shale, of which extensive deposits exist near the line of railway now being built to Bonne Bay. The requirements of the British Admiralty for oil fuel for the navy make it evident that if these shale beds are what we hope, an industry of immense magnitude may be inaugurated.

The lack of an assured supply of bait is one of the greatest drawbacks to the expansion of our cod-fishing industry, and now, with the employment of motor boats, which is becoming more general, the possibilities of a much larger annual catch are increased, and the need of an adequate bait supply becomes all the greater. My Ministers are giving attention to this matter, and have already taken steps towards securing the fullest information as to how Norway and other countries are grappling with this problem; and it is proposed, as soon as this information is completed, to take such action with regard thereto as may seem desirable in the endeavour to meet the situation in our own midst.

Railway extension during the year has been rapid and eminently satisfactory. The equivalent of sixty-four miles of railway has been completed. The Trepassey branch has been all but finished and is now being operated to Renew's on schedule time. The early summer months ought to be sufficient to have this line brought up to contract specification so that the autumn may see the en-

tire branch operated. The Heart's Content branch has also been practically completed and will be operated early in the present year. The Bay de Verde branch has been graded, the rails and ballasting far advanced, and some of the stations built. It should be ready for operation in the early fall. The Fortune Bay branch has been graded for sixteen miles, and rails laid to the fifteenth mile, but not yet ballasted. The Bonne Bay branch was commenced late in the season and the work done to date is but preliminary.

It is encouraging to observe that your efforts to attract the attention of outside capitalists to the varied and natural resources of the country are gradually bearing fruit. My Ministers are at present in negotiation with the representative of a large group of British investors with a view to the utilization of some of the vast water powers of Labrador and the establishment of very large industries calculated to afford permanent employment to numbers of our people, and to reproduce in that land the transformation that has been effected in our own Island in recent years.

My Ministers have also been for some time, and are at present, engaged in negotiating with British capitalists for the construction of a railway from Notre Dame Bay to Bay of Islands, and for the establishment of a train-ferry service between Bay of Islands and the eastern seaboard of Canada, for the purpose of establishing better transport facilities and of developing the fishing industry of the Island.

It is now somewhat over fifteen years since the prosecution of the whale fishery was revived in this country. During that period a feeling has grown amongst our fishermen that the carrying on of this industry is detrimental to our great fishery, the cod, as well as to our bait supplies of caplin and squid. It is important that this question should be promptly enquired into, and if the fears of our people are well grounded, measures must be adopted to remove the evil. My Ministers propose to have an investigation made into that matter immediately.

The House of Assembly withdrew.

His Excellency retired.

The Minutes of yesterday, January 14th, were read.

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

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Anderson—

Ordered,—That a Select Committee be appointed to draft an Address to His Excellency the Governor in reply to his gracious Speech,

And—

Ordered,—That the Honourables Messrs. Anderson, Murphy, Dr. Skelton, James D. Ryan, and James Angel be a Committee for that purpose.

On motion made the House adjourned until Monday next, the 19th day of January, at half-past four o'clock p.m.



MONDAY, January 19th, 1914.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

PRESENT :

The Honourable JOHN HARRIS,

President.

The Honourables JAMES ANGEL,

ROBERT K. BISHOP,

JAMES D. RYAN,

JOHN ANDERSON,

JOHN HARVEY,

SAMUEL MILLEY,

MICHAEL P. GIBBS, K.C.

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AUGUSTUS F. GOODRIDGE,

JAMES RYAN,

JOHN J. MURPHY,

MICHAEL F. POWER.

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

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

“The Governor has the honour to communicate to the Honourable Legislative Council the appointment of the Commissioners of Internal Economy of the Legislature, in accordance with the provisions of the Statute 61 Victoria, Cap. 1, as set forth in the accompanying certified copy of a Minute of the Honourable Executive Council approved by the Governor on the 6th instant.

W. E. DAVIDSON,
Governor.

Government House,
St. John's, Nfld.,
16th January, 1914.”

Certified copy of Minutes of the Honourable Executive Council approved by His Excellency the Governor on the 6th January, 1914.

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

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

(Certified True Copy),

ARTHUR MEWS,
Dep. Col. Secy.

The Honourable Mr. Anderson, from the Select Committee appointed to prepare an Address in

Reply to the Speech of His Excellency the Governor, reported a Draft of the same, which was received and read a first time (short), and

On motion of the Honourable Mr. Anderson the said Address was read a second time (at length) and

Ordered,—That the Address do now pass—and---

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

The Address is as follows :---

To His Excellency WALTER EDWARD DAVIDSON, ESQUIRE, Companion of the Most Distinguished Order of St. Michael and St. George, Governor and Commander-in-Chief in and over the Island of Newfoundland and its Dependencies :

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY,---

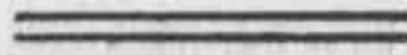
We the Legislative Council of Newfoundland in Session convened, beg leave to thank Your Excellency for the Gracious Speech which you have addressed to both Houses of the Legislature.

The several matters contained in Your Excellency's Speech shall receive our earnest attention.

JOHN HARRIS,
President.

Council Chamber, January 19, 1914.

On motion made the House adjourned until Thursday, next, January 22nd., at eleven o'clock a.m.



THURSDAY, January 22nd, 1914.

PRESENT :

The Honourable JOHN HARRIS,

President.

The Honourable the President declared the House adjourned until to-morrow, Friday, January 23rd., at eleven o'clock a.m., for want of a quorum.



FRIDAY, January 23rd., 1914.

PRESENT :

The Honourable JOHN HARRIS,

President.

The Honourable the President declared the House adjourned until to-morrow, Saturday, January 24th., at eleven o'clock a.m., for want of a quorum.



SATURDAY, January 24th., 1914.

PRESENT :

The Honourable JOHN HARRIS,

President.

The Honourable the President declared the House adjourned until Monday, January 26th., at eleven o'clock a.m., for want of a quorum.

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MONDAY, January 26th, 1914.

PRESENT:

The Honourable JOHN HARRIS,

President.

The Honourable the President declared the House adjourned until to-morrow, Tuesday, January 27th, at eleven o'clock a.m., for want of a quorum.

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TUESDAY, January 27th, 1914.

PRESENT :

The Honourable JOHN HARRIS,

President.

The Honourable the President declared the House adjourned until to-morrow, Wednesday, January 28th., at eleven o'clock a.m., for want of a quorum.



WEDNESDAY, January 28th, 1914.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

PRESENT :

The Honourable JOHN HARRIS,

President.

The Honourables JAMES ANGEL,

GEORGE SKELTON,

ROBERT K. BISHOP,

JAMES D. RYAN,

JOHN ANDERSON,

JOHN HARVEY,

SAMUEL MILLEY,

WILLIAM C. JOB,

J. ALEX. ROBINSON,

MARMADUKE G. WINTER,

PATRICK T. McGRATH,

JAMES RYAN,

PHILIP TEMPLEMAN,

MICHAEL F. POWER.

The Minutes of Monday, January 19th ; Thursday, January 22nd ; Friday, January 23rd ; Saturday, January 24th ; Monday, January 26th ; and Tuesday, January 27th, were read.

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

Resolved,—That the Legislative Council hereby records its deep regret for the recent demise of

the Honourable James S. Pitts, C.M.G., an event which has deprived the Council of an esteemed and able member; and the community of a gentleman, who, during a long and prosperous commercial career, had acquired the confidence of the public; and whose character, both in public and private life, was unimpeachable.

Resolved,—That the Council deeply sympathize with the family of the late Honourable Mr. Pitts in their affliction; and that a copy of these Resolutions be sent to Mrs. Pitts in token of their sympathy.

Resolved,—That the Council do now adjourn until Monday next, at half-past four o'clock as a mark of respect for the memory of their late brother member.

Then the House adjourned until Monday next, February 2nd, at half-past four o'clock, p.m.



MONDAY, February 2nd., 1914.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

PRESENT :

The Honourable JOHN HARRIS,

President.

The Honourables JAMES BAIRD,

ROBERT K. BISHOP,

JAMES D. RYAN,

JOHN ANDERSON,

SAMUEL MILLEY,

J. ALEX. ROBINSON,

MARMADUKE G. WINTER,

AUGUSTUS F. GOODRIDGE,

PHILIP TEMPLEMAN,

JOHN J. MURPHY,

MICHAEL F. POWER.

The Minutes of Wednesday, January 28th., were read.

The Honourable the President informed the Council that the Governor would receive the Address in Reply to His Excellency's Speech on to-morrow, Tuesday, at half-past eleven o'clock a.m.

The Honourable Mr. Bishop presented to the House the following document :

Regulations under the provisions of the Act 3 George V., Cap. 28, entitled "An Act respecting the Assistance of Sufferers in Marine Disasters," approved by His Excellency the Governor-in-Council on the 20th January, 1914.

Ordered,—To lie on the Table.

The Honourable Mr. Bishop also presented to the House the following Report of the Commission of the Internal Economy of the Legislature, which was read by the Clerk :

TO THE HONOURABLE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL,—

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

Mr. B. E. S. Dunfield has been appointed Supervisor of Debates in the House of Assembly together with the following reporters :—Messrs. C. E. Hunt, L. E. Emerson, R. T. McGrath, M. J. Mulcahy, F. R. Emerson, and James Trebble.

Mr. J. A. Winter has been appointed Supervisor of Debates in the Legislative Council together with the following reporters :—Messrs. Rendell Jeans, Thos. D. Carew, Thos. J. Foran.

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

The printing of the journals and sessional papers of the House of Assembly has been assigned to 'The Evening Herald' and the printing of the journals and sessional papers of the Legislative Council has been assigned to 'The Daily News.'

The printing and publishing of a Hansard for this Session has been awarded to 'The Daily News.'

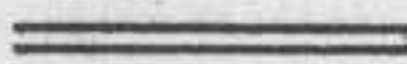
Respectfully Submitted,

JOHN HARRIS,
Chairman.

Legislative Council,
St. John's, Newfoundland,
Thursday, January 22nd., 1914.

*Ordered,--*To lie on the Table.

On motion made the House adjourned until tomorrow, Tuesday, February 3rd., at eleven o'clock a.m.



TUESDAY, February 3rd, 1914.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

PRESENT :

The Honourable JOHN HARRIS,

President ;

The Honourables JAMES ANGEL,

GEORGE SKELTON,

GEORGE KNOWLING,

JOHN B. AYRE,

ROBERT K. BISHOP,

JAMES D. RYAN,

JOHN ANDERSON,

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PATRICK T. McGRATH,

AUGUSTUS F. GOODRIDGE,

PHILIP TEMPLEMAN,

JOHN J. MURPHY,

MICHAEL F. POWER.

