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Wednesday, 17th April, 1918.

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HALF-PAST TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by the Rev. *E. G. Miller*.

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. *Farris*, the following Bills were introduced, read a first time, and *Ordered* to be read a second time at the next sitting:—

Bill (No. 79) intituled "An Act respecting the Capacity of Provincial Corporations."

Bill (No. 80) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Wills Act.'"

The Rules and Orders were suspended, and then, on the motion of the Hon. the Premier, seconded by the Hon. the Minister of Lands, it was *Resolved*,—

That, commencing to-morrow and until the end of the Session, there shall be three separate sittings of the House each day, one from 10.30 until 1, and one from 2 until 6, and one from 8 until adjournment, unless otherwise ordered.

The House proceeded to the Orders of the Day.

House again in Committee of Supply.

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

33. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$18,197 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, County Gaols, Nelson Gaol, to 31st March, 1919.

146. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$16,170 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Labour, to 31st March, 1919.

147. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$9,550 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Mines, Minister's Office, to 31st March, 1919.

148. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$16,800 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Mines, General Office, to 31st March, 1919.

149. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$29,890 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Mines, Mines Inspection Branch, to 31st March, 1919.

150. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$16,184 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Mines, Bureau of Mines, to 31st March, 1919.

151. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$13,820 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Mines, Mine-rescue and Training Stations, to 31st March, 1919.

152. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$4,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Mines, Coal-miners' Examinations, to 31st March, 1919.

153. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$2,760 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Mines, First-aid Work, to 31st March, 1919.

154. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$2,500 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Mines, Miscellaneous, Grant to Vancouver Chamber of Mines, to 31st March, 1919.

155. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$75,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Mines, Miscellaneous, "Mines Development Act," supplementary, to 31st March, 1919.

156. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$25,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Mines, Miscellaneous, "Mineral Survey and Development Act," supplementary, to 31st March, 1919.

157. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$8,770 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Provincial Secretary, Minister's Office, to 31st March, 1919.

158. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$10,326 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Provincial Secretary, General Office, to 31st March, 1919.

159. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$32,718 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Provincial Secretary, Provincial Board of Health, to 31st March, 1919.

160. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$8,400 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Provincial Secretary, Provincial Museum, to 31st March, 1919.

161. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$157,008 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Provincial Secretary, Mental Hospitals, New Westminster, to 31st March, 1919.

162. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$216,098 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Provincial Secretary, Mental Hospitals, Essondale, to 31st March, 1919.

163. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$50,125 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Provincial Secretary, Mental Hospitals, Colony Farm and Nursery, to 31st March, 1919.

164. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$33,172 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Provincial Secretary, Provincial Home, Kamloops, to 31st March, 1919.

165. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$350,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Provincial Secretary, Grants to Hospitals and Charities, Statutory Grants to Hospitals, to 31st March, 1919.

166. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$30,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Provincial Secretary, Grants to Hospitals and Charities, Special Grants to Hospitals, to 31st March, 1919.

167. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$17,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Provincial Secretary, Grants to Hospitals and Charities, Grants to Refuge Homes, Aid Societies, etc., to 31st March, 1919.

168. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$20,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Provincial Secretary, Grants to Hospitals and Charities, In aid of destitute and poor and sick, to 31st March, 1919.

169. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$11,050 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Provincial Secretary, Grants to Hospitals and Charities, In aid of Resident Physicians, to 31st March, 1919.

170. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$3,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Provincial Secretary, Grants to Hospitals and Charities, Burial of indigent persons, to 31st March, 1919.

171. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$152,928 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Provincial Secretary, King's Printer, to 31st March, 1919.

172. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$2,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Provincial Secretary, Miscellaneous, Registration of voters, to 31st March, 1919.

173. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,500 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Provincial Secretary, Miscellaneous, Royal Commissions, to 31st March, 1919.

174. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$125,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Provincial Secretary, Miscellaneous, Grants to Civil Servants and employees on military duty, to 31st March, 1919.

175. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$220,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Provincial Secretary, Miscellaneous, Grant to University of British Columbia, to 31st March, 1919.

176. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$75,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Provincial Secretary, Miscellaneous, Grant to Tranquille Sanatorium for New Wing (conditional), to 31st March, 1919.

177. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Provincial Secretary, Miscellaneous, Grant to City of Greenwood, to 31st March, 1919.

178. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$4,500 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Provincial Secretary, Miscellaneous, Grant to City of Phoenix, to 31st March, 1919.

179. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$12,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Provincial Secretary, Miscellaneous, Grant to City of Rossland, to 31st March, 1919.

180. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$7,500 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Provincial Secretary, Miscellaneous, Grant to Y.M.C.A. *re* overseas service, to 31st March, 1919.

181. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$11,250 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Provincial Secretary, Miscellaneous, Grant to Pacific North-west Tourist Association, to 31st March, 1919.

182. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$24,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Provincial Secretary, Miscellaneous, Grant for patriotic purposes, to 31st March, 1919.

183. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$3,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Provincial Secretary, Miscellaneous, "Civil Service Act," to 31st March, 1919.

184. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$45,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Provincial Secretary, Miscellaneous, Superannuation, to 31st March, 1919.

185. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Provincial Secretary, Miscellaneous, Contingencies, to 31st March, 1919.

196. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$16,730 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Railways, General Office, to 31st March, 1919.

197. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$25,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Railways, Fraser River Bridge, New Westminster, to 31st March, 1919.

198. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$718,940 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Capital Expenditures, Sinking Funds, to 31st March, 1919.

199. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$11,500 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Capital Expenditures, Nakusp & Slocan Railway Company, to 31st March, 1919.

200. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$907,200 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Capital Expenditures, Pacific Great Eastern Railway Company, interest on Guaranteed Bonds due 15th July, 1918, and 15th January, 1919, to 31st March, 1919.

201. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$15,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Capital Expenditures, Wellington Collieries Railway Company, refund of deposit, to 31st March, 1919.

202. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$9,750 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Capital Expenditures, British Columbia House, London, England, instalment on mortgage, to 31st March, 1919.

203. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$50,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Capital Expenditures, Songhees Reserve, to 31st March, 1919.

204. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$10,700 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Capital Expenditures, Mental Hospital Essondale, to 31st March, 1919.

205. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$4,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Capital Expenditures, Colony Farm, Essondale, to 31st March, 1919.

207. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$17,700 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Capital Expenditures, Ferries, to 31st March, 1919.

1. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$5,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of I. Public Debt, Interest, to 31st March, 1918.

15. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$309 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of II. Civil Government (Salaries), Attorney-General's Department, to 31st March, 1918.

16. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding 305 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of II. Civil Government (Salaries), Government Agencies, to 31st March, 1918.

34. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$500 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of V. Public Institutions (Maintenance), Provincial Home, Kamloops, to 31st March, 1918.

38. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$33,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of VI. Hospitals and Charities, Statutory Grants to Hospitals, to 31st March, 1918.

41. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$3,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of VI. Hospitals and Charities, "Infants' Act," to 31st March, 1918.

87. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$32,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of VIII. Education, *Per capita* grant to city, municipality, and rural school districts, to 31st March, 1918.

114A. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$4,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of X. Department of Agriculture, Stocking and operating Frondeg Farm, to 31st March, 1918.

114B. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$3,500 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of X. Department of Agriculture, Fish fertilizer, to 31st March, 1918.

117. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$400 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of XII. Public Works (Works and Buildings), Furniture, Government offices throughout the Province, to 31st March, 1918.

126. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$9,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of XII. Public Works (Works and Buildings), Provincial Government Buildings, London, England, to 31st March, 1918.

127. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$250 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of XII. Public Works (Works and Buildings), Provincial Normal School, Vancouver, to 31st March, 1918.

129. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$94,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of XII. Public Works (Works and Buildings), Public schools throughout the Province, to 31st March, 1918.

129A. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$2,400 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of XII. Public Works (Works and Buildings), Prison Farm, Oakalla (claim, Merchants Bank of Canada), to 31st March, 1918.

132. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,600 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of XII. Public Works (Works and Buildings), Repairs to Parliament Buildings, to 31st March, 1918.

136. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,200 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of XII. Public Works (Roads, Streets, Bridges, and Wharves), Chilliwack District, to 31st March, 1918.

137. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$200 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of XII. Public Works (Roads, Streets, Bridges, and Wharves), Columbia District, to 31st March, 1918.

140. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$300 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of XII. Public Works (Roads, Streets, Bridges, and Wharves), Cranbrook District, to 31st March, 1918.

143. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,500 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of XII. Public Works (Roads, Streets, Bridges, and Wharves), Esquimalt District, to 31st March, 1918.

155. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$6,300 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of XII. Public Works (Roads, Streets, Bridges, and Wharves), New Westminster District, to 31st March, 1918.

158. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$2,500 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of XII. Public Works (Roads, Streets, Bridges, and Wharves), Omineca District, to 31st March, 1918.

162. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$100 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of XII. Public Works (Roads, Streets, Bridges, and Wharves), Rossland District, to 31st March, 1918.

171. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$250 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of XII. Public Works (Roads, Streets, Bridges, and Wharves), Roads, Point Grey, to 31st March, 1918.

184A. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,500 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of XII. Public Works (Roads, Streets, Bridges, and Wharves), Ditch, McKinney Creek, to 31st March, 1918.

185. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$230 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of XII. Public Works (Subsidies and Maintenance, Steamboats, Ferries, and Bridges—Ferries), Barnston Island, to 31st March, 1918.

188. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$6 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of XII. Public Works (Subsidies and Maintenance, Steamboats, Ferries, and Bridges—Ferries), Columbia River, Goldstream, to 31st March, 1918.

189. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$500 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of XII. Public Works (Subsidies and Maintenance, Steamboats, Ferries, and Bridges—Ferries), Columbia River, Waterloo, to 31st March, 1918.

195. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$225 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of XII. Public Works (Subsidies and Maintenance, Steamboats, Ferries, and Bridges—Ferries), Fraser River, Big Bar, to 31st March, 1918.

202. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$700 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of XII. Public Works (Subsidies and Maintenance, Steamboats, Ferries, and Bridges—Ferries), Fraser River, Quesnel, to 31st March, 1918.

203. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$20 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of XII. Public Works (Subsidies and Maintenance, Steamboats, Ferries, and Bridges—Ferries), Fraser River, Soda Creek, to 31st March, 1918.

207. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$2,500 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of XII. Public Works (Subsidies and Maintenance, Steamboats, Ferries, and Bridges—Ferries), Hall's Landing, to 31st March, 1918.

209. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$23 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of XII. Public Works (Subsidies and Maintenance, Steamboats, Ferries, and Bridges—Ferries), Kootenay River, Lewis, to 31st March, 1918.

210. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$265 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of XII. Public Works (Subsidies and Maintenance, Steamboats, Ferries, and Bridges—Ferries), Kootenay River, Reclamation Farm, to 31st March, 1918.

217. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$30 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of XII. Public Works (Subsidies and Maintenance, Steamboats, Ferries, and Bridges—Ferries), North Thompson River, Jones, to 31st March, 1918.

223. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$150 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of XII. Public Works (Subsidies and Maintenance, Steamboats, Ferries, and Bridges—Ferries), South Thompson River, Pritchard, to 31st March, 1918.

226. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$165 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of XII. Public Works (Subsidies and Maintenance, Steamboats, Ferries, and Bridges—Ferries), Skeena River, Breckenridge, to 31st March, 1918.

232. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$300 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of XII. Public Works (Subsidies and Maintenance, Steamboats, Ferries and Bridges—Ferries), Skeena River, Terrace, to 31st March, 1918.

249. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$500 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of XII. Public Works (Miscellaneous), Special Guard, Parliament Buildings, to 31st March, 1918.

255. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$2,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of XIII. Miscellaneous (Provincial Secretary's Department), Postage, to 31st March, 1918.

269A. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$213 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of XIII. Miscellaneous (Provincial Secretary's Department), Gratuity to the widow of Wm. Forsythe, equivalent of three months' salary, to 31st March, 1918.

