

Business of the House

national convention was Act No. 16 of 1946. Section 3 of that act reads:

It shall be the duty and function of the convention to consider and discuss among themselves as elected representatives of the people of Newfoundland the changes that have taken place in the financial and economic situation of the island since 1934, and, bearing in mind the extent to which the high revenues of recent years have been due to wartime conditions, to examine the position of the country and to make recommendations to His Majesty's government in the United Kingdom as to possible forms of future government to be put before the people at a national referendum.

The national convention was then set up and its deliberations began. During the course of those deliberations a delegation was sent to Ottawa to discuss the possible terms of confederation.

On motion of Mr. Kent the debate was adjourned.

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Mr. Fournier (Hull) moved the adjournment of the house.

He said: On the order paper tomorrow will appear a bill to amend the Criminal Code. This is a bill coming from the senate. The purpose of these amendments is to adapt the Criminal Code to Newfoundland. I understand that the Minister of Justice (Mr. Garson) has consulted the Leader of the Opposition (Mr. Drew) and the leaders of the other parties, and that tomorrow he will ask for the unanimous consent of the house to proceed with the various stages of this bill. I understand there is some urgency for the passing of this measure. We shall then take up the debate on the second reading of Bill No. 2, to amend the Supreme Court Act, and on the proposed amendment thereto of Mr. Drew. Later we shall move to go into supply, bringing in three or four new departments, and shall proceed with the estimates of the departments of Agriculture and Justice.

Motion agreed to and the house adjourned at 10.57 p.m.
