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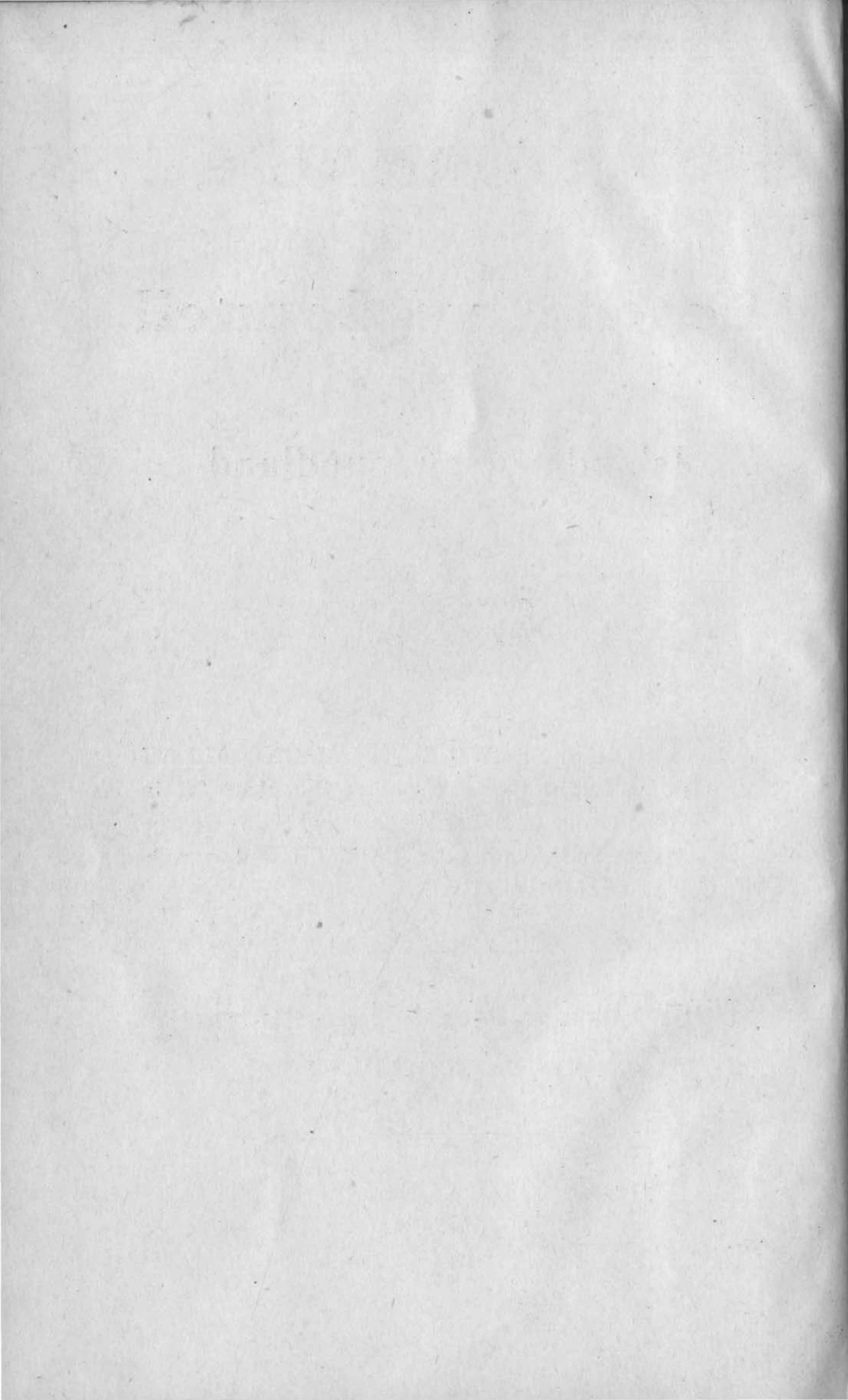


By His Excellency SIR WILLIAM LAMOND ALLARDYCE, Knight Grand Cross of the Most Distinguished Order of Saint Michael and Saint George, Governor and Commander-in-Chief in and over the Colony of Newfoundland.

Fifth Session of the Twenty-Sixth
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PROCLAMATION

By His Excellency SIR
WILLIAM LAMOND
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Grand Cross of the
W. L. ALLARDYCE, Most Distinguished Or-
Governor. der of Saint Michael
(L.S.) and Saint George, Gov-
ernor and Commander-
in-Chief in and over the
Colony of Newfound-
land.

WHEREAS, the General Assembly stands prorogued until Wednesday, the Fourth day of April, instant.

AND WHEREAS I think fit further to prorogue the said General Assembly until Wednesday, the Second day of May, next.

I do, therefore, by this my Proclamation, further prorogue the said General Assembly until Wednesday, the Second day of May, next,

as aforesaid, then to meet for the despatch 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 Third day of April, A.D., 1928.

By His Excellency's Command,

J. R. BENNETT,
Colonial Secretary.

Legislative Council of Newfoundland

Fifth Session of the Twenty-Sixth General Assembly.

WEDNESDAY, May 2nd, 1928.

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

The House met.

PRESENT:

The Honourables: SIR P. T. McGRATH,
K.B.E., F.R.G.S.,
L.L.D., President.
R. K. BISHOP,
JOHN ANDERSON,
M. P. GIBBS, K.C.,
F. McNAMARA,
GEORGE SHEA,
F. H. STEER, M.B.E.,
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A. CAMPBELL, M.D.,
F. C. ALDERDICE,
J. A. ROBINSON,
M.B.E., L.L.D.
S. K. BELL,
ABRAHAM KEAN,
GEO. A. BARTLETT.

At three o'clock p.m. His Excellency the Administrator, Sir William H. Horwood, having

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arrived at the Council Chamber and being seated on the Throne, commanded the Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod, through the Honourable the President of the Legislative Council, to let the House of Assembly know:

“It is His Excellency the Administrator’s pleasure that 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 Honour-
able House of Assembly:**

I welcome you at the commencement of this, the last Session of the present General Assembly, and I trust that the Session may prove fruitful in legislation of much public benefit and advantage.

I congratulate you upon the marked progress the country has made during the Legislative term now ending, and especially upon the advancement during the present year.

The prosecution of our fisheries during 1927 resulted in better returns to many of those directly interested. Shore Codfish sold at remunerative prices and stocks remaining over are smaller than for many years past, thus creating a healthy market condition for future operations.

The Seal Fishery just concluding will show a larger catch than the previous year and the increased demand for Sealskins has permitted the payment of higher prices with proportionate benefit to those engaged in this hazardous industry.

The Pulp and Paper Industry showed an expansion and the activities in connection with our mineral wealth give promise of marked development.

The legislation enacted at the last Session, rendering it possible for new interests to acquire the paper-making enterprise at Corner Brook, resulted in the transfer of the property to other ownership early in the present year, and the new proprietors are taking the initial steps towards the advances therein contemplated. On the other hand the Act designed to facilitate the construction of a mill in the Gander Valley has not been brought into operation, though it is possible that this step may be taken at a later date. It is very desirable that a mill may be established there, and the owners of the property are hopeful of bringing about this result.