The Minutes of Monday, February 2nd, were read.

At half-past eleven o'clock the Council proceeded to Government House with the Address in

Reply to the Speech of His Excellency the Governor.

At a quarter to twelve o'clock the House having returned, the Honourable the President reported that His Excellency had been pleased to receive the said Address and return an answer thereto in the following words:—

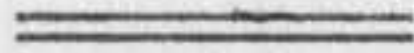
“ Mr. President and Honourable Gentlemen of the Legislative Council :

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

W. E. DAVIDSON,
Governor.

3rd February, 1914.”

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



FRIDAY, February 6th, 1914.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

PRESENT :

The Honourable JOHN HARRIS,

President ;

The Honourables JAMES ANGEL,

GEORGE SKELTON,

JAMES BAIRD,

ROBERT K. BISHOP,

JAMES D. RYAN.

JOHN HARVEY,

SAMUEL MILLEY,

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J. ALEX. ROBINSON,

PATRICK T. McGRATH,

AUGUSTUS F. GOODRIDGE,

PHILIP TEMPLEMAN,

JOHN J. MURPHY,

MICHAEL F. POWER,

The Minutes of Tuesday, February 3rd, were read.

The Honourable the President informed the House that he had received the following communication, thanking the Council for their kind Resolutions of sympathy upon the death of the late Hon. James S. Pitts, C.M.G., M.L.C. :

“ SUTHERLAND PLACE,

February 3rd, 1914.

Mrs. Pitts and family desire to convey their thanks and appreciation of the Resolutions of deep regret and sympathy of the Legislative Council upon the recent demise of the Hon. James S. Pitts, C.M.G., M.L.C.”

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

“ MR. PRESIDENT :

The House of Assembly acquaint the Legislative Council that they have passed the Bills entitled, respectively, ‘ An Act to amend Chapter 109 of the Consolidated Statutes (Second Series) entitled “ Patents ; ” ’ and ‘ An Act to amend 6, Edward VII., cap. 3, entitled, “ The Aliens Act, 1906, ” ’ in which they request the concurrence of the House of Assembly.

J. R. GOODISON,

Speaker.

February 6th, 1914.”

On motion of the Honourable Mr. Bishop the Bills sent up entitled respectively---“ An Act to amend Chapter 109 of the Consolidated Statutes (Second Series) entitled ‘ Patents ’ ” and---“ An Act to amend 6, Edward VII, Cap. 3, entitled ‘ The Aliens’ Act, 1906’ ”---

were severally read a first time---and---

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

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

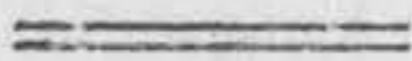
Report of the Examinations conducted by the Council of Higher Education, Newfoundland, 1913 ;

Report of the Postmaster General for the year ended June 30th, 1913.

The Honourable Mr. Bishop, presented to the House the Report of the Commissioners in Lunacy for the year 1913, which was read by the Clerk---and---

Ordered,---To lie on the Table.

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



MONDAY, February 9th, 1914.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

PRESENT :

The Honourable JOHN HARRIS,
President.

The Honourables ROBERT K. BISHOP,
JAMES D. RYAN,
JOHN ANDERSON,
JOHN HARVEY,
SAMUEL MILLEY,
J. ALEX. ROBINSON,
MARMADUKE G. WINTER,
PATRICK T. McGRATH.
AUGUSTUS F. GOODRIDGE,

The Minutes of Friday, February 6th., were read.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day---and---

On motion of the Honourable Mr. Bishop the Bills sent up entitled respectively---“ An Act to amend Chapter 109 of the Consolidated Statutes (Second Series) entitled ‘ Patents ’ ”---and---“ An Act to amend 6, Edward VII, Cap. 3, entitled ‘ The Aliens’ Act, 1906 ’ ”---were severally read a second time---and---

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

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

“ MR. PRESIDENT :

The House of Assembly acquaint the Legislative Council that they have passed the Bills entitled respectively---“ An Act respecting the Exhibition of Advertisements,” “ An Act further to amend the Newfoundland Dental Act,” and “ An Act to amend and consolidate the law relating to the protection of Animals” ; in which they request the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

J. R. GOODISON,

Speaker.

House of Assembly,
Feb. 9th., 1914.”

On motion of the Honourable Mr. Bishop the Bills sent up entitled respectively :

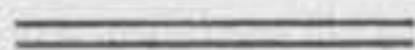
“ An Act to amend and Consolidate the Law for Protection of Animals” ;

“ An Act respecting the Exhibition of Advertisements” ; and

“ An Act further to amend the Newfoundland Dental Act” ; were severally read a first time---and---

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

On motion made the House adjourned until to-morrow, Tuesday, February 10th., at half-past four o'clock p.m.



TUESDAY, February 10th, 1914.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

PRESENT :

The Honourable JOHN HARRIS,
President.

The Honourables JAMES ANGEL.

ROBERT K. BISHOP,

JAMES D. RYAN,

JOHN ANDERSON,

JOHN HARVEY,

MICHAEL P. GIBBS, K.C.,

J. ALEX. ROBINSON,

MARMADUKE G. WINTER,

PATRICK T. McGRATH,

AUGUSTUS F. GOODRIDGE,

PHILIP TEMPLEMAN,

JOHN J. MURPHY,

MICHAEL F. POWER,

The Minutes of Monday, February 9th, were read.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day and on motion of the Honourable Mr. Bishop, the House went into Committee on the Bill sent up, entitled, "An Act to amend Chapter 109 of the Consolidated Statutes (Second Series) entitled, "Patents."

The Honourable Mr. Anderson in the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

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

Ordered,—That the Report be received.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day and on motion of the Honourable Mr. Bishop, the House went into Committee on the Bill sent up entitled “An Act to amend 6, Edward VII, Cap. 3, entitled ‘The Aliens’ Act, 1906.’”

The Honourable Mr. Robinson in the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported the Bill without amendment.

Ordered,—That the Report be received—and—

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

Pursuant to the Order of the Day and on motion of the Honourable Mr. Bishop the Bills sent up entitled respectively :

“An Act to amend and Consolidate the Law for Protection of Animals”—and—

“An Act respecting the Exhibition of Advertisements”; were severally read a second time—and—

Ordered,---To be severally committed tomorrow.

On motion of the Honourable Mr. Bishop---

Ordered,---That the consideration of the Bill sent up entitled " An Act further to amend ' The Newfoundland Dental Act,' " be deferred until tomorrow.

On motion made the House adjourned until Thursday next, February 12th., at half-past four o'clock p.m.



THURSDAY, February 12th, 1914.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

PRÉSENT :

The Honourable JOHN HARRIS,

President.

The Honourables JAMES ANGEL,

JAMES BAIRD,

JAMES D. RYAN,

JOHN HARVEY,

SAMUEL MILLEY,

MICHAEL P. GIBBS, K.C.,

WILLIAM C. JOB,

J. ALEX. ROBINSON,

MARMADUKE G. WINTER,

PATRICK T. McGRATH,

AUGUSTUS F. GOODRIDGE,

JOHN J. MURPHY,

The Minutes of Tuesday, February 10th, were read.

The Honourable the President informed the Council that he had received the following communications from Government House :

“ GOVERNMENT HOUSE,

St. John's, Newfoundland,

10th February, 1914.

SIR,—I am desired by the Governor to inform

you that His Excellency has granted leave of absence to the Honourable R. K. Bishop from his duties in the Legislative Council, for the remainder of the session. I have &c.,

[SGD.] W. H. DAVENPORT,
Private Secretary.

The Honourable the President of the Legislative Council."

" GOVERNMENT HOUSE,
St. John's, Newfoundland,
11th February, 1914.

SIR,---I am desired by the Governor to inform you that His Excellency has granted leave of absence for the remainder of the session of the Legislative Council, to the Honourable Mr. George Knowling, and the Hon. Mr. John Anderson.

I have &c.,
[SGD.] W. H. DAVENPORT,
Private Secretary.

The Honourable the President of the Legislative Council."

Pursuant to the Order of the Day and on motion of the Honourable Mr. Gibbs, the Bill sent up entitled " An Act to amend 6 Edward VII cap. 3, entitled ' The Aliens' Act, 1906,'" was read a third time and passed and the Honourable the President signed the same.

*Ordered,---*To be sent to the House of Assembly with message that this House had passed

the said Bill without amendment.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day and on motion of the Honourable Mr. Gibbs the House went into Committee on the Bill sent up entitled "An Act to amend Chapter 109 of the Consolidated Statutes (Second Series) entitled 'Patents.'"

The Honourable Mr. Milley in the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

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

Ordered,---That the Report be received.

On motion of the Honourable Mr. Gibbs---

Ordered,---That the consideration of the Bill sent up entitled "An Act to amend and Consolidate the Law for Protection of Animals," be deferred until to-morrow.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day and on motion of the Honourable Mr. Gibbs, the House went into Committee upon the Bill sent up entitled "An Act respecting the Exhibition of Advertisements."

The Honourable Mr. Murphy in the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported the Bill without amendment.

Ordered,—That the Report be received, and,

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

Pursuant to the Order of the Day and on motion of the Honourable Mr. Gibbs the Bill sent up entitled “ An Act further to amend ‘ The Newfoundland Dental Act’ ” was read a second time--- and---

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

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

“ MR. PRESIDENT :

The House of Assembly acquaint the Legislative Council that they have passed the Bill entitled ‘ An Act relating to the Inspection of Food in St. John’s, ’ in which they request the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

J. R. GOODISON,
Speaker.

House of Assembly,
February 11th., 1914.”

On motion of the Honourable Mr. Gibbs the Bill sent up entitled “ An Act relating to the Inspection of food in St. John’s,” was read a first time, and---

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

On motion made the House adjourned until tomorrow, Friday, February 13th, at half-past four o'clock p.m.



FRIDAY, February 13th, 1914.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

PRESENT :

The Honourable JOHN HARRIS,

President.

The Honourables JAMES D. RYAN,

JOHN HARVEY,

SAMUEL MILLEY,

MICHAEL P. GIBBS, K.C.,

J. ALEX. ROBINSON,

MARMADUKE G. WINTER,

PATRICK T. McGRATH,

AUGUSTUS F. GOODRIDGE,

JAMES RYAN,

PHILIP TEMPLEMAN,

JOHN J. MURPHY,

MICHAEL F. POWER.

The Minutes of Thursday, February 12th., were read.

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

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

Pursuant to the Order of the Day and on motion of the Honourable Mr. Gibbs the House went into Committee on the Bill sent up entitled "An Act to amend Chapter 109 of the Consolidated Statutes (Second Series) entitled 'Patents.'"

