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NEWFOUNDLAND

In the Second Session of the Twenty Eighth  
General Assembly



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*Begun and holden at St. John's in the said Island on Monday, the twenty-seventh day of November, Anno Domini, Nineteen Hundred and Thirty-three, being in the Twenty-third Year of the Reign of His Majesty our Sovereign Lord George, by the Grace of God, of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, and of the British Dominions beyond the Seas, King, Defender of the Faith, Emperor of India.*





## PROCLAMATION

*By His Excellency Admiral Sir David Murray Anderson,  
Knight Commander of the Most Honourable  
Order of the Bath, Companion of the Most  
Distinguished Order of Saint Michael and  
Saint George, Member of the Royal Victorian  
Order, Governor and Commander-in-Chief in  
and over the Colony of Newfoundland.*

D. MURRAY ANDERSON,  
GOVERNOR  
(L.S.)

WHEREAS, the General Assembly stands prorogued until Wednesday, the Thirtieth day of August, instant;

AND WHEREAS, I think fit further to prorogue the said General Assembly until Wednesday, the Eleventh day of October, next;

I do, therefore, by this my Proclamation, further prorogue the said General Assembly until Wednesday, the Eleventh day of October 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 29th day of August, A.D. 1933.

By His Excellency's Command,

J. C. PUDDESTER,

Secretary of State.



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WHEREAS, the General Assembly stands prorogued until Wednesday, the Eleventh day of October, instant;

AND WHEREAS, I think fit further to prorogue the said General Assembly until Wednesday, the Twenty-second day of November, next;

I do, therefore, by this my Proclamation, further prorogue the said General Assembly until Wednesday, the Twenty-second day of November 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 10th day of October, A.D. 1933.

By His Excellency's Command,

J. C. PUDDESTER,

Secretary of State.



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and over the Colony of Newfoundland.*

WHEREAS, the General Assembly stands prorogued until Wednesday, the Twenty-second day of November, instant;

AND WHEREAS I think fit to summon the said General Assembly to meet on Monday, the Twenty-seventh day of November, instant.

I do, therefore, by this, my Proclamation, summon the said General Assembly to meet, for the despatch of business, on Monday, the Twenty-seventh day of November, instant, 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 21st day of November, A.D. 1933.

By His Excellency's Command,

J. C. PUDDESTER,

Secretary of State.

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MONDAY, November 27th, 1933

His Excellency, the Governor, having fixed the hour at which he proposed to open the Legislature at three o'clock in the afternoon of this, Monday, the twenty-seventh day of November instant, the Members of the House of Assembly met in the Assembly Rooms at a quarter to three in the afternoon, when Mr. Speaker took the Chair.

At three of the clock a message from His Excellency the Governor was delivered by the Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod, commanding the immediate attendance of Mr. Speaker and the House in the Legislative Council Chamber.

Whereupon Mr. Speaker and the House attended His Excellency in the Council Chamber, and being returned to the Assembly Room, Mr. Speaker informed the House that, when in attendance upon His Excellency the Governor in the Council Chamber, His Excellency had been pleased to make a Gracious Speech to both Branches of the Legislature, a copy of which, for greater accuracy, he had obtained, and then read to the House, as follows:

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

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

The Report of the Royal Commission appointed to examine into the future of Newfoundland was received and published last week and you have been summoned, on the advice of my Ministers, to give immediate consideration to its recommendations.

With the Report was published an exchange of telegrams with the Secretary of State for Dominion Affairs in which it was intimated by the Secretary of State that, if the main recommendations of the Commission should be accepted by the Government and Legislature of Newfoundland, His Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom would for their part be prepared to accept them and to invite the United Kingdom Parliament to pass the legislation necessary to give them effect. The Secretary of State also gave details of the action which the Government of the United Kingdom, subject to the approval of Parliament, would in that event be prepared to take with a view to ensuring to Newfoundland, in accord-

ance with the recommendations of the Commission, a reduction in the present burden of the public debt.

