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Thursday, April 25, 2002.

1 o'clock p.m.

Prayers.

Hon. N. Betts laid upon the table of the House a document entitled *Limited Liability Partnerships, Discussion Report*.

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Hon. Mr. Green announced that it was the intention of the government that Private Bill 26 be read a second time the next sitting day and that today, following Private Members' Motions, it was the intention of government that the House resolve itself into a Committee of Supply to consider the estimates of the Office of Human Resources.

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Debate resumed on Motion 6, moved by Mr. Richard, seconded by Mr. Allaby, as follows:

WHEREAS one of the five areas on which the government was supposed to focus after the June 7, 1999 election was creating new job opportunities;

AND WHEREAS these new job opportunities have yet to materialize;

AND WHEREAS this government is not economically proactive and New Brunswick is no longer one of the places where outside businesses choose to do business and set up;

AND WHEREAS this government simply took advantage of the favourable world economic situation of the past few years to blow its own trumpet as regards the economy;

AND WHEREAS the government blames the events of September 11 and unfavourable world economic conditions to explain its lack of vision and leadership as regards job creation;

AND WHEREAS the government's sectoral strategies for achieving greater economic development have yet to materialize;

BE IT RESOLVED that this Legislature condemn the government's poor record on economic development and job creation.

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

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

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

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

At 6 o'clock p.m. the Chairman left the chair, to resume again at 7 'clock p.m.

*7 o'clock p.m.*

The Committee resumed with Mr. Bernard in the chair.

And after some time, Mr. Ashfield took the chair.

And after some time, Mr. Bernard resumed the chair.

And after some further time, Mr. Ashfield took the chair.

And after some further time spent in Committee of Supply, due to the unavoidable absence of Mr. Speaker, Mr. Bernard, the Deputy Speaker, took the chair as Acting Speaker and Mr. Ashfield, the Chairman, after requesting that the Acting Speaker revert to Presentations of Committee Reports, reported that the Committee had had under consideration the matters referred to them, had made some progress therein, and asked leave to sit again.

Pursuant to Standing Rule 78.1, Mr. Bernard, the Acting 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.

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And then 10 o'clock p.m., the House adjourned.