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Newfoundland.*

C. ALEXANDER HARRIS,
Governor.
[L. S.]

WHEREAS the General Assembly stands prorogued until
THURSDAY, the FOURTEENTH day of OCTOBER instant;
and whereas I think fit further to prorogue the said General
Assembly until TUESDAY, the THIRTIETH day of NOVEMBER
next;

I do, therefore, by this my Proclamation, further prorogue
the said General Assembly until TUESDAY, the THIRTIETH day
of NOVEMBER next, as aforesaid, of which all persons con-
cerned are hereby required to take due notice and govern them-
selves accordingly.

Given under my Hand and Seal, at the Government
House, St. John's, this ELEVENTH day of
OCTOBER, A.D., 1920.

By His Excellency's Command,

FRED. M. STIRLING,
for Deputy Colonial Secretary.



PROCLAMATION.

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ALEXANDER HARRIS, Knight Com-
mander of the Most Distinguished
C. ALEXANDER HARRIS, Order of Saint Michael and Saint
Governor. George, Companion of the Most
[L. S.] Honourable Order of the Bath,
Commander of the Royal Victorian
Order, Governor and Commander-
in-Chief, in and over the Colony of
Newfoundland.*

WHEREAS the General Assembly stands prorogued until
TUESDAY, the THIRTIETH day of NOVEMBER instant; and
whereas, I think fit further to prorogue the said General As-
sembly until TUESDAY, the ELEVENTH day of JANUARY next;

I do, therefore, by this my Proclamation, further prorogue
the General Assembly until TUESDAY, the ELEVENTH day of
JANUARY next, as aforesaid, of which all persons concerned
are hereby required to take due notice and govern themselves
accordingly.

Given under my Hand and Seal, at the Government
Hous, St. John's, this THIRTIETH day of
NOVEMBER, A.D., 1920.

By His Excellency's Command,

ARTHUR MEWS,
Deputy Colonial Secretary.



PROCLAMATION.

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ALEXANDER HARRIS, Knight Com-
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Order of Saint Michael and Saint
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Newfoundland.*

C. ALEXANDER HARRIS,
Governor.
[L. S.]

WHEREAS the General Assembly stands prorogued until
TUESDAY, the ELEVENTH day of JANUARY instant; and
whereas, I think fit further to prorogue the said General As-
sembly until WEDNESDAY, the SECOND day of MARCH next;

I do, therefore, by this my Proclamation, further prorogue
the said General Assembly until WEDNESDAY, the SECOND day
of MARCH next, as aforesaid, of which all persons concerned
are hereby required to take due notice and govern themselves
accordingly.

Given under my Hand and Seal, at the Government
House, St. John's, this ELEVENTH day of
JANUARY, A.D., 1921.

By His Excellency's Command,

R. A. SQUIRES,

Colonial Secretary.



PROCLAMATION.

By His Excellency Sir CHARLES ALEXANDER HARRIS, Knight Commander of the Most Distinguished Order of Saint Michael and Saint George, Companion of the Most Honourable Order of the Bath, Commander of the Royal Victorian Order, Governor and Commander-in-Chief, in and over the Colony of Newfoundland.

C. ALEXANDER HARRIS,
Governor.
[L. S.]

WHEREAS the General Assembly stands prorogued until **WEDNESDAY**, the **SECOND** day of **MARCH** next; and whereas, I think fit further to prorogue the said General Assembly until **WEDNESDAY**, the **SIXTEENTH** day of **MARCH** next;

I do, therefore, by this my Proclamation, further prorogue the said General Assembly until **WEDNESDAY**, the **SIXTEENTH** day of **MARCH** next, as aforesaid, of which all persons concerned are hereby required to take due notice and govern themselves accordingly.

Given under my Hand and Seal, at the Government House, St. John's, this **TWENTY-EIGHTH** day of **FEBRUARY**, A.D., 19201.

By His Excellency's Command,

R. A. SQUIRES,
Colonial Secretary.



PROCLAMATION.

*By His Excellency Sir CHARLES
ALEXANDER HARRIS, Knight Com-
mander of the Most Distinguished
C. ALEXANDER HARRIS, Order of Saint Michael and Saint
Governor. George, Companion of the Most
[L. S.] Honourable Order of the Bath,
Commander of the Royal Victorian
Order, Governor and Commander-
in-Chief, in and over the Colony of
Newfoundland.*

WHEREAS the General Assembly stands prorogued until
WEDNESDAY, the SIXTEENTH day of MARCH instant; and
whereas, I think fit further to prorogue the said General As-
sembly until WEDNESDAY, the THIRTIETH day of MARCH
instant;

I do, therefore, by this my Proclamation, further prorogue
the said General Assembly until WEDNESDAY, the THIRTIETH
day of MARCH instant; as aforesaid, *then to meet for the de-
spatch* of business, of which all persons concerned are hereby
required to take due notice and govern themselves accordingly.

Given under my Hand and Seal, at the Government
House, St. John's, this FIFTEENTH day of
MARCH, A.D., 1921.

By His Excellency's Command,

R. A. SQUIRES,
Colonial Secretary.

Legislative Council of Newfoundland

Second Session of the Twenty-Fourth General Assembly

WEDNESDAY, March 30th, 1921.

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

The House met.

PRESENT :

The Honourables : J. D. RYAN, *President.*

J. ANDERSON,

M. P. GIBBS, K.C.,

M. G. WINTER, C.B.E.,

SIR P. T. McGRATH,
K.B.E., L.L.D.,

F. McNAMARA,

S. K. BELL,

T. K. COOK,

A. W. MEWS,

D. A. RYAN,

G. SHEA,

A. CAMPBELL, M.D., *Min.*
of Agriculture & Mines.

F. H. STEER, M.B.E.,

J. BROWNING.

At three o'clock p.m. His Excellency the

Governor, Sir Charles Alexander Harris, Knight Commander of the Most Distinguished Order of St. Michael and St. George, Companion of the Most Honourable Order of the Bath, Commander of the Royal Victorian Order, 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’s pleasure they attend him immediately in this House”

Who being come thereto with their Speaker, 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 :

On this fourth occasion of addressing you at the opening of the annual session of the Legislature it is my first desire to express my sincere regret at the loss which has been sustained by the death of a member of the Legislative Council, who, though he was a junior in that body, was one of the most experienced business men and able speakers in this Colony.

The policy of regulation of the marketing of the Colony’s staple product which passed the

House of Assembly in the Summer of last year, without dissenting vote, was placed in the hands of the Codfish Exportation Board created for that purpose by the Act. The practical application by the Board of the policy so unanimously adopted has met with difficulties adventitious as well as those inherent in all policies which seek to regulate the trade of nations. I feel quite certain that should the matter come before you as legislators you will approach its consideration with one ambition only, namely, the welfare of Newfoundland, her commerce, and her people.

A year ago I called your attention to the fact that the long-standing dispute between the Colony and the Province of Quebec had, by agreement between the parties, been referred to the adjudication of His Majesty's Privy Council. The final agreement to that effect was signed in London by the Attorney General of Canada and my Attorney General in November last, and substantial progress has already been made in the preparation of the Colony's case.

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

The Revenue for the last fiscal year showed a substantial surplus over all expenditures, but is to be anticipated that the world depression, which we with all other countries must necessarily share—a depression which is the natural aftermath of War—will cause a large shrinkage in revenue for the current fiscal year.

The Revenue is so largely dependent upon ad valorem duties on imports that, while the finances of the Colony benefited largely by the greatly increased cost of imported goods during the War and immediately afterwards, this present readjustment of world conditions with largely reduced cost of goods must have a corresponding effect in reducing customs returns.

My Ministers have had this necessary readjustment of expenditure to income under careful consideration. The estimates of expenditure and the Budget for the next fiscal year to be submitted to you will indicate the efforts which my Ministers have made to deal with the financial problems which you have to face in the readjustment of the Colony's expenditures, so that the great annual burden which the War has entailed may be met without curtailment and the necessary public services may be efficiently maintained. This will necessitate a temporary curtailment of certain large expenditures which previous administrations felt justified in undertaking out of the inflated revenues of the War period, and will involve such rigid economy as is consistent with the satisfactory maintenance of the various essential public services.

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

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

My Ministers have kept in close touch with

the Imperial authorities in the matter of Newfoundland claims against the German Government and I anticipate that certain legislation intended to harmonise the statute laws of Newfoundland with those of Great Britain in the matter of the collection of the German indemnity will be submitted to you for consideration in due course.

The Prime Minister of the United Kingdom has expressed his desire to meet the Prime Ministers of all the self-governing Dominions of the Empire for conference in London on important Imperial business early in June next. My Prime Minister has requested me to accept the invitation on his behalf. I appreciate the great importance of Britain's oldest Colony being represented at this conference.

You will be invited to consider a Bill to amend the Crown Lands Act to permit the exportation of certain pulp wood cut during the past winter, and an important Bill submitted by the Social Service Council relating to the welfare of children.

The so called "Charter" for the City of St. John's will, I am informed, be introduced at an early date so that its many provisions may be fully discussed, and, it is hoped finally dealt with at this session.

The subject of inland and coastal transportation will come before you, and reports will be sub-

mitted in the matter of the coal possibilities of the Island. An important arrangement is under consideration in connection with the exploration of oil areas and it is probable that sufficient progress will be made to submit a Bill in relation thereto within the course of a few weeks.

I trust that, under the guidance of Divine Providence, your deliberations may tend to the welfare and prosperity of this Colony.

The House of Assembly withdrew:

His Excellency was pleased to retire.

The Honourable the President reported His Excellency's Speech and the same was read by the Clerk.

On motion of Hon. Mr. Shea, seconded by the Hon. Mr. Gibbs, the following Resolution was unanimously passed:

Resolved:—That this House records its sense of deep sorrow and regret for the death of the late Honourable Walter Baine Grieve, C.B.E., through whose decease this Council has sustained the loss of one of its most valued Members and the Community at large one of its most honoured citizens.

Resolved Further:—That a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to the family of the late Honourable Walter Baine Grieve, C.B.E., expressing the sympathy of the Council with them in their bereavement.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Anderson, seconded by the Hon. Mr. Mews—

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

Ordered,—That the Honourable Messrs. Anderson, Mews, Winter, D. A. Ryan, and Sir P. T. McGrath be a Committee for that purpose.

The Honourable Mr. Gibbs gives notice that on to-morrow he will ask leave to introduce a Bill—An Act to amend and Consolidate the Laws in relation to the Municipal Affairs of the Town of St. John's.

On motion made the House adjourned till Monday, April 4th, at 4 p.m.



MONDAY, April 4th, 1921.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

PRESENT :

The Honourables : J. D. RYAN, *President.*

J. ANDERSON,

M. P. GIBBS, K.C.,

M. G. WINTER, C.B.E.,

SIR P. T. McGRATH,

K.B.E., L.L.D.,

M. POWER,

F. McNAMARA,

S. K. BELL,

T. K. COOK,

A. W. MEWS,

D. A. RYAN,

G. SHEA,

A. CAMPBELL, M.D., *Min.
of Agriculture & Mines.*

F. H. STEER, M.B.E.,

J. BROWNING.

The Minutes of Wednesday, March 30th, were read and confirmed.

Pursuance to Notice of Motion, the Honourable Mr. Gibbs brought in a Bill entitled "An Act to amend and consolidate the Laws in Relation to the Municipal Affairs of the Town of St. John's," which was received and read a first time, and

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

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)—

After some debate—

On motion of the Honourable Mr. Browning—

Ordered,—That further discussion be resumed to-morrow.

The Honourable the President informed the House that the following communication had been received from Government House:—

Government House,

St. John's, Newfoundland,

6th, December, 1921.

DEAR SIR :—

I am directed by His Excellency the Governor to inform you that he has this day granted leave of absence to the Honourable W. J. Ellis from his

duties in the Legislative Council, during the approaching session of the Legislature.

Yours faithfully,

(Sgd.) J. HAMILTON, Capt.,

Private Secretary.

The Honourable the President,
Legislative Council.

The Honourable Mr. Shea laid on the Table of the House the Annual Report of the Cashier of the Newfoundland Savings' Bank for the year ended December 31st, 1920.

On motion made the House adjourned until to-morrow Tuesday, at 4 p.m.



TUESDAY, April 5th, 1921.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

PRESENT :

The Honourables : J. D. RYAN, *President*.

J. ANDERSON,
M. P. GIBBS, K.C.,
M. G. WINTER, C.B.E.,
SIR P. T. McGRATH,
K.B.E., L.L.D.,
F. McNAMARA,
S. K. BELL,
A. W. MEWS,
D. A. RYAN,
G. SHEA,
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F. H. STEER, M.B.E.,
J. BROWNING.

The Minutes of Monday, the 4th instant, were read and confirmed.

After some debate on the Address in Reply—

The Hon. Mr. Anderson moved "That the said Address do now pass."

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

To His Excellency Sir CHARLES ALEXANDER HARRIS, Knight Commander of the Most Distinguished Order of St. Michael and St. George, Companion of the Most Honourable Order of the Bath, Commander of the Royal Victorian Order, 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 Your Excellency has addressed to both Houses of the Legislature.

(Sgd.) J. D. RYAN,

President.

Council Chamber,
April 5th, 1921.