269B. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$270 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of XIII. Miscellaneous (Provincial Secretary's Department), Gratuity to the widow of H. P. Forrest, equivalent of three months' salary, to 31st March, 1918.

277. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$750 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of XIII. Miscellaneous (Attorney-General's Department), Motor-traffic regulation (plates, badges, etc.), to 31st March, 1918.

281. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$100 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of XIII. Miscellaneous (Attorney-General's Department), "Moving Pictures Act" (supplies), to 31st March, 1918.

284. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$13,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of XIII. Miscellaneous (Agent-General's Office, London), Salary of Agent-General, including clerical assistance, advertising, etc., to 31st March, 1918.

Schedule A. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$5,985.55 be granted to His Majesty to make good certain sums expended for the Public Service for the fiscal year ended 31st March, 1917, and to indemnify the several officers and persons for making such expenditures.

The Committee reported the Resolutions.

Report to be considered at the next sitting of the House.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

Mr. W. A. *McKenzie* asked the Hon. the Provincial Secretary the following questions:—

1. How many hospitals are there in the Similkameen Electoral District receiving aid from the Government under the provisions of the "Hospital Act"?
2. If so, how much has been paid each of said hospitals during the last two years?
3. Have any directors been appointed by the Government for said hospitals?
4. If so, what are their names and addresses?
5. Has the Department received an application from or on behalf of Mrs. Dybfest for admission to any of said hospitals during the present year?
6. If so, what disposition was made of the said application?
7. If refused, for what reason?
8. Is it proposed to continue to grant aid to said hospitals under said Act?
9. Has it been the practice to refuse admission to tubercular patients in Government-aided hospitals?
10. If so, when did such practice commence?
11. If so, why so?

The Hon. Dr. *MacLean* replied as follows:—

"1. Three.

"2. Penticton Hospital: 1916-17, \$2,135; 1917-18, \$1,451.50; total, \$3,586.50. Hedley Hospital: 1916-17, \$814; 1917-18, \$242; total, \$1,056. Princeton Hospital: 1916-17, \$1,782.90; 1917-18, \$1,700 (estimated); total, \$3,482.90.

"3. Yes.

"4. Official Director, Penticton Hospital: None appointed since establishment of hospital in 1915. Official Director, Hedley Hospital: J. R. Brown, Government Agent, Fairview. Official Director, Princeton Hospital: H. Hunter, Gold Commissioner, Princeton.

"5. No, but the case was reported to the Provincial Board of Health by the Medical Health Officer.

"6. The Medical Health Officer was informed that the local hospital should treat the case, and arrangements to do so were made by the Hospital Board. Subsequently, a difficulty arose as to suitable accommodation and the matter was taken up with the Government's representative on the Board, and at the same time the Board was instructed that it was responsible for the patient. An effort to have the case admitted to King Edward Sanatorium was unsuccessful, owing to lack of room.

"7. Answered by No. 6.

"8. There is no present intention of discontinuing the grants to any of the said hospitals.

"9. No.

"10 and 11. Answered by No. 9."

Dr. *Rose* asked the Hon. the Provincial Secretary the following questions:—

1. How many hospitals owned and operated by private individuals are receiving Government grants?
2. Where are these hospitals situated?
3. What was the amount of Government aid for the past year?

The Hon. Dr. *MacLean* replied as follows:—

"1. None.

"2 and 3. Answered by No. 1."

Mr. *Schofield* asked the Hon. the Minister of Finance the following questions:—

1. Is the Skating Arena of Vancouver a place of amusement under the "Amusements Tax Act"?

2. If so, what amounts has said Arena collected and contributed to the Treasury on account of the amusements tax?
3. Does the management collect said tax every time said Arena is open to the public?
4. If not, why do they not do so?

The Hon. Mr. *Hart* replied as follows:—

- "1. Yes, on all occasions when an entertainment or game to witness which an admission fee is charged is in progress.
- "2. \$2,679.13.
- "3. Not when open only for skating as a pastime.
- "4. Because the Department rules that the Act does not apply when a rink only provides facilities to skate for those attending, without any entertainment other than the actual skating by the persons paying the admission fee."

