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Tuesday, January 20, 1998.

1 o'clock p.m.

Prayers.

Notices of Motions

Mr. D. Graham gave Notice of Motion 80 that on Tuesday, February 3, 1998, he would move the following resolution, seconded by Mr. Mockler:

That an address be presented to Her Honour the Lieutenant Governor, praying that she cause to be laid upon the table of the House a copy of all Federal-Provincial agreements relating to four-lane sections of highway between Moncton and Petitcodiac, and Jemseg and Mill Cove, including any amounts paid by both Federal and Provincial governments and any amounts borrowed, for the construction of those sections of highway.

Mr. Sherwood gave Notice of Motion 81 that on Tuesday, February 3, 1998, he would move the following resolution, seconded by Hon. Mr. Valcourt:

That an address be presented to Her Honour the Lieutenant Governor, praying that she cause to be laid upon the table of the House a copy of all "management letters", as referred to in the Report of the Auditor General of New Brunswick, received by any government department, agency, or corporation from their auditors for the past three years.

Mr. Sherwood gave Notice of Motion 82 that on Tuesday, February 3, 1998, he would move the following resolution, seconded by Mr. Robichaud:

That an address be presented to Her Honour the Lieutenant Governor, praying that she cause to be laid upon the table of the House a copy of the itineraries, including a schedule of all events attended in an official capacity while representing the government of New Brunswick, for the Ministers of Economic Development and Tourism, Education, and Mines and Energy, for the past three months.

Government Motions re Business of House

Hon. Mr. Tyler announced that following Private Members' Motions, it was the intention of the government that the House resolve itself into a Committee of Supply to consider the capital estimates of the Department of Transportation, followed by the estimates of the Department of Health and Community Services.

Motion 74 by Hon. Mr. Tyler was, by leave of the House, withdrawn.

Second Reading

The following Bills were read the second time and ordered referred to the Committee of the Whole House:

Bill 19, *Conservation Easements Act*.

Bill 20, *An Act to Amend the Boiler and Pressure Vessel Act*.

Bill 21, *An Act to Amend the Workers' Compensation Act*.

Bill 22, *An Act to Amend the Motor Vehicle Act*.

Bill 23, *An Act to Amend the Highway Act*.

Bill 24, *An Act to Repeal An Act to Establish "The Jordan Memorial Sanitarium" and the Jordan Memorial Home Act*.

Bill 25, *An Act to Amend the Family Services Act*.

Bill 26, *An Act to Amend the Medical Services Payment Act*.

Bill 27, *An Act to Amend the Hospital Services Act*.

The Order being read for second reading of Bill 28, *An Act to Amend the Assessment Act*, a debate arose thereon.

And after some time, the debate was, on motion of Hon. Mr. Tyler, adjourned over.

The Order being read for second reading of Bill 29, *An Act to Amend the New Brunswick Geographic Information Corporation Act*, a debate arose thereon.

And after some time, the debate was, on motion of Hon. Mr. Tyler, adjourned over.

Private Members' Motions

Debate resumed on the amendment, moved by Hon. Mr. Valcourt and seconded by Mr. D. Graham, to Motion 2 as amended as follows:

AMENDMENT

That Motion 2 as amended be amended:

In the 2nd paragraph by adding the words "and ensure that the basic needs of seniors in nursing homes are met" at the end of the paragraph.

And after some time due to the unavoidable absence of Mr. Speaker, Mr. O'Donnell, the Deputy Speaker, took the chair as Acting Speaker.

And after some further time, Mr. Speaker resumed the chair.

And the debate being ended, and the question being put, the amendment was negatived.

Debate resumed on Motion 2 as amended.

And after some, Mr. Speaker interrupted proceedings and advised that the time allotted for Private Members' Motions had expired.

With leave of the House, Hon. Mr. Valcourt moved the following resolution, seconded by Mr. Robichaud: (Motion 83)

THAT the Legislative Assembly of New Brunswick ask the Government of Canada to take immediate steps to correct the situation under the Employment Insurance Act whereby the whole forestry industry of New Brunswick will suffer irreparable harm as a result of skidder owners and operators being denied eligibility for employment insurance benefits.

And the question being put, it was resolved in the affirmative.

It was agreed by unanimous consent to rescind the vote which earlier in the sitting had negatived the amendment [to Motion 2 as amended] moved by Hon. Mr. Valcourt, seconded by Mr. D. Graham, as follows:

AMENDMENT

That Motion 2 as amended be amended:

In the 2nd paragraph by adding the words "and ensure that the basic needs of seniors in nursing homes are met." at the end of the paragraph.

Mr. Speaker again put the question, and the amendment to Motion 2 as amended was carried.

Committee of Supply

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee of Supply with Mr. O'Donnell in the chair.

And after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the chair and Mr. O'Donnell, the Chairman, after requesting that Mr. Speaker revert to Presentations of Committee Reports, reported that the Committee had made some progress in the consideration of the matters referred to them, and asked leave to sit again.

Pursuant to Standing Rule 78.1, Mr. Speaker then put the question on the motion deemed to be before the House, that the report be concurred in, and it was resolved in the affirmative.

And then, 5.53 o'clock p.m., the House adjourned.

The following documents, having been deposited with the Clerk of the House, were deemed laid upon the table of the House pursuant to Standing Rule 39:

Report of the Chief Electoral Officer - By-Elections Miramichi-Bay du Vin and Tantramir - November 17, 1997 - December 22, 1997

Report on Official Languages 1996-97 - December 23, 1997

Annual Report of the Chief Coroner 1996-1997 - January 16, 1998

Documents requested in Notice of Motion 64 - December 19, 1997

Documents requested in Notice of Motion 23 - January 15, 1998

Documents requested in Notice of Motion 28 - January 15, 1998

Documents requested in Notice of Motion 61 - January 16, 1998

Documents requested in Notice of Motion 76 - January 16, 1998