On motion of Hon. Mr. Gibbs, the consideration of the Second Reading of the Bill entitled "An Act to amend and Consolidate the Laws in Relation to the Municipal Affairs of the Town of St. John's" was deferred till to-morrow.

On motion made the House adjourned till Thursday, the 7th instant, at 4 p.m.

THURSDAY, April 7th, 1921.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

PRESENT :

The Honourables : J. D. RYAN, *President.*

R. K. BISHOP,

J. ANDERSON,

M. P. GIBBS, K.C.,

SIR P. T. McGRATH,

K.B.E., L.L.D.,

F. McNAMARA,

S. K. BELL,

T. K. COOK,

A. W. MEWS,

D. A. RYAN,

G. SHEA,

A. CAMPBELL, M.D., *Min.
of Agriculture & Mines.*

F. H. STEER, M.B.E.,

J. BROWNING.

The Minutes of Tuesday, the 5th instant, were read and confirmed.

On motion of Hon. Mr. Gibbs, the consideration of the Second Reading of the Bill entitled "An Act to amend and Consolidate the Laws in Relation to the Municipal Affairs of the Town of St. John's" was deferred till to-morrow.

On motion made the House adjourned till to-morrow, Friday, the 8th instant, at 4 p.m.

FRIDAY, April 8th, 1921.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

PRESENT :

The Honourables : J. D. RYAN, *President*.
R. K. BISHOP,
J. ANDERSON,
M. P. GIBBS, K.C.,
M. G. WINTER, C.B.E.,
SIR P. T. McGRATH,
K.B.E., L.L.D.,
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D. A. RYAN,
G. SHEA,
A. CAMPBELL, M.D., *Min.*
of Agriculture & Mines.
F. H. STEER, M.B.E.,
J. BROWNING.

The Minutes of Thursday, April 7th, were read and confirmed.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day and on motion of the Hon. Mr. Gibbs, the Bill entitled "An Act to amend and Consolidate the Laws in Relation to the Municipal Affairs of the Town of St. John's" was read a second time, and

Ordered,—To be committed to-morrow.

The Hon. Mr. McNamara gives notice that he will on to-morrow ask the Hon. the Leader of the Government if there are any more lots of granulated sugar to be imported by the Food Control Board, and if so, to state the number of packages.

The Hon. the President informed the House that the following communication had been received from Government House:—

“The Governor has the pleasure to communicate to the Honourable the Members of the Legislative Council the appointment of the Commissioners of Internal Economy of the Legislature in accordance with the provisions of Section 4, Cap. 7, Consolidated Statutes (Third Series) as set forth in the accompanying certified copy of a Minute of the Honourable Executive Council, approved by the Governor on the 1st of April.

“Sgd.) C. ALEXANDER HARRIS,
“Governor.”

Government House,
St. John's, Nfld.,
7th April, 1921.

Certified Copy of Minutes of the Honourable Executive Council approved by His Excellency the Governor on the 1st April, 1921:

March 30th, 1921.

Under the provisions of Section 4, Cap. 7,

Consolidated Statutes (Third Series) "Of the Internal Economy of the Legislature," the following to be the Commission of Internal Economy, namely:—

The President of the Legislative Council.

Honourable R. K. Bishop.

Honourable George Shea.

The Speaker of the House of Assembly.

Honourable R. A. Squires, K.C.

Honourable W. R. Warren, K.C.

Honourable W. F. Coaker.

Certified true copy.

(Sgd.) ARTHUR MEWS,

Deputy Colonial Secretary.

On motion made the House adjourned until Monday, the 11th instant, at 4 p.m.



MONDAY, April 11th, 1921.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

PRESENT :

The Honourables : J. D. RYAN, *President.*

J. ANDERSON,

M. P. GIBBS, K.C.,

SIR P. T. McGRATH,
K.B.E., L.L.D.,

M. POWER,

F. McNAMARA,

S. K. BELL,

T. K. COOK,

A. W. MEWS,

D. A. RYAN,

G. SHEA,

A. CAMPBELL, M.D., *Min.*
of Agriculture & Mines.

F. H. STEER, M.B.E.,

J. BROWNING.

The Minutes of Friday, the 8th instant, were read and confirmed.

Pursuant to Notice of Question by the Hon. Mr. McNamara, the Hon. Mr. Shea stated that the reply thereto was in course of preparation.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day and on motion of Hon. Mr. Gibbs, the House went into Committee on the Bill entitled "An Act to amend

and Consolidate the Laws in relation to the Municipal Affairs of the Town of St. John's."

The Hon. Mr. Steer 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 made the House adjourned until to-morrow, the 12th instant, at 4 p.m.



TUESDAY, April 12th, 1921.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

PRESENT :

The Honourables : J. D. RYAN, *President*.

R. K. BISHOP,

J. ANDERSON,

M. P. GIBBS, K.C.,

M. G. WINTER, C.B.E.,

SIR P. T. McGRATH,
K.B.E., L.L.D.,

M. POWER,

F. McNAMARA,

S. K. BELL,

T. K. COOK,

A. W. MEWS,

D. A. RYAN,

G. SHEA,

A. CAMPBELL, M.D., *Min.*
of Agriculture & Mines.

F. H. STEER, M.B.E.,

J. BROWNING.

The Minutes of Monday, the 11th instant, were read and confirmed.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, and on motion of the Hon. Mr. Gibbs, the House went into Committee on the Bill sent up entitled "An Act to amend and Consolidate the Laws in Relation to the Municipal Affairs of the Town of St. John's."

The Hon. Mr. McNamara 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 made the House adjourned till Thursday, the 14th instant, at 4 p.m.



THURSDAY, April 14th, 1921.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

PRESENT :

The Honourables : J. D. RYAN, *President.*

R. K. BISHOP,

J. ANDERSON,

M. P. GIBBS, K.C.,

M. G. WINTER, C.B.E.,

SIR P. T. McGRATH,

K.B.E., L.L.D.,

F. McNAMARA,

S. K. BELL,

T. K. COOK,

A. W. MEWS,

D. A. RYAN,

G. SHEA,

A. CAMPBELL, M.D., *Min.
of Agriculture & Mines.*

F. H. STEER, M.B.E.,

J. BROWNING.

The Minutes of Tuesday, the 12th instant, were read and confirmed.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, and on motion of the Hon. Mr. Gibbs, the House went into Committee on the Bill sent up entitled "An Act to amend and Consolidate the Laws in Relation to the Municipal Affairs of the Town of St. John's."

The Hon. Mr. Winter in the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

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

Ordered,—That the Report be received.

The Hon. the President informed the House that the following Message had been received 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 Women's Patriotic Trust Fund Act, 1920," in which they request the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

(Sgd.) W. F. PENNEY,
Speaker.

House of Assembly,
April 12th, 1921.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Shea, the Bill sent up entitled "An Act to Amend the Women's Patriotic Trust Fund Act, 1920," was read a first time, and

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

On motion made the House adjourned till to-morrow, Friday, the 15th instant, at 4 p.m.

FRIDAY, April 15th, 1921.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

PRESENT :

The Honourables : J. D. RYAN, *President*.
R. K. BISHOP,
J. ANDERSON,
M. P. GIBBS, K.C.,
SIR P. T. MCGRATH,
K.B.E., L.L.D.,
M. POWER,
F. MCNAMARA,
S. K. BELL,
A. W. MEWS,
D. A. RYAN,
G. SHEA,
A. CAMPBELL, M.D., *Min.*
of Agriculture & Mines.
F. H. STEER, M.B.E.,
J. BROWNING.

The Minutes of Thursday, the 14th instant, were read and confirmed.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, and on motion of the Hon. Mr. Shea, the Bill entitled "An Act to Amend the Women's Patriotic Trust Fund Act, 1920," was read a second time, and

Ordered,—To be committed to-morrow.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, and on

motion of the Hon. Mr. Gibbs, the House went into Committee on the Bill entitled "An Act to Amend and Consolidate the Laws in Relation to the Municipal Affairs of the Town of St. John's."

The Hon. Mr. Mews 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 made the House adjourned till Monday, the 18th instant, at 4 p.m.



MONDAY, April 18th, 1921.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

PRESENT :

The Honourables : J. D. RYAN, *President.*
R. K. BISHOP,
J. ANDERSON,
M. P. GIBBS, K.C.,
SIR P. T. MCGRATH,
K.B.E., L.L.D.,
M. POWER,
F. MCNAMARA,
S. K. BELL,
T. K. COOK,
A. W. MEWS,
D. A. RYAN,
G. SHEA,
A. CAMPBELL, M.D., *Min.*
of Agriculture & Mines.
F. H. STEER, M.B.E.,
J. BROWNING.

The Minutes of Friday, the 15th instant, were read and confirmed.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, and on motion of Hon. Mr. Shea, the House went into Committee on the Bill sent up entitled "An Act to Amend the Women's Patriotic Trust Fund Act, 1920."

The Hon. Mr. Browning in the Chair.

After a short 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.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Gibbs, seconded by Hon. Mr. McNamara—

Ordered,—That the Order of the Day relative to the committal of the Municipal Act be discharged, and that the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee, and

Ordered,—That the Hons. Messrs. Gibbs, Shea, Mews, Steer, Browning, McNamara, and Sir P. T. McGrath be a Select Committee for the purpose.

On motion made the House adjourned till Thursday, the 21st instant, at 4 p.m.

THURSDAY, April 21st, 1921.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

PRESENT :

The Honourables : J. D. RYAN, *President*.
R. K. BISHOP,
J. ANDERSON,
M. P. GIBBS, *K.C.*,
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A. W. MEWS,
D. A. RYAN,
G. SHEA,
F. H. STEER, *M.B.E.*,
J. BROWNING.

The Minutes of Monday, the 18th instant, were read and confirmed.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, and on motion of the Hon. G. Shea, the Bill sent up entitled "An Act to Amend the Women's Patriotic Trust Fund Act, 1920," was read a third time, and passed, and

The Hon. the President signed the same.

Ordered,—That the said Bill be sent to the

House of Assembly with a Message that this House had passed the same without amendment.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Gibbs the remaining Order of the Day was deferred till to-morrow.

On motion made the House adjourned till Monday, the 25th instant, at 4 p.m.

MONDAY, April 25th, 1921.

PRESENT :

The Honourable : J. D. RYAN, *President*.

The Hon. the President declared the House adjourned until to-morrow, Tuesday, April 26th, at 4 p.m., for want of a quorum.

TUESDAY, April 26th, 1921.

PRESENT :

The Honourable : J. D. RYAN, *President*.

The Hon. the President declared the House adjourned until to-morrow Wednesday, the 27th instant, at 4 p.m., for want of a quorum.

WEDNESDAY, April 27th, 1921.

PRESENT :

The Honourable : J. D. RYAN, *President*.

The Hon. the President declared the House adjourned until to-morrow, Thursday, the 28th instant, at 4 p.m., for want of a quorum.

THURSDAY, April 28th, 1921.

PRESENT :

The Honourable : J. D. RYAN, *President*.

The Hon. the President declared the House adjourned until Friday, the 29th instant, at 4 p.m., for want of a quorum.

FRIDAY, April 29th, 1921.

PRESENT :

The Honourable : J. D. RYAN, *President*.

The Hon. the President declared the House adjourned until Monday next, May 2nd, at 4 p.m., for want of a quorum.

MONDAY, May 2nd, 1921.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

PRESENT :

The Honourables : J. D. RYAN, *President*.
R. K. BISHOP,
J. ANDERSON,
S. MILLEY,
M. P. GIBBS, *K.C.*,
SIR P. T. MCGRATH,
K.B.E., L.L.D.,
J. J. MURPHY,
F. MCNAMARA,
S. K. BELL,
T. K. COOK,
A. W. MEWS,
D. A. RYAN,
G. SHEA,
A. CAMPBELL, *M.D., Min.*
of Agriculture & Mines.
F. H. STEER, *M.B.E.*,
J. BROWNING.

The Minutes of Thursday, April 21st, and subsequent Minutes, were read and confirmed.

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

MR. PRESIDENT :

The House of Assembly acquaint the Legis-

lative Council that they have passed the Bills entitled respectively: "An Act to Amend the Terra Nova Sulphite Company Act, 1920," and "An Act to Amend the Consolidated Statutes (Third Series) 'Of Marine Courts of Enquiry,' " in which they request the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

(Sgd.) W. F. PENNEY,

Speaker.

Assembly Room,

April 28th, 1921.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Shea, the following Bills sent up entitled respectively: "An Act to Amend the Terra Nova Sulphite Company Act, 1920," and "An Act to Amend the Consolidated Statutes (Third Series) entitled 'Of Marine Courts of Enquiry,' " were severally read a first time, and

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

The following Reports were laid on the Table:—

By Hon. Mr. Shea—The Report of the Board of Pensioners Commissioners for Year ending 31st December, 1920.

By Hon. the Minister of Agriculture and Mines—Report of Minister of Agriculture and Mines for Year ending December 31st, 1920.

The following Resolutions were laid on the Table:—

By Hon. S. K. Bell—From Grand Bank Board of Trade and from the Citizens of Marys-town.

By Hon. the President—From Board of Trade of Burin.

On motion made the House adjourned until to-morrow, the 3rd instant, at 4 p.m.