The Honourable Mr. Milley in the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

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

Ordered,---That the Report be received.

On motion of the Honourable Mr. Gibbs---

Ordered,---That the consideration of the Bill sent up entitled "An Act to amend and consolidate the law for Protection of Animals," be deferred until to-morrow.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day and on motion of the Honourable Mr. Gibbs the House went into Committee on the Bill sent up entitled "An Act further to amend 'The Newfoundland Dental Act.'"

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

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported the Bill without amendment.

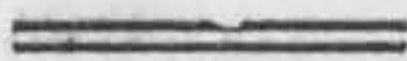
Ordered,---That the Report be received, and

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

Pursuant to the Order of the Day and on motion of the Honourable Mr. Gibbs the Bill sent up entitled “ An Act Relating to the Inspection of Foods in the City of St. John’s ” was read a second time, and

Ordered,—To be committed to-morrow.

On motion made the House adjourned until Monday next, February 16th, at four o’clock p.m.



MONDAY, February 16th., 1914.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

PRESENT :

The Honourable JOHN HARRIS,

President.

The Honourables JAMES ANGEL,

JAMES D. RYAN,

JOHN HARVEY,

SAMUEL MILLEY,

MICHAEL P. GIBBS, K.C.,

WILLIAM C. JOB,

J. ALEX. ROBINSON,

MARMADUKE G. WINTER,

PATRICK T. McGRATH,

AUGUSTUS F. GOODRIDGE,

PHILIP TEMPLEMAN,

MICHAEL F. POWER.

The Minutes of Friday, February 13th., were read.

On motion of the Honourable Mr. Gibbs the following Resolutions were unanimously adopted :

“ The Council having learned of the recent death of Mrs. Skelton, wife of the Honourable George Skelton, a Member of this House,---

Resolved,---That the Council hereby sincerely condoles with the Honourable Dr. Skelton in the loss he has sustained by the death of his estimable and amiable wife.

Resolved,---That a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to the Honourable Dr. Skelton as a mark of sympathy with him in his sad bereavement."

Pursuant to the Order of the Day and on motion of the Honourable Mr. Gibbs, the Bill sent up entitled "An Act further to amend 'The Newfoundland Dental Act,' " was read a third time and passed and the Honourable the President signed the same.

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

Pursuant to the Order of the Day and on motion of the Honourable Mr. Gibbs the House went into Committee on the Bill sent up entitled "An Act to amend Chapter 109 of the Consolidated Statutes (Second Series) entitled 'Patents.'"

The Honourable Mr. Milley in the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported the Bill with an amendment.

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

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

On motion of the Honourable Mr. Gibbs,—

Ordered,—That the consideration of the Bill sent up entitled “An Act to amend and consolidate the law for Protection of Animals,” be deferred until to-morrow.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day and on motion of the Honourable Mr. Gibbs the House went into Committee on the Bill sent up entitled “An Act relating to the Inspection of Foods in the City of St. John’s.”

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

After some time the House resumed.

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

Ordered,—That the Report be received.

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

“ MR. PRESIDENT :

The House of Assembly acquaint the Legislative Council that they have passed the Bills entitled respectively, “An Act to amend Chapters 40 and 41 of the Consolidated Statutes, respecting the Storage and Carrying of Gunpowder and other

explosives ;” and “ An Act for the Protection and Growth of Partridge Berries ;” in which they request the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

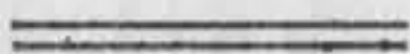
J. R. GOODISON,
Speaker.

House of Assembly,
February 16th., 1914.”

On motion of the Honourable Mr. Gibbs the Bills sent up entitled respectively “ An Act for the Protection and Growth of Partridge Berries ”—and— “ An Act to amend Chapters 40 and 41 of the Consolidated Statutes respecting the Storage and Carrying of Gunpowder and other Explosives,” were severally read a first time—and—

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

On motion made the House adjourned until to-morrow, Tuesday, February 17th., at four o'clock p.m.



TUESDAY, February 17th, 1914.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

PRESENT:

The Honourable JOHN HARRIS,
President.

The Honourables JAMES ANGEL,
JOHN B. AYRE,
JAMES D. RYAN,
JOHN HARVEY,
SAMUEL MILLEY,
MICHAEL P. GIBBS, K.C.
WILLIAM C. JOB,
J. ALEX. ROBINSON,
MARMADUKE G. WINTER,
PATRICK T. McGRATH,
AUGUSTUS F. GOODRIDGE,
MICHAEL F. POWER.

The Minutes of Monday, February 16th, were read.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day and on motion of the Honourable Mr. Gibbs the Bill sent up entitled "An Act to amend Chapter 109 of the Consolidated Statutes (Second Series) entitled 'Patents'", as amended, was read a third time and passed, and the Honourable the President signed the same.

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

The amendment is as follows :—

Add as new section 2 the following :

“ 2. Section 19 of the said Chapter as amended
“ by the Act 2 Ed. VII, Cap. 2, is hereby further
“ amended by the addition of the words ‘ Notary
“ Public ’ after the words ‘ Consular Agent ’ in the
“ said Section.”

On motion of the Honourable Mr. Gibbs the consideration of the Bill for the Protection of Animals was deferred until to-morrow.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day and on motion of the Honourable Mr. Gibbs the House went into Committee on the Bill sent up entitled “ An Act relating to the Inspection of Foods in the City of St. John’s.”

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

After some time the House resumed.

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

Ordered,—That the Report be received.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day and on

motion of the Honourable Mr. Gibbs the Bills sent up entitled respectively :

“ An Act for the Protection and Growth of Partridge Berries”;—and—“ An Act to amend Chapters 40 and 41 of the Consolidated Statutes respecting the Storage and Carrying of Gunpowder and other explosives ” ; were severally read a second time—and---

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

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

FRIDAY, February 20th, 1914.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

PRESENT :

The Honourable JOHN HARRIS,

President.

The Honourables JAMES ANGEL,

GEORGE SKELTON,

JAMES BAIRD,

JOHN B. AYRE,

JAMES D. RYAN,

JOHN HARVEY,

SAMUEL MILLEY,

MICHAEL P. GIBBS, K.C.,

WILLIAM C. JOB,

J. ALEX. ROBINSON,

MARMAJUKE G. WINTER,

PATRICK T. McGRATH,

AUGUSTUS F. GOODRIDGE,

MICHAEL F. POWER,

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

The Honourable the President informed the House that he had received the following communication from the Honourable Dr. Skelton :

“ The Honourable the President and Members of

the Legislative Council :

GENTLEMEN,---I am deeply touched by the Resolution of Condolence passed by the Council, and by the expression of their sympathy with me in my bereavement which they have so kindly forwarded to me. Kindly accept my heartfelt thanks for the same.

[SGD.] GEO. SKELTON, M. L. C.
"Placenza," King's Bridge Road,
February 17th., 1914."

On motion of the Honourable Mr. Gibbs the consideration of the following Bills was deferred until to-morrow :

A Bill entitled ' An Act to amend and Consolidate the Law for Protection of Animals.'

A Bill entitled " An Act relating to the Inspection of Foods in the City of St. John's "----
and---

A Bill entitled " An Act for the Protection of the Growth of Partridge Berries."

Pursuant to the Order of the Day and on motion of the Honourable Mr. Gibbs the House went into Committee on the Bill sent up entitled " An Act to amend Chapters 40 and 41 of the Consolidated Statutes (second series) respecting the Storage and Carrying of Gunpowder and other Explosives."

The Honourable Mr. Angel in the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

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

Ordered,—That the Report be received.

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

“ MR. PRESIDENT :

The House of Assembly acquaint the Legislative Council that they have passed the amendment sent down in and upon the Bill entitled ‘ An Act to amend Chapter 109 of the Consolidated Statutes (second series) entitled “ Patents ” ’ without amendment.

J. R. GOODISON,
Speaker.

House of Assembly,
February 19th., 1914.”

“ MR. PRESIDENT :

The House of Assembly acquaint the Legislative Council that they have appointed a Select Committee consisting of Rt. Hon. the Prime Minister, the Minister of Marine and Fisheries, Mr. Kent, the Minister of Finance and Customs, Mr. Moulton, Mr. Hickman, and the Speaker, on the subject of Fishery Resolutions (herewith accompanying); and they request that the Legislative

Council will appoint a Select Committee of their Body to co-operate with that from the House of Assembly on the subject.

J. R. GOODISON,
Speaker.

House of Assembly,
February 19th., 1914."

"*Resolved*,—That it is the opinion of this Committee that it is desirable that an enquiry should be made forthwith, and evidence taken on oath if necessary, to ascertain the best means of

- (a)—Encouraging the cure of fish, whether by establishing a cull or standard in the purchase of the same or otherwise ;
- (b)—Standardizing or branding all fish when exported from Newfoundland or Labrador.
- (c)—Protection and propagation of lobsters ;
- (d)—Protection of the seal fishery by the establishment of a close season if found necessary, or otherwise ;
- (e)—Conserving our bait fishes ;
- (f)—Ascertaining if the prosecution of the whale fishery tends to injure the fishery ;
- (g)—Preserving for our fishermen bait fishes.

Resolved,—That it is the opinion of this Committee that the matters referred to in the foregoing

Resolutions be referred to a joint Select Committee of this House and the Honourable the Legislative Council.

J. R. GOODISON,
Speaker.

House of Assembly,
February 19th., 1914."

On motion of the Honourable Mr. Gibbs,—

Ordered,—That a Select Committee of this House be appointed to co-operate with the Select Committee of the House of Assembly on the subject of certain Fishery Resolutions and that the Honourables Messrs. Harvey, Job, Winter, Goodridge, McGrath, James Ryan, Templeman, and President be a Committee for that purpose.

Ordered,—That a message be sent to the House of Assembly to this effect.

On motion made the House adjourned until Tuesday next, February 24th., at four o'clock p.m.

TUESDAY, February 24th, 1914.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

PRESENT :

The Honourable JOHN HARRIS,

President ;

The Honourables JAMES ANGEL,

GEORGE SKELTON,

JAMES BAIRD,

JOHN B. AYRE,

JAMES D. RYAN,

JOHN HARVEY,

SAMUEL MILLEY,

MICHAEL P. GIBBS, K.C.,

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J. ALEX. ROBINSON,

MARMADUKE G. WINTER,

PATRICK T. McGRATH,

AUGUSTUS F. GOODRIDGE,

PHILIP TEMPLEMAN,

MICHAEL F. POWER.