The visit of the Empire Mining and Metallurgical Congress to the Island last Autumn was in itself an evidence of the increasing interest of the outside world in our mining possibilities; and was followed by much discussion and activity at home and abroad in relation to our mining areas, stimulated by the development now in progress at Buchan's River. The American Institute of Mining Engineers have expressed their intention of sending a deputation of representatives here next September.

It is felt that as a result of the great interest which is being shown in our mineral possibilities a revision of our mining laws is now essential and you will be invited to consider a measure for bringing these laws into conformity with the trend of similar legislation in other parts of the Empire.

Operations at Bell Island have latterly been more regular and sustained, with consequent stability of employment for those engaged there; but an increase in the wage rates is desirable. My Ministers have opened negotiations with the owners of the mines to secure some advantages for the iron miners in this Colony corresponding to those recently secured for the coal miners in Nova Scotia employed by the same corporation.

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

The Estimates for the coming fiscal year will be submitted at an early date and you will be invited to make the customary provision for the needs of the public service.

I am pleased to inform you that the Government was able to negotiate the loan authorised at the last Session on better terms than late issues, a fact which indicates the high credit enjoyed by the Colony in the financial world.

Within a few weeks the War Loan authorised in 1918 will mature and steps must be taken for the raising of money to meet this obligation, retiring the bonds of that loan, which bear

interest at $6\frac{1}{2}\%$, and replacing them with securities to carry a lower rate of interest. Therefore a Loan Bill including this amount, which is slightly in excess of \$7,500,000, with other items, will be submitted to you at an early date.

The financial operations for the current fiscal year will show a small deficit. There has been a decided increase in the customs revenue, approaching \$750,000.

The operations of the Railroad have resulted in bringing the receipts within \$300,000 of the expenditure, a reduction in the deficit by \$300,000 compared with last year, and giving promise of the early approach of the day when this great public utility will be self-supporting.

The difficulty and expense of operating a Winter Service over the Railway Line has, in a large measure, been due to combating snow drifts on the central Plateau known as the Topsails, where the rail rises to 1500 feet above sea level. My Ministers are convinced that a diversion of this line can be made so as to bring the main line to the town of Buchans and at the same time reduce the line's elevation by 400 feet, and that this alteration will effect an economy in operating that will repay the cost of this new construction within a comparatively short time. You will be invited to consider the provision of funds for this purpose.

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

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

Bills respecting various matters have been

prepared by the Departments concerned and will be submitted to you.

In the near future a General Election will require to be held under the Re-distribution Act passed in the Session of 1925, when the principle of single membered constituencies will prevail almost entirely, and women, as well as men, will exercise the franchise throughout the Colony. The Government have taken the necessary steps to compile the new voters' lists and to provide for all the contingencies which the creation of the new constituencies will occasion, in order that the election may be carried out with the greatest facilities for the electorate.

I trust the Almighty may guide your counsels and endeavours for the promotion of the true interests of the Country.

Then the House of Assembly withdrew.

His Excellency was pleased to retire.

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

Government House,
St. John's, Newfoundland,
27th January, 1928.

Sir,—

I have the honour to inform you that leave of absence from the Colony has been granted by

His Excellency the Governor to Honourable
Daniel A. Ryan.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

(Sgd.) A. G. STEWART GOODFELLOW, Capt.,
Private Secretary.

Hon. Sir P. T. McGrath, K.B.E.,
President Legislative Council.

Government House,
St. John's, Newfoundland,
8 March, 1928.

Dear Sir,—

I am directed by the Governor to inform you that His Excellency has granted leave of absence from his duties in the Legislative Council to the Hon. Sir M. G. Winter, C.B.E., at the commencement of the Session.

Yours faithfully

(Sgd.) A. G. STEWART GOODFELLOW, Capt.,
Private Secretary.

Hon. Sir P. T. McGrath, K.B.E.,
President Legislative Council.

Government House,
St. John's, Newfoundland,
13th April, 1928.

Sir,—

I have the honour to inform you that His Excellency the Governor has been pleased to grant leave of absence, to visit England to the Honourable R. B. Job.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

(Sgd.) R. WATSON,
Private Secretary.

The Honourable
The President,
Legislative Council.

The Hon. the President reported His Excellency's Speech and on motion of Hon. Mr. Alderdice, and by consent of the House, the reading of the same by the Clerk was dispensed with and the Speech was taken as read.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Alderdice, the following Resolution was unanimously adopted:

RESOLVED,—That whereas since the last Session of this House there has passed away the Hon. Michael Power, for many years a Member

of the Legislative Council, this House desires to record the expression of its deep regret at the death of this gentleman and its appreciation of his services during the period he occupied a seat in this Chamber, and that, while mourning his loss, Members of this House desire to convey to his relatives deep sympathy in their bereavement.

RESOLVED,—That a copy of the foregoing Resolution be transmitted to the family of the deceased gentleman, expressing the sympathy of the Council with them in their great bereavement.

On motion of the Hon. Capt. Kean, seconded by the Hon. Mr. Bartlett:

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

Ordered,—That the Hons. Messrs. Kean, Bartlett, McNamara, Davey and Bell be a Committee for that purpose.

On motion made the House adjourned until Friday next, the 4th of May instant, at 3 o'clock p.m.

FRIDAY, May 4th, 1928.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

PRESENT:

The Honourables: SIR P. T. McGRATH,
K.B.E., F.R.G.S.,
L.L.D., President.
R. K. BISHOP,
JOHN ANDERSON,
M. P. GIBBS, K.C.,
F. McNAMARA,
T. K. COOK,
GEORGE SHEA,
F. H. STEER, M.B.E.,
ELI DAWE,
JOHN DAVEY,
A. CAMPBELL, M.D.,
F. C. ALDERDICE,
J. A. ROBINSON,
M.B.E., L.L.D.
S. K. BELL,
ABRAHAM KEAN,
GEO. A. BARTLETT.

The Minutes of Wednesday, May 2nd, were read and confirmed.

The Hon. Capt. Kean from the Select Committee appointed to prepare an Address in Reply to the Speech of His Excellency the Administrator reported a draft of the same, which was received and read a first time (short) and

On motion of the Hon. Capt. Kean, with the unanimous consent of the House, the said Address was read a second time (at length).

On motion of the Hon. Capt. Kean, with the unanimous consent of the House,

Ordered—That the Address in Reply do now pass, and

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

To His Excellency Sir William Henry Horwood, Knight, Chief Justice, Administrator and Commander in Chief in and over the Colony of Newfoundland.

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.) P. T. McGRATH,
President.

Council Chamber,
May 4th, 1928.

On motion made the House adjourned until Monday next, the 7th of May instant, at 4 p.m.

MONDAY, May 7th, 1928.

PRESENT:

The Honourable SIR. P. T. McGRATH,
K.B.E., F.R.G.S., L.L.D.,
President.