TUESDAY, May 3rd, 1921.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

PRESENT :

The Honourables : J. D. RYAN, *President.*

J. ANDERSON,

SIR P. T. MCGRATH,

K.B.E., L.L.D.,

J. J. MURPHY,

T. K. COOK,

D. A. RYAN,

G. SHEA,

A. CAMPBELL, M.D., *Min.
of Agriculture & Mines.*

F. H. STEER, M.B.E.,

J. BROWNING.

The Minutes of the 2nd instant were read and confirmed.

On motion of Hon. Mr. Shea, the Consideration of the Second Reading of the Bill sent up entitled "An Act to Amend the Terra Nova Sulphite Company Act, 1920," was deferred until to-morrow.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, and on motion of the Hon. Mr. Shea, the Bill sent up entitled "An Act to Amend Chapter 170 of the Consolidated Statutes (Third Series) entitled 'Of Marine Courts of Enquiry,'" was read a second time, and

Ordered,—To be committed to-morrow.

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

MR. PRESIDENT :—

The House of Assembly acquaint the Legislative Council that they have passed the following Bills entitled respectively: “An Act respecting Sheep-Farming”; “An Act to Amend the Crown Lands Act, 1918”; “An Act to Amend the Law relating to Lotteries,” and “An Act respecting the Board of Pension Commissioners,” in which they request the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

(Sgd.) W. F. PENNEY,

Speaker.

House of Assembly,

May 2nd, 1921.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Shea, the following Bills sent up entitled respectively: “An Act respecting Sheep-Farming”; “An Act to Amend the Crown Lands Act, 1918”; “An Act to Amend the Law relating to Lotteries” and “An Act respecting the Board of Pension Commissioners” were severally read a first time, and

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

The Hon. the President informed the House

that His Excellency would receive the Address in Reply at Government House at 11 a.m. on to-morrow, the 4th inst.

On motion made the House adjourned until to-morrow, the 4th inst., at 10.30 a.m.

WEDNESDAY, May 4th, 1921.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

PRESENT :

The Honourables : J. D. RYAN, *President*.
S. MILLEY,
M. G. WINTER, C.B.E.,
SIR P. T. MCGRATH,
K.B.E., L.L.D.,
S. K. BELL,
T. K. COOK,
D. A. RYAN,
G. SHEA,
A. CAMPBELL, M.D., *Min.*
of Agriculture & Mines.
F. H. STEER, M.B.E.,
J. BROWNING.

The Minutes of Tuesday, the 3rd inst., were read and confirmed.

At 10.55 a.m. the House proceeded to Government House with the Address in Reply to the Speech of His Excellency the Governor.

At 11.15 a.m. the House having returned, the Hon. 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.

C. ALEXANDER HARRIS,

Governor.

4th of May, 1921.

On motion of Hon. Mr. Shea—

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

On motion made the House adjourned till Friday, the 6th inst., at 4 p.m.

FRIDAY, May 6th, 1921.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

PRESENT :

The Honourables : J. D. RYAN, *President*.
R. K. BISHOP,
J. ANDERSON,
S. MILLEY,
SIR P. T. MCGRATH,
K.B.E., L.L.D.,
F. MCNAMARA,
S. K. BELL,
T. K. COOK,
A. W. MEWS,
D. A. RYAN,
G. SHEA,
A. CAMPBELL, M.D., *Min.*
of Agriculture & Mines.
F. H. STEER, M.B.E.,
J. BROWNING.

The Minutes of Wednesday, the 4th inst., were read and confirmed.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, and on motion of the Hon. Mr. Shea, the House went into Committee on the Bill sent up entitled "An Act to Amend Chapter 170 of the Consolidated Statutes (Third Series) entitled 'Of Marine Courts of Enquiry.'"

The Hon. Mr. Bell in the Chair.

After a short 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 on to-morrow.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, and on motion of the Hon. Mr. Shea, the following Bills sent up entitled respectively:—

“An Act to Amend the Terra Nova Sulphite Company’s Act, 1920”;

“An Act respecting Sheep-Farming”;

“An Act to Amend the Crown Lands’ Act, 1918”;

“An Act to Amend the Law relating to Lotteries”;

“An Act respecting the Board of Pension Commissioners”

Were severally read a second time, and

Ordered,—To be severally committed to-morrow.

The Hon. the President informed the House

that the following Message had been received from the House of Assembly:—

MR. PRESIDENT :—

The House of Assembly acquaint the Legislative Council that they have passed the Bill entitled "An Act respecting the High Commissioner for Newfoundland in the United Kingdom," in which they request the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

(Sgd.) W. F. PENNEY,

Speaker.

House of Assembly,
May 3rd, 1921.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Shea, the Bill sent up entitled "An Act respecting the High Commissioner for Newfoundland in the United Kingdom" was read a first time, and

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

The Hon. Mr. Bishop laid on the Table a Petition from the Women of Newfoundland with regard to the Granting of the Franchise.

On motion made the House adjourned till Monday, the 9th inst., at 4 p.m.

MONDAY, May 9th, 1921.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

PRESENT :

The Honourables : J. D. RYAN, *President*.

R. K. BISHOP,

J. ANDERSON,

S. MILLEY,

SIR P. T. McGRATH,

K.B.E., L.L.D.,

M. POWER,

F. McNAMARA,

A. W. MEWS,

D. A. RYAN,

G. SHEA,

A. CAMPBELL, M.D., *Min.
of Agriculture & Mines.*

F. H. STEER, M.B.E.,

J. BROWNING.

The Minutes of Friday, the 6th inst., were read and confirmed.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, and on motion of the Hon. Mr. Shea, the Bill sent up entitled "An Act to Amend Chapter 170 of the Consolidated Statutes (Third Series) entitled 'Of Marine Courts of Enquiry'" was read a third time, and passed, and

The Hon. the President signed the same.

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

The Hon. Mr. Bishop presented a Petition from the Women of Newfoundland relative to the Granting of the Franchise, which was received and read.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, and on motion of the Hon. Mr. Shea, the House went into Committee on the Bill sent up entitled "An Act to Amend the Terra Nova Sulphite Company's Act, 1920."

The Hon. Mr. Milley in the Chair.

After a short time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported the Bill without amendment.

Ordered,—That the Report be received, and

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

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, and on motion of the Hon. Mr. Shea, the House went into Committee on the Bill sent up entitled "An Act to Amend the Crown Lands Act, 1918."

The Hon. Mr. Power in the Chair.

After a short time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported the Bill without amendment.

Ordered,—That the Report be received, and

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

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, and on motion of the Hon. Mr. Shea, the House went into Committee on the Bill sent up entitled "An Act to Amend the Law relating to Lotteries."

The Hon. Mr. Mews in the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

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

Ordered,—That the Report be received.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Shea the consideration of the remaining Orders of the Day was deferred till to-morrow.

On motion made the House adjourned till Wednesday, the 11th inst., at 4 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, May 11th, 1921.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

PRESENT :

The Honourables : J. D. RYAN, *President*.

R. K. BISHOP,

J. ANDERSON,

M. G. WINTER, C.B.E.,

SIR P. T. McGRATH,

K.B.E., L.L.D.,

M. POWER,

F. McNAMARA,

A. W. MEWS,

D. A. RYAN,

G. SHEA,

A. CAMPBELL, M.D., *Min.
of Agriculture & Mines.*

F. H. STEER, M.B.E.,

J. BROWNING.

The Minutes of Monday, the 9th inst., were read and confirmed.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, and on motion of the Hon. Mr. Shea, the following Bills sent up entitled respectively:—

“An Act to Amend the Terra Nova Sulphite Company’s Act, 1920,” and

“An Act to Amend the Crown Lands Act, 1918,”

Were severally read a third time, and passed, and

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

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Shea, the consideration of the Second Reading of the Bills sent up entitled “An Act respecting Sheep-Farming” and “An Act to Amend the Law relating to Lotteries” was deferred till to-morrow.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, and on motion of the Hon. Mr. Shea, the House went into Committee on the Bill sent up entitled “An Act respecting the Board of Pension Commissioners.

The Hon. Mr. Winter in the Chair.

After a short time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported the Bill without amendment.

Ordered,—That the Report be received, and

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

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, and on motion of the Hon. Mr. Shea, the Bill sent up entitled “An Act respecting the High Commissioner for Newfoundland in the United Kingdom” was read a second time.

Ordered,—To be committed to-morrow.

The Hon. the President informed the House that the following letter had been received from Government House:—

Government House,

St. John's, Newfoundland,

10th May, 1921.

DEAR SIR :—

I am directed by His Excellency the Governor to inform you that he has granted leave of absence to the Hon. S. K. Bell from his duties in the Legislative Council, who proposes to leave the confines of the Colony.

Yours faithfully,

(Sgd.) J. HAMILTON, Capt.,

Private Secretary.

The Clerk,

Legislative Council.

On motion made the House adjourned till Monday, the 16th inst., at 4 p.m.

MONDAY, May 16th, 1921.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

PRESENT :

The Honourables : J. D. RYAN, *President*.
R. K. BISHOP,
J. ANDERSON,
M. P. GIBBS, *K.C.*,
M. G. WINTER, *C.B.E.*,
SIR P. T. McGRATH,
K.B.E., L.L.D.,
M. POWER,
J. J. MURPHY,
F. McNAMARA,
T. K. COOK,
A. W. MEWS,
D. A. RYAN,
G. SHEA,
F. H. STEER, *M.B.E.*

The Minutes of Wednesday, the 11th inst., were read and confirmed.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, and on motion of the Hon. Mr. Shea, the Bill sent up entitled "An Act respecting the Board of Pension Commissioners" was read a third time, and passed, and

The Hon. the President signed the same.

Ordered,—That the said Bill be sent to the

House of Assembly with a Message that this House had passed the same without amendment.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Shea, the committal of the Bills sent up entitled "An Act respecting Sheep-Farming" and "An Act to Amend the Law relating to Lotteries" was deferred till to-morrow.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, and on motion of the Hon. Mr. Shea, the House went into Committee on the Bill sent up entitled "An Act respecting the High Commissioner for Newfoundland in the United Kingdom."

The Hon. Mr. McNamara 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 following reply to the Resolution of Sympathy sent by the Council to the family of the late Hon. W. B. Grieve, C.B.E., was then read:—

Esktower House,
Lasswade,
Midlothian, Scotland.

The family of the late Hon. W. B. Grieve, C.B.E., return grateful thanks to the Legislative Council for the Resolution passed expressing their sorrow and regret at the death of their brother.

April 26th, 1921.

On motion made the House adjourned till Thursday, the 19th inst., at 4 p.m.

THURSDAY, May 19th, 1921.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

PRESENT :

The Honourables : J. D. RYAN, *President*.

R. K. BISHOP,

J. ANDERSON,

M. G. WINTER, C.B.E.,

SIR P. T. McGRATH,

K.B.E., L.L.D.,

J. J. MURPHY,

F. McNAMARA,

T. K. COOK,

A. W. MEWS,

D. A. RYAN,

G. SHEA,

A. CAMPBELL, M.D., *Min.*

of Agriculture & Mines.

F. H. STEER, M.B.E.,

J. BROWNING.

The Minutes of Monday, the 16th inst., were read and confirmed.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Shea, the consideration of the Orders of the Day was deferred till to-morrow.

The Hon. the President informed the House that the following Message had been received 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 Profiteering Act, 1920,” and “An Act respecting the Cutting and Exportation of Timber for Special Purposes,” in which they request the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

(Sgd.) W. F. PENNEY,

Speaker.

House of Assembly,
May 17th, 1921.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Shea, the following Bills sent up entitled respectively:

“An Act to Amend the Profiteering Act, 1920,” and

“An Act respecting the Cutting and Exportation of Timber for Special Purposes”

Were severally read a first time, and

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

On motion made the House adjourned till Wednesday, the 25th inst., at 4 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, May 25th, 1921.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

PRESENT :

The Honourables : J. D. RYAN, *President*.

J. ANDERSON,

S. MILLEY,

M. G. WINTER, C.B.E.,

SIR P. T. MCGRATH,

K.B.E., L.L.D.,

J. J. MURPHY,

F. MCNAMARA,

A. W. MEWS,

D. A. RYAN,

G. SHEA,

A. CAMPBELL, M.D., *Min.
of Agriculture & Mines.*

F. H. STEER, M.B.E.,

J. BROWNING.

The Minutes of Thursday, the 19th instant, were read and confirmed.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Shea, the consideration of the Second Reading of the Bills sent up entitled respectively:

“An Act respecting Sheep-Farming” and

“An Act to Amend the Laws relating to Lotteries” was deferred till to-morrow.

Hon. Mr. Milley laid on the Table a petition with regard to the last named Bill.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, and on motion of the Hon. Mr. Shea, the House went into Committee on the Bill sent up entitled "An Act respecting the High Commissioner for Newfoundland in the United Kingdom."

The Hon. Mr. Anderson 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 on to-morrow.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, and on motion of the Hon. the Minister of Agriculture and Mines, the Bill sent up entitled "An Act respecting the Cutting and Exportation of Timber for Special Purposes" was read a second time, and

Ordered,—To be committed to-morrow.

On motion made the House adjourned until Monday, the 30th inst., at 4 p.m.

MONDAY, May 30th, 1921.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

PRESENT :

The Honourables : J. D. RYAN, *President*.

