Thursday, December 9, 2004. 1 o'clock p.m.

Prayers.

Hon. Mr. Lord, the Premier, introduced Daniel J. Jouanneau, the Ambassador of France in Canada and Mrs. Jouanneau, and Michel Freymuth, the Consul General of France for the Atlantic Provinces.

Mr. Betts, Member for Moncton Crescent, laid upon the table of the House a petition requesting the exclusion of certain stated breeds, section 6(1), and section 6(2), from the proposed Bill 55, *Restricted Dogs Act*. (Petition 6)

Mr. Paulin, Member for Restigouche West, laid upon the table of the House a petition signed by residents of Restigouche-Madawaska Counties praying that the government have a clear vision and policy to guarantee the future of the New Brunswick forest resource which is in a precarious position. (Petition 7)

Mr. Doucet, Member for Charlotte, laid upon the table of the House a petition signed by interested citizens urging the government to construct a Youth Recreation Facility in St. George, N.B. (Petition 8)

During Statements by Members, Mr. Speaker cautioned Members that statements are not to include direct attacks on any Member of the House.

The following Bills were introduced and read a first time:

By Hon. Ms. Fowlie,

Bill 11, An Act Respecting Rural Communities.

By Hon. Ms. Blaney,

Bill 12, An Act to Amend An Act to Amend the Human Rights Act.

By Hon. Mr. Volpé,

Bill 13, An Act to Amend the Municipal Assistance Act.

Bill 14, An Act to Amend the Assessment Act.

Ordered that the said Bills be read a second time at the next sitting.

Mr. S. Graham gave Notice of Motion 16 that on Thursday, December 16, 2004, he would move the following resolution, seconded by Mr. Jamieson:

That an address be presented to His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, praying that he cause to be laid upon the table of the House the full details of the Molson brewery deal including, but not limited to, the cost/benefit analysis, research on the possible impacts of the subsidy on local brewers, and the total amount of first receipt fees that NB Liquor will forgo under this deal.

Mr. S. Graham gave Notice of Motion 17 that on Thursday, December 16, 2004, he would move the following resolution, seconded by Mr. MacIntyre:

That an address be presented to His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, praying that he cause to be laid upon the table of the House the aggregate amounts of the first receipt fees charges by NB Liquor on all Molson products by product line for the 2003-04 fiscal year.

Mr. S. Graham gave Notice of Motion 18 that on Thursday, December 16, 2004, he would move the following resolution, seconded by Mr. A. LeBlanc:

That an address be presented to His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, praying that he cause to be laid upon the table of the House all correspondence between the Executive Council of the Province of New Brunswick and the Executive Council of the Province of Quebec concerning the interprovincial trade of beer since January 1, 2004.

Mr. Williams gave Notice of Motion 19 that on Thursday, December 16, 2004, he would move the following resolution, seconded by Mr. C. LeBlanc:

WHEREAS the Governor General of Canada issued a Royal Proclamation on December 10, 2003 designating July 28 as A Day of Commemoration of the Great Upheaval;

WHEREAS, in 2004, Acadia is celebrating the 400th anniversary of its founding;

WHEREAS Acadia will commemorate, in 2005, the 250 $^{\rm th}$ anniversary of the Great Upheaval;

WHEREAS the Acadian people have been contributing for 400 years to the economic, cultural, and social vitality of New Brunswick and Canada;

WHEREAS it is in the interest of all New Brunswickers to become better acquainted with the rich historical and cultural heritage of the Acadians;

WHEREAS the New Brunswick government supported efforts leading to the issuing of the Royal Proclamation;

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED that the Legislative Assembly recognize the suffering and the hardships of the Acadians during the Great Upheaval as well as the importance of those events in the history of New Brunswick and of Canada as a whole; and that the Legislative Assembly also recognize the determination of Acadians to forge a better future for themselves.

Hon. Mr. Volpé gave Notice of Motion 20 that on Thursday, December 16, 2004, he would move the following resolution, seconded by Hon. Mr. Lord:

THAT this House approves in general the capital budgetary policy of the government.

It was agreed by unanimous consent to dispense with the two hours allotted for Private Members' Motions.

Hon. Mr. Green, the Government House Leader, announced that it was the intention of government that the House resume the debate on the motion for an Address in Reply to the Speech from the Throne.

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of Mr. C. LeBlanc, seconded by Mr. Malley:

THAT the following Address be presented to His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor to offer the humble thanks of this House to His Honour for the gracious speech which he has been pleased to make to the Legislative Assembly, namely:

Fredericton, N.B. December 2, 2004.

To His Honour, The Honourable Herménégilde Chiasson, Lieutenant-Governor of the Province of New Brunswick. May It Please Your Honour: We, Her Majesty's most dutiful and loyal subjects of the Legislative Assembly of the Province of New Brunswick, now in session, beg leave to extend our humble thanks to Your Honour for the gracious speech which Your Honour has addressed to us, and we assure Your Honour that all matters which may be submitted to us during the session will receive our most careful attention and consideration.

After some time, due to the unavoidable absence of Mr. Speaker, Mr. C. LeBlanc, the Deputy Speaker, took the chair as Acting Speaker.

And after some further time, Mr. Betts took the chair as Acting Speaker.

And after some time, Mr. Holder, the Deputy Speaker, took the chair as Acting Speaker.

And the debate continuing,

On motion of Mr. Carr, the further consideration thereof was adjourned over.

And then, 6 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:

Annual Report 2003-2004, Tourism and Parks
Documents requested in Notices of Motion 2, 5
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