

Monday, March 21st, 2016

The House met at 1:30 o'clock in the afternoon pursuant to adjournment.

The Member for Lewisporte – Twillingate (Mr. Bennett) made a Statement to recognize the Kinsmen Club of Notre Dame for their 40 years of loyal service to Lewisporte and surrounding communities.

The Member for Topsail – Paradise (Mr. Davis) made a Statement to congratulate the Town of Paradise on the success of their winter carnival “Snow and Ice in Paradise.”

The Member for Exploits (Mr. Dean) made a Statement to recognize the dedicated service to their community of Exploits Search and Rescue.

The Member for Stephenville – Port au Port (Mr. Finn) made a Statement to congratulate the Bay St. George Sick Children’s Foundation on their successful telethon and applaud them for their efforts in assisting families in need.

The Member for Mount Pearl – Southlands (Mr. Lane) made a Statement to recognize athletes and builders recently inducted into the Mount Pearl Sports Hall of Fame.

The Member for Labrador West (Mr. Letto) made a Statement to salute the Newfoundland and Labrador Provincial Drama Festival which will celebrate its 66th anniversary this year.

*The Commemoration of the First World War and the Battle of Beaumont Hamel
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The Member for Burin – Grand Bank (Ms. Haley) read the following names:

Colbourne, Beadon S.
Cole, Edward Louis
Cole, Samuel B.
Coles, Adam
Coles, Albert Victor
Collier, John
Collier, Ward
Collins, George W.
Collins, James
Collins, John Joseph
Collins, Leo James
Collins, Martin Bertram
Collins, Richard
Collins, William Joseph

Columbus, Frank
Columbus, Frederick
Comor, Maurice
Connors, Daniel Francis
Connors, James Patrick
Connors, Maurice Gregory
Conran, Michael
Constantine, Peter
Conway, Jeremiah
Cook, Alfred Stanley
Cook, Charles
Cook, Harold
Cook, Henry William
Cook, James

Cook, Thomas
Cook, William Rex
Coombs, Harry
Cooper, Peter
Cooper, Ward Mellage
Copley, Thomas
Corcoran, Laurence Joseph
Costello, William
Costello, William Patrick
Coughlan, Louis
Coultras, Norman
Courage, Harrison

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The House observed a minute of silence.

The Honourable the Premier (Mr. Ball) made a Statement to recognize Aboriginal Peoples Week at Memorial University which will take place between March 21st and 24th.

The Honourable the Minister of Health and Community Services (Mr. Haggie) made a Statement to recognize March 26 as Purple Day for Epilepsy.

The Honourable the Government House Leader (Mr. Parsons) gave notice that he would on tomorrow move, pursuant to Standing Order 11, that the House not adjourn at 5:30 o'clock in the afternoon and that the House not adjourn at 10 o'clock in the evening on Tuesday, March 22nd, 2016.

The Member for Fortune Bay – Cape La Hune (Ms. Perry) gave notice that she would on tomorrow move the following Resolution:

“WHEREAS the remains of a Beothuk woman named Demasduit, and her husband, a chief named Nonosbawsut, have for many years been in storage in Edinburgh at the National Museum of Scotland;

AND WHEREAS the remains of these Aboriginal people of Newfoundland and Labrador should be repatriated to Newfoundland and Labrador, Canada, and laid to rest in the place where the Beothuk people lived;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that this Honourable House call on the Government of the United Kingdom to facilitate the repatriation of the remains of Demasduit and Nonosbawsut to Canada so that they may be laid to rest with dignity.”

The Opposition House Leader (Mr. Hutchings) announced pursuant to Standing Order 63(3) that the Resolution of which the Member for Fortune Bay – Cape La Hune (Ms. Perry) had given notice would be debated on Private Members' Day, Wednesday, March 23rd.

The Member for St. John's Centre (Ms. Rogers) presented a Petition from certain residents of the Province calling upon the House of Assembly to urge Government to ensure that Holy Cross Junior High School remains open and arrange for the election of an English School Board.

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The Member for Conception Bay South (Mr. Petten) presented a Petition from certain residents of the Province calling upon the House of Assembly to urge Government to give priority to repairing the Terra Nova River trestle when allocating infrastructure funding this year.

The Member for Mount Pearl North (Mr. Kent) presented a Petition from certain residents of the Province calling upon the House of Assembly to urge Government to set targets for improving the food security of Newfoundland and Labrador by promoting the growing in this Province of more of the food we consume.

The Member for Fortune Bay – Cape La Hune (Ms. Perry) presented a Petition from certain residents of the Province calling upon the House of Assembly to urge Government to press the Government of Canada to schedule both preparatory consultations and inquiry sessions in communities in Newfoundland and Labrador in which grieving Aboriginal families live.

Pursuant to order and on motion debate continued and concluded on Second Reading of a Bill entitled “An Act To Establish An Independent Appointments Commission And To Require A Merit-Based Process For Various Appointments” (Bill No. 1) and on motion it was ordered that Bill No. 1 be read the second time on tomorrow.

Pursuant to order and on motion the Bill entitled “An Act To Establish An Independent Appointments Commission And To Require A Merit-Based Process For Various Appointments” (Bill No. 1) was read the second time and on motion it was ordered that Bill No. 1 be referred to a Committee of the Whole on tomorrow.

It was moved and seconded that when the House rose it would adjourn until tomorrow, Tuesday, March 22nd at 1:30 o'clock in the afternoon.

On motion the House then adjourned accordingly.

Sandra Barnes,
Clerk of the House of Assembly.