J. ANDERSON,

S. MILLEY,

M. P. GIBBS, *K.C.*,

SIR P. T. MCGRATH,
K.B.E., L.L.D.,

J. J. MURPHY,

F. MCNAMARA,

A. W. MEWS,

D. A. RYAN,

G. SHEA,

A. CAMPBELL, *M.D., Min.*
of Agriculture & Mines.

F. H. STEER, *M.B.E.*,

J. BROWNING.

The Minutes of Monday, May 30th, were read and confirmed.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Shea, the consideration of the Second Reading of the Bill sent up entitled "An Act respecting Sheep-Farming" was deferred till to-morrow.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, and on motion of the Hon. Mr. Shea, the Bill sent up entitled "An Act respecting the High Commissioner

for Newfoundland in the United Kingdom" was read a third time, and passed, and

The Hon. the President signed the same.

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

The Petition laid on the Table at the last sitting by the Hon. Mr. Milley was received and read by the Clerk.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, and on motion of the Hon. Mr. Shea, the House went into Committee on the Bill sent up entitled "An Act to Amend the Law relating to Lotteries"

The Hon. Mr. Mews in the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported the Bill with some amendment.

Ordered,—That the Report be received, and

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

Pursuant to the Order of the Day and on motion of the Hon. Mr. Shea, the House went into Committee on the Bill sent up entitled "An Act to Amend the Profiteering Act, 1920."

The Hon. 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.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, and on motion of the Hon. the Minister of Agriculture and Mines, the House went into Committee on the Bill sent up entitled "An Act respecting the Cutting and Exportation of Timber for Special Purposes."

The Hon. Mr. Steer 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 Hon. Mr. Shea laid on the Table of the House the Report of the Government Railway Commission to June 30th, 1920.

The Hon. the President informed the House that the following communication had been received from Government House:—

Government House,

St. John's, Newfoundland,

25th, May, 1921.

DEAR SIR :—

I am directed by His Excellency the Governor to inform you that he has granted leave of absence to the Hon. R. K. Bishop from his duties in the Legislative Council for the remainder of the Session.

(Sgd.) J. HAMILTON, Capt.,

Private Secretary.

The Clerk,

Legislative Council.

On motion made the House adjourned till Thursday, June 2nd, at 4 p.m.

THURSDAY, June 2nd, 1921.

PRESENT :

The Honourable J. D. RYAN, *President.*

The Honourable the President declared the House adjourned until Friday, the 3rd inst., for want of a quorum.

FRIDAY, June 3rd, 1921.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

PRESENT :

The Honourables : J. D. RYAN, *President.*

J. ANDERSON,

S. MILLEY,

M. P. GIBBS, *K.C.*,

M. G. WINTER, *C.B.E.*,

SIR P. T. McGRATH,

K.B.E., L.L.D.,

M. POWER,

F. McNAMARA,

A. W. MEWS,

D. A. RYAN,

G. SHEA,

A. CAMPBELL, *M.D., Min.
of Agriculture & Mines.*

F. H. STEER, *M.B.E.*,

J. BROWNING.

The Minutes of Monday, May 30th, and Thursday, June 2nd, were read and confirmed.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, and on motion of the Hon. Mr. Shea, the Bill sent up entitled "An Act to Amend the Law relating to Lotteries" was read a third time, as amended, and passed, and

The Hon. the President signed the same.

Ordered,—That the said Bill be sent to the House of Assembly with a Message that this House has passed the same with some amendment and requesting their concurrence therein.

The amendment is as follows:—

Section 1.

Add as new subsection 5 as follows:

(5) It shall be a condition of every Lottery or Scheme of chance for which permission or license has been granted that the whole benefit or proceeds thereof, after deduction of necessary expenses, shall be paid or devoted to the subject for which the Lottery or Scheme shall have been permitted.

Any person taking or receiving for his private use any share of the proceeds or benefits of such Lottery or Scheme, and any person knowingly aiding another in procuring such share for his own use, shall be guilty of an offence under this chapter.

The term 'expenses' above mentioned shall not include the payment of any sum by way of commission to any person concerned in the promotion of such Lottery or Scheme.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, and on motion of the Hon. Mr. Shea, the following Bills sent up entitled respectively: "An Act to Amend

the Profiteering Act, 1920," and "An Act respecting the Cutting and Exportation of Timber for Special Purposes" were severally read a third time, and passed, and

The Hon. the President signed the same.

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

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Shea, the committal of the Bill sent up entitled "An Act respecting Sheep-Farming" was deferred till to-morrow.

The Hon. 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 to Authorize the Raising of a Sum of Money on the Credit of the Colony for the General Purposes of the Colony" in which they request the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

(Sgd.) W. F. PENNEY,

Speaker.

House of Assembly,

June 2nd, 1921.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Shea, the Bill sent

up entitled "An Act to Authorize the Raising of a Sum of Money on the Credit of the Colony for the General Purposes of the Colony" was read a first time and with the unanimous consent of the whole House was read a second time, and

Ordered,—To be committed immediately.

The Hon. Mr. Gibbs in the Chair.

After a short time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported the Bill without amendment.

Ordered,—That the Report be received.

The said Bill was then read a third time, and passed, and

The Hon. the President signed the same.

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

The Hon. the President informed the House that His Excellency the Governor would arrive at the Council Chamber at 4.45 p.m. for the purpose of assenting to the Consolidation Loan Act, 1921.

The Hon. the President left the Chair.

At 4.45 p.m. His Excellency the Governor,

Sir Charles Alexander Harris, Knight Commander of the Most Distinguished Order of St. Michael and St. George, Companion of the Most Honourable Order of the Bath, Commander of the Royal Victorian Order, having arrived at the Council Chamber and being seated upon the Throne, commanded the Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod, through the Hon. the President of the Legislative Council, to let the Honourable House of Assembly know—

“It His Excellency’s pleasure that 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 Bill entitled:—

“An Act to Authorize the Raising of a Sum of Money on the Credit of the Colony for the General Purposes of the Colony.”

The House of Assembly then retired.

His Excellency withdrew.

At 5 p.m. the Hon. the President resumed the Chair.

On motion made the House adjourned until Tuesday, the 7th inst., at 4 p.m.

TUESDAY, June 2nd, 1921.

PRESENT :

The Honourable J. D. RYAN, *President*.

The Hon. the President declared the House adjourned for want of a quorum until Wednesday, the 8th inst., at 4 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, June 8th, 1921.

PRESENT :

The Honourable J. D. RYAN, *President*.

The Hon. the President declared the House adjourned for want of a quorum until Thursday, the 9th inst., at 4 p.m.

THURSDAY, June 9th, 1921.

PRESENT :

The Honourable J. D. RYAN, *President*.

The Hon. the President declared the House adjourned for want of a quorum until Friday, the 10th inst., at 4 p.m.

FRIDAY, June 10th, 1921.

PRESENT :

The Honourable J. D. RYAN, *President*.

The Hon. the President declared the House adjourned for want of a quorum until Monday, the 13th inst., at 4 p.m.

MONDAY, June 13th, 1921.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

PRESENT :

The Honourables : J. D. RYAN, *President*.

J. ANDERSON,

S. MILLEY,

M. G. WINTER, C.B.E.,

SIR P. T. McGRATH,

K.B.E., L.L.D.,

J. J. MURPHY,

F. McNAMARA,

A. W. MEWS,

G. SHEA,

A. CAMPBELL, M.D., *Min.
of Agriculture & Mines.*

F. H. STEER, M.B.E.,

J. BROWNING.

The Minutes of Friday, the 3rd inst., and subsequent Minutes to date, were read and confirmed.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Shea—

Ordered,—That the Order of the Day relative to the committal of the Bill sent up entitled “An Act respecting Sheep-Farming” be discharged, and that the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee, and

Ordered,—That Hons. Messrs. Campbell,

Milley, Gibbs, Steer, McNamara, and Sir P. T. McGrath be a Select Committee for that purpose.

The Hon. the President informed the House that the following Messages had been received 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 Law Society Act," in which they request the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

(Sgd.) W. F. PENNEY,
Speaker.

House of Assembly,
June 8th, 1921.

MR. PRESIDENT :—

The House of Assembly acquaint the Legislative Council that they have passed the Bill entitled "An Act further respecting the Cutting and Exportation of Timber," in which they request the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

(Sgd.) W. F. PENNEY,
Speaker.

House of Assembly,
June 7th, 1921.

MR. PRESIDENT :—

The House of Assembly acquaint the Legislative Council that they have passed the Bill en-

titled "An Act to Amend the War Measures Act, 1914," in which they request the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

(Sgd.) W. F. PENNEY,

Speaker.

House of Assembly,

June 10th, 1921.

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

"An Act to Amend the Law Society Act";

"An Act further respecting the Cutting and Exportation of Timber," and

"An Act to Amend the War Measures Act, 1914"

Were severally read a first time, and

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

On motion the House adjourned until Thursday, the 15th inst., at 4 p.m.

THURSDAY, June 16th, 1921.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

PRESENT :

The Honourables : J. D. RYAN, *President.*

J. ANDERSON,

S. MILLEY,

M. P. GIBBS, K.C.,

M. G. WINTER, C.B.E.,

SIR P. T. McGRATH,

K.B.E., L.L.D.,

M. POWER,

J. J. MURPHY,

F. McNAMARA,

T. K. COOK,

A. W. MEWS,

G. SHEA,

A. CAMPBELL, M.D., *Min.*
of Agriculture & Mines.

F. H. STEER, M.B.E.

The Minutes of Monday, the 13th inst., were read and confirmed.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, and on motion of the Hon. Mr. Gibbs, the Bill sent up entitled "An Act to Amend the Law Society Act" was read a second time, and

Ordered,—To be committed to-morrow.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, and on

motion of the Hon. the Minister of Agriculture and Mines, the Bill sent up entitled "An Act further respecting the Cutting and Exportation of Timber" was read a second time, and

Ordered,—To be committed to-morrow.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, and on motion of the Hon. Mr. Shea, the Bill sent up entitled "An Act to Amend the War Measures Act, 1914," was read a second time, and

Ordered,—To be committed to-morrow.

The Hon. the President informed the House that the following Messages had been received 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 Confirm an Agreement between the Government and the D'Arcy Exploration Company Limited"; "An Act to Repeal 10-11 Geo. V, Cap. 25, entitled 'An Act to Regulate the Exportation of Salt Codfish'" and "An Act to Amend Chapter 162 of the Consolidated Statutes (Third Series) entitled 'Of the Prosecution of the Seal Fishery,'" in which they request the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

(Sgd.) W. F. PENNEY,

Speaker.

House of Assembly,

June 13th, 1921.

MR. PRESIDENT :—

The House of Assembly acquaint the Legislative Council that they have passed the Bill entitled "An Act for the Prevention of Venereal Diseases," in which they request the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

(Sgd.) W. F. PENNEY,
Speaker.

House of Assembly,
June 14th, 1921.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Gibbs, the Bill sent up entitled "An Act to confirm an Agreement between the Government and the D'Arcy Exploration Company Limited" was read a first time, and

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

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Shea, the following Bills sent up entitled "An Act to Repeal 10-11 Geo. V, Cap. 25, entitled 'An Act to Regulate the Exportation of Salt Codfish'" and "An Act to Amend Chapter 162 of the Consolidated Statutes (Third Series) entitled 'Of the Prosecution of the Seal Fishery'" were read a first time, and

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

On motion of th Hon. the Minister of Agriculture and Mines, the Bill sent up entitled "An

Act for the Prevention of Venereal Diseases" was read a first time, and

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

The Hon. Mr. Shea laid on the Table the following Reports:—

Report of the Department of Militia for the Year ending March 31st, 1921.

Newfoundland Customs' Returns for the Year 1919-1920.

On motion made the House adjourned until to-morrow, the 17th inst., at 4 p.m.



FRIDAY, June 17th, 1921.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

PRESENT :

The Honourables : J. D. RYAN, *President.*

J. ANDERSON,

S. MILLEY,

M. P. GIBBS, *K.C.*,

SIR P. T. McGRATH,

K.B.E., L.L.D.,

J. J. MURPHY,

F. McNAMARA,

T. K. COOK,

A. W. MEWS,

D. A. RYAN,

G. SHEA,

A. CAMPBELL, *M.D., Min.*

of Agriculture & Mines.

F. H. STEER, *M.B.E.*

The Minutes of Thursday, the 16th inst., were read and confirmed.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, and on motion of the Hon. Mr. Gibbs, the House went into Committee on the Bill sent up entitled "An Act to Amend the Law Society Act."

The Hon. Mr. Steer in the Chair.

After a short 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 Hon. Mr. Shea, the House went into Committee on the Bill sent up entitled "An Act further respecting the Cutting and Exportation of Timber."

The Hon. D. A. Ryan in the Chair.

After a short time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported the Bill without amendment.

Ordered,—That the Report be received, and

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

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, and on motion of the Hon. Mr. Shea, the House went into Committee on the Bill sent up entitled "An Act to Amend the War Measures Act, 1914."

The Hon. Mr. Cook in the Chair.

After a short 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 Mr. Gibbs, the Bill sent up entitled “An Act to Confirm an Agreement between the Government and the D’Arcy Exploration Company Limited” was read a second time, and

Ordered,—To be committed to-morrow.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, and on motion of the Hon. Mr. Shea, the following Bills sent up entitled respectively:—

“An Act to Repeal 10-11 Geo. V, Cap. 25, entitled ‘An Act to Regulate the Exportation of Salt Codfish’ ” and

“An Act to Amend Chapter 162 of the Consolidated Statutes (Third Series) entitled ‘Of the Prosecution of the Seal Fishery’ ”

Were severally read a second time, and

Ordered,—To be severally committed to-morrow.