Mr. *Ross* asked the Hon. the Premier the following questions:—

1. Was any agreement made between the Administration and the present Comptroller-General with reference to his employment as such?
2. If so, is such agreement verbal or written?
3. If written, for how long does it subsist and on what terms for ensuing years?

The Hon. Mr. *Oliver* replied as follows:—

- "1. The late Premier stated to the Comptroller-General, at the time he was engaged, that in the event of his services proving satisfactory the Government would ask the Legislature to vote him a salary of \$5,000 per year.
- "2. Verbal.
- "3. Answered by No. 2."

Mr. *Bowser* asked the Hon. the Premier the following questions:—

1. Is it the intention of the Government at this Session to grant any financial assistance or come to the relief of those living in the Hatzic dyking area?
2. If so, what form will that assistance take?

The Hon. Mr. *Oliver* replied as follows:—

"1 and 2. This question is now under consideration."

Mr. *Bowser* asked the Hon. the Premier the following questions:—

1. Is it the intention of the Government at this Session to grant any financial assistance or come to the relief of those living in the Nicomen dyking area?
2. If so, what form will that assistance take?

The Hon. Mr. *Oliver* replied as follows:—

"1 and 2. This matter is now under consideration."

On the motion of the Hon. the Minister of Finance, seconded by the Hon. the Premier, it was *Resolved*,—

That this House will, at the next sitting thereof, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole to consider the Ways and Means for raising the Supply to be granted to His Majesty.

The Hon. Mr. *Hart* presented to Mr. Speaker a Message from His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, which read as follows:—

F. S. BARNARD,  
*Lieutenant-Governor.*

The Lieutenant-Governor transmits herewith a Bill intituled "An Act to authorize the Payment of the Guaranteed Bonds of the Nakusp and Slocan Railway Company," and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

*Government House,*  
*April 15th, 1918.*

*Ordered*, That the said Message, and the Bill accompanying the same, be referred to a Committee of the Whole House forthwith.

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

*Resolved*, That the Committee rise and report to the House, recommending the introduction of a Bill (No. 75) intituled "An Act to authorize the Payment of the Guaranteed Bonds of the Nakusp and Slocan Railway Company," a draft of which is annexed to this Resolution.

Resolution and Bill reported.

Bill introduced and read a first time.

Second reading at the next sitting.

*Resolved*, That the House, at its rising, do stand adjourned until 8 o'clock p.m. to-day.

And then the House adjourned at 5.30 p.m.

Wednesday, 17th April, 1918.

EIGHT O'CLOCK P.M.

On the motion of Mr. *Manson*, Bill (No. 86) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Land Registry Act'" was introduced, read a first time, and *Ordered* to be read a second time at the next sitting.

The House proceeded to the Orders of the Day.

Bill (No. 65) intituled "An Act conferring upon Municipal Councils the Power to make available for Food-production Purposes any Unused Arable Lands lying within Municipal Boundaries" was committed.

Reported with amendments.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

House again in Committee of Supply.

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

206. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$208,650 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Capital Expenditures, Roads, Streets, Bridges, and Wharves to 31st March, 1919.

The Committee reported the Resolution.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

Pursuant to Order, the Resolutions reported from Committee of Supply on the 12th, 13th, 15th, 16th, and 17th instant were received and read a first time.

Resolutions read a second time and taken as read.

Resolutions read a third time, taken as read, and agreed to.

Pursuant to Order, the House resolved itself into the Committee of Ways and Means.

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

*Resolved*, That towards making good the Supply granted to His Majesty, the following sums be granted out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund of the Province of British Columbia:—

\$ 5,985.55 for the financial year ending 31st March, 1917.

225,061.00 for the financial year ending 31st March, 1918.

11,471,694.08 for the financial year ending 31st March, 1919.

\$11,702,740.63



The Chairman reported the Resolution.  
Report considered forthwith and adopted.  
Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

The Hon. the Minister of Finance presented Bill (No. 71) intituled "An Act for granting certain Sums of Money for the Public Service of the Province of British Columbia."