The minutes of Friday, Feb. 20th, were read.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day and on motion of the Honourable Mr. Gibbs, the House went into Committee on the Bill sent up entitled "An Act to amend and Consolidate the Law for the Protection of Animals."

The Honourable Mr. Milley in the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

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

Ordered,—That the Report be received.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day and on motion of the Honourable Mr. Gibbs, the House went into Committee on the Bill sent up entitled “An Act relating to the Inspection of Foods in the City of St. John’s.”

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

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported the Bill with some amendments.

Ordered,—That the Report be received—
and—

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

Pursuant to the Order of the Day and on motion of the Honourable Mr. Gibbs the House went into Committee on the Bill sent up entitled “An Act for the Protection of the Growth of Partridge Berries.”

The Honourable Mr. Angel in the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

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

Ordered,---That the Report be received.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day and on motion of the Honourable Mr. Gibbs the House went into Committee on the Bill sent up entitled "An Act to amend Chapters 40 and 41 of the Consolidated Statutes (second series) respecting the Storage and Carrying of Gunpowder and other Explosives."

The Honourable Mr. Angel in the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

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

Ordered,---That the Report be received.

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

" MR. PRESIDENT :

The House of Assembly acquaint the Legislative Council that they have passed the Bills entitled respectively---" An Act to amend 55 Victoria, Cap. 2, entitled ' An Act to regulate the Prosecution of the Seal Fishery; ' " An Act to provide for the Investigation of Combines and Monopolies ; " An Act to apply to this Colony the Law

of England in relation to the suppression of what is known as the White Slave Traffic"; and "An Act to amend the Law relating to the Representation in the House of Assembly"; in which they request the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

J. R. GOODISON,
Speaker.

House of Assembly,
February 24th., 1914."

On motion of the Honourable Mr. Job the Bill sent up entitled "An Act to amend 55 Victoria, cap. 2, entitled 'An Act to regulate the Prosecution of the Seal Fishery'" was read a first time, and

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

On motion of the Honourable Mr. Gibbs the Bills sent up entitled respectively "An Act to provide for the Investigation of Combines and Monopolies"; "An Act to amend the Law relating to Representation in the House of Assembly";—and—"An Act to apply to this Colony the Law of England in relation to the Suppression of what is known as the White Slave Traffic;"

were severally read a first time, and

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

On motion made the House adjourned until Thursday next, February 26th, at four o'clock, p.m.

THURSDAY, February 26th, 1914.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

PRESENT :

The Honourable JOHN HARRIS,

President.

The Honourables JAMES ANGEL.

GEORGE SKELTON,

JAMES BAIRD,

JOHN B. AYRE,

JAMES D. RYAN.

JOHN HARVEY,

SAMUEL MILLEY,

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PATRICK T. McGRATH,

AUGUSTUS F. GOODRIDGE,

JAMES RYAN,

PHILIP TEMPLEMAN,

MICHAEL F. POWER.

The Minutes of Tuesday, February 24th, were read.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day and on motion of the Honourable Mr. Gibbs the Bill sent up entitled "An Act relating to the Inspection of Foods in the City of St. John's," as amended, was

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

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

The amendments are as follows:—

1st section, 7th line: After the word mustard insert the words “or any other article.”

Same section, sub-section (2), 13th line: Strike out the word “etc.” Same sub-section, same line: Insert the words “or other article.”

Section 2, 7th line: After the word “mustard” strike out the word “etc.”

Section 6, 1st line: After the word “meat” strike out the word “fish.”

Section 7, sub-section (1), 4th line: After the word “all” insert the word “reasonable.”

Same section, sub-section (2), 7th line: After the word “aprons” insert the words “or overalls.”

Same sub-section, 8th line: After the word “spitting” strike out the words “on the floors of any” and insert in lieu thereof the word “about.”

Same sub-section, last line: After the word “prohibited” insert the words “except into a suitable receptacle provided for the purpose.”

Section 8, sub-section 3, 4th line: After the word "year" strike out the rest of the sub-section.

Same section, sub-section (6), second line: After the word "spit" strike out the words "on the floors" and insert in lieu thereof the words "about the premises except into a suitable receptacle provided for the purpose."

Section 13, 12th line: After the word "penalty" strike out the word "of" and insert in lieu thereof the words "not exceeding."

Same section, same line: After the word "dollars" insert the words "or in default of payment to imprisonment for a period not exceeding thirty days."

Same section, 13th line: After the word "person" insert the words "taking or."

Section 14, at the end thereof: After the word "dollars" insert the words "or in default of payment to imprisonment for a term not exceeding one month."

Section 15, 3rd line: After the word "food" strike out the words "named in section one of" and insert in lieu thereof the words "under."

Section 16, 4th line: After the word "within" strike out the words "the day" and insert in lieu thereof the words "seven days."

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

into Committee on the Bill sent up entitled "An Act to amend and consolidate the law for the Protection of Animals."

The Honourable Mr. Milley in the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported the Bill with some amendments.

Ordered,—That the report be received, and

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

Pursuant to the Order of the Day and on motion of the Honourable Mr. Gibbs, the House went into Committee on the Bill sent up entitled "An Act for the protection of the growth of Partridge Berries."

The Honourable Mr. Angel in the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported the Bill with an amendment.

Ordered,—That the report be received, and

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

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

Act to amend Chapters 40 and 41 of the Consolidated Statutes (second series) respecting the storage and carrying of Gunpowder and other Explosives."

The Honourable Mr. Angel in the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported the Bill with some amendments.

Ordered,--That the report be received, and

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

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Honourable Mr. Job moved that the Bill sent up entitled "An Act to amend 55 Vic., cap. 2, entitled 'An Act to regulate the Prosecution of the Seal Fishery,'" be now read a second time.

After a long debate--

Ordered,--That the further debate on the said Bill be put off until to-morrow.

On motion of the Honourable Mr. Gibbs:

Ordered,--That the consideration of the remaining Bills on the Order of the Day be deferred until to-morrow.

On motion made the House adjourned until to-morrow, Friday, February 27th, at three o'clock p.m.

FRIDAY, February 27th., 1914.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

PRESENT :

The Honourable JOHN HARRIS,

President.

The Honourables JAMES ANGEL,

GEORGE SKELTON,

JAMES BAIRD,

JOHN B. AYRE,

JAMES D. RYAN,

JOHN HARVEY,

SAMUEL MILLEY,

MICHAEL P. GIBBS, K.C.,

WILLIAM C. JOB,

J. ALEX. ROBINSON,

MARMAJUKE G. WINTER,

PATRICK T. McGRATH,

AUGUSTUS F. GOODRIDGE,

JAMES RYAN,

PHILIP TEMPLEMAN,

The Minutes of Thursday, February 26th.,
were read.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day and on
motion of the Honourable Mr. Gibbs, the Bill sent
up entitled " An Act to amend and Consolidate the
Law for the Protection of Animals" as amended,

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

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

The amendments are as follows :—

1. In section 1 subsection (d) strike out the word “ animal ” and substitute the word “ it.”

In subsection (d) strike out the word “ any ” and add the word “ or ” and the words “ excuse, administer, or cause or procure or being the owner permit the administration of any poisonous or injurious drug or substance to any animal, or shall wilfully, without any such substance to.”

In subsection (e) after the word “ the ” add the words “ owner shall permit to be subjected any animal to.” In subsection “ 3 ” substitute the word “ killing ” for the word “ destruction.”

2. In Section “ 2 ” substitute “ Justice of the Peace ” for “ Stipendiary Magistrate.”

3. In Section 3 substitute for “ provided that ” the word “ but ” and strike out “ be liable upon the application of person aggrieved.”

4. In Section “ 7 ” strike out the words “ in his own view or upon the complaint and information of any other person who shall declare his or her name or place of abode to the said con-

stable," and substitute the words " he has reason to believe."

5. In Section " 8 " substitute " Justice " for " Magistrate " and after the word " owner " add the words " or possessor."

6. Strike out the first paragraph of Section " 11 " and add the second paragraph of Section 11 to Section 10, and in the said paragraph after the word " contravene " add the words " or permitting contravention of " and striking out the words " Section 10 or Section 11 " and substituting the words " this Section."

7. Strike out Section 12.

8. In Section 13 strike out the words " or likely to do " and add after the word " damage " " or causing unreasonable annoyance ; " and in lieu of the words " wanton and unreasonable " substitute the words " violation of Section 1 of this Act."

8. (a) In Section 15 add words " or constable " and substitute " 25 " for " 10."

9. In Section 17 substitute the words " Minister of Finance and Customs " for the words " Receiver General." In Section 17, strike out the words " the person upon whose complaint the proceedings shall have been begun " and substitute the words " The Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals."

10. Strike out Section 18 and substitute in lieu thereof : “ 18. In every case of conviction under this Act, where the penalty, or the amount awarded as compensation or damages (with costs if any) shall not be paid immediately on conviction, or within such time as the Justice shall appoint, the same may be recovered by distress of the offender’s goods and chattels; or the Justice may commit him to prison, with or without hard labour, for a period not exceeding three months, unless payment be sooner made.”

11. In Section 19 substitute “ Justice ” for “ Magistrate.” Strike out the word “ no ” and the word “ otherwise,” and the words “ upon sufficient cause shown,” and “ any of the provisions of.”

12. In Section 20, after the word “ injure ” strike out the words “ as to render treatment or cure useless or impossible ” and substitute the words “ beyond cure”; and after the word “ such ” add the words “ injury or.” In the same Section before the word “ killing ” add the word “ such”; and strike out the words “ has had an opportunity of examining the animal ” and substitute the words “ shall have seen the injured animal.” In the same Section strike out the words “ or may not ” and also the words “ the injuries which such animals sustain on the locomotive engine or train ” and substitute the words “ such injury.”

14. Add as a new Section : “ 21. Whenever an animal is injured by an automobile or motor cycle it shall be the duty of the person who is driv-

ing such automobile or riding such motor cycle at the time of such injury if the animal is injured beyond cure forthwith to kill or cause to be killed such animal and report such injury or killing to the nearest Justice of the Peace, Station Agent or Police Officer who shall thereupon give public notice of the fact in such manner as may be most expedient."

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, and on motion of the Honourable Mr. Gibbs, the Bill sent up, entitled, "An Act for the Protection of the Growth of Partridge Berries," as amended, was read a third time and passed, and the Honourable the President signed the same.

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

The amendment is as follows :

Add as new section 3 the following :

3.—It shall be lawful for the Board of Trade to make rules and regulations and provide penalties for breaches of the same in respect of the inspection and exportation of partridge berries; such rules and regulations when approved by the Governor-in-Council shall be published in the *Royal Gazette* and shall have the force and effect of law.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, and on motion of the Honourable Mr. Gibbs, the Bill sent up,

entitled, "An Act to amend Chapters 40 and 41 of the Consolidated Statutes (Second Series) Respecting the Storage and Carrying of Gunpowder and Other Explosives," as amended, was read a third time and passed and the Honourable the President signed the same.