The Hon. Mr. Gibbs from the Select Committee appointed to consider the Bill sent up entitled “An Act to Amend and Consolidate the Laws in

Relation to the Municipal Affairs of the Town of St. John's" presented the following report which was read:—

MR. PRESIDENT :—

We, the undersigned Members of the Select Committee appointed to consider the Bill sent up entitled "An Act to Amend and Consolidate the Laws in Relation to the Municipal Affairs of the Town of St. John's," beg to report that we have considered the same and recommended the Bill with some amendments hereto annexed.

Respectfully submitted.

(Sgd.) M. P. GIBBS,
P. T. MCGRATH,
F. H. STEER,
ALEX. W. MEWS,
GEO. SHEA,
F. MCNAMARA.

Ordered,—That the Report be received.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Gibbs—

Ordered,—That the said Bill be committed to-morrow.

On motion made the House adjourned until Monday, the 20th inst., at 4 p.m.

MONDAY, June 20th, 1921.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

PRESENT :

The Honourables : J. D. RYAN, *President.*

J. ANDERSON,

S. MILLEY,

M. P. GIBBS, *K.C.*,

SIR P. T. McGRATH,

K.B.E., L.L.D.,

J. J. MURPHY,

A. W. MEWS,

D. A. RYAN,

G. SHEA,

A. CAMPBELL, *M.D., Min.
of Agriculture & Mines.*

F. H. STEER, *M.B.E.*,

J. BROWNING.

The Minutes of Friday, the 17th inst., were read and confirmed.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, and on motion of the Hon. Mr. Shea, the following bills sent up entitled respectively:—

“An Act further respecting the Cutting and Exportation of Timber,” and

“An Act to Amend the War Measures Act, 1914,”

Were severally read a third time, and passed, and

The Hon. the President signed the same.

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

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, and on motion of the Hon. Mr. Gibbs, the House went into Committee on the Bill sent up entitled “An Act to Amend the Law Society Act.”

The Hon. Mr. Milley in the Chair.

After a short time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported the Bill without amendment.

Ordered,—That the Report be received, and

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

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, and on motion of the Hon. Mr. Gibbs, the House went into Committee on the Bill sent up entitled “An Act to Confirm an Agreement between the Government and the D’Arcy Exploration Company Limited.”

The Hon. Mr. Anderson in the Chair.

After a short time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported the Bill without amendment.

Ordereed,—That the Report be received, and

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

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, and on motion of the Hon. Mr. Shea, the House went into Committee on the Bill sent up entitled "An Act to Repeal 10-11 Geo. V, Cap. 25, entitled 'An Act to Regulate the Exportation of Salt Codfish.'"

The Hon. 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.

On motion made the House adjourned till Thursday, the 23rd inst., at 4 p.m.

THURSDAY, June 23rd, 1921.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

PRESENT :

The Honourables : J. D. RYAN, *President*.
J. ANDERSON,
S. MILLEY,
M. P. GIBBS, *K.C.*,
M. G. WINTER, *C.B.E.*,
SIR P. T. McGRATH,
K.B.E., L.L.D.,
F. McNAMARA,
A. W. MEWS,
G. SHEA,
A. CAMPBELL, *M.D., Min.*
of Agriculture & Mines.
F. H. STEER, *M.B.E.*,
J. BROWNING.

The Minutes of Monday, the 20th inst., were read and confirmed.

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

“An Act to Amend the Law Society Act,” and

“An Act to Confirm an Agreement between the Government and the D’Arcy Exploration Company Limited”

Were severally read a third time, and passed, and

The Hon. the President signed the same.

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

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, and on motion of the Hon. Mr. Shea, the Bill sent up entitled “An Act to Repeal 10-11 Geo. V, Cap. 25, entitled ‘An Act to Regulate the Exportation of Salt Codfish’ ” was read a third time, and passed, and

The Hon. the President signed the same.

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

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, and on motion of the Hon. Mr. Shea, the House went into Committee on the Bill sent up entitled “An Act to Amend Chapter 162 of the Consolidated Statutes (Third Series) entitled ‘Of the Prosecution of the Seal Fishery.’ ”

The Hon. Mr. Milley in the Chair.

After a short time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported the Bill without amendment.

Ordered,—That the Report be received, and

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

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, and on motion of the Hon. Mr. Shea, the House went into Committee on the Bill sent up entitled “An Act for the Prevention of Venereal Diseases.”

The Hon. Mr. Anderson in the Chair.

After a short time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported the Bill without amendment.

Ordered,—That the Report be received, and

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

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, and on motion of the Hon. Mr. Gibbs, the House went into Committee on the Bill entitled “An Act to Amend and Consolidate the Laws in relation to the Municipal Affairs of the Town of St. John’s.”

The Hon. Mr. Anderson in the Chair.

After a short time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported the Bill with some amendments.

Ordered,—That the Report be received.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Gibbs, and with the unanimous consent of the Whole House, the said Bill was then read a third time, and passed, and

The Hon. the President signed the same.

Ordered,—That the said Bill be sent to the House of Assembly with a Message that this House had passed the same, and requesting their concurrence therein.

On motion made the House adjourned until Tuesday, the 28th inst., at 4 p.m.



TUESDAY, June 28th, 1921.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

PRESENT :

The Honourables : J. D. RYAN, *President*.

J. ANDERSON,

M. POWER,

A. W. MEWS,

F. H. STEER, M.B.E.,

J. BROWNING.

The Minutes of Thursday, the 23rd instant, were read and confirmed.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, and on motion of the Hon. Mr. Shea, the following Bills sent up entitled respectively:—

“An Act to Amend Chapter 162 of the Consolidated Statutes (Third Series) entitled ‘Of the Prosecution of the Seal Fishery,’ ” and

“An Act for the Prevention of Venereal Diseases”

Were severally read a third time, and passed, and

The Hon. the President signed the same.

Ordered,—That the said Bills be sent to the

House of Assembly with a Message that this House had passed the same without amendment.

The Hon. the President informed the House that the following Messages had been received 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 Indemnify the St. John’s Municipal Commission for Acts done in connection with recent Public Works,” in which they request the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

(Sgd.) W. F. PENNEY,

Speaker.

House of Assembly,
June 27th, 1921.

MR. PRESIDENT :—

The House of Assembly acquaint the Legislative Council that they have passed the Bill entitled “An Act to Amend the Act 11, Geo. V, Cap. 40, entitled ‘An Act respecting the Maintenance of Certain Public Roads,’ ” in which they request the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

(Sgd.) W. F. PENNEY,

Speaker.

House of Assembly,
June 24th, 1921.

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

“An Act to Indemnify the St. John’s Municipal Commission for Acts done in connection with recent Public Works,” and

“An Act to Amend the Act 11, Geo. V, Cap. 40, entitled ‘An Act respecting the Maintenance of Certain Public Roads’ ”

Were severally read a first time, and

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

The Hon. Mr. Shea laid on the Table of the House the following Report:

Annual Report of the Registrar General of Births, Marriages and Deaths for the Year ended December 31st, 1920.

On motion made the House adjourned till Monday, July 4th, at 4 p.m.



MONDAY, July 4th, 1921.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

PRESENT :

The Honourables : J. D. RYAN, *President*.

J. ANDERSON,

SIR P. T. McGRATH,

K.B.E., L.L.D.,

M. POWER,

J. J. MURPHY,

T. K. COOK,

A. W. MEWS,

G. SHEA,

A. CAMPBELL, M.D., *Min.*

of Agriculture & Mines.

F. H. STEER, M.B.E.,

J. BROWNING.

The Minutes of Tuesday, June 28th, were read and confirmed.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, and on motion of the Hon. Mr. Shea, the Bill sent up entitled "An Act to Amend the Act 11, Geo. V, Cap. 40, entitled 'An Act respecting the Maintenance of Certain Public Roads,' " was read a second time, and

Ordered,—To be committed to-morrow.

On motion of Hon. Mr. Shea, the consideration of the Second Reading of the Bill sent up en-

titled "An Act to Indemnify the St. John's Municipal Commission for Acts done in connection with recent Public Works" was deferred till to-morrow.

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

MR. PRESIDENT :—

The House of Assembly acquaint the Legislative Council that they have passed the Bill entitled "An Act respecting the Appointment of a Temporary Commission for the City of St. John's," in which they request the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

(Sgd.) W. F. PENNEY,
Speaker.

House of Assembly,
July 4th, 1921.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Shea, and with the unanimous consent of the Whole House, the Bill sent up entitled "An Act respecting the Appointment of a Temporary Commission for the City of St. John's" was read a first and second time, and

Ordered,—To be committed immediately.

The Hon. Mr. Power in the Chair.

After a short time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported the Bill with some amendments.

Ordered,—That the Report be received.

The said Bill was then read a third time, as amended, and passed, and

The Hon. the President signed the same.

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

The amendments are as follows:—

Preamble—Line 1.—Strike out the word
“Present.”

Line 2.—After the word “Commission” insert the following words:—

“Appointed under the Act 11, George V, Chapter 9, entitled ‘An Act respecting the Appointment of a Temporary Commission for the City of St. John’s.’”

Same Line: for “Expires” read “Expired,” delete the word “Now,” and for the word “Present” substitute the word “Past.”

Section (1) Line 4—Strike out the word

“present”; after the word “Commission” add the words “appointed under the Act 11, Geo. V, Cap. 9.”

Delete the words “proposed City Charter” and substitute therefor the words “Bill entitled ‘An Act to Amend and Consolidate the Laws in relation to the Municipal Affairs of the Town of St. John’s.’ ”

The Hon. the President informed the House that His Excellency the Governor would arrive at the Council Chamber to-morrow at 4.30 p.m. to give His assent to certain Bills.

On motion made the House adjourned until to-morrow, the 5th inst., at 4 p.m.



TUESDAY, July 5th, 1921.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

PRESENT :

The Honourables : J. D. RYAN, *President*.
J. ANDERSON,
M. G. WINTER, C.B.E.,
M. POWER,
J. J. MURPHY,
F. MCNAMARA,
A. W. MEWS,
G. SHEA,
F. H. STEER, M.B.E.,
J. BROWNING.

The Minutes of Monday, the 4th inst., were read and confirmed.

The Honourable the President informed the House that the following Message had been received 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 sent up entitled "An Act respecting the Appointment of a Temporary Commission for the City of St. John's" without amendment.

(Sgd.) W. F. PENNEY,
Speaker.

House of Assembly,
July 4th, 1921.

The Honourable the President left the Chair.

At 5.15 o'clock p.m. His Excellency the Governor, Sir Charles Alexander Harris, Knight Commander of the Most Distinguished Order of St. Michael and St. George, Companion of the Most Honourable Order of the Bath, Commander of the Royal Victorian Order, 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 House of Assembly know—

“It is His Excellency's Pleasure they attend him immediately in this House”

Who having come thereto with their Speaker, His Excellency was pleased to give His Assent to the following Bills, entitled respectively:—

An Act respecting the Appointment of a Temporary Commission for the City of St. John's.

An Act for the Confirmation of an Agreement between the Government and the D'Arcy Expotation Company, Limited.

An Act respecting the Exportation of Salt Codfish.

An Act to Amend Chap. 162 of the Consolidated Statutes (Third Series) entitled “Of the Prosecution of the Seal Fishery.”

An Act respecting the Cutting and Exportation of Timber for Special Purposes.

An Act further respecting the Cutting and Exportation of Timber.

An Act to Amend the Women's Patriotic Trust Fund Act, 1920.

An Act to Amend the Terra Nova Sulphite Company Act, 1920.

An Act to Amend Chap. 170 of the Consolidated Statutes (Third Series) entitled "Of Marine Courts of Enquiry."

An Act to Amend Chap. 105 of the Consolidated Statutes entitled "Of Lotteries."

An Act respecting the Board of Pension Commissioners.

"An Act to Amend the Crown Lands Act, 1918.

An Act respecting the High Commissioner for Newfoundland in the United Kingdom.

An Act to Amend the Profiteering Act, 1920.

An Act to Amend the Law Society Act.

An Act for the Prevention of Venereal Diseases.

The House of Assembly then retired.

His Excellency withdrew.

The Honourable the President resumed the Chair at 5.30 p.m.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, and on motion of the Hon. Mr. Shea, the House went into Committee on the Bill sent up entitled "An Act to Amend the Act 11, Geo. V, Cap. 40, entitled "An Act respecting the Maintenance of Certain Public Roads.' "

The Hon. Mr. McNamara in the Chair.

After a short 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 Hon. Mr. Shea, the consideration of the Second Reading of a Bill sent up entitled "An Act to Indemnify the St. John's Municipal Commission for Acts done in connection with recent Public Works" was deferred till to-morrow.

The Hon. the President informed the House that the following Message had been received 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 for the Protection of Neglected, Dependent, and Delinquent Children" and "An Act respecting the Extension of the Railway System of the Colony," in which they request the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

(Sgd.) W. F. PENNEY,

Speaker.

House of Assembly,

July 4th, 1921.

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

"An Act for the Protection of Neglected, Dependent, and Delinquent Children" and

"An Act respecting the Extension of the Railway System of the Colony"

Were severally read a first time, and

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

On motion made the House adjourned until Friday, 8th instant, at 4 p.m.