The Hon. the President declared the House adjourned until Tuesday, the 8th instant, at 4.00 p.m. for want of a quorum.

TUESDAY, May 8th, 1928.

PRESENT:

The Honourable SIR P. T. McGRATH,
K.B.E., F.R.G.S., L.L.D.,
President.

The Hon. the President declared the House adjourned until Wednesday, the 9th instant, at 4.00 p.m. for want of a quorum.

WEDNESDAY, May 9th, 1928.

PRESENT:

The Honourable SIR P. T. McGRATH,
K.B.E., F.R.G.S.,
L.L.D., President.

The Hon. the President declared the House adjourned until Thursday, the 10th instant, at 4.00 p.m. for want of a quorum.

THURSDAY, May 10th, 1928.

PRESENT:

The Honourable SIR P. T. McGRATH,
K.B.E., F.R.G.S.,
L.L.D., President.

The Hon. the President declared the House adjourned until Friday, the 11th instant, at 4.00 p.m. for want of a quorum.

FRIDAY, May 11th, 1928.

PRESENT:

The Honourable SIR P. T. McGRATH,
K.B.E., F.R.G.S.,
L.L.D., President.

The Hon. the President declared the House adjourned until Saturday, the 12th instant, at 4.00 p.m. for want of a quorum.

SATURDAY, May 12th, 1928.

PRESENT:

The Honourable SIR P. T. McGRATH,
K.B.E., F.R.G.S.,
L.L.D., President.

The Hon. the President declared the House adjourned until Monday, the 14th instant, at 4.00 p.m. for want of a quorum.

MONDAY, May 14th, 1928.

PRESENT:

The Honourable SIR P. T. McGRATH,
K.B.E., F.R.G.S.,
L.L.D., President.

The Hon. the President declared the House adjourned until Tuesday, the 15th instant, at 4.00 o'clock p.m. for want of a quorum.

TUESDAY, May 15th, 1928.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

PRESENT:

The Honourables: SIR P. T. McGRATH,
K.B.E., F.R.G.S.,
L.L.D., President.
JOHN ANDERSON,
M. P. GIBBS, K.C.,
F. McNAMARA,
T. K. COOK,
GEORGE SHEA,
F. H. STEER, M.B.E.,
JOHN DAVEY,
A. CAMPBELL, M.D.,
F. C. ALDERDICE,
ROBERT B. JOB,
ABRAHAM KEAN.

The minutes of Friday, May 4th, of Monday, the 7th, of Tuesday, the 8th, of Wednesday, the 9th, of Thursday, the 10th, of Friday, the 11th, of Saturday, the 12th, and of Monday, the 14th, 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 Legislative Council that they have passed the Bills entitled, respectively, "An Act to Provide for the Guaranteeing of a Loan of the Church of

England College” and “An Act further to Amend the Law Society Act,” in which they request the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

(Sgd.) CYRIL JAMES FOX,
Speaker.

House of Assembly,
May 8th, 1928.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Alderdice, with the unanimous consent of the House, the Bill sent up, entitled “An Act to provide for the Guaranteeing of a Loan of the Church of England College” was read a first time, and

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Alderdice, with the unanimous consent of the House the said Bill was read a second time, and

Ordered—To be committed to-morrow.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Gibbs, the Bill sent up entitled “An Act further to Amend the Law Society Act” was read a first time, and

Ordered—To be read a second time on 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 to Amend Chapter 129 of the Consolidated Statutes (3rd Series) entitled 'Of Crown Lands, Timber, Mines and Minerals,'" in which they request the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

(Sgd.) CYRIL JAMES FOX,
Speaker.

House of Assembly,
May 10th, 1928.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Alderdice the Bill sent up entitled "An Act to Amend Chapter 129 of the Consolidated Statutes (3rd Series) entitled 'Of Crown Lands, Timber, Mines and Minerals.'" was read a first time, and

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

The Hon. Mr. Gibbs gave notice that he would on to-morrow ask leave to introduce a Bill entitled "An Act to Amend the Act XVIII, Geo. V. Cap. 9, entitled 'An Act respecting Patents.'"

The Hon. the President informed the House that he was in receipt of the following communication:

St. John's,
May 7, 1928.

Mrs. Power and family gratefully acknowledge the expression of sympathy recorded by the Hon. Legislative Council for their recent bereavement, and they appreciate the honour

shown to the memory of the dead by that recognition of the zeal that always, to the end of his days, animated him in his devotion to the country he was born in, which recognition was voiced by Honourable Members of the Council, speaking to the resolution of condolence.

To R. A. Parsons, Esq.,

Clerk Hon. Legislative Council.

The Hon. Mr. Alderdice tabled the Report of the Board of Liquor Control for the year ended January 31st, 1928, and the Annual Report of the Department of Marine and Fisheries for the year 1927.

On motion made the House adjourned until Friday, the 18th of May instant, at 4 p.m.

FRIDAY, May 18th, 1928.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

PRESENT:

The Honourables: SIR P. T. McGRATH,
K.B.E., F.R.G.S.,
L.L.D., President.
JOHN ANDERSON,
S. MILLEY,
M. P. GIBBS, K.C.,
F. McNAMARA,
T. K. COOK,
GEORGE SHEA,
F. H. STEER, M.B.E.,
ELI DAWE,
A. CAMPBELL, M.D.,
F. C. ALDERDICE,
S. K. BELL,
ROBERT B. JOB,
ABRAHAM KEAN.

The minutes of Tuesday, May 15th, were read and confirmed.

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

Government House,
St. John's, Newfoundland,
15 May, 1928.

Dear Mr. President:

With regard to the Address in Reply, I am directed by the Administrator to inform you

that His Excellency will be pleased to receive the Legislative Council at Government House on Friday, the 18th instant, at 4 p.m.

Yours faithfully,

(Sgd.) R. WATSON,
Private Secretary.

The Honourable
The President,
Legislative Council.

The House thereupon proceeded to Government House with the Address in Reply to the Speech of His Excellency the Administrator.

At 4.20 p.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.

(Sgd.) W. H. HORWOOD,
Administrator.

Government House,
St. John's, Nfld.,
18th May, 1928.

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

The Administrator of the Government has the pleasure to communicate to the Honourable 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 (3rd Series) as set forth in the accompanying certified copy of a Minute of the Honourable Executive Council approved on the 11th May, 1928.

(Sgd.) W. H. HORWOOD,
Administrator.

Government House,
St. John's, Nfld.,
17 May, 1928.
May 10th, 1928.

Under the provisions of Section 4, Chapter 7, Consolidated Statutes, Third Series, it was ordered that the following gentlemen shall be the Commission of Internal Economy of the Legislature, namely:

The President of the Legislative Council,
Hon. F. C. Alderdice,
Hon. S. Milley,
The Speaker, House of Assembly,
The Prime Minister,
The Colonial Secretary, and
The Attorney General.

Certified true copy,

(Sgd.) FRED M. STIRLING,
Asst. Deputy Colonial Secretary.