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

The amendments are as follows :

Section 3, 2nd line, after the word "loading," insert the words, "or having on board."

Same section, last line but one, strike out the word "when" and insert the word "so."

The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Bill sent up, entitled, "An Act to amend 55 Victoria, Cap. 2, entitled, 'An Act to Regulate the Prosecution of the Seal Fishery,'" having been read.

It was moved by the Honourable Mr. Goodridge,

"That the Order of the Day for the second reading of the said Bill be discharged, and that the consideration of the said Bill be deferred until the report of the Joint Committee of the Legislature on the Fishery Resolutions is made."

And the question on the said motion having been put, there appeared :

Contents (2)	Non-Contents (11)
Hons. Messrs. Goodridge, Angel,	Hons. Messrs. Job, Skelton, Ayre, D. J. Ryan, Harvey, Gibbs, Robinson, Winter, McGrath, Jas. Ryan, Templeman.

So it passed in the negative, and

Ordered,—Accordingly.

After long discussion—

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Job, the said Bill was then read a second time, and

Ordered,—To be committed to-morrow.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, and on motion of the Honourable Mr. Gibbs, the Bills sent up, entitled, respectively :

“ An Act to provide for the Investigation of Combines and Monopolies ; ”

“ An Act to amend the Law Relating to the Representation in the House of Assembly, ” and

“ An Act to apply to this Colony the Law of England in Relation to the Suppression of what is known as the White Slave Traffic, ”

Were severally read a second time, and

Ordered,—To be severally committed tomorrow.

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

“ MR. PRESIDENT,—

The House of Assembly acquaint the Legislative Council that they have passed the following Bills, entitled, ‘ An Act to amend Chapter V. of 8 Edward VII., entitled “ An Act with respect to Compensation to Workmen for Injuries Suffered in course of their Employment ; ’ ” ‘ An Act Respecting the Operation of Saw Mills ; ’ ‘ An Act for Raising by the Sale of Debenture Bonds a Loan for the Public Service of the Colony ; ’ ‘ An Act for Raising a Sum of Money by Loan for the Extension of the Railway System of the Colony, ’ and ‘ An Act Respecting Certain Retiring Allowances, ’ in which they request the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

J. R. GOODISON,

Speaker.

House of Assembly,
Feb. 27th, 1914.”

“ MR. PRESIDENT,—

The House of Assembly acquaint the Legislative Council that they have passed the amendments sent down in and upon the Bill entitled ‘ An

Act relating to the Inspection of Foods in the City of St. John's,' without amendment.

J. R. GOODISON,
Speaker.

House of Assembly,
Feb. 27th, 1914."

On motion of the Honourable Mr. Gibbs, the Bills sent up entitled, respectively :

" An Act respecting the Operation of Saw Mills ; "

" An Act for Raising a Sum of Money by Loan for the Extension of the Railway System of the Colony ; "

" An Act Respecting Certain Retiring Allowances ; "

" An Act for Raising by the Sale of Debenture Bonds a Loan for the Public Service of the Colony," and

" An Act to amend Chapter V. of 8 Edward VII., entitled, ' An Act with respect to Compensation to Workmen for Injuries Suffered in Course of Their Employment,' "

Were severally read a first time, and

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

The Honourable Mr. Gibbs, by command of His Excellency the Governor, laid upon the Table the following documents:—

Report of the St. John's Hospital for the year ended December 31st, 1913.

Report of the Government Engineer on the Railway System of the Colony for the year 1913.

Report of the Branch Railway System for the Year 1913.

The Honourable Mr. Gibbs also laid on the Table:

Annual Returns of the Reid-Newfoundland Company for 1912-1913.

On motion made the House adjourned until Monday next, March 2nd, at three o'clock, p.m.



MONDAY, March 2nd, 1914.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

PRESENT :

The Honourable JOHN HARRIS,
President ;

The Honourables JAMES ANGEL,
GEORGE SKELTON,
JAMES D. RYAN,
JOHN HARVEY,
SAMUEL MILLEY,
MICHAEL P. GIBBS, K.C.,
WILLIAM C. JOB,
J. ALEX. ROBINSON,
MARMADUKE G. WINTER,
PATRICK T. McGRATH,
JAMES RYAN,
PHILIP TEMPLEMAN,
JOHN J. MURPHY,
MICHAEL F. POWER.

The Minutes of Friday, February 27th, were read.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day and on motion of the Honourable Mr. Job, the House went into Committee on the Bill sent up entitled " An Act to amend 55 Victoria, Cap. 2., entitled ' An Act to regulate the Prosecution of the Seal Fishery.' "

The Honourable Mr. Milley in the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

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

Ordered,—That the Report be received.

On motion of the Honourable Mr. Gibbs.

Ordered,—That the consideration of the Bills remaining on the Order of the Day be deferred until to-morrow.

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

“ MR. PRESIDENT :

The House of Assembly acquaint the Legislative Council that they have passed the amendments made in and upon the Bills sent up entitled respectively ‘ An Act to amend Chapters 40 and 41 of the Consolidated Statutes (second series) respecting the Storage and Carrying of Gunpowder and other Explosives ’; and ‘ An Act to amend and consolidate the law for Protection of Animals ’; without amendment.

J. R. GOODISON,
Speaker.

House of Assembly,
March 2nd., 1914.”

On motion made the House adjourned until to-morrow, Tuesday, March 3rd., 1914, at three o'clock p.m.

TUESDAY, March 3rd., 1914.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

PRESENT :

The Honourable JOHN HARRIS,

President.

The Honourables JAMES ANGEL,

GEORGE SKELTON,

JAMES BAIRD,

JOHN B. AYRE,

JAMES D. RYAN,

JOHN HARVEY,

SAMUEL MILLEY,

MICHAEL P. GIBBS, K.C.,

WILLIAM C. JOB,

J. ALEX. ROBINSON,

MARMADUKE G. WINTER,

PATRICK T. McGRATH,

JAMES RYAN,

JOHN J. MURPHY,

MICHAEL F. POWER,

The Minutes of Tuesday, March 3rd., were read.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day and on motion of the Honourable Mr. Job, the House went into Committee on the Bill sent up entitled "An Act to amend 55 Victoria Cap. 2., entitled 'An Act to regulate the Prosecution of the Seal Fishery.'"

The Honourable Mr. Milley in the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

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

Ordered,---That the Report be received.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day and on motion of the Honourable Mr. Gibbs, the House went into Committee on the Bill sent up entitled "An Act to provide for the Investigation of Combines and Monopolies."

The Honourable Mr. Ayre in the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported the Bill without amendment.

Ordered,—That the Report be received—
and—

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

Pursuant to the Order of the Day and on motion of the Honourable Mr. Gibbs, the House went into Committee on the Bill sent up entitled "An Act to amend the law relating to the Representation of the House of Assembly."

The Honourable Mr. Murphy in the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported the Bill without amendment.

Ordered,—That the Report be received—and—

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

Pursuant to the Order of the Day and on motion of the Honourable Mr. Gibbs the House went into Committee on the Bill sent up entitled “An Act to apply to this Colony the Law of England in relation to the Suppression of what is known as The White Slave Traffic.”

The Honourable Dr. Skelton in the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported the Bill without amendment.

Ordered,—That the Report be received—and—

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

Pursuant to the Order of the Day and on motion of the Honourable Mr. Gibbs, the Bills sent up entitled respectively :

“An Act respecting the operation of Saw Mills”;

“ An Act for raising a sum of money by loan for the extension of the Railway System of the Colony ” ;

“ An Act respecting certain Retiring Allowances ” ;

“ An Act for raising by the Sale of Debenture Bonds a loan for the Public Service of the Colony ; and

“ An Act to amend Chapter V., of 8, Edward VII entitled ‘ An Act with respect to compensation to Workmen for Injuries suffered in course of their employment ’ ” ;

were severally read a second time—and—

Ordered,—To be severally committed tomorrow.

On motion made the House adjourned until tomorrow, Wednesday, March 4th., at three o'clock p.m.

WEDNESDAY, March 4th, 1914.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

PRESENT:

The Honourable JOHN HARRIS,
President.

The Honourables JAMES ANGEL,
GEORGE SKELTON,
JAMES BAIRD,
JOHN B. AYRE,
JOHN HARVEY,
SAMUEL MILLEY,
MICHAEL P. GIBBS, K.C.
WILLIAM C. JOB,
J. ALEX. ROBINSON,
MARMADUKE G. WINTER,
PATRICK T. McGRATH,
JAMES RYAN,
PHILIP TEMPLEMAN,
JOHN J. MURPHY,
MICHAEL F. POWER.

The Minutes of Tuesday, March 3rd, were read.

The Honourable the President informed the Council that he had received the following communication from Government House:

“ GOVERNMENT HOUSE,
St. John's, Newfoundland,
4th March, 1914.

SIR,—I am desired by His Excellency the Governor to inform you that he has granted leave of absence to the Honourable J. D. Ryan for the remainder of the Session of the Legislative Council.

I have the honour to be, Sir,
Your obedient Servant,
W. H. DAVENPORT,
Private Secretary.

The Honourable the President of the Legislative Council.”

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, and on motion of the Honourable Mr. Gibbs, the Bills sent up entitled, respectively :

“ An Act to provide for the Investigation of Combines and Monopolies ; ”

“ An Act to amend the Law Relating to the Representation in the House of Assembly,” and

“ An Act to apply to this Colony the Law of England in Relation to the Suppression of what is known as the White Slave Traffic,”

Were severally read a third time and passed ; and the Honourable the President signed the said Bills.

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

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, and on motion of the Honourable Mr. Job, the House went into Committee on the Bill sent up, entitled, "An Act to amend 55 Victoria, Cap. 2, entitled, 'An Act to Regulate the Prosecution of the Seal Fishery.' "

The Honourable Mr. Milley in the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported the Bill with some amendments.

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

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

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, and on motion of the Honourable Mr. Gibbs, the House went into Committee on the Bill sent up, entitled, "An Act respecting the Operation of Saw Mills."

The Honourable Dr. Skelton in the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

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

Ordered,---That the Report be received.

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

into Committee on the Bill sent up, entitled, "An Act for Raising a Sum of Money by Loan for the Extension of the Railway System of the Colony."

The Honourable Mr. Winter in the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported the Bill without amendment.