FRIDAY, July 8th, 1921.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

PRESENT :

The Honourables : J. D. RYAN, *President*.
J. ANDERSON,
M. P. GIBBS, K.C.,
M. G. WINTER, C.B.E.,
SIR P. T. McGRATH,
K.B.E., L.L.D.,
M. POWER,
F. McNAMARA,
A. W. MEWS,
G. SHEA,
A. CAMPBELL, M.D., *Min.*
of Agriculture & Mines.
F. H. STEER, M.B.E.,
J. BROWNING.

The Minutes of Tuesday, July 5th, were read and confirmed.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, and on motion of the Hon. Mr. Shea, the House went into Committee on the Bill sent up entitled "An Act to Amend the Act 11, Geo. V, Capt. 40, entitled 'An Act respecting the Maintenance of Certain Public Roads.' "

The Hon. Mr. McNamara in the Chair.

After a short 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 Hon. Mr. Shea, the Bill sent up entitled "An Act to Indemnify the St. John's Municipal Commission for Acts done in connection with recent Public Works" was read a second time, and

Ordered,—To be committed to-morrow.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Shea, the consideration of the Second Reading of the Bill sent up entitled "An Act for the Protection of Neglected, Dependent, and Delinquent Children" was deferred till to-morrow.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, and on motion of the Hon. Mr. Shea, the Bill sent up entitled "An Act respecting the Extension of the Railway System of the Colony" was read a second time, and

Ordered,—To be committed to-morrow.

On motion made the House adjourned till Thursday, the 14th inst., at 4 p.m.

THURSDAY, July 14th, 1921.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

PRESENT :

The Honourables : J. D. RYAN, *President*.
J. ANDERSON,
S. MILLEY,
M. G. WINTER, C.B.E.,
SIR P. T. McGRATH,
K.B.E., L.L.D.,
M. POWER,
J. J. MURPHY,
A. W. MEWS,
G. SHEA,
A. CAMPBELL, M.D., *Min.*
of Agriculture & Mines.
F. H. STEER, M.B.E.,
J. BROWNING.

The Minutes of Friday, the 8th inst., were read and confirmed.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, and on motion of the Hon. Mr. Shea, the Bill sent up entitled "An Act to Amend the Act 11, Geo. V, Cap. 40, entitled 'An Act respecting the Maintenance of Certain Public Roads' " was read a third time, as amended, and passed, and

The Hon. the President signed the same.

Ordered,—That the said Bill be sent to the

House of Assembly with a Message that this House had passed the same with some amendments and requesting concurrence therein.

The amendments are as follows:—

Insert a new Section 2 as follows:—

2. Any person who has during the present year beginning June 1st, 1921, paid the fees prescribed in the Schedule of the said Act of 1920 shall be entitled to a refund of the excess of such fees over those prescribed in the amended Schedule set out in Section one of this Act.

Delete Section 5.

Re-number Sections 2, 3, 4, as Sections 3, 4, 5.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Shea, the committal of the Bill sent up entitled "An Act to Indemnify the St. John's Municipal Commission for Acts done in connection with recent Public Works" was deferred till to-morrow.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, and on motion of the Hon. Mr. Shea, the House went into Committee on the Bill sent up entitled "An Act respecting the Extension of the Railway System of the Colony."

The Hon. Mr. Milley in the Chair.

After a short time the House resumed.

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

Ordered,—That the Report be received.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, and on motion of the Hon. Mr. Shea, the Bill sent up entitled "An Act for the Protection of Neglected, Dependent, and Delinquent Children" was read a second time, and

Ordered,—To be committed to-morrow.

The Hon. the President announced that the following communication had been received from Government House:—

Government House,

St. John's, Newfoundland,

11th July, 1921.

DEAR SIR :—

I am directed by His Excellency the Governor to inform you that he has granted leave of absence to the Honourable D. A. Ryan from his duties in the Legislative Council.

Yours faithfully,

(Sgd.) J. HAMILTON, Capt.,

Private Secretary.

The Clerk,
Legislative Council.

The Hon. Mr. Shea laid on the Table of the House the following Report:—

Annual Report of the Newfoundland Patriotic Fund for the Year ended December 31st, 1920.

On motion made the House adjourned till Tuesday, the 19th inst., at 4 p.m.



TUESDAY, July 19th, 1921.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

PRESENT :

The Honourables : J. D. RYAN, *President.*

J. ANDERSON,

S. MILLEY,

M. P. GIBBS, K.C.,

M. G. WINTER, C.B.E.,

SIR P. T. McGRATH,

K.B.E., L.L.D.,

M. POWER,

J. J. MURPHY,

F. McNAMARA,

A. W. MEWS,

G. SHEA,

A. CAMPBELL, M.D., *Min.
of Agriculture & Mines.*

F. H. STEER, M.B.E.,

J. BROWNING.

The Minutes of Thursday, the 14th inst., were read and confirmed.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, and on motion of the Hon. Mr. Gibbs, the House went into Committee on the Bill sent up entitled "An Act to Indemnify the St. John's Municipal Commission for Acts done in connection with recent Public Works."

The Hon. Mr. Power in the Chair.

After a short 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 Hon. Mr. Shea, the House went into Committee on the Bill sent up entitled "An Act respecting the Extension of the Railway System of the Colony."

The Hon. Mr. Anderson in the Chair.

After a short time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported the Bill with some amendments.

Ordered,—That the Report be received.

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

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Gibbs, the committal of the Bill sent up entitled "An Act for the Protection of Neglected, Dependent, and Delinquent Children" was deferred till to-morrow.

On motion made the House adjourned till Tuesday, the 26th inst., at 4 p.m.

TUESDAY, July 26th, 1921.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

PRESENT :

The Honourables : J. D. RYAN, *President*.

J. ANDERSON,

S. MILLEY,

M. P. GIBBS, *K.C.*,

SIR P. T. MCGRATH,
K.B.E., L.L.D.,

M. POWER,

G. SHEA,

A. CAMPBELL, *M.D., Min.*
of Agriculture & Mines.

F. H. STEER, *M.B.E.*,

J. BROWNING.

The Minutes of Tuesday, July 19th, were read and confirmed.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, and on motion of the Hon. Mr. Shea, the Bill sent up entitled "An Act respecting the Extension of the Railway System of the Colony" was read a third time, as amended, and passed, and

The President signed the same.

Ordered,—That the said Bill be sent to the House of Assembly with a Message that this House had passed the same with some amendment and requesting concurrence therein.

The amendment is as follows:

“Section three—Delete the words ‘By the Said Commission.’ ”

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, and on motion of the Hon. Mr. Gibbs, the House went into Committee on the Bill sent up entitled “An Act to Indemnify the St. John’s Municipal Commission for Acts done in connection with recent Public works.”

The Hon. Mr. Power in the Chair.

After a short time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported the Bill without amendment.

Ordered,—That the Report be received, and On motion of the Hon. Mr. Gibbs, and with the unanimous consent of the Whole House, the said Bill was read a third time, and passed, and

The Hon. the President signed the same.

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

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, and on motion of the Hon. Mr. Gibbs, the House went into Committee on the Bill sent up entitled “An Act for the Protection of Neglected, Dependent, and Delinquent Children.”

The Hon. Mr. Steer in the Chair.

After a short time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported progress and asked leave to sit again later in the day.

Ordered,—That the Report be received.

The Hon. the President informed the House that the following Message had been received 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 sent up entitled "An Act to Amend the Act 11, Geo. V, Cap. 40, entitled 'An Act respecting the Maintenance of Certain Public Roads'" without amendment; it being understood that the aforesaid amendments were in no way intended to interfere with the prerogative of the House of Assembly respecting Money Bills.

(Sgd.) W. F. PENNEY,

Speaker.

House of Assembly,

July 20th, 1921.

On motion of the Hon. P. T. McGrath, seconded by the Hon. Mr. Mews:

Ordered,—That a Message be sent to the

House of Assembly acquainting that body that the action of the Legislative Council in amending the Bill referred to in the Message from the House of Assembly and commented upon in the latter part of the said Message was within the constitutional powers of the Legislative Council and in no way infringed upon the prerogative of the House of Assembly respecting Money Bills, as the Bill in question was not sent up to the Legislative Council as a Money Bill.

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

MR. PRESIDENT :—

The House of Assembly acquaint the Legislative Council that they have passed the Bill sent down entitled “An Act to Amend and Consolidate the Laws in relation to the Municipal Affairs of the Town of St. John’s,” with some amendments, in which they request the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

(Sgd.) W. F. PENNEY,

Speaker.

House of Assembly,

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Gibbs, the said amendments were read a first time, and second time, and

Ordered,—To be committed immediately.

The Hon. Mr. Mews in the Chair.

After a short time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported the amendments without amendment.

Ordered,—That the Report be received, and

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

The Hon. the President informed the House that the following Messages had been received 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 Fishery Supplies for the Current Season" and "An Act for the Quieting of Titles," in which they request the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

(Sgd.) W. F. PENNEY,

Speaker.

House of Assembly,

July 22nd, 1921.

MR. PRESIDENT :—

The House of Assembly acquaint the Legislative Council that they have passed the Bill en-

titled "An Act respecting the Exportation of Timber," in which they request the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

(Sgd.) W. F. PENNEY,
Speaker.

House of Assembly,
July 21st, 1921.

MR. PRESIDENT :—

The House of Assembly acquaint the Legislative Council that they have passed the Bill entitled "An Act for the Ratification of the Contract with the Pulp and Paper Corporation of America," in which they request the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

(Sgd.) W. F. PENNEY,
Speaker.

House of Assembly,
July 25th, 1921.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Gibbs, the Bill sent up entitled "An Act for the Quieting of Titles" was read a first time, and with the unanimous consent of the Whole House, was then read a second time, and

Ordered,—To be committed immediately.

The Hon. Mr. Milley in the Chair.

After a short 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.

On motion of the Hon. the Minister of Agriculture and Mines, the Bill sent up entitled "An Act respecting the Exportation of Timber" was read a first time, and with the unanimous consent of the Whole House, the said Bill was read a second time, and

Ordered,—To be referred to a Select Committee.

Ordered,—That the Hons. the Minister of Agriculture and Mines, the Hon. Sir P. T. McGrath, and the Hons. Messrs. Gibbs, Mews, and Browning, be a Select Committee for that purpose.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Shea, the Bill sent up entitled "An Act respecting Fishery Supplies for the Current Season" was read a first time, and with the unanimous consent of the Whole House, the said Bill was read a second time, and

Ordered,—To be committed to-morrow.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Shea, the Bill sent up entitled "An Act for the Ratification of the Contract with the Pulp and Paper Corporation of America" was read a first time, and

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

On motion made the House adjourned till Thursday, the 28th inst., at 4 p.m.

THURSDAY, July 28th, 1921.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

PRESENT :

The Honourables : J. D. RYAN, *President*.
J. ANDERSON,
S. MILLEY,
SIR P. T. McGRATH,
K.B.E., L.L.D.,
M. POWER,
J. J. MURPHY,
F. McNAMARA,
A. W. MEWS,
G. SHEA,
A. CAMPBELL, M.D., *Min.*
of Agriculture & Mines.
F. H. STEER, M.B.E.,
J. BROWNING.

The Minutes of Friday, the 26th inst., were read and confirmed.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, and on motion of the Hon. Mr. Shea, the Bill sent up entitled "An Act for the Quieting of Titles" was read a third time, and passed, and

The Hon. the President signed the same.

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

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, and on motion of the Hon. Mr. Shea, the amendments sent up by the House of Assembly in and upon the Bill sent down entitled "An Act to Amend and Consolidate the Laws in relation to the Municipal Affairs of the Town of St. John's" were read a third time, and passed, and

The Hon. the President signed the same.

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

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Shea, the committal of the Bill sent up entitled "An Act for the Protection of Neglected, Dependent, and Delinquent Children" was deferred till to-morrow.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Shea—

Ordered,—That the Order of the Day relative to the Committee of the Whole House on the Bill sent up entitled "An Act respecting Fishery Supplies" be discharged, and

Ordered,—That the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee, and

Ordered,—That the Hons. Messrs. Shea, Steer, Mews, Anderson, and Sir P. T. McGrath be a Select Committee for that purpose.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, and on

motion of the Hon. the Minister of Agriculture and Mines, the Bill sent up entitled "An Act for the Ratification of the Contract with the Pulp and Paper Corporation of America" was read a second time, and

Ordered,—To be committed to-morrow.

The Hon. the Minister of Agriculture and Mines from the Select Committee appointed to consider the Bill sent up entitled "An Act respecting the Exportation of Timber" presented the following Report which was received and read by the Clerk:—

Committee Room,

July 28th, 1921.

MR. PRESIDENT :—

The Select Committee appointed to consider the Bill entitled "An Act respecting the Exportation of Timber" beg to report that they have considered the said Bill and made certain amendments thereto, and recommend the same to the House.

Respectfully submitted,

(Sgd.) ALEX. CAMPBELL,
P. T. McGRATH,
ALEX. W. MEWS,
JOHN BROWNING.

On motion of the Hon. the Minister of Agriculture and Mines, and with the unanimous consent of the Whole House, the House went into Committee on the said Bill.

The Hon. Mr. McNamara in the Chair.