*Ordered*, That the same be referred to a Committee of the Whole forthwith.

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

*Resolved*, That the Committee rise and report to the House, recommending the introduction of a Bill (No. 71) intituled "An Act for granting certain Sums of Money for the Public Service of the Province of British Columbia," a draft of which is annexed to this Resolution.

Resolution and Bill reported.  
Report adopted.  
Bill read a first time.  
Bill read a second time and committed later this evening.

The Hon. the Minister of Finance presented to Mr. Speaker a Message from His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, which read as follows:—

F. S. BARNARD,  
*Lieutenant-Governor.*

The Lieutenant-Governor transmits herewith an amendment to Bill (No. 71) intituled "An Act for granting certain Sums of Money for the Public Service of the Province of British Columbia," enclosed herewith, and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

*Government House,*  
*April 17th, 1918.*

To amend Bill (No. 71) intituled "An Act for granting certain Sums of Money for the Public Service of the Province of British Columbia," as follows:—

Schedule, page E 26, Vote No. 63: Insert after the word "Schools" the words "as per detailed statement hereafter appearing."

Schedule, page E 26, Vote No. 64: Insert after the word "Belt" the words "as per detailed statement hereafter appearing."

Schedule, page E 54: Insert after the figures "\$1,953,440.00" the following:—

DETAILED STATEMENT OF VOTE No. 63.  
SALARIES OF TEACHERS IN ASSISTED SCHOOLS.

Yearly Salary.	School.	Yearly Salary.	School.
\$ 900—	Albert Canyon.	\$ 840—	Chase Creek.
720—	Albert Head.	816—	Chase Creek, Lower.
1,020—	Alexandria.	720—	Chaumox.
960—	Alice Arm.	960—	Chief Lake.
900—	Alice Siding.	960—	Chilco.
1,020—	Alkali Lake.	1,020—	Chimney Creek.
780—	Allen Grove.	900—	Chinook Cove.
900—	Anarchist Mountain.	960—	Christian Valley.
816—	Anderson Creek.	840—	Christina Lake.
900—	Annable.	900—	Chu Chua.
900—	Arrow Park, West.	900—	Clearwater.
840—	Ashton Creek.	900—	Coalmont.
876—	Aspen Grove.	936—	Cokato.
900—	Athalmer.	900—	Coltern.
960—	Balfour.	840—	Columbia Park.
840—	Balmoral.	900—	Columbia Gardens.
840—	Bamfield.	780—	Concord.
1,140—	Barkerville.	900—	Copper City.
780—	Barnston Island.	840—	Copper Creek.
840—	Barriere Power House.	900—	Copper Mountain.
900—	Barriere River.	900—	Cortes Island.
900—	Barriere Valley.	840—	Craigellachie.
780—	Bear Creek.	840—	Cranberry Marsh.
900—	Beaton.	840—	Crawford Creek.
1,080—	Beaver Lake.	840—	Criss Creek.
900—	Belford.	840—	Cultus Lake.
960—	Bella Coola.	900—	Curzon.
960—	Bella Coola, Lower.	840—	Darey Mountain.
840—	Berrydale.	960—	Deadwood.
960—	Bickle.	840—	Deep Creek.
1,020—	Big Bar.	780—	Deer Lodge.
1,080—	Big Bar Mountain	900—	Deer Park.
1,020—	Big Bar, Upper.	900—	Demars, West.
960—	Big Eddy.	1,200—	Discovery.
900—	Blaeberry.	1,020—	Dragon Lake.
816—	Blind Bay.	900—	Duhamel.
840—	Blueberry Creek.	960—	Dunster.
900—	Blue River.	840—	Eagle River.
900—	Bonaparte Valley.	840—	Ecoole.
780—	Boston Bar.	900—	Edgewood.
900—	Boswell.	840—	Eholt.
840—	Boundary Falls.	960—	Elk Bridge.
816—	Bowen Island.	900—	Elk Prairie.
900—	Bowie.	1,176—	Empire Valley.
900—	Box Lake.	960—	Endako.
900—	Bridesville.	900—	Erie.
1,020—	Brilliant, Principal.	900—	Essondale.
1,020—	Brilliant, Second Division.	900—	Fairview.
900—	Brisco.	900—	Falkland.
960—	Britannia Beach, Principal.	840—	False Bay.
840—	Britannia Beach, Second Division.	840—	Fauquier.
900—	Britannia Mine.	936—	Ferguson.
900—	Cahilty.	900—	Fife.
840—	Campbell Range.	900—	Fire Valley.
960—	Canim Lake.	840—	Fish Lake.
1,020—	Cape Scott.	1,020—	Flagstone.
960—	Cariboo.	840—	Florence Mine.
840—	Carlin Siding.	960—	Fort Fraser.
1,080—	Cartier.	1,320—	Fort George, Principal.
900—	Castledale.	1,080—	Fort George, Second Division.
960—	Castlegar.	1,200—	Fort George, South.
1,020—	Castle Rock.	900—	Foster's Bar.
960—	Cawston.	840—	Galena.