I need not enter here into the circumstances in which the Royal Commission was appointed. It will suffice for me to say that during the last two years it has become increasingly apparent that the Dominion is unable from its own resources to meet the interest charges on the public debt. Urgent action is therefore required if the Island is to be saved from default, a fate which was averted in December 1932 and June 1933 only by the generous assistance of the United Kingdom and Canada.

The Royal Commission, after impartial and extensive investigation, have declared that the needs of the Dominion are two-fold, financial and political, and in these circumstances they have recommended that an immediate appeal should be made to His Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom for their sympathetic co-operation in a joint plan of reconstruction. The telegram received from the Secretary of State for Dominion Affairs indicated that such an appeal, if made, would be assured of a prompt, favourable and indeed generous response.

It is in the belief that the recommendations of the Royal Commission afford the people of Newfoundland not merely the prospect of relief from immediate financial anxiety but an adequate means of freeing themselves from the unprecedented difficulties against which they are now so bravely struggling, that my Ministers will lay before you proposals for giving them immediate effect.

I leave you now to your deliberations with full confidence that they will be inspired by a common desire to seek only the best interests of the country and the welfare of its suffering people.

I pray that Divine Providence will guide and bless your work.

Hon. the Prime Minister laid upon the Table of the House two copies of The Newfoundland Royal Commission Report, 1933, together with copies of White Paper indicating the attitude of His Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom in relation thereto.

It was moved by Mr. Gray, and seconded by Mr. Whiteley, that an Address of Thanks be presented to His Excellency the Governor in reply to the Gracious Speech with which he had been pleased to open the present Session of the Legislature, and that a Select Committee be appointed to draft such Address in Reply.

It was ordered accordingly, and that the following gentlemen be such Committee: Mr. Gray, Mr. Whiteley, Mr. Abbott, Dr. Mosdell, Mr. Bradley.



Hon. the Prime Minister gave notice that he would on to-morrow move that a humble Address be presented to His Majesty the King in reference to the constitutional and financial condition of this country at the present time and proposed measures to deal with the same.

Hon. the Prime Minister gave notice that he would on to-morrow move the House into a Committee of the Whole to consider certain Resolutions to provide for the issue of certain securities on the credit of the Dominion, for the postponement of certain securities of the Dominion and for the giving of priority to certain other securities thereof.

Mr. Speaker presented and read the following correspondence from His Excellency the Governor:

The Governor has the honour to communicate to the Honourable House of Assembly 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 22nd November, 1933.

(Sgd.) D. MURRAY ANDERSON, Admiral,  
Governor.

Government House,  
St. John's, Newfoundland,  
24 November, 1933.

**Certified Copy of Minutes of the Honourable Executive Council Approved  
By His Excellency the Governor on November 22, 1933**

November 21, 1933.

Under the provisions of Cap. 7, Section 4, Consolidated Statutes, "Of the Internal Economy of the Legislature," it was ordered that the following shall be the Commission of Internal Economy of the Legislature, namely,

The Hons. The President of the Legislative Council  
F. McNamara  
Sir John R. Bennett, K.B.E.  
The Speaker of the House of Assembly

The Secretary of State  
 The Minister of Justice, and  
 K. M. Brown

Certified true copy.

(Sgd.) ARTHUR MEWS,

Deputy Secretary of State.

On the motion that when the House rises it adjourn until to-morrow, Tuesday, afternoon at three of the clock, Mr. Bradley moved and Mr. Starks seconded, in amendment, that adjournment be taken until Monday next, December 4th.

Whereupon the House divided and there appeared in favor of the amendment:

Mr. Bradley  
 Mr. Starks

And against it:

Hon. F. C. Alderdice  
 Hon. L. E. Emerson  
 Hon. J. C. Puddester  
 Hon. W. Winsor  
 Hon. John Stone  
 Hon. Harold Mitchell  
 Hon. W. J. Browne  
 Hon. S. J. Foote  
 Hon. W. J. Walsh  
 Hon. K. M. Brown  
 Mr. M. A. Shea  
 Mr. Harold Earle  
 Mr. H. W. Quinton  
 Mr. P. J. Lewis  
 Mr. E. Gear  
 Mr. Norman Gray  
 Mr. Chas. Furey  
 Mr. Jos. Moore  
 Mr. W. H. Abbott  
 Mr. Geo. Whiteley  
 Dr. Mosdell.