After a short time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported the Bill with some amendments.

Ordered,—That the Report be received.

On motion of the Hon. the Minister of Agriculture and Mines, and with the unanimous consent of the Whole House, the said Bill was read a third time, as amended, and passed, and

The Hon. the President signed the same.

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

The amendments are as follows:

Section 1. Line 4.

After the word "Export" add the words "To Great Britain and Canada": after the word "Timber" add the words "Rosseed or Barked."

Re-number Section 5 as Section 6.

Insert a new Section 5 as follows:—

The Governor in Council may whenever he

deems it expedient permit the exportation of round Timber described in Section 1 to the United States of America on payment of the duty imposed by Section 4.

The Hon. the President informed the House that the following Messages had been received 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 sent up entitled "An Act respecting the Extension of the Railway System of the Colony" without amendment.

(Sgd.) W. F. PENNEY,

Speaker.

House of Assembly,
July 26th, 1921.

MR. PRESIDENT :—

The House of Assembly acquaint the Legislative Council that they have passed the Bill entitled "An Act to Provide for the Temporary Operation of the Newfoundland Railway," in which they request the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

(Sgd.) W. F. PENNEY,

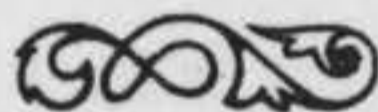
Speaker.

House of Assembly,
July 26th, 1921.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Shea, the Bill sent up entitled "An Act to Provide for the Temporary Operation of the Newfoundland Railway" was read a first time, and

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

On motion made the House adjourned till to-morrow, Friday, the 29th inst., at 4 p.m.



FRIDAY, July 29th, 1921.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

PRESENT :

The Honourables : J. D. RYAN, *President*.
J. ANDERSON,
S. MILLEY,
M. P. GIBBS, K.C.,
SIR P. T. McGRATH,
K.B.E., L.L.D.,
M. POWER,
J. J. MURPHY,
T. K. COOK,
A. W. MEWS,
G. SHEA,
A. CAMPBELL, M.D., *Min.*
of Agriculture & Mines.
F. H. STEER, M.B.E.,
J. BROWNING.

The Minutes of Thursday, the 28th inst., were read and confirmed.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, and on motion of the Hon. Mr. Gibbs, the House went into Committee on the Bill sent up entitled "An Act for the Protection of Neglected, Dependent, and Delinquent Children."

The Hon. Mr. Murphy in the Chair.

After a short 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 Hon. Mr. Shea, the House went into Committee on the Bill sent up entitled “An Act for the Ratification of the Contract with Pulp and Paper Corporation of America.”

The Hon. Mr. Milley in the Chair.

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.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Shea, the further consideration of the Second Reading of the Bill sent up entitled “An Act to Provide for the Temporary Operation of the Newfoundland Railway” was deferred till to-morrow.

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

MR. PRESIDENT :—

The House of Assembly acquaint the Legislative Council that they have passed the Bill en-

titled "An Act for the Confirmation of an Agreement between the Government and the Dominion Iron and Steel Company, and the Nova Scotia Steel and Coal Company, Limited," in which they request the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

(Sgd.) W. F. PENNEY,
Speaker.

House of Assembly,
July —th, 1921.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Shea, the Bill sent up entitled "An Act for the Confirmation of an Agreement between the Government and the Dominion Iron and Steel Company, and the Nova Scotia Steel and Coal Company, Limited," was read a first time, and

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

The Hon. Mr. Shea from the Select Committee appointed to consider the Bill sent up entitled "An Act respecting Fishery Supplies for the Current Season" presented the following report which was received and read by the Clerk:—

Committee Room,
July 29th, 1921.

MR. PRESIDENT :—

We, the undersigned Members of the Select Committee appointed by the Legislative Council to consider the Bill sent up entitled "An Act respecting Fishery Supplies for the Current Season," beg

to report that we have considered the same and recommend the said Bill with some amendments hereto annexed.

Respectfully submitted,

(Sgd.) GEO. SHEA,
F. H. STEER,
ALEX. W. MEWS,
P. T. McGRATH,
JOHN ANDERSON.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Shea, and with the unanimous consent of the Whole House, the House went into Committee on the said Bill.

The Hon. Mr. Power in the Chair.

After a short 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.

The Hon. Mr. Shea laid on the Table the following Report:—

Report of the Postal and Telegraph Department for the Year ended June 30th, 1920.

On motion made the House adjourned till Monday, August 1st, at 3 p.m.

MONDAY, August 1st, 1921.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

PRESENT :

The Honourables : J. D. RYAN, *President*.

J. ANDERSON,

S. MILLEY,

M. P. GIBBS, K.C.,

SIR P. T. McGRATH,

K.B.E., L.L.D.,

P. TEMPLEMAN,

M. POWER,

J. J. MURPHY,

F. McNAMARA,

T. K. COOK,

A. W. MEWS,

G. SHEA,

A. CAMPBELL, M.D., *Min.
of Agriculture & Mines.*

F. H. STEER, M.B.E.,

J. BROWNING.

The Minutes of Friday, July 29th, were read and confirmed.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, and on motion of the Hon. the Minister of Agriculture and Mines, the Bill sent up entitled "An Act for the Ratification of the Contract with the Pulp and Paper Corporation of America" was read a third time, and passed, and

The Hon. the President signed the same.

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

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, and on motion of the Hon. Mr. Shea, the Bill sent up entitled “An Act respecting Fishery Supplies for the Current Season” was read a third time, as amended, and passed, and

The Hon. the President signed the same.

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

The amendments are as follows:—

Re-number Section 6 as Section 7.

In sert a new Section 6 as follows:—

(6) If any supplier shall wilfully refuse to make a statement or to produce any Books or Documents, as provided in Section 3, or shall wilfully make any false statement or omission or shall apply any moneys advanced or guaranteed under this Act otherwise than for the obtaining or supplying *bona fide* of Fishery supplies for the present season, he shall, without prejudice to any other liability he may incur thereby, forfeit all rights under the guarantees made to him by the Governor in Council as aforesaid.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, and on motion of the Hon. Mr. Gibbs, the House went into Committee on the Bill sent up entitled "An Act for the Protection of Neglected, Dependent, and Delinquent Children."

The Hon. Mr. Templeman in the Chair.

After a short time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported the Bill with some amendments.

Ordered,—That the Report be received, and

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Gibbs, and with the unanimous consent of the Whole House, the said Bill was read a third time, as amended, and passed, and

The Hon. the President signed the same.

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

The amendments are as follows:—

Section 7.

Add a new sub-section 4 as follows:—

(4) Upon the complaint on oath being made before any Stipendiary Justice that any father hav-

ing property is dissipating or squandering the same so as to expose his children to the danger of destitution, such Justice may summon such father before him and enquire into the matter of such complaint and if upon enquiry the same shall appear to be well founded, may order that so much of the property of such offender as may be necessary be taken and applied to the maintenance of his family. Every such order made by a Stipendiary Justice affecting landed property shall be registered in the Registry of Deeds; and from the time of such order being deposited for registration shall have the effect of a conveyance of such land by the owner for the purposes of such order. All deeds, assignments and conveyances of any lands or other property made, done or executed with the intent and purpose of defeating any attachment made in pursuance of this section shall be and the same are declared void, except in case of a bona fide purchaser or grantee, for a valuable consideration, who shall not have been aware of or a party to such intent and purpose. Any person against whom an order has been made under this section shall be deemed to be guilty of an offence of cruelty within the meaning of this Act.

Any person against whom any such order shall be made pay within one month from the date of the making of such order appeal therefrom to the Supreme Court.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Shea, the further debate of the Second Reading on the Bill sent up entitled "An Act to Provide for the Temporary

Operation of the Newfoundland Railway” was adjourned till to-morrow.

On motion of the Hon. the Minister of Agriculture and Mines the consideration of the Second Reading of the Bill sent up entitled “An Act for the Confirmation of an Agreement between the Government and the Dominion Iron and Steel Company, and the Nova Scotia Steel and Coal Company, Limited, was deferred till to-morrow.

The Hon. the President informed the House that the following Messages had been received 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 sent up entitled “An Act respecting the Exportation of Timber” without amendment.

(Sgd.) W. F. PENNEY,
Speaker.

House of Assembly,
July 30th, 1921.

MR. PRESIDENT :—

The House of Assembly acquaint the Legislative Council that they have passed the Bill entitled “An Act to Amend Chapter 210 of the Consolidated Statutes (Third Series) entitled ‘Of Warehouse Receipts and Other Securities in the

Possession of Banks," in which they request the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

(Sgd.) W. F. PENNEY,

Speaker.

House of Assembly,
July 30th, 1921.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Shea, the Bill sent up entitled "An Act to Amend Chapter 210 of the Consolidated Statutes (Third Series) entitled 'Of Warehouse Receipts and Other Securities in the Possession of Banks'" was read a first time, and

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

On motion made the House adjourned till to-morrow, the 2nd inst., at 3 p.m.



TUESDAY, August 2nd, 1921.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

PRESENT :

The Honourables : J. D. RYAN, *President*.

J. ANDERSON,

M. P. GIBBS, *K.C.*,

M. G. WINTER, *C.B.E.*,

SIR P. T. McGRATH,

K.B.E., L.L.D.,

M. POWER,

J. J. MURPHY,

F. H. STEER, *M.B.E.*,

J. BROWNING.

The Minutes of Monday, the 1st inst., were read and confirmed.

The Hon. the President informed the House that it is the intention of His Excellency the Governor to assent to certain Bills at 3.15 p.m.

The Hon. the President left the Chair.

At 3.30 p.m. His Excellency the Governor, Sir Charles Alexander Harris, Knight Commander of the Most Distinguished Order of St. Michael and St. George, Companion of the Most Honourable Order of the Bath, Commander of the Royal Victorian Order, 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 House of Assembly know—

“It is His Excellency’s pleasure that they attend him immediately”

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 Quieting of Titles.”

“An Act for the Ratification of the Contract with Pulp and Paper Corporation of America.”

“An Act respecting the Extension of the Railway System of the Colony.”

“An Act to Amend and Consolidate the Laws in Relation to the Municipal Affairs of the Town of St. John’s.”

“An Act respecting the Exportation of Timber.”

“An Act to Amend the Act 11, Geo. V, Cap. 40, entitled ‘An Act respecting the Maintenance of Certain Public Roads.’”

The House of Assembly then retired.

His Excellency withdrew.

At 3.45 p.m. the Hon. the President resumed the Chair.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, and on motion of the Hon. Mr. Shea, the Bill sent up entitled "An Act to Provide for the Temporary Operation of the Newfoundland Railway" was read a second time, and on motion of the Hon. Mr. Shea, and with the unanimous consent of the Whole House

Ordered,—To be committed immediately.

The Hon. Mr. Browning in the Chair.

After a short time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported the Bill without amendment.

Ordered,—That the Report be received, and

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

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, and on motion of the Hon. the Minister of Agriculture and Mines, the Bill sent up entitled "An Act for the Confirmation of an Agreement between the Government and the Dominion Iron and Steel Company, and the Nova Scotia Steel and Coal Company, Limited," was read a second time, and

Ordered,—To be committed to-morrow.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Hon. Mr. Shea moved that the Bill sent up entitled "An Act to Amend Chapter 210 of the Consolidated Statutes (Third Series) entitled 'Of Warehouse Receipts and Other Securities in the Possession of Banks'" be now read a second time.

And the Question having been put, there appeared—

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Hon. Messrs. Browning

Gibbs

McNamara

Winter

Murphy.

Sir P. T. McGrath

Power

Mews

Shea

Campbell

Steer.

And so it passed in the affirmative.

Ordered,—Accordingly.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Shea—

Ordered,—That the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee, and

Ordered,—That the Hons. Messrs. Shea, Browning, Winter, Anderson, Steer, McNamara, and Sir P. T. McGrath be a Select Committee for that purpose.

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

MR. PRESIDENT :—

The House of Assembly acquaint the Legislative Council that they have agreed to the amendments sent down in and upon the Bill sent up entitled "An Act respecting Fishery Supplies for the Current Season" without amendment.

(Sgd.) W. F. PENNEY,
Speaker.

House of Assembly,
August 2nd, 1921.

The Hon. Mr. Browning gives notice that he will on to-morrow ask leave to introduce a Bill with regard to Banks and Chattel Mortgages.

On motion made the House adjourned till Thursday, the 4th inst., at 3 p.m.

THURSDAY, August 4th, 1921.

PRESENT :

The Honourable : J. D. RYAN, *President.*

The Honourable the President declared the House adjourned for want of a quorum until Friday, the 5th inst., at 3 p.m.

FRIDAY, August 5th, 1921.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

PRESENT :

The Honourables : J. D. RYAN, *President*.
J. ANDERSON,
M. G. WINTER, C.B.E.,
SIR P. T. McGRATH,
K.B.E., L.L.D.,
P. TEMPLEMAN,
F. McNAMARA,
T. K. COOK,
A. W. MEWS,
G. SHEA,
A. CAMPBELL, M.D., *Min.
of Agriculture & Mines*.
J. BROWNING.

The Minutes of Tuesday, the 2nd inst., and Thursday, the 4th inst., were read and confirmed.