Pursuant to notice the Hon. Mr. Gibbs moved the introduction of a Bill entitled "An Act to Amend the Act XVIII, Geo. V. Cap. 9, entitled 'An Act respecting Patents,' " and

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

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

Pursuant to the Order of the Day and on motion of Hon. Mr. Alderdice, the House went into Committee on the Bill sent up entitled "An Act to Provide for the Guaranteeing of a Loan of the Church of England College."

The Hon. Mr. Anderson 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.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day and on motion of the Hon. Mr. Gibbs, the Bill sent up entitled "An Act Further 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. Mr. Alderdice, the Bill sent up entitled "An Act to Amend Chapter 129 of

the Consolidated Statutes (3rd Series) entitled 'Of Crown Lands, Timber, Mines and Minerals,' " was read a second time, and

Ordered—To be committed to-morrow.

The Hon. Mr. Alderdice tabled the Report of the Highroads Commission for the year ending February 29th, 1928.

On motion made the House adjourned until Tuesday, the 22nd of May instant, at 4 p.m.

TUESDAY, May 22nd, 1928.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

PRESENT:

The Honourables: SIR P. T. McGRATH,
K.B.E., F.R.G.S.,
L.L.D., President.
S. MILLEY,
M. P. GIBBS, K.C.,
F. McNAMARA,
GEORGE SHEA,
F. H. STEER, M.B.E.,
ELI DAWE,
JOHN DAVEY,
A. CAMPBELL, M.D.,
F. C. ALDERDICE,
ROBERT B. JOB,
ABRAHAM KEAN.

The Minutes of Friday, May 18th, were read and confirmed.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, and on motion of the Hon. Mr. Alderdice, the House went into Committee on the Bill sent up entitled "An Act to Provide for the Guaranteeing of a Loan of the Church of England College."

The Hon. Mr. Milley in the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported the Bill with some amendments.

Ordered—That the Report be received, and

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

The Hon. the President signed the same.

Ordered—That the Report be received, and

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Alderdice, with the unanimous consent of the House, the said Bill as amended 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 with some amendments, requesting concurrence therein.

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 further to Amend the Law Society Act."

The Hon. Mr. Shea 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. Mr. Alderdice, the House went into Committee on the Bill sent up entitled "An Act to Amend Chapter 129 of the Consolidated Statutes (3rd Series) entitled 'Of Crown Lands, Timber, Mines and Minerals.' "

The Hon. Mr. Steer 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.

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 Act XVIII, Geo. V. Cap. 9, entitled 'An Act Respecting Patents' " was read a second time, and

Ordered—To be committed to-morrow.

The Hon. Mr. Gibbs gave notice that he would on to-morrow ask leave to introduce a Bill entitled "An Act respecting Insolvent Debtors."

On motion made the House adjourned until Monday next, the 28th day of May instant, at 4 p.m.

MONDAY, May 28th, 1928.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

PRESENT:

The Honourables: SIR P. T. McGRATH,
K.B.E., F.R.G.S.,
L.L.D., President.
JOHN ANDERSON,
S. MILLEY,
M. P. GIBBS, K.C.,
F. McNAMARA,
T. K. COOK,
GEO. SHEA,
F. H. STEER, M.B.E.,
ELI DAWE,
JOHN DAVEY,
A. CAMPBELL, M.D.,
F. C. ALDERDICE,
J. A. ROBINSON,
M.B.E., L.L.D.
ROBT. B. JOB,
ABRAHAM KEAN.

The Minutes of Tuesday, May 22nd, were read and confirmed.

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

Government House,
St. John's,
Newfoundland,
3rd May, 1928.

Dear Mr. President:

I am directed by the Administrator of the Government to inform you that His Excellency

has granted leave of absence, to visit Canada, to the Honourable J. A. Robinson; also leave of absence for the balance of the Session to the Honourable R. K. Bishop.

Yours faithfully,

(Sgd.) R. WATSON,
Private Secretary.

The Honourable
the President of the
Legislative Council.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Gibbs,

Ordered,—That the motion for the introduction of the Bill entitled “An Act respecting Insolvent Debtors” stand deferred.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, and on motion of the Hon. Mr. Gibbs, the Bill sent up entitled “An Act further to Amend the Law Society Act” 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. Alderdice, the House went into Committee on the Bill sent up entitled “An Act to Amend Chapter 129 of the Consolidated Statutes (3rd Series) entitled ‘Of Crown Lands, Timber, Mines and Minerals.’”

The Hon. Mr. Steer 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.

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 the Act XVIII, Geo. V., Cap. 9, entitled ‘An Act respecting Patents.’ ”

The Hon. Mr. Cook in the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported progress and recommended that the said Bill be submitted to a Select Committee for consideration.

Ordered—That the Report be received, and

Ordered—That the Hons. Messrs. Gibbs, Alderdice, Robinson, Campbell, Job, McNamara and the President be a 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 passed the Bills

entitled, respectively, "An Act to Amend Chapter 169 of the Consolidated Statutes (3rd Series) entitled 'Of Certificates of Masters and Mates,'" and "An Act to Regulate the Practice of Optometry," in which they request the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

(Sgd.) CYRIL JAMES FOX,
Speaker.

House of Assembly,
May 22nd, 1928.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Alderdice, the Bill sent up entitled "An Act to Amend Chapter 169 of the Consolidated Statutes (3rd Series) entitled 'Of Certificates of Masters and Mates'" was read a first time, and

Ordered—To be read a second time on tomorrow.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Alderdice, the Bill sent up entitled "An Act to Regulate the Practice of Optometry" was read a first time, and

Ordered—To be read a second time on tomorrow.

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 Harbour Regula-

tions for the Port of St. John's," in which they request the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

(Sgd.) CYRIL JAMES FOX,
Speaker.

House of Assembly,
May 22nd, 1928.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Alderdice, the Bill sent up entitled "An Act respecting Harbour Regulations for the Port of St. John's," was read a first time, and

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

The Hon. Dr. Robinson gave notice that he would on to-morrow ask leave to introduce a Bill entitled "An Act respecting the Permanent Marine Disasters Fund."

On motion made the House adjourned until Tuesday, the 29th day of May instant, at 4 p.m.

TUESDAY, May 29th, 1928.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

PRESENT:

The Honourables: SIR P. T. McGRATH,
K.B.E., F.R.G.S.,
L.L.D., President.
JOHN ANDERSON,
S. MILLEY,
T. K. COOK,
D. A. RYAN,
GEO. SHEA,
F. H. STEER, M.B.E.,
ELI DAWE,
JOHN DAVEY,
A. CAMPBELL, M.D.,
F. C. ALDERDICE,
J. A. ROBINSON,
M.B.E., L.L.D.
ABRAHAM KEAN.

The Minutes of Monday, May 28th, were read and confirmed.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Alderdice,

Ordered—That the motion for the introduction of the Bill entitled “An Act respecting Insolvent Debtors” stand deferred.