So it passed in the negative.

The original motion to adjourn until to-morrow was then put, and there appeared in its favor:

Hon. F. C. Alderdice  
Hon. L. E. Emerson  
Hon. J. C. Puddester  
Hon. W. Winsor  
Hon. John Stone  
Hon. Harold Mitchell  
Hon. W. J. Browne  
Hon. S. J. Foote  
Hon. W. J. Walsh  
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Mr. P. J. Lewis  
Mr. E. Gear  
Mr. Norman Gray  
Mr. Chas. Furey  
Mr. Jos. Moore  
Mr. W. H. Abbott  
Mr. Geo. Whiteley  
Dr. Mosdell

And against it:

Mr. Bradley  
Mr. Starks

So it passed in the affirmative and was ordered accordingly.

On motion the House then adjourned until to-morrow afternoon, Tuesday, the twenty-eighth of November instant, at three of the clock.

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## TUESDAY, November 28th, 1933

The House met at three of the clock in the afternoon, pursuant to adjournment.

Pursuant to notice, with unanimous consent, and on motion of Hon. the Prime Minister, the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole to consider certain Resolutions respecting the Presentation of a Humble Address to His Majesty the King in reference to the constitutional and financial condition of this country at the present time and proposed measures to deal with the same.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Shea took the Chair of Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman from the Committee reported that they had considered the matter to them referred, and had passed the said Resolutions without amendment.

On motion this report was received and adopted.

Here follow the Resolutions as passed by the House:

BE IT RESOLVED: That an humble Address be presented to His Majesty the King in the following words:—

*TO THE KING'S MOST EXCELLENT MAJESTY:*

*Most Gracious Sovereign:*

We, Your Majesty's most Dutiful and Loyal Subjects, the Legislative Council and Assembly of Newfoundland, humbly approach Your Majesty praying that—

WHEREAS in the present emergency Your Majesty's Island of Newfoundland is unable from its own resources to defray the interest charges on the public debt;

AND WHEREAS the Royal Commission appointed by Your Majesty's Warrant bearing date the Seventeenth day of February, 1933, to examine into the future of Newfoundland, has recommended that for the time being, until such time as the Island may become self-supporting again, the administration of the Island should be vested in His Excellency the Governor acting on the advice of a specially created Commission of Government and that during such period Your Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom should assume general responsibility for the finances of Newfoundland and should, in particular, make such arrangements as may be deemed just and practicable with a view to securing to Newfoundland a reduction in the present burden of the public debt;

AND WHEREAS Your Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom have signified their readiness, subject to the approval of Parliament, to accept the recommendations of the Royal Commission, and have made detailed proposals for carrying those recommendations into effect;

NOW, THEREFORE, Your Majesty may be graciously pleased to suspend the Letters Patent under the Great Seal bearing date at Westminster the Twenty-eighth day of March 1876, and the Letters Patent under the Great Seal bearing date at Westminster the Seventeenth day of July, 1905, and to issue new Letters Patent which would provide for the administration of the Island, until such time as it may become self-supporting again, on the basis of the recommendations which are contained in the Report

of the Royal Commission, and of which a summary is set out in the Annex hereto.

AND FURTHER that Your Majesty may be graciously pleased to cause to be laid before the Parliament of the United Kingdom at its present Session such a measure as may enable them to be given immediate effect.