Pursuant to Notice of Motion, the Hon. Mr. Browning brought in a Bill with regard to Banks and Chattel Mortgages, which was received and read a first time, and

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

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

titled "An Act to Provide for the Temporary Operation of the Newfoundland Railway" was read a second time, and passed, and

The Hon. the President signed the same.

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

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, and on motion of the Hon. the Minister of Agriculture and Mines, the House went into Committee on the Bill sent up entitled "An Act for the Confirmation of an Agreement between the Government and the Dominion Iron and Steel Company, and the Nova Scotia Steel and Coal Company, Limited."

The Hon. Mr. Mews in the Chair.

After a short time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported the Bill without amendment.

Ordered,—That the Report be received.

On motion of the Hon. the Minister of Agriculture and Mines, and with the unanimous consent of the Whole House, the said Bill was read a third time, and passed, and

The Hon. the President signed the same.

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

On motion made the House adjourned till Friday, the 8th inst., at 3 p.m.

MONDAY, August 8th, 1921.

PRESENT :

The Honourable : J. D. RYAN, *President*.

The Honourable the President declared the House adjourned for want of a quorum until Tuesday, the 9th inst., at 3 p.m.

TUESDAY, August 9th, 1921.

PRESENT :

The Honourable : J. D. RYAN, *President*.

The Honourable the President declared the House adjourned for want of a quorum until Wednesday, the 10th inst., at 3 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, August 10th, 1921.

PRESENT :

The Honourable : J. D. RYAN, *President*.

The Honourable the President declared the House adjourned for want of a quorum until Thursday, the 11th inst., at 3 p.m.

THURSDAY, August 11th, 1921.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

PRESENT :

The Honourables : J. D. RYAN, *President*.

J. ANDERSON,

S. MILLEY,

M. P. GIBBS, *K.C.*,

M. G. WINTER, *C.B.E.*,

SIR P. T. MCGRATH,
K.B.E., L.L.D.,

P. TEMPLEMAN,

F. MCNAMARA,

T. K. COOK,

G. SHEA,

A. CAMPBELL, *M.D., Min.
of Agriculture & Mines.*

F. H. STEER, *M.B.E.*,

J. BROWNING.

The Minutes of Friday, the 5th inst., and subsequent Minutes, were read and confirmed.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Browning, the consideration of the Second Reading of the Bill respecting Banks and Chattel Mortgages was deferred to a later date.

The Hon. the President informed the House that the following Messages had been received 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 Chapter 72 of the Consolidated Statutes (Third Series) entitled 'Of Illegitimate Children,'" in which they request the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

(Sgd.) W. F. PENNEY,
Speaker.

House of Assembly,

MR. PRESIDENT :—

The House of Assembly acquaint the Legislative Council that they have passed the Bill entitled "An Act for Certain Expenses of the Public Service for the Financial Years ending respectively the 30th day of June, 1921, and the 30th day of June, 1922, and for Other Purposes relating to the Public Service," in which they request the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

(Sgd.) W. F. PENNEY,
Speaker,

House of Assembly,
August 11th, 1921.

MR. PRESIDENT :—

The House of Assembly acquaint the Legislative Council that they have passed the Bills entitled respectively: "An Act further to Amend the Revenue Act, 1905"; "An Act to Amend the In-

come War Tax Act, 1918"; "An Act respecting the Salaries of Civil Servants," and "An Act respecting a Tax on Goods sold in Newfoundland," in which they request the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

(Sgd.) W. F. PENNEY,

Speaker,

House of Assembly,

August 11th, 1921.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Shea, the Bill sent up entitled "An Act to Amend Chapter 72 of the Consolidated Statutes (Third Series) entitled 'Of Illegitimate Children'" was read a first time, and with the unanimous consent of the Whole House the said Bill was read a second time, and

Ordered,—To be committed immediately.

The Hon. Mr. Cook in the Chair.

After a short time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported the Bill without amendment.

Ordered,—That the Report be received.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Shea, the said Bill was read a third time, and passed, and

The Hon. the President signed the same.

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

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Shea, the Bill sent up entitled "An Act for 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, 1921, and the 30th day of June, 1922, and for Other Purposes Relating to Public Service" was read a first time and, with the unanimous consent of the Whole House, the said Bill was read a second time, and

Ordered,—To be committed immediately.

The Hon. Mr. Milley in the Chair.

After a short time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported the Bill without amendment.

Ordered,—That the Report be received.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Shea, the said Bill was read a third time, and passed, and

The Hon. the President signed the same.

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

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Gibbs, the Bill sent up entitled "An Act respecting a Tax on Goods Sold in Newfoundland" was read a first time, and with the unanimous consent of the Whole House, the said Bill was read a second time, and

Ordered,—To be committed immediately.

The Hon. Mr. McNamara in the Chair.

After a short time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported the Bill without amendment, but as the said Bill was a Money Bill, recommended that a Message be sent to the House of Assembly drawing their attention to the necessity of making certain alterations in the said Bill and requesting their consent to effect the same.

Ordered,—That the Report be received.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Gibbs, the said Bill was read a third time, and passed, and

The Hon. the President signed the same.

Ordered,—That the said Bill be sent to the House of Assembly with a Message that this House had passed the same without amendment, and that their attention was drawn to the necessity of making certain alterations in the verbiage of the said Bill and requesting their consent to effect the same.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Shea, the Bill sent up entitled "An Act to Amend the Income War Tax Act, 1918," was read a first time, and with the unanimous consent of the Whole House the said Bill was read a second time, and

Ordered,—To be committed immediately.

The Hon. Mr. Templeman in the Chair.

After a short time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported the Bill without amendment.

Ordered,—That the Report be received.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Shea, the said Bill was read a third time, and passed, and

The Hon. the President signed the same.

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

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Shea, the Bill sent up entitled "An Act respecting the Salaries of Civil Servants" was read a first time, and with the unanimous consent of the Whole House, the said Bill was read a second time, and

Ordered,—To be committed immediately.

The Hon. Mr. Steer in the Chair.

After a short time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported the Bill without amendment.

Ordered,—That the Report be received.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Shea, the said Bill was read a third time, and passed, and

The Hon. the President signed the same.

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

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Shea, the Bill sent up entitled "An Act further to Amend the Revenue Act, 1905," was read a first time, and with the unanimous consent of the Whole House, was read a second time, and

Ordered,—To be committed to-morrow.

On motion made the House adjourned till to-morrow, Friday, the 12th inst., at 2.30 p.m.

FRIDAY, August 12th, 1921.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

PRESENT :

The Honourables : J. D. RYAN, *President*.
R. K. BISHOP,
J. ANDERSON,
S. MILLEY,
M. P. GIBBS, K.C.,
M. G. WINTER, C.B.E.,
SIR P. T. MCGRATH,
K.B.E., L.L.D.,
P. TEMPLEMAN,
M. POWER,
F. MCNAMARA,
T. K. COOK,
G. SHEA,
A. CAMPBELL, M.D., *Min.*
of Agriculture & Mines.
F. H. STEER, M.B.E.,
J. BROWNING.

The Minutes of Thursday, the 11th inst., were read and confirmed.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, and on motion of the Hon. Mr. Shea, the House went into Committee on the Bill sent up entitled "An Act further to Amend the Revenue Act, 1905."

The Hon. Mr. Anderson in the Chair.

After a short time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported the Bill without amendment.

Ordered,—That the Report be received.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Shea, and with the unanimous consent of the Whole House the said Bill was then read a third time, and passed, and

The Hon. the President signed the same.

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

At 3.30 p.m. His Excellency the Governor, Sir Charles Alexander Harris, Knight Commander of the Most Distinguished Order of St. Michael and St. George, Companion of the Most Honourable Order of the Bath, Commander of the Royal Victorian Order, having arrived at the Council Chamber, and being seated on the Throne, commanded the Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod, through th Honourable the President of the Legislative Council, to let the Honourable 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 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, 1921, and the 30th day of June, 1922, and for Other Purposes Relating to the Public Service.”

“An Act to Provide for the Temporary Operation of the Newfoundland Railway.”

“An Act respecting a Tax on Goods Sold in Newfoundland.”

“An Act respecting the Salaries of Civil Servants.”

“An Act to Amend the Income War Tax Act, 1918.”

“An Act respecting Fishery Supplies for the Current Season.”

“An Act for the Confirmation of an Agreement between the Government and the Dominion Iron and Steel Company, and the Nova Scotia Steel and Coal Company, Limited.”

“An Act to Amend Chapter 72 of the Consolidated Statutes (Third Series) entitled ‘Of Illegitimate Children.’”

“An Act to Amend the War Measures Act, 1914.”

“An Act to Indemnify the St. John’s Municipal Commission for Acts done in connection with recent Public Works.”

“An Act further to Amend the Revenue Act, 1905.”

The House of Assembly withdrew.

His Excellency retired.

On motion made the House adjourned till Monday, December 12th, at 4 p.m.



MONDAY, December 12th, 1921.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

PRESENT:

The Honourables J. D. RYAN, *President*.
R. K. BISHOP
S. MILLEY
M. P. GIBBS, K.C.
M. G. WINTER, C.B.E.
T. K. COOK
A. W. MEWS
A. CAMPBELL, M.D., *Min.*
of Agriculture & Mines.
F. H. STEER, M.B.E.

The Minutes of Friday, August 12th, were read and confirmed.

On motion of the Honourable Mr. Bishop, seconded by Honourable Mr. Gibbs, the following Resolution was passed unanimously:

RESOLUTION:—

Whereas, since the adjournment of the Legislature in August last, the Honourable John Browning, a valued member of this House, has passed to the Great Beyond, the House desires to place on record its appreciation of the active interest always taken by the late Member in the proceedings of the House during the time he occupied a seat here and to express to the Widow and the

sisters of the deceased Member our deep sympathy in their bereavement and that a copy of this Resolution be sent to Mrs. Adeline Browning, C.B.E., and the Misses Browning.

The Honourable the President informed the House that leave of absence had been granted to Honourable W. J. Ellis and Honourable G. Shea from their duties in the Council for the remainder of the session.

The Honourable the President informed the House that it is the intention of His Excellency the Governor to arrive at the Council Chamber at 3.40 p.m. to prorogue the present session of the Legislature.

The House was adjourned during pleasure.

The House was resumed.

At 4 o'clock p.m. His Excellency the Governor, Sir Charles Alexander Harris, Knight Commander of the Most Distinguished Order of St. Michael and St. George, Companion of the Most Honourable Order of the Bath, Commander of the Royal Victorian Order, 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 House of Assembly know—

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

Who having come thereto with their Speaker, 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:

It was your expressed desire in August last that the Legislature should stand adjourned till late in the year in case some trade crisis should demand immediate action. Happily this has not occurred, and I am glad to be able to announce that it is now possible to relieve you from further Legislative duties during this session, and particularly so, in view of the fact that within the next two or twelve weeks you will be summoned again to your duties. Since the adjournment in August last, there has been considerable improvement in trade, and the outlook is much brighter to-day than it was four months ago.

The facilities provided by the Act regarding Fishery Supplies helped considerably in establishing confidence, and both merchants and fishermen entered actively into the prosecution of this important industry. I am glad to be able to state that the catch has been an average one, and that satisfactory prices have been realized in the foreign markets.

The Agricultural returns during the past season have been the average. The various Root

Crops have given good yields, while the Hay Crop, so essential for the keeping of stock, is the best for some years.

Under the Act for the temporary operation of the Railway, a General Manager was appointed by the Reid Newfoundland Company. He resigned after a few days, but is now acting in the capacity of Chairman of the Railway Operating Committee of the Reid Company directorate, and, in conference with other Railway officials, is endeavouring to secure the more economic operation of our Railway, so that, while giving reasonable and proper service, the deficit on operation may be reduced to as low a figure as possible.

It will gratify you to learn that the fiscal returns for that portion of the year which has gone have exceeded the Estimates which my Ministers made during the earlier period of this session. The retrenchment in the public service, and the other economies effected will, it is anticipated, enable the Finance Minister to show a substantial surplus at the end of the present fiscal year.

My Ministers have given earnest consideration to the question of unemployment, so prevalent, not only in Newfoundland, but in all countries.

Unfortunately, the suffering from unemployment has been accentuated by the exceptional storms of the past weeks. My Ministers, however, have been active in encouraging Contracts

with large employers of labour in the direction of the cutting of lumber, the repair of wharves, and the carrying out of other useful public works, in order that avenues of employment, during the Winter months, may be opened to those people who are unable, without help, to provide sufficiently for their families during the Winter.

The financial situation is steadily becoming easier. With the opening of next Spring, it may reasonably be hoped that industries, which are at present employing a partial staff, will be increasing their operations, and taking on more men. The prices of all commodities will be lower, and a general commercial and industrial improvement shall be manifest.

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

I have to thank you for the zealous attention which you have given to the question of the supplies for the Public Service.

While endeavouring to bring the expenditures to the lowest figure in the various Departments, you have been careful that the public service shall not suffer. The supplies which you have provided will be dispensed with due regard to economy and efficiency.

Mr. President and Honourable Gentlemen of the Legislative Council:

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

In taking leave of you at the close of this session, I desire to express my sincere wish for your prosperity and general welfare.

The Honourable the President said:—

“It is His Excellency the Governor’s will and pleasure that this General Assembly stand prorogued until Friday, the twentieth day of January next, then and here to be holden and this General Assembly stands prorogued accordingly.”

R. H. TAIT,

Clerk of the Legislative Council.

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