On motion of the Hon. Dr. Robinson, the Bill entitled “An Act respecting the Permanent Marine Disasters Fund” was read a first time, and

On motion of the Hon. Dr. Robinson, with the unanimous consent of the House, the said Bill was read a second time, and

Ordered—To be committed to-morrow.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Alderdice.

Ordered—That the Order for Committee on the Bill sent up entitled “An Act to Amend Chapter 129 of the Consolidated Statutes (3rd Series) entitled ‘Of Crown Lands, Timber, Mines and Minerals,’ ” stand deferred.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, and on motion of the Hon. Mr. Alderdice, the Bill sent up entitled “An Act to Amend Chapter 169 of the Consolidated Statutes (3rd Series) entitled ‘Of Certificates of Masters and Mates,’ ” 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. Alderdice, the Bill sent up entitled “An Act to Regulate the Practice of Optometry,” 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. Alderdice, the Bill sent up entitled “An Act respecting Harbour Regulations for the Port of St. John’s” was read a second time, and

Ordered,—To be committed to-morrow.

The Hon. Mr. Alderdice tabled

- (a) Annual Report of the Committee of the Permanent Marine Disasters Fund for the year ending December 31st, 1927.
- (b) Annual Report of the Registrar of Births, Marriages and Deaths for the year ended December 31st, 1927.

On motion made the House adjourned until Wednesday, the 30th day of May instant, at 4 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, May 30th, 1928.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

PRESENT:

The Honourables: SIR P. T. McGRATH,
K.B.E., F.R.G.S.,
L.L.D., President.
JOHN ANDERSON,
S. MILLEY,
M. P. GIBBS, K.C.,
F. McNAMARA,
T. K. COOK,
D. A. RYAN,
GEO. SHEA,
F. H. STEER, M.B.E.,
ELI DAWE,
JOHN DAVEY,
A. CAMPBELL, M.D.,
F. C. ALDERDICE,
ROBT. B. JOB,
ABRAHAM KEAN.

The minutes of Tuesday, May 29th, were read and confirmed.

The Hon. Mr. Alderdice tabled the record of Mining Locations licensed since January 1st, 1927.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Gibbs,

Ordered—That the motion for the introduction of the Bill entitled “An Act respecting Insolvent Debtors” stand deferred.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, and on motion of the Hon. Mr. Alderdice, the House went into Committee on the Bill sent up entitled "An Act to Amend Chapter 129 of the Consolidated Statutes (3rd Series) entitled 'Of Crown Lands, Timber, Mines and Minerals.' "

The Hon. Mr. Steer 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.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, and on motion of the Hon. Mr. Alderdice, the House went into Committee on the Bill sent up entitled "An Act to Amend Chapter 169 of the Consolidated Statutes (3rd Series) entitled 'Of Certificates of Masters and Mates.' "

The Hon. Mr. Davey in the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported progress and recommended that the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee for consideration.

Ordered—That the report be received, and

Ordered—That the Hons. Messrs. Alderdice, Kean, Davey, Shea, Cook, Steer, Job and Ryan, be a Committee for that purpose.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, and on motion of the Hon. Mr. Alderdice, the House went into Committee on the Bill sent up entitled "An Act to Regulate the Practice of Optometry."

The Hon. Mr. Shea 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.

On motion of Hon. Mr. Alderdice,

Ordered—That the Order for Committee on the Bill sent up entitled "An Act respecting Harbour Regulations for the Port of St. John's" stand deferred.

On motion of Hon. Mr. Shea,

Ordered—That the Order for Committee on the Bill entitled "An Act respecting the Permanent Marine Disasters Fund" stand deferred.

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 send down in and upon the Bill sent up

entitled "An Act to provide for the guaranteeing of a Loan of the Church of England College" without amendment.

(Sgd.) CYRIL JAMES FOX,
Speaker.

House of Assembly,
May 29th, 1928.

On motion made the House adjourned until Thursday, the 31st of May instant, at 4 p.m.

THURSDAY, May 31st, 1928.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

PRESENT:

The Honourables: SIR P. T. McGRATH,
K.B.E., F.R.G.S.,
L.L.D., President.
JOHN ANDERSON,
T. K. COOK,
D. A. RYAN,
F. H. STEER, M.B.E.,
ELI DAWE,
JOHN DAVEY,
A. CAMPBELL, M.D.,
F. C. ALDERDICE,
J. A. ROBINSON,
M.B.E., L.L.D.,
ROBT. B. JOB,
ABRAHAM KEAN.

The minutes of Wednesday, May 30th, were read and confirmed.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Alderdice,

Ordered—That the motion for the introduction of the Bill entitled “An Act respecting Insolvent Debtors” stand deferred.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, and on motion of the Hon. Mr. Alderdice, the Bill sent up entitled “An Act to Regulate the Practice of Optometry” 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. Alderdice, the House went into Committee on the Bill sent up entitled “An Act respecting Harbour Regulations for the Port of St. John’s.”

The Hon. Dr. Robinson in the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported progress and recommended that the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee for consideration.

Ordered—That the Report be received, and

Ordered—That the Hons. Messrs. Alderdice, Kean, Davey, Shea, Cook, Steer, Job and Ryan be a Committee for that purpose.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, and on motion of the Hon. Dr. Robinson, the House went into Committee on the Bill entitled “An Act respecting the Permanent Marine Disasters Fund.”

The Hon. Mr. Job in the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported the Bill without amendment.

Ordered—That the Report be received, and

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

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, and on motion of the Hon. Mr. Alderdice, the House went into Committee on the Bill sent up entitled “An Act to Amend Chapter 129 of the Consolidated Statutes (Third Series) entitled ‘Of Crown Lands, Timber, Mines and Minerals.’”

The Hon. Mr. Steer 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 on to-morrow.

On motion made the House adjourned until Friday, the 1st of June, at 4 p.m.

FRIDAY, June 1st, 1928.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

PRESENT:

The Honourables: SIR P. T. McGRATH,
K.B.E., F.R.G.S.,
L.L.D., President.
JOHN ANDERSON,
S. MILLEY,
F. McNAMARA,
GEO. SHEA,
F. H. STEER, M.B.E.,
JOHN DAVEY,
A. CAMPBELL, M.D.,
F. C. ALDERDICE,
J. A. ROBINSON,
M.B.E., L.L.D.
ROBT. B. JOB,
ABRAHAM KEAN.

The minutes of Thursday, May 31st, were read and confirmed.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Alderdice,

Ordered—That the motion for the introduction of a Bill entitled “An Act respecting Insolvent Debtors” stand deferred.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, and on motion of the Hon. Dr. Robinson, the Bill entitled “An Act respecting the Permanent Marine Disasters Fund” 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 and requesting concurrence therein.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, and on motion of the Hon. Mr. Alderdice, the Bill sent up entitled “An Act to Amend Chapter 129 of the Consolidated Statutes (Third Series) entitled ‘Of Crown Lands, Timber, Mines and Minerals’ ” was, as amended, 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 with some amendments, and requesting concurrence therein.

The Hon. Mr. Alderdice tabled the Report of Patriotic Fund.