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## ANNEX

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Extract from the Report of the Royal Commission Appointed by His Majesty's Warrant Bearing Date the Seventeenth Day of February, 1933

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634. (4) We therefore recommend that the Newfoundland Government, recognising that it is impossible for the Island to surmount unaided the unprecedented difficulties that now confront it, should make an immediate appeal for the sympathetic co-operation of Your Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom in the adoption and execution of a joint plan of reconstruction, of which the following would be the main features:—
- (a) The existing form of government would be suspended until such time as the Island may become self-supporting again.
  - (b) A Special Commission of Government would be created which would be presided over by His Excellency the Governor, would be vested with full legislative and executive authority, and would take the place of the existing Legislature and Executive Council.
  - (c) The Commission of Government would be composed of six members, exclusive of the Governor, three of whom would be drawn from Newfoundland and three from the United Kingdom.
  - (d) The Government Departments in the Island would be divided into six groups. Each group would be placed in the charge of a Member of the Commission of Government who would be responsible for the efficient working of the Departments in the group, and the Commission would be collectively responsible for the several Departments.
  - (e) The proceedings of the Commission of Government would be subject to supervisory control by Your Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom and the Governor-in-Commission would be responsible to the Secretary of State

for Dominion Affairs in the United Kingdom for the good government of the Island.

- (f) Your Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom would, for their part, assume general responsibility for the finances of the Island until such time as it may become self-supporting again, and would, in particular, make such arrangements as may be deemed just and practicable with a view to securing to Newfoundland a reduction in the present burden of the public debt.
- (g) It would be understood that, as soon as the Island's difficulties are overcome and the country is again self-supporting, responsible government, on request from the people of Newfoundland, would be restored.

On motion of Hon. the Prime Minister it was ordered that the said Resolutions do pass, and that they be sent to the Legislative Council with a Message requesting the concurrence of that body therewith.

It was moved and seconded that when the House rises it adjourn until to-morrow, Wednesday, the twenty-ninth of November instant, at three of the clock.

The House then adjourned accordingly.

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### WEDNESDAY, November 29th, 1933

The House met at three of the clock in the afternoon, pursuant to adjournment.

Pursuant to notice and on motion of Hon. the Prime Minister, the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole to consider certain Resolutions to provide for the issue of certain securities on the credit of the Dominion, for the postponement of certain securities of the Dominion, and for the giving of priority to certain other securities thereof.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Shea took the Chair of Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman from the Committee reported that they had considered the matter to them referred, had passed the said Resolutions without amendment, and recommended the introduction of a Bill to give effect to the same.

On motion this report was received and adopted, and the Bill, "An Act to Provide for the Issue of Certain Securities on the Credit of the Dominion, for the Postponement of Certain Securities of the Dominion and for the Giving of Priority to Certain Other Securities Thereof" was introduced and read a first time, and it was ordered that the said Bill be read a second time on to-morrow.

Mr. Gray, on behalf of the Select Committee appointed to draft a Reply to His Excellency the Governor's Speech from the Throne, presented the Report of the Select Committee, which was read as follows:

*To His Excellency Admiral Sir David Murray Anderson, Knight Commander of the Most Honourable Order of the Bath, Companion of the Most Distinguished Order of Saint Michael and Saint George, Member of the Royal Victorian Order, Governor and Commander-in-Chief in and over the Colony of Newfoundland.*

We the Commons of Newfoundland in Legislative Session assembled, beg to thank Your Excellency for the Gracious Speech which Your Excellency has addressed to both Branches of the Legislature.

(Sgd.) NORMAN GRAY  
GEORGE WHITELEY  
H. M. MOSDELL  
W. H. ABBOTT

Assembly Rooms,

November 29th, 1933.

On motion this report was received.

On the motion for adoption of the Report, Mr. Bradley moved and Mr. Starks seconded the following amendment:

That in the opinion of this House the matter referred to in Your Excellency's Speech at the opening of this Legislature should be referred to the people either:

- (a) By a dissolution of the present Legislature and a General Election.
- (b) By a referendum thereon.

And that, in either event, a Committee be appointed by Your Excellency consisting of the Speaker of this Honourable House, the Honourable the President of the Legislative Council and the Honourable the Prime Minister to be a delegation of three to proceed to London to confer with the Secretary of State for the

Dominions with a view to arranging terms that will not involve loss by Newfoundland of representative Government.