Ordered,—That the Report be received—
and—

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

Pursuant to the Order of the Day and on motion of the Honourable Mr. Gibbs, the House went into Committee on the Bill sent up entitled—
"An Act respecting certain Retiring Allowances."

The Honourable Mr. Robinson in the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported the Bill without amendment.

Ordered,—That the Report be received—
and—

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

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

went into Committee on the Bill sent up entitled "An Act for raising by the Sale of Debenture Bonds a Loan for the Public Service of the Colony."

The Honourable Mr. Job in the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported the Bill without amendment.

Ordered,—That the Report be received; and

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

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, and on motion of the Honourable Mr. Gibbs, the House went into Committee on the Bill sent up, entitled, "An Act to amend Chapter V. of 8 Edward VII., entitled, 'An Act with respect to Compensation to Workmen for Injuries Suffered in Course of Their Employment.'"

The Honourable Mr. Ayre in the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported the Bill without amendment.

Ordered,—That the Report be received; and

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

The Honourable the President informed the

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

“ MR. PRESIDENT :

The House of Assembly acquaint the Legislative Council that they have passed the Bill, entitled, ‘ An Act to Regulate the Employment of Men Engaged in Logging,’ in which they request the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

J. R. GOODISON,
Speaker.

House of Assembly,
March 3rd, 1914.”

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

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

On motion made the House adjourned until to-morrow, Thursday, March 5th, at four o’clock, p.m.

THURSDAY, March, 5th, 1914.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

PRESENT :

The Honourable JOHN HARRIS,

President.

The Honourables JAMES ANGEL,

GEORGE SKELTON,

JAMES BAIRD,

JOHN B. AYRE,

JOHN HARVEY,

SAMUEL MILLEY,

MICHAEL P. GIBBS, K.C.,

WILLIAM C. JOB,

J. ALEX. ROBINSON,

MARMADUKE G. WINTER,

PATRICK T. McGRATH,

PHILIP TEMPLEMAN,

JOHN J. MURPHY,

MICHAEL F. POWER,

The Minutes of Wednesday, March 4th., were read.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day and on motion of the Honourable Mr. Job the Bill entitled, "An Act to amend 55 Victoria cap. 2, entitled, 'An Act to regulate the Prosecution of the Seal Fishery'" as amended, was read a third time and

passed, and the Honourable the President signed the same.

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

The amendments are as follows:—

1. In sub-section (*b*) of section 1 after the word “decks” add the words “of iron.” Strike out the words “three inches” and put after the word “secured,” “and of sufficient thickness to prevent the frost coming through.” In sub-section (*c*) at the end thereof add the words “the front on and after March 10th, 1915.”

In sub-section (*e*) of section 1 at the beginning thereof add the words “on and after March 10th, 1915.”

2. In sub-section (*a*) of section 2 at the beginning thereof add the words “in addition to the food usually supplied.”

In sub-section (*c*), at the beginning thereof, put in the words “for breakfast,” strike out the words “for breakfast on alternate days” and substitute the words “alternately.”

In sub-section (*f*) strike out the words “cooks shall be prohibited from any other work than cooking,” and substitute in lieu thereof the following: “No person employed as cook shall be required by

the Captain to do any other work except such as is incidental to the work of cooking if (a) he shall personally object to performing the other work, or (b) if any five of the members of the crew shall object."

3. Add at the end of section 3 the words following: "but neither master, owner or other person shall be liable for any default for which he is not personally responsible."

4. In section 4 substitute for the words "or be less than five hundred dollars and not exceeding one thousand dollars," the words "not exceeding five hundred dollars." After the words "or master" in line 6 add the words "after his attention has been called to such offence." Substitute "twenty-five dollars" for "fifty dollars." In line 8 have "person" substituted by "member of the crew of such steamer"; and add at the end thereof the following words "provided that written notice of such suit shall be given to the said owner or master within seven days after the arrival of the steamer at port of discharge." One-half of any fine imposed under this section shall be paid over to the person or persons taking suit and one-half to the Minister of Finance for the use of the Colony."

5. Section 5 is amended by striking out the words "steel ships belonging to the same owners as the wooden ships" and substituting "a ship carrying a physician." Add at the end of section 5 the following, "No master shall refuse to accept

such sick or disabled men on board his ship under a penalty not exceeding one hundred dollars unless such persons are suffering from some contagious or infectious disease."

6. Instead of the word "30th" day of March in section 6 substitute "fifteenth" and instead of the words "four thousand" substitute "two thousand."

After the word "penalty" add the following words "not exceeding four thousand dollars to be recovered in a summary manner by any master, master-watch, or other officer of any sealing steamer or by any three members acting together of the crew of any sealing steamer suing for the same before a Stipendiary Magistrate;" strike out the words in this section "four thousand dollars to be recovered in a summary manner by the person who shall sue for the same before a Stipendiary Magistrate," and add at the end of the section the following words: "Provided that written notice of such suit shall be given to the accused party within forty days of the date of the arrival of offending ship at the port of discharge; and one-quarter of any fine imposed hereunder shall be paid over to the person or persons taking the suit, and three-quarters to the Minister of Finance for the use of the Colony."

7. Strike out section 7 and renumber the succeeding sections.

8. Strike out section 9 and substitute the following—"section 2 of the Act 61 Victoria,

Chapter 4, is hereby repealed and the following substituted therefore ' No seals shall be killed by any member of the crew before the 15th day of March in any year nor shall seals so killed be brought into any port of this Colony or its dependencies in any year under a penalty not exceeding four thousand dollars to be recovered from the master, owner, or other person on whose account such steamer shall have been sent to the fishery, by any master, master-watch or other officer of any sealing steamer, or by any member of the crew of any sealing steamer, suing for the same. Provided that written notice of such suit shall be given to the said owner, master, or other person within forty days of the arrival of the steamer at the port of discharge. One fourth of any fine imposed under this section shall be paid over to the person or persons taking the suit and three-fourths to the Minister of Finance for the use of the Colony."

9. Add as new section 10 the following : " No seals shall be killed by any member of the crew of any ship prosecuting the seal fishery in the Gulf of St. Lawrence before the 12th day of March in any year. Nor shall any seals so killed be brought into any port of this Colony under a penalty not exceeding four thousand dollars, to be recovered from the master, owner or other person on whose account such steamer shall have been sent to the fishery and subject to the proviso in the latter part of section 8."

10. Add as new section 11—"The owners of

steamers shall be liable in the case of the crew of any steamer being paid off at the end of the voyage with a balance insufficient in amount to pay the fares of the crew to their respective homes to contribute a sum not exceeding four dollars which when added to the amount paid the crew will be sufficient for the payment of the said fares."

11. Add as new section 12—"The provisions of section 1, 2, 3, and 4 of this Act shall not during the season of 1914 be held to apply to steamers registered in Canada, but on and after January 1st, 1915, this shall apply to all steamers prosecuting the seal fishery from or bringing seals into the Colony."

12. New section 13—"On and after January 1st, 1915, no boats shall be taken on board by any sealing steamer for use in the seal fishery unless they have been previously inspected by the Lloyds' Surveyor and certified by him as seaworthy, and no Officer of Customs shall clear any steamer for the seal fishery unless such certificate is produced before him."

13. New section 14—"Sealing masters violating sections 6 and 8 of this Act shall be incompetent for two years after conviction for any offence thereunder to be employed to command steamers at the seal fishery, and no Customs Officer shall clear any ship for the seal fishery with such person as master within the period aforesaid."

14. New section 14—"No Customs Officer shall clear any ship for the seal fishery from any

port North of St. John's, in the case of steel ships before the 13th of March, wooden ships the 11th of March; from St. John's, steel ships the 12th day of March, wooden ships 11th of March, or steamers for the Gulf the 9th of March."

15. New section 16--"If an person shall feel himself aggrieved by any judgment of the Stipendiary Magistrate under this Act he shall be at liberty to appeal therefrom to the next sitting of the Supreme Court at St. John's or on Circuit. Provided that notice of the same shall be given to the Magistrate within forty-eight hours after such judgment shall have been delivered; and within five days thereafter recognizances or other security with or without sureties at the option of such Magistrate shall be entered into to prosecute the same without delay and to pay such amount as may be awarded with costs."

16. The Acts mentioned in the Schedule hereto are hereby repealed, in so far as the same are inconsistent with the provisions of this Act.

SCHEDULE.

55 Victoria, Chapter 2 "An Act to regulate the Prosecution of the Seal Fishery."

61 Victoria, Chapter 4, "An Act respecting the Prosecution of the Seal Fishery."

17. In the title in the Bill strike out the words "To amend 55 Victoria, Chapter 2, entitled."

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, and on motion of the Honourable Mr. Gibbs, the Bills sent up, entitled, respectively :

“An Act for Raising a Sum of Money by Loan for the Extension of the Railway System of the Colony;”

“An Act Respecting Certain Retiring Allowances;”

“An Act for Raising by the Sale of Debenture Bonds a Loan for the Public Service of the Colony;” and

“An Act to amend Chapter V. of 8 Edward VII., entitled, ‘An Act with respect to Compensation to Workmen for Injuries Suffered in Course of Their Employment,’”

Were severally read a third time and passed; and the Honourable the President signed the said Bills.

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

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, and on motion of the Honourable Mr. Gibbs, the House went into Committee on the Bill sent up, entitled, “An Act Respecting the Operation of Saw Mills.”

The Honourable Dr. Skelton in the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported the Bill with some amendments.

Ordered,—That the report be received, and

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

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

Whereupon the Honourable Mr. Harvey moved in amendment:

That the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee.

And the question on the amendment having been put, it was resolved in the affirmative, and

Ordered,—Accordingly.

And the question on the original motion having been put, it was resolved in the negative, and

Ordered,—Accordingly, and

Ordered,—That the Select Committee consist of the Honourables Messrs. Harvey, Gibbs, Robinson, McGrath, Job, Murphy and the President.

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

“MR. PRESIDENT:

The House of Assembly have passed the amendment made by the Legislative Council in and upon a Bill sent up, entitled, ‘An Act for the Protection of the Growth of Partridge Berries,’ with an amendment with which it requests the concurrence of the Council.

J. R. GOODISON,
Speaker.

House of Assembly,
March 5th, 1914.”

On motion of the Honourable Mr. Gibbs, the amendment made by the House of Assembly in and upon the amendment made by the Council in and upon the Bill sent up, entitled, “An Act for the Protection of the Growth of Partridge Berries,” was read a first and second time, and

Ordered,—That the said amendment do now pass, and the Honourable the President signed the same, and

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

The Honourable Mr. Gibbs laid on the table the following documents:

Report of the Newfoundland Savings Bank for the Year Ending December 31st, 1913.