The Hon. Mr. Alderdice tabled the following Report of the Select Committee appointed to consider the Bill sent up entitled “An Act to Amend Chapter 169 of the Consolidated Statutes (Third Series) entitled ‘Of Certificates of Masters and Mates.’ ”

Mr. President:

The Select Committee appointed to consider the Bill sent up entitled “An Act to Amend Chapter 169 of the Consolidated Statutes (Third Series) entitled ‘Of Certificates of Masters and

Mates' " beg to report that they have considered the same, made some amendments, and recommend the bill as hereto attached.

Respectfully submitted,

(Signed) F. C. ALDERDICE,
TASKER COOK,
GEO. SHEA,
JNO. DAVEY,
F. H. STEER,
ROBT. B. JOB,
A. KEAN.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Alderdice,

Ordered—That the said Bill be referred to a Committee of the Whole on to-morrow.

The Hon. Mr. Alderdice tabled the following report of the Select Committee appointed to consider the Bill sent up entitled "An Act respecting Harbour Regulations for the Port of St. John's."

Mr. President:

The Select Committee appointed to consider the Bill sent up entitled "An Act respecting Harbour Regulations for the Port of St. John's" beg to report that they have considered the same and recommend the Bill as hereto attached.

Respectfully submitted,

(Signed) F. C. ALDERDICE,
TASKER COOK,
GEO. SHEA,
JNO. DAVEY,
F. H. STEER,
ROBT. B. JOB,
A. KEAN.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Alderdice,

Ordered—That the said Bill be referred to a Committee of the Whole on 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 Relating to the Central and Harbour Grace District Courts," "An Act to Amend the Highway Traffic Act, 1925," "An Act to Amend the Highroads Commission Act, 1925," "An Act to Amend the War Pensions Act, 1922," "An Act Relating to the Disposition of Balances Remaining out of the Loan Raised under the Act 18, Geo. V., Cap. 18," and "An Act Respecting the Wabana Light and Power Company, Limited," in which they request the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

(Signed) CYRIL JAMES FOX,
Speaker.

House of Assembly,
May 31st, 1928.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Alderdice, the Bill sent up entitled "An Act Relating to the Central and Harbour Grace District Courts" was read a first time, and

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

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Alderdice, the Bill sent up entitled "An Act to Amend the Highway Traffic Act, 1925" was read a first time, and

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Alderdice, with the unanimous consent of the House, the said Bill was read a second time, and

Ordered—To be committed to-morrow.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Alderdice the Bill sent up entitled "An Act to Amend the High-roads Commission Act, 1925" was read a first time, and

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Alderdice, with the unanimous consent of the House, the said Bill was read a second time, and

Ordered—To be committed to-morrow.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Alderdice the Bill sent up entitled "An Act to Amend the War Pensions Act, 1922" was read a first time, and

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Alderdice, with the unanimous consent of the House, the said Bill was read a second time, and

Ordered—To be committed to-morrow.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Alderdice, the Bill sent up entitled "An Act Relating to the Disposition of Balances Remaining out of the Loan Raised under the Act 18, Geo. V., Cap. 18" was read a first time, and

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Alderdice, with the unanimous consent of the House, the said Bill was read a second time, and

Ordered—To be committed to-morrow.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Alderdice, the Bill sent up entitled "An Act Respecting the Wabana Light and Power Company, Limited" was read a first time, and

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Alderdice, with the unanimous consent of the House, the said Bill was read a second time, and

Ordered—To be committed to-morrow.

The Hon. Mr. Alderdice gave notice that he would on to-morrow move for the suspension of the Rules of the House in reference to the passage of all Bills now before the House, or to come before it, for the remainder of the Session.

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

MONDAY, June 4th, 1928.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

PRESENT:

The Honourables: SIR P. T. McGRATH,
K.B.E., F.R.G.S.,
L.L.D., President.
JOHN ANDERSON,
S. MILLEY,
F. McNAMARA,
T. K. COOK,
D. A. RYAN,
GEO. SHEA,
F. H. STEER, M.B.E.,
ELI DAWE,
JOHN DAVEY,
A. CAMPBELL, M.D.,
F. C. ALDERDICE,
J. A. ROBINSON,
M.B.E., L.L.D.
ROBT. B. JOB,
ABRAHAM KEAN.

The Minutes of Friday, June 1st, were read and confirmed.

On motion of Hon. Mr. Alderdice.

Ordered—That leave be granted for the withdrawal of notice of motion for the introduction of a Bill entitled “An Act respecting Insolvent Debtors.”

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

Ordered—That the Rules of the House in reference to the passage of all Bills now before the House, or to come before it, for the remainder of the Session, be suspended.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, and on motion of the Hon. Mr. Alderdice, the House went into Committee on the Bill sent up entitled "An Act to Amend Chapter 169 of the Consolidated Statutes (Third Series) entitled 'Of Certificates of Masters and Mates.'"

The Hon. Mr. Davey in the Chair.

After some 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. Alderdice, the said Bill, as amended, 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 with some amendments, and requesting concurrence therein.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, and on motion of the Hon. Mr. Alderdice, the House went into Committee on the Bill sent up entitled

“An Act respecting Harbour Regulations for the Port of St. John’s.”

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

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Alderdice, 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.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, and on motion of the Hon. Mr. Alderdice, the House went into Committee on the Bill sent up entitled “An Act to Amend the Highway Traffic Act, 1925.”

The Hon. Mr. Cook in the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported the Bill with some amendment.

Ordered—That the Report be received, and

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Alderdice, the said Bill, as amended, 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 with some amendment, and requesting concurrence therein.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, and on motion of the Hon. Mr. Alderdice, the House went into Committee on the Bill sent up entitled “An Act to Amend the Highroads Commission Act, 1925.”

The Hon. Mr. Shea in the Chair.

After some 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. Alderdice, the said Bill, as amended, 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 with some amendments, and requesting concurrence therein.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, and on motion of the Hon. Mr. Alderdice, the House went into Committee on the Bill sent up entitled "An Act to Amend the War Pensions Act, 1922."

The Hon. Capt. Dawe in the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported the Bill without amendment.

Ordered—That the Report be received, and

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Alderdice, 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. Alderdice, the House went into Committee on the Bill sent up entitled "An Act Relating to the Disposition of Balances Remaining out of the Loan Raised under the Act 18, Geo. V., Cap. 18."

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

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Alderdice, 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.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, and on motion of the Hon. Mr. Alderdice, the House went into Committee on the Bill sent up entitled "An Act Respecting the Wabana Light and Power Company, Limited."

The Hon. Mr. Davey 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.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, and on motion of the Hon. Mr. Alderdice, the Bill sent up entitled "An Act Relating to the Central and Harbour Grace District Courts," was read a second time, and

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Alderdice, the House went into Committee on the said Bill.

The Hon. Capt. Kean in the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman did not report.

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 sent down entitled "An Act Respecting the Permanent Marine Disasters Fund" without amendment.

(Signed) CYRIL JAMES FOX,
Speaker.

House of Assembly,
June, 1928.