Or, as an alternative:

Either that the three representatives of Newfoundland on the Commission be elected by the people of Newfoundland.

Or that as the Commission to be appointed by His Majesty will have power to pass all legislation, including legislation dealing with the taxation of the Newfoundland people, Newfoundland should be represented in the British House of Commons.

Or, as a further alternative, that:

As the report of Your Majesty's Commissioners indicates that the main cause of the present difficulties of Newfoundland is directly attributable to the inefficient and wasteful administration of succeeding Governments for about a quarter of a century, no person who has been a Member of the House of Assembly of Newfoundland at any time during the past twenty-five years should be appointed a member of the proposed Commission;

And that in any event no member of the present House of Assembly should hold or be appointed to any position in the Civil Service of this country during the first three years of the term of the proposed Commission.

Whereupon the House divided and there appeared in favor of this amendment:

Mr. Bradley  
Mr. Starks

And against it:

Hon. F. C. Alderdice  
Hon. L. E. Emerson  
Hon. J. C. Puddester  
Hon. W. Winsor  
Hon. J. G. Stone  
Hon. H. Mitchell  
Hon. W. J. Browne  
Hon. H. A. Winter  
Hon. S. J. Foote  
Hon. W. J. Walsh  
Hon. K. M. Brown  
Mr. M. A. Shea  
Mr. Harold Earle  
Mr. H. W. Quinton  
Mr. E. Gear



Mr. Norman Gray  
Mr. Chas. Furey  
Mr. Jos. Moore  
Mr. W. H. Abbott  
Mr. Geo. Whiteley

So it passed in the negative.

The original motion for adoption of the Report was then put and there appeared in its favor:

Hon. F. C. Alderdice  
Hon. L. E. Emerson  
Hon. J. C. Puddester  
Hon. W. Winsor  
Hon. J. G. Stone  
Hon. H. Mitchell  
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Mr. Chas. Furey  
Mr. Jos. Moore  
Mr. W. H. Abbott  
Mr. Geo. Whiteley

And against it:

Mr. Bradley  
Mr. Starks

So it passed in the affirmative and was ordered accordingly.

On motion of Hon. the Prime Minister it was ordered that the Address in Reply be presented at His Excellency's convenience.

It was moved and seconded that when the House rises it adjourn until tomorrow, Thursday afternoon, at three of the clock.

The House then adjourned accordingly.

THURSDAY, November 30th, 1933

The House met at three of the clock in the afternoon, pursuant to adjournment.

At half past three of the clock a Message from His Excellency the Governor was delivered by the Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod commanding the immediate attendance of Mr. Speaker and the House in the Legislative Council Chamber.

Whereupon Mr. Speaker and the House attended His Excellency in the Council Chamber and the Joint Address to His Majesty the King from both Houses of the Legislature was presented to His Excellency by the President of the Legislative Council and the Speaker of the House of Assembly, when His Excellency was pleased to assent thereto and agreed to transmit the same to His Majesty, the King.

Pursuant to Order, and on motion of Hon. the Minister of Justice, the Bill entitled "An Act to Provide for the Issue of Certain Securities on the Credit of the Dominion, for the Postponement of Certain Securities of the Dominion, and for the Giving of Priority to Certain Other Securities Thereof" was read a second time, and it was ordered that the said Bill be referred to a Committee of the Whole House presently.

Whereupon, with unanimous consent, the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole to consider the Bill entitled "An Act to Provide for the Issue of Certain Securities on the Credit of the Dominion, for the Postponement of Certain Securities of the Dominion, and for the Giving of Priority to Certain Other Securities Thereof."

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Shea took the Chair of Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman from the Committee reported that they had considered the matter to them referred, and had passed the said Bill without amendment.

On motion this report was received and adopted, and it was ordered that the Bill be read a third time presently.

Whereupon, with unanimous consent, and on motion of Hon. the Minister of Justice, the Bill entitled "An Act to Provide for the Issue of Certain Securities on the Credit of the Dominion, for the Postponement of Certain Securities of the Dominion, and for the Giving of Priority to Certain Other Securities Thereof" was read a third time and passed, and

it was ordered that the said Bill be entitled as above, and that it be sent to the Legislative Council with a Message requesting the concurrence of that body in its provisions.