Report of the Chief Inspector of Weights and Measures for the Year 1913.

On motion made the House adjourned until to-morrow, Friday, March 6th, at five o'clock, p.m.

FRIDAY, March 6th, 1914.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

PRESENT :

The Honourable JOHN HARRIS,

President.

The Honourables JAMES ANGEL.

GEORGE SKELTON,

JOHN B. AYRE,

JOHN HARVEY,

SAMUEL MILLEY,

MICHAEL P. GIBBS, K.C.,

WILLIAM C. JOB,

J. ALEX. ROBINSON,

MARMADUKE G. WINTER,

PATRICK T. McGRATH,

JAMES RYAN,

MICHAEL F. POWER.

The Minutes of Thursday, March 5th were read.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day and on motion of the Honourable Mr. Gibbs, the Bill sent up entitled "An Act respecting the operation of Saw Mills," as amended, was read a third time and passed and the Honourable the President signed the same.

Ordered,—To be sent to the House of Assembly with message that this House had passed the

said Bill with some amendments in which they request the concurrence of the House of Assembly.

The amendments are as follows :

Section 3, third line: After the word "half-drums" strike out the words "or tub."

Same section, eleventh line: After the word "measure" insert the following figures and words: "10,000 tub staves shall equal 1,000 feet board measure. A tub shall not exceed 30 lbs."

Section 4, third line: Strike out the word "present" and insert in lieu thereof the word "prohibit."

Section 5, third line: After the words "Crown Lands Act," insert the figures "1903."

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

"MR. PRESIDENT:

The House of Assembly acquaint the Legislative Council that they have passed the Bills entitled, respectively, 'An Act respecting Municipal Affairs;' 'An Act to amend the Act 61 Vic., Cap. 8, entitled, "An Act respecting Salaries;'" 'An Act to amend the Act 61 Vic., Cap. 3, entitled, "An Act respecting the Department of Marine and Fisheries,'" and 'An Act Respecting the Newfoundland Railway and Train-Ferry Service,' in

which they request the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

J. R. GOODISON,
Speaker.

House of Assembly,
March 6th, 1914."

On motion of the Honourable Mr. Gibbs, the Bills sent up, entitled, respectively :

"An Act respecting Municipal Affairs;"

"An Act to amend the Act 61 Vic., Cap. 3, entitled, 'An Act respecting Salaries;'"

"An Act to amend the Act 61 Vic., Cap. 3, entitled, 'An Act respecting the Department of Marine and Fisheries,' " and

"An Act respecting the Newfoundland Railway and Train-Ferry Service,"

Were severally read a first time, and

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

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

On motion made the House adjourned until Monday next, March 9th, at three o'clock, p.m.

MONDAY, March 9th, 1914.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

PRESENT :

The Honourable JOHN HARRIS,

President.

The Honourables JAMES ANGEL,

GEORGE SKELTON,

JOHN B. AYRE,

JOHN HARVEY,

SAMUEL MILLEY,

MICHAEL P. GIBBS, K.C.,

WILLIAM C. JOB,

J. ALEX. ROBINSON,

PATRICK T. McGRATH,

AUGUSTUS F. GOODRIDGE,

JAMES RYAN,

PHILIP TEMPLEMAN,

JOHN J. MURPHY,

MICHAEL F. POWER.

The Minutes of Friday, March 6th, were read.

Pursuant to notice, and on motion of Honourable Mr. Gibbs,

Ordered,---That the 33rd, and other Rules of the House, be suspended with reference to all Bills, Addresses and other matters now before, or to

come before the House, for the remainder of the Session.

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

Ordered,—To be committed to-morrow.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, and on motion of the Honourable Mr. Gibbs, the Bill sent up, entitled, "An Act to amend the Act 61 Vic., Cap. 8, entitled, 'An Act respecting Salaries,' " was read a second time, and

Ordered,---To be committed presently.

The Honourable Mr. Angel in the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported the Bill without amendment.

Ordered,—That the Report be received.

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

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

Pursuant to Order of the Day, and on motion of the Honourable Mr. Gibbs, the Bill sent up, en-

titled, "An Act to amend the Act 61 Vic., Cap. 3, entitled, 'An Act respecting the Department of Marine and Fisheries,' " was read a second time, and

Ordered,---To be committed presently.

The Honourable Dr. Skelton in the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported the Bill without amendment.

Ordered,---That the Report be received.

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

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

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, and on motion of the Honourable Mr. Gibbs, the Bill sent up, entitled, "An Act respecting the Newfoundland Railway and Train-Ferry Syndicate, Limited," was read a second time, and

Ordered,---To be committed presently.

The Honourable Mr. Milley in the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported the Bill without amendment.

Ordered,—That the Report be received, and

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

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

Ordered,—To lie on the Table.

The Report is as follows :

"The Select Committee appointed by your Honourable House to consider the Bill sent up, entitled, "An Act to Regulate the Employment of Men Engaged in Logging," beg to report that they have had under deliberation the matter to them referred, and they beg to recommend—

That, owing to the absence of evidence before the Committee, and the impossibility of securing evidence during the present Session, the Bill be not now proceeded with.

And the Committee further recommend that the authorities should institute a full enquiry into the conditions affecting the employment of loggers before the next Session of the Legislature.

Respectfully Submitted,

JOHN HARVEY, *Chairman* ;
W. C. JOB,

M. P. GIBBS,
J. ALEX. ROBINSON,
P. T. McGRATH,
JOHN J. MURPHY,
JOHN HARRIS.

Committee Room,
Legislative Council,
9th March, 1914."

The Honourable Mr. Harvey, from the Select Committee appointed by the Legislative Council to co-operate with the Select Committee appointed by the House of Assembly to consider certain Resolutions in relation to the Fisheries, presented a Report of the Joint Committee in relation thereto, which was received and read, and

Ordered,---To lie on the Table.

The Report is as follows :

" To the Honourable the Legislative Council :

To the Honourable the House of Assembly :

The Joint Select Committee appointed to consider certain Resolutions in relation to the fisheries adopted recently by both Houses, beg leave to report that they have held daily meetings since appointed, and diligently considered the several matters as far as practicable.

Agreeing that that of the preservation of the lobster fishery was of the most pressing importance, they devoted special attention to this at the outset, called a number of witnesses and obtained

their testimony with regard to the subject, and also secured a detailed statement of the policy now being pursued by the Department of Marine and Fisheries in regard to the preservation of seed-bearing lobsters. Strong representations were addressed to the Committee with a view to the enforcing of a close time, and these were very thoroughly weighed, but the conclusion was reached that the Committee had not had sufficient opportunity or evidence to determine if such was necessary at the present moment, and accordingly further consideration of this was deferred, but it was agreed to endorse the policy at present being pursued by the Fisheries Department of creating reservations in the various sections where the lobster industry was carried on, into which reserved areas berried lobsters could be put; and the Minister of Marine and Fisheries was invited to arrange for the necessary legislation to give the officials entrusted with the carrying out of the lobster Regulations, authority to create more of these reservations by their direct action, as it was felt that this would be greatly beneficial to the maintenance of the supply for the present and future years.

Much attention was also devoted by the Committee to the matter of providing for an adequate and reliable bait supply for our people engaged in the codfishery, and the testimony of witnesses with regard to bait freezers and other methods was procured; and it is believed that it will be possible to work out at least an experimental scheme for dealing with this subject.

The matter of the sealfishery was likewise considered to some extent, and it was arranged that a list of questions should be prepared and printed copies supplied for the masters, officers and men of the ships, to which they might make answer, these reports to be handed into the Committee on the return of the steamers from the sealfishery, when the captains, officers and others interested might be examined to secure additional testimony.

The Committee, however, in view of the variety of the subjects submitted to them, and the magnitude of the task involved in making a complete investigation thereof and in preparing a complete report thereon, find themselves unable, in the limited time at their disposal, to deal with them as they feel they should be dealt with, and they accordingly respectfully recommend that the Legislature adopt an address to His Excellency the Governor in Council praying him to appoint a Commission with power to take evidence, to sit during the year and to prepare a full report for submission to the Legislature at the next Session.

Respectfully submitted,

A. W. PICCOTT, *Chairman* ;
E. P. MORRIS,
M. P. CASHIN,
J. M. KENT,
A. E. HICKMAN,
J. R. GOODISON,
R. MOULTON,
JOHN HARRIS,

WILLIAM C. JOB,
JOHN HARVEY,
JAMES RYAN,
M. G. WINTER,
PHILIP TEMPLEMAN,
A. F. GOODRIDGE,
P. T. McGRATH,"

On motion made the House adjourned until to-morrow, Tuesday, March 10th, at three o'clock, p.m.

TUESDAY, March 10th, 1914

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

PRESENT :

The Honourable JOHN HARRIS,
President.

The Honourables JAMES ANGEL,
GEORGE SKELTON,
JAMES BAIRD,
JOHN B. AYRE,
JOHN HARVEY,
SAMUEL MILLEY,
MICHAEL P. GIBBS, K.C.,
WILLIAM C. JOB,
J. ALEX. ROBINSON,
PATRICK T. McGRATH,
AUGUSTUS F. GOODRIDGE,
JAMES RYAN,
PHILIP TEMPLEMAN,
JOHN J. MURPHY,
MICHAEL F. POWER.

The Minutes of Monday, March 9th, were read.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day and on motion of the Honourable Mr. Gibbs the Bill sent up entitled "An Act respecting the Newfoundland Railway and Train-Ferry Syndicate Limited" was read a third time and passed and the Honourable the President signed the same.

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

Pursuant to the Order of the Day and on motion of the Honourable Mr. Gibbs the House went into Committee on the Bill sent up entitled "An Act respecting Municipal Affairs."

The Honourable Mr. Angel in the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported the Bill without amendment.

Ordered,--That the Report be received.

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

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

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

"MR. PRESIDENT,—

The House of Assembly acquaint the Legislative Council that they have passed the amendments made by the Council in and upon the Bill sent up from the House of Assembly entitled 'An Act to Regulate the Prosecution of the Seal Fish-

ery' with some amendments in which they request the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

J. R. GOODISON,
Speaker.

House of Assembly,
March 9th, 1914."

On motion of the Honourable Mr Job the amendments made by the House of Assembly in and upon the amendments made by the Council in and upon the Bill sent up entitled "An Act to Regulate the Prosecution of the Seal Fishery" were read a first time.

The Honourable Mr. Job moved that the said amendments be now read a second time.

Whereupon the Honourable Mr. McGrath moved that the following amendment be added to the 16th Section of the Bill as amended:

Section 16, at the end thereof—

Insert the words "And provided further that where no appeal exists the provisions of section 14 shall not apply."