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 Chapter 129 of the Consolidated Statutes (3rd Series) entitled 'Of Crown Lands, Timber, Mines and Minerals,'" without amendment.

(Signed) CYRIL JAMES FOX,
Speaker.

House of Assembly,
June 1st, 1928.

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 Bill entitled "An Act to Amend the Revenue Act, 1925, and amendments thereto," in which they request the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

(Signed) CYRIL JAMES FOX,
Speaker.

House of Assembly,
June 2nd, 1928.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Alderdice the Bill sent up entitled "An Act to Amend the Revenue Act, 1925, and amendments thereto" was read a first time, and

Ordered—To be read a second time on tomorrow.

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 Govern the Gathering of Wild Fruits," "An Act to Amend Chapter 22 of the Consolidated Statutes (Third Series) entitled 'Of the Customs,'" "An Act Respecting Certain Retiring Allowances," and "An Act Relating to the Raising of a Loan on the Credit of the Colony for Certain Public Purposes," in which they request the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

(Signed) CYRIL JAMES FOX,
Speaker.

House of Assembly,
June 2nd, 1928.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Alderdice the Bills sent up entitled respectively "An Act to Govern the Gathering of Wild Fruits," "An Act to Amend Chapter 22 of the Consolidated Statutes (Third Series) entitled 'Of the Customs,'" "An Act respecting Certain Retiring Allowances," and "An Act Relating to the Raising of a Loan on the Credit of the Colony for Certain Public Purposes" were read a first time, and

Ordered—That the same be each read a second time on to-morrow.

On motion made the House adjourned until to-morrow, Tuesday, the 5th of June instant, at 3 p.m.

TUESDAY, June 5th, 1928.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

PRESENT:

The Honourables: SIR P. T. McGRATH,
K.B.E., F.R.G.S.,
L.L.D., President.
JOHN ANDERSON,
S. MILLEY,
F. McNAMARA,
T. K. COOK,
GEO. SHEA,
F. H. STEER, M.B.E.,
ELI DAWE,
JOHN DAVEY,
A. CAMPBELL, M.D.,
F. C. ALDERDICE,
J. A. ROBINSON,
M.B.E., L.L.D.,
ROBT. B. JOB,
ABRAHAM KEAN.

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

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, and on motion of the Hon. Mr. Alderdice, the House went into Committee on the Bill sent up entitled "An Act Respecting the Wabana Light and Power Company, Limited."

The Hon. Mr. Milley in the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported progress and asked leave to sit again.

Ordered—That the report be received.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, and on motion of the Hon. Mr. Alderdice, the Bill sent up entitled "An Act to Amend the Revenue Act, 1925, and Amendments thereto" was read a second time, and

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Alderdice, the House went into Committee on the said Bill.

The Hon. Mr. McNamara in the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported the Bill without amendment.

Ordered—That the report be received.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Alderdice, 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.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, and on motion of Hon. Mr. Alderdice, the Bill sent up entitled "An Act Relating to the Raising of a Loan on the Credit of the Colony for Certain Public Purposes" was read a second time, and

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Alderdice the House went into Committee on the said Bill.

The Hon. Mr. Cook in the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported the Bill without amendment.

Ordered—That the Report be received, and

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Alderdice 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.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Alderdice the House again went into Committee on the Bill sent up entitled "An Act Respecting the Wabana Light and Power Company, Limited."

The Hon. Mr. Milley in the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported the Bill with some amendment.

Ordered—That the Report be received, and

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Alderdice, the said Bill as amended, 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 with some amendment, and requesting concurrence therein.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, and on motion of the Hon. Mr. Alderdice, the Bill sent up entitled “An Act Respecting Certain Retiring Allowances” was read a second time, and

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Alderdice, the House went into Committee on the said Bill.

The Hon. Mr. Shea in the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported the Bill without amendment.

Ordered—That the Report be received.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Alderdice 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.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, and on motion of the Hon. Mr. Alderdice, the Bill sent up entitled “An Act to Amend Chapter 22 of the Consolidated Statutes (Third Series) entitled ‘Of the Customs,’ ” was read a second time, and

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Alderdice the House went into Committee on the said Bill.

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

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Alderdice 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.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, and on motion of the Hon. Mr. Alderdice, the Bill sent up entitled "An Act to Govern the Gathering of Wild Fruits" was read a second time, and

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Alderdice, the House went into Committee on the said Bill.

The Hon. Mr. Davey in the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported the Bill without amendment.

Ordered—That the Report be received, and

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Alderdice 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 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 Relating to the Encouragement of the Shark Industry," in which they request the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

(Signed) CYRIL JAMES FOX,
Speaker.

House of Assembly,
June 4th, 1928.

Mr. President:

The House of Assembly acquaint the Legislative Council that they have passed the Bill entitled "An Act to Amend Chapter 143 of the Consolidated Statutes (Third Series) entitled 'Of the Keeping of Dogs,'" in which they request the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

(Signed) CYRIL JAMES FOX,
Speaker.

House of Assembly,
June 5th, 1928.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Alderdice the Bill sent up entitled "An Act Relating to the Encouragement of the Shark Industry" was read a first time, and

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

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Alderdice the House went into Committee on the said Bill.

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

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Alderdice 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. Alderdice the Bill sent up entitled "An Act to Amend Chapter 143 of the Consolidated Statutes (Third Series) entitled 'Of the Keeping of Dogs'" was read a first time, and

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

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Alderdice the House went into Committee on the said Bill.

The Hon. Mr. Milley in the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported the Bill with some amendment.

Ordered—That the Report be received, and

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Alderdice the said Bill, as amended, 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 said Bill with some amendment, and requesting concurrence therein.

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 Bills sent up entitled, respectively, "An Act to Amend the Highway Traffic Act, 1925," "An Act to Amend Chapter 169 of the Consolidated Statutes (3rd Series) entitled 'Of Certificates of Masters and

Mates,'” and “An Act to Amend the Highroads Commission Act, 1925,” without amendment.

(Signed) CYRIL JAMES FOX,
Speaker.

House of Assembly,
June 5th, 1928.

On motion made the House adjourned until
Wednesday, the 6th of June instant, at 11 a.m.

WEDNESDAY, June 6th, 1928.

PRESENT:

The Honourable SIR P. T. McGRATH,
K.B.E., F.R.G.S.,
L.L.D., President.

The Hon. the President declared the House adjourned until Thursday, the 7th instant, at 11.00 a.m. for want of a quorum.

THURSDAY, June 7th, 1928.

PRESENT:

The Honourable SIR P. T. McGRATH,
K.B.E., F.R.G.S.,
L.L.D., President.

The Hon. the President declared the House adjourned until Friday, the 8th instant, at 11.00 a.m. for want of a quorum.

FRIDAY, June 8th, 1928.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

PRESENT:

The Honourables: SIR P. T. McGRATH,
K.B.E., F.R.G.S.,
L.L.D., President.

GEO. SHEA,
F. H. STEER, M.B.E.,
F. C. ALDERDICE,
ABRAHAM KEAN,
GEO. A. BARTLETT.

