

**11th, 14th & 17th January, 1840.**

**HENRY PRESCOTT, Esquire, C B. Governor.**

*Mr. President, and Honorable Gentlemen of the Council;*

I thank you for this Address, which, in the assurance it contains of your intention to take into your earnest consideration all matters incident to the welfare of the Colony, has given me much gratification.

Governor's reply.

On motion, made and seconded, the House adjourned until Tuesday next.

House adjourns.

**TUESDAY, 14th JANUARY, 1840.**

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

House meets.

**Present,**

*The Honorable WILLIAM SALL, Commandant.*

Members present.

" " *JAMES CROWDY, Colonial Secretary.*

" " *WILLIAM THOMAS.*

The Minutes of Wednesday last were read.

The Honorable Mr. Secretary Crowdy presented, by direction of the Governor, a return of Wolves killed between the 14th September, 1839, and the 3d January, 1840, being two in number.

Mr Secretary Crowdy presents a return of Wolves killed.

On motion, made and seconded, the House adjourned until Friday next.

House adjourns.

**FRIDAY, 17th JANUARY, 1840.**

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

House meets.

**Present,**

*The Honorable JAMES SIMMS, Attorney General.*

Members present.

" " *JAMES M. SPEARMAN, Collector of the Customs.*

" " *JOHN B. BLAND.*

The Minutes of Tuesday last were read.

The Honorable Mr. Crowdy enters.

Member enters

A Deputation from the House of Assembly brought up a Bill for the concurrence of this House, entitled, "An Act to make Provision for the Sick and Destitute Poor of the Island of Newfoundland," which was read a first time.

Poor Bill brought up and read first time.

Ordered, that the 38th Rule of the House, so far as it respects the above named Bill, be dispensed with.

38th Rule dispensed with.

Whereupon the said Bill was read a second time, and—

Ordered, to be committed To-morrow.

Bill read second time.

The Honourable Mr. Secretary Crowdy presented a Message from His Excellency the Governor, which was read, and is as follows:—

Message from the Governor with Saint John's Board of Education Rules.

**H. PRESCOTT.**

The Governor transmits to the Council a copy of Rules submitted to him by the Board of Education for the District of St. John's. They appear to His Excellency to be well worthy of the consideration of the Legislature whenever a renewed Act for the promotion of Education may be in progress or contemplation.

See Appendix.

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The Honorable Mr. Secretary Crowdy, by direction of His Excellency the Governor, laid the following documents before the House:—

The Honorable Mr. Secretary Crowdy presents Documents.

Copies of Correspondence with the Secretary of State for the Colonies, and other documents relative to the disposal of the Crown Lands.

See Appendix.

Copy of a Despatch from the Secretary of State for the Colonies relative to the remuneration to the Collector of the Customs for collecting the Colonial Revenue.

Ditto.