And the question having been put thereon it was resolved in the Affirmative, and

Ordered,—Accordingly, and the said amendments as amended were read a second time.

Ordered,—That the said amendments as amended do now pass, and

Ordered,--That a message be sent to the House of Assembly informing them that this House had passed the said amendments with an amendment; and requesting their concurrence therein.

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

“ MR. PRESIDENT,—

The House of Assembly acquaint the Legislative Council that they have passed the amendments sent down in and upon the Bill entitled ‘ An Act respecting the Operation of Saw Mills’ without amendment.

J. R. GOODISON,

Speaker.

House of Assembly,
March 9th, 1914.”

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

“ MR. PRESIDENT :

The House of Assembly acquaint the Legislative Council that they have passed the Bills entitled respectively : ‘ An Act to amend the Act 3, George V., cap. 4, entitled ‘ An Act to Incorporate the Conception Bay Electric Company and for

other purposes;” and “An Act to amend the Act 2 Edward VII., Cap. 8, entitled, ‘An Act to Incorporate the United Towns Electrical Company, and for other purposes,’” in which they request the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

J. R. GOODISON,
Speaker.

House of Assembly,
March 9th, 1914.”

On motion of the Honourable Mr. Job the Bill sent up entitled “An Act to amend the Act 3, George V., cap. 4, entitled ‘An Act to Incorporate the Conception Bay Electric Company and for other purposes,’” was read a first time and second time and

*Ordered,—*To be committed presently.

The Honourable Mr. Harvey in the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported the Bill without amendment.

*Ordered,—*That the Report be received.

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

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

On motion of the Honourable Mr. Job the Bill sent up entitled “An Act to amend the Act

2, Edward VII, cap. 8, entitled 'An Act to Incorporate the United Towns Electrical Company and for other purposes' " was read a first and second time and

Ordered,--To be committed presently.

The Honourable Mr. McGrath in the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported the Bill without amendment.

Ordered--That the Report be received.

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

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

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

" MR. PRESIDENT :

The House of Assembly acquaint the Legislative Council that they have passed the Bill entitled " An Act to amend the Act I, George V., cap. 24, entitled ' An Act respecting Pilots and Pilotage for the Port of St. John's,' " in which they

request the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

J. R. GOODISON,
Speaker.

House of Assembly,
March 9th., 1914."

On motion of the Honourable Mr. Gibbs the Bill sent up entitled "An Act to amend the Act I, George V., cap. 24, entitled 'An Act respecting Pilots and Pilotage for the Port of St. John's,'" was read a first and second time and

Ordered,--To be committed presently.

The Honourable Mr. Ayre in the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported the Bill without amendment.

Ordered,--That the report be received.

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

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

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

“MR. PRESIDENT :

The House of Assembly acquaint the Legislative Council that they have passed the Bill, entitled, ‘An Act further to amend “The Revenue Act, 1905,” ’ in which they request the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

J. R. GOODISON,
Speaker.

House of Assembly,
March 9th, 1914.”

On motion of the Honourable Mr. Gibbs, the Bill sent up, entitled, “An Act further to amend ‘The Revenue Act, 1905,’ ” was read a first and second time, and

Ordered,—To be committed presently.

The Honourable Mr. Angel in the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported the Bill without amendment.

Ordered,---That the Report be received.

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

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

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

“MR. PRESIDENT:

The House of Assembly acquaint the Legislative Council that they have passed the Bill, entitled, ‘An Act for the granting to His Majesty certain Sums of Money for defraying Certain Expenses of the Public Service for the Financial Years ending respectively the 30th day of June, 1914, and the 30th day of June, 1915, and for other purposes relating to the Public Service,’ in which they request the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

JOHN R. GOODISON,

Speaker.

House of Assembly,
March 9th, 1914.”

On motion of the Honourable Mr. Gibbs, the Bill sent up, entitled, “An Act for the Granting to His Majesty Certain Sums of Money for Defraying Certain Expenses of the Public Service for the Financial Years ending respectively the 30th day of June, 1914, and the 30th day of June, 1915, and for other purposes relating to the Public Service.”

Was read a first and second time, and

Ordered,---To be committed presently.

The Honourable Mr. McGrath in the Chair.

The Chairman reported the Bill without amendment.

Ordered,---That the Report be received.

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

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

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

“MR. PRESIDENT:

The House of Assembly acquaint the Legislative Council that they have passed the amendments made by the Legislative Council in and upon the amendments sent up by the House of Assembly in and upon the amendments sent down in and upon the Bill, entitled, “An Act to Regulate the Prosecution of the Seal Fishery,” without amendment.

J. R. GOODISON,

Speaker.

House of Assembly,
March 10th, 1914.”

The Honourable the President informed the Council that it is the intention of His Excellency the Governor to prorogue the present Session of the Legislature on to-morrow, Wednesday, the 11th day of March, at Three o'clock, p.m.

On motion made the House adjourned until to-morrow, Wednesday, March 11th, at half-past two o'clock, p.m.

The said Bill was passed, and the Honorable the President signed the same. The Honorable the President also signed the Bill which was passed by the Council on the 10th inst. The Honorable the President also signed the Bill which was passed by the Council on the 10th inst. The Honorable the President also signed the Bill which was passed by the Council on the 10th inst.

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WEDNESDAY, March 11th, 1914.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

PRESENT :

The Honourable JOHN HARRIS,
President ;

The Honourables JAMES ANGEL,
GEORGE SKELTON,
JAMES BAIRD,
JOHN B. AYRE,
JOHN HARVEY,
SAMUEL MILLEY,
MICHAEL P. GIBBS, K.C.,
WILLIAM C. JOB,
J. ALEX. ROBINSON,
MARMADUKE G. WINTER,
PATRICK T. McGRATH,
AUGUSTUS F. GOODRIDGE,
JAMES RYAN,
PHILIP TEMPLEMAN,
JOHN J. MURPHY,
MICHAEL F. POWER.

At three o'clock p.m. His Excellency the Governor, Walter Edward Davidson, Esquire, Companion of the Most Distinguished Order of St. Michael and St. George, having arrived at the Council Chamber, and being seated on the Throne, commanded the Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod, through the Honourable the President of the

Legislative Council, to let the Honourable the House of Assembly know:

“It is His Excellency’s pleasure they attend him immediately in this House;”

Who, being come thereto with their Speaker, His Excellency was pleased to give his assent to the following Bills entitled, respectively:

An Act for the granting to His Majesty certain sums of money for defraying certain expenses of the Public Service for the financial years ending respectively the 30th day of June, 1914, and the 30th day of June, 1915, and for other purposes relating to the Public Service.

An Act for the raising by the sale of Debenture Bonds, a loan for the Public Service of the Colony.

An Act to amend “The Revenue Act, 1905.”

An Act to amend the Act 61 Vic., Cap. 8, entitled, “An Act respecting Salaries.”

An Act respecting certain Retiring Allowances.

An Act for Raising a Sum of Money by Loan for the Extension of the Railway Systems of the Colony.

An Act to amend Chapters 40 and 41 of Consolidated Statutes (Second Series) respecting the

storage and carrying of Gunpowder and other Explosives.

An Act respecting the Exhibition of Advertisements.

An Act to amend Chapter 109 of the Consolidated Statutes (Second Series) entitled "Patents."

An Act to amend 6 Edward VII., Cap. 3, entitled, "The Aliens' Act, 1906."

An Act Relating to the Inspection of Foods in the City of St. John's.

An Act further to amend "The Newfoundland Dental Act."

An Act to amend and consolidate the Law for Protection of Animals.

An Act to regulate the Prosecution of the Seal Fishery.

An Act to amend Chapter 5 of 8 Edward VII., entitled, "An Act with respect to Compensation to Workmen for Injuries Suffered in Course of Their Employment."

An Act for the Protection of the Growth of Partridge Berries.

An Act to amend the Law relating to the Representation in the House of Assembly.

An Act to Provide for the Investigation of Combines and Monopolies.

An Act respecting the Operation of Saw Mills.

An Act to Apply to this Colony the Law of England in Relation to the Suppression of what is Known as the White Slave Traffic.

An Act respecting the Newfoundland Railway and Train-Ferry Syndicate, Limited.

An Act to amend the Act 61 Vic., Cap. 3, entitled, "An Act respecting the Department of Marine and Fisheries."

An Act to amend 3 George V., Cap. 4, entitled, "An Act to Incorporate the Conception Bay Electric Company and for Other Purposes."

An Act to amend 2 Edward VII., Cap. 8, entitled, "An Act to Incorporate the United Towns' Electric Company and for Other Purposes."

An Act to amend the Act 1 George V., cap. 24, entitled, "An Act respecting Pilots and Pilotage for the Port of St. John's."

An Act respecting Municipal Affairs.

After which His Excellency was pleased to speak as follows :

Mr. President and Honourable Gentlemen of the Legislative Council :

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

I am glad to be able to relieve you from your sessional duties at so early a date, a circumstance

rendered possible by the diligence with which you have applied yourselves to the business considered by you, and by the harmonious character of your deliberations. I sincerely hope that the various measures passed by you, many of them of exceptional importance, will produce the benefits expected from them.

The measures adopted for dealing with the tariff are such as will, I trust, ensure ample provision for the great expansion in, and the improvement of, the large public services inaugurated during the past few years. The equitable and eminently reasonable principles underlying the proposals you have resolved upon will, I am sure, earn the approbation of the public.

Your prompt and prudent action in resolving upon an enquiry into the fisheries is most opportune. The manner in which it has been received is a guarantee that every element in the country realizes its importance and is prepared to facilitate the working out of the problem. The Commission which you recommended, and which I propose appointing at an early date, should be in a position to present, at your next session, a report which may be fruitful in conserving and developing the great fishing industries on which the prosperity of this country so largely depends.

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

I thank you for the supplies which you have voted for the Public Service. In the expenditure

of them the principles of economy and judicious appropriation will be observed.

Mr. President and Honourable Gentlemen of the Legislative Council:

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

I sincerely trust that the sealfishery, in the prosecution of which so many of our people will shortly embark, will be a successful one, and the harbinger of similar good fortune to other fishing industries which follow it.

In taking leave of you, I earnestly pray that Providence may guide you and our common country along the paths that lead to greater material welfare and prosperity.

The Honourable the President then said:

“It is His Excellency’s will and pleasure that this General Assembly be prorogued until Wednesday, the 15th day of April next, then and here to be holden; and this General Assembly stands prorogued accordingly.”

HUGH H. CARTER,
Clerk to the Legislative Council.

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