The minutes of Tuesday, June 5th, Wednesday, June 6th, and Thursday, June 7th, were read and confirmed.

On motion made the House adjourned until Tuesday, the 12th of June instant, at 4 p.m.

TUESDAY, June 12th, 1928.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

PRESENT:

The Honourables: SIR P. T. McGRATH,
K.B.E., F.R.G.S.,

L.L.D., President.
JOHN ANDERSON,
S. MILLEY,
F. McNAMARA,
D. A. RYAN,
GEO. SHEA,
F. H. STEER, M.B.E.,
JOHN DAVEY,
A. CAMPBELL, M.D.,
F. C. ALDERDICE,
J. A. ROBINSON,
M.B.E., L.L.D.
S. K. BELL,
ROBT. B. JOB,
ABRAHAM KEAN,
GEO. A. BARTLETT.

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

The House was adjourned during pleasure.

The House resumed.

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 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 1928, and the 30th day of June 1929, and for other Purposes Relating to the Public Service."

(Signed) CYRIL JAMES FOX,
Speaker.

House of Assembly,
June 12th, 1928.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Alderdice 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 1928 and the 30th day of June 1929, and for other purposes relating to the Public Service" was read a first time, and

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Alderdice, the said Bill was read a second time.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Alderdice the House went into Committee on the said Bill.

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

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Alderdice 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 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 Export of Marine Shells from Labrador," in which they request the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

(Signed) CYRIL JAMES FOX,

Speaker.

House of Assembly,
June 12th, 1928.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Alderdice the Bill sent up entitled "An Act Respecting the Export of Marine Shells from Labrador" was read a first time.

The Hon. Capt. Kean presented a Petition from the Governor and Company of Adventurers of England trading into Hudson's Bay, commonly known as the Hudson's Bay Com-

pany, praying to be heard in objection to the passage of the said Bill.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Alderdice that the said Bill be read a second time, the Hon. Dr. Campbell moved, by way of amendment to the motion, that the said Bill be read a second time six months hence.

The motion of the Hon. Dr. Campbell having been put was carried, appearing therefor:

Hons. Dr. Campbell
Mr. Shea
Dr. Robinson
Mr. Bell
Capt. Kean
Mr. Ryan
Mr. McNamara.

Against—

Hons. Mr. Bartlett
Mr. Steer
Mr. Milley
Mr. Anderson.

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 Bills sent up entitled "An Act to Amend Chapter 143 of the Consolidated Statutes (Third Series) entitled

'Of the Keeping of Dogs' " and "An Act Respecting the Wabana Light and Power Company, Limited," without amendment.

(Signed) CYRIL JAMES FOX,
Speaker.

House of Assembly,
June 12th, 1928.

On motion made the House adjourned until Wednesday, the 13th day of June instant, at 2.30 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, June 13th, 1928.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

PRESENT:

The Honourables: SIR P. T. McGRATH,
K.B.E., F.R.G.S.,
L.L.D., President.
JOHN ANDERSON,
S. MILLEY,
SIR M. G. WINTER, Kt.,
C.B.E.
GEO. SHEA,
F. H. STEER, M.B.E.,
JOHN DAVEY,
F. C. ALDERDICE,
J. A. ROBINSON,
M.B.E., L.L.D.
ROBT. B. JOB,
ABRAHAM KEAN,
GEO. A. BARTLETT.

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

The House was adjourned during pleasure.

The House resumed.

At three o'clock p.m. His Excellency the Administrator, Sir William Henry Horwood, 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 being come thereto with their Speaker, His Excellency was pleased to give his assent to the following Bills, entitled, respectively:—

“An Act Further to Amend the Law Society Act.”

“An Act to Provide for the Guaranteeing of a Loan of the Church of England College.”

“An Act to Amend Chapter 129 of the Consolidated Statutes (Third Series) entitled ‘Of Crown Lands, Timber, Mines and Minerals.’”

“An Act to Amend Chapter 169 of the Consolidated Statutes (Third Series) entitled ‘Of Certificates of Masters and Mates.’”

“An Act Respecting Harbour Regulations for the Port of St. John’s.”

“An Act to Regulate the Practice of Optometry.”

“An Act Relating to the Disposition of Balances Remaining out of the Loan Raised under the Act 18, Geo. V., Cap. 18.”

“An Act to Amend the War Pensions Act, 1922.”

“An Act to Amend the Highway Traffic Act, 1925.”

“An Act to Amend the Highroads Commission Act, 1925.”

“An Act Respecting the Wabana Light and Power Company, Limited.”

“An Act to Amend Chapter 22 of the Consolidated Statutes (Third Series) entitled ‘Of the Customs.’ ”

“An Act to Govern the Gathering of Wild Fruits.”

“An Act Respecting Certain Retiring Allowances.”

“An Act Relating to the Raising of a Loan on the Credit of the Colony for Certain Public Purposes.”

“An Act to Amend the Revenue Act, 1925, and Amendments thereto.”

“An Act Relating to the Encouragement of the Shark Industry.”

“An Act Respecting the Permanent Marine Disasters Fund.”

“An Act to Amend Chapter 143 of the Consolidated Statutes (Third Series) entitled ‘Of the Keeping of Dogs.’ ”

“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 1928 and the 30th day of June 1929, and for other Purposes relating to the Public Service.”

After which His Excellency was pleased to speak as follows:

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

**Mr. Speaker and Gentlemen of the Honour-
able House of Assembly:**

In relieving you from further attendance here it gives me great pleasure to observe the diligence and earnestness with which you applied yourselves to the despatch of business, and the spirit of concord and harmony which marked your deliberations.

I feel sure that you may retire from this Session with a feeling of confidence that your labours will be productive of substantial advantage to the country.

**Mr. Speaker and Gentlemen of the Honour-
able House of Assembly:**

I thank you for the supplies you have granted for the Public Service. The best efforts of my Ministers will be directed to secure judicious and economical expenditure in respect to the various appropriations.

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

**Mr. Speaker and Gentlemen of the Honour-
able House of Assembly:**

It must be gratifying to us all and to every interest in the trade and industrial life of the Colony to observe the favourable signs under which the present season's operations are opening and the feeling of hope which prevails at

the prospect of a substantial increase in the price of our staple product, the development of new fishery and mining enterprises and the promise of continued prosperity which they represent.

I trust that the various measures which have now been enacted may achieve in the fullest degree the objects for which they were designed and that the proposal for the diversion of the railroad in the interior, if it prove feasible, will commend itself as likely to effect a more economical and efficient operation, and hasten the approach of the day when as a result of further development of the natural resources of the interior this important public utility will become self-sustaining.

In now bidding you farewell I sincerely hope that under God's Blessing your highest aspirations in the public interest may be realized.

The Hon. the President then said:

It is His Excellency's Will and Pleasure that this General Assembly stand prorogued until Saturday, the seventh day of July next, then and hereto be holden, and this General Assembly stands prorogued accordingly.

R. A. PARSONS,
Clerk Legislative Council.

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