

Tuesday, April 19th, 2016

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

The Member for Lake Melville (Mr. Trimper) by leave made a Statement to recognize the sacrifices made by members of the Goodyear family during the First World War.

The Member for Mount Pearl – Southlands (Mr. Lane) made a Statement to recognize the success of the 34th Annual Frosty Festival.

The Member for Labrador West (Mr. Letto) made a Statement to recognize Mark and Joanne Lush for organizing the 5th annual Shane Mercer Memorial Fishing Derby.

The Member for St. John's East – Quidi Vidi (Ms. Michael) made a Statement to congratulate the Basilica Heritage Foundation which was awarded a Manning Award in the community category for "Fleming", a one-person theatrical performance presenting the history of the Basilica Cathedral of St. John the Baptist and Bishop Michael Fleming.

The Member for Harbour Main (Ms. Parsley) made a Statement to recognize Dec LaCour for his contribution to the sport of hockey in Newfoundland and Labrador.

The Member for Cape St. Francis (Mr. Parsons) made a Statement to recognize the Hogan family, owners of District Drugs, for their contribution to their community and their support of the local library.

*The Commemoration of the First World War and the Battle of Beaumont Hamel
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The Member for Lake Melville (Mr. Trimper) read the following names:

Gillett, Philip	Gordon , Gilbert Thomas	Greeley, Matthew
Gilley, Job	Gorman , Julian Joseph	Green, Albert James
Gillingham, Charles	Goss , Samuel	Green, James
Ginn, Thomas	Gosse, Eldred	Green, John Henry Stanley
Ginn, William	Gosse, Ira Joseph	Green, Moses
Gladney, Edward Francis	Gosse, Thomas Joseph	Green, Robert
Glover, James	Gosse, Walter	Greene, Barton
Gooby, Nathaniel	Goudie, George	Walter Martin Greene
Good, Robert George	Gough, Chesley James	Greening, James
Goodland, Augustus	Grace, Martin Joseph	Griffin, John
Goodwin, Stephen	Granger, Charles E.	Grouchy, Thomas J.
Goodyear, Oswald	Grant, Edward Peter	Groves, Daniel
Goodyear, Stanley Charles	Grant, James Bernard	
Goodyear, William Bertram	Grant, William Hoyes	

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The House observed a minute of silence

The Honourable the Minister of Business, Tourism, Culture and Rural Development (Mr. Mitchelmore) made a Statement to announce that Newfoundland and Labrador will welcome the Princess Royal, the Royal Newfoundland Regiment's Colonel-in-Chief to the Province to participate in commemorative events for the 100th Anniversary of the battle of the Somme.

The Honourable the Minister of Environment and Conservation (Mr. Trimper) made a Statement to inform the House that a spring training programme has been launched for drinking water system operators.

The Member for St. John's East – Quidi Vidi (Ms. Michael) presented a Petition from certain residents of the Province calling upon the House of Assembly to urge Government to ensure that the Deficit Reduction Levy is eliminated and any replacement measure is based on progressive taxation principles and that an independent review of the provincial tax system begins immediately.

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 Conception Bay South (Mr. Petten) presented a Petition from certain residents of the Province calling upon the House of Assembly to urge Government to press the Provinces' Federal Members of Parliament and the Federal Government to reduce Marine Atlantic ferry rates.

Pursuant to notice and on motion the Bill entitled "An Act Respecting Insured Medical And Hospital Services In The Province" (Bill No. 24) was introduced and read the first time and on motion it was ordered that the said Bill be read the second time on tomorrow.

Pursuant to order and on motion debate continued on the motion "That This House Approves in General the Budgetary Policy of the Government" (the Budget Speech).

During the debate the Member for Topsail – Paradise (Mr. Davis) moved, seconded by the Member for Mount Pearl North (Mr. Kent), the following amendment to the Budget motion (being a non-confidence motion):

"That all the words after "that" be deleted and the following substituted:

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'this House deplores the Government's failure to deal adequately with the real problems facing our people and its failure to provide competent management to our Province.' "

The Speaker (Ms. Dempster) suspended the proceedings at 3:54 o'clock in the afternoon to consider the amendment.

The Speaker resumed the Chair at 4:06 o'clock in the afternoon and ruled the amendment in order.

Debate continued on the amendment to the Budget Speech (being a non-confidence motion) and on motion debate was adjourned for further debate on tomorrow.

It was moved and seconded that when the House rose it would adjourn until tomorrow, Wednesday, April 20th at 2:00 o'clock in the afternoon.

On motion the House then adjourned accordingly.

Sandra Barnes,
Clerk of the House of Assembly.