DETAILED STATEMENT OF VOTE No. 63—*Continued.*SALARIES OF TEACHERS IN ASSISTED SCHOOLS—*Continued.*

Yearly Salary.	School.	Yearly Salary.	School.
\$ 900	Galena Bay.	\$ 840	Kinnaird.
780	Galiano.	1,020	Kitimat.
780	Galiano, North.	816	Knutsford.
900	Galloway.	840	Koch Siding.
720	Ganges.	1,020	Krestova.
840	Ganges Harbour.	816	Lac du Bois.
840	Gerrard.	936	Lac la Hache.
840	Gillis Bay.	780	Lake Buntzen.
840	Gilpin.	900	Little Fort.
960	Giscome.	840	Loco.
1,020	Glade, Principal.	936	Lucerne.
1,020	Glade, Second Division.	900	Mabel Lake.
1,020	Glencoe.	1,200	Malcolm Island, Principal.
780	Glenrosa.	900	Malcolm Island, Second Division.
900	Granite Bay.	960	Mapes.
780	Half Moon Bay.	720	Marron Lake.
900	Hall's Landing.	840	Marshall.
1,080	Harper's Camp.	1,020	Masset.
840	Harrogate.	840	Meadowbrook.
936	Harrop.	840	Meadow Spur.
960	Hartley.	840	Meadow Valley.
816	Hat Creek.	1,080	Meldrum Creek.
900	Haysport.	1,080	Metlakatla.
1,080	Hazelton.	900	Mill Brook Cove.
1,080	Hazelton, New.	900	Mill Creek, Principal.
936	Heffley Creek.	780	Mill Creek, Second Division.
900	Heffley Lake.	900	Moberly.
840	Hendon.	816	Model Farms.
900	Heriot Bay.	960	Morrissey Mines.
840	Heydon Bay.	900	Mount Ingersoll.
780	Hidden Bay.	816	Moyase.
720	Highland.	1,020	Moyie, Principal.
1,020	Hilborn.	840	Moyie, Second Division.
900	Hilltop.	840	Myncaster.
900	Hilton.	1,020	Macalister.
780	Hope Station.	1,200	McEride.
780	Hornby Island.	900	McGuire.
900	Horse Creek.	960	MacKenzie.
960	Hosmer.	840	McMurdo.
960	Houston.	960	Nechako.
900	Hupel.	900	Needles.
900	Hurlingham.	900	Nickel Plate Mine.
840	Huscroft.	900	Nimkish.
840	Ingram Mountain.	780	Nine-mile Creek.
900	Invermere.	900	Noosatsum.
900	Inverness.	840	Okanagan Centre.
900	Ioco.	840	Okeover Arm.
816	Isabella Point.	900	Olalla.
780	James Island.	840	Olsen Lake.
780	Jordan River.	960	Osland.
840	Kaleden.	900	Osoyoos.
900	Kaleva.	1,020	Outlook.
900	Kedleston.	900	Pachelqua.
780	Keefers.	900	Pacific.
840	Kelowna, East.	840	Parson.
900	Kettle River, North.	1,080	Pass Creek.
900	Kettle Valley.	876	Pavilion.
840	Kildonan.	