Mr. Speaker presented certain correspondence from the Newfoundland Board of Trade, The Great War Veterans Association, and the Board of Trade at Bay of Islands, which was laid on the Table for reference.

Mr. Speaker informed the House that he had received a Message from the Legislative Council acquainting the House of Assembly that it had concurred unanimously in the Resolutions sent up requesting "An Humble Address to His Majesty the King."

It was moved and seconded that when the House rises it adjourn until to-morrow, Friday, afternoon, at three of the clock.

The House then adjourned accordingly.

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### FRIDAY, December 1st, 1933

The House met at three of the clock in the afternoon, pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Speaker informed the House that, in accordance with the intimation received, His Excellency the Governor would receive the Address in Reply presently.

Accordingly Mr. Speaker and the House proceeded to Government House and having returned to the Assembly Room Mr. Speaker informed the House that His Excellency had received the Address of Thanks and had been pleased to reply thereto as follows:

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

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

(Sgd.) D. MURRAY ANDERSON, Admiral,

Governor.

Hon. the Prime Minister proposed, and Mr. Bradley seconded, the following Resolutions:

BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

1. The Legislative Council and the House of Assembly of Newfoundland do place on record their appreciation of the

generosity of the provision proposed to be made by His Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom for the immediate needs of Newfoundland, and do express their confidence that all measures calculated to further the restoration of the prosperity of the Island will have the grateful and hearty co-operation of all patriotic citizens.

2. His Excellency the Governor be requested to transmit a copy of these Resolutions to His Most Gracious Majesty with an expression of the unfailing loyalty of Newfoundland to His Throne and Person.

The said Resolutions were then adopted unanimously.

It was moved and seconded that His Excellency the Governor be respectfully requested to forward the said Resolutions to His Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom.

Mr. Speaker informed the House that he had received a Message from the Legislative Council acquainting the House of Assembly that it had passed the Bill sent up, entitled, "An Act to Provide for the Issue of Certain Securities on the Credit of the Dominion, for the Postponement of Certain Securities of the Dominion and for the Giving of Priority to Certain Other Securities Thereof" without amendment.

It was moved and seconded that when the House rises it adjourn until to-morrow, Saturday, afternoon, at quarter past three of the clock.

The House then adjourned accordingly.

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## SATURDAY, December 2nd, 1933

The House met at quarter past three of the clock in the afternoon, pursuant to adjournment.

At half past three of the clock the Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod appeared at the Bar of the House with a Message from His Excellency the Governor commanding the attendance of the House in the Council Chamber.

Accordingly Mr. Speaker and the House attended His Excellency in the Council Chamber.

Mr. Speaker at the Bar of Council Chamber addressed His Excellency as follows:

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY:

In the name of the House of Assembly I present the following Bill for Your Excellency's assent.

Whereupon His Excellency's assent was given to the Bill, "An Act to Provide for the Issue of Certain Securities on the Credit of the Dominion, for the Postponement of Certain Securities of the Dominion and for the Giving of Priority to Certain Other Securities Thereof."

His Excellency was then pleased to make the following Speech to both Branches of the Legislature:

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

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

I thank you for the earnest consideration that you have given to the important matters which have come before you. The Address to His Majesty the King has been sent forward, and His Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom have been informed of the legislation that you have passed. Should the Parliament of the United Kingdom take the desired action, it will provide a means of relief from our financial anxiety, and I hope enable us to enter upon an era of prosperity.

In relieving you from the duties of the present Session, I pray that you may have the guidance and blessing of Divine Providence.

After which the Honourable President of the Legislative Council, by command of His Excellency, said:

It is His Excellency's Will and Pleasure that this General Assembly be prorogued until Wednesday, the seventeenth of January, 1934, then and here to be holden, and this General Assembly stands prorogued accordingly.

H. Y. MOTT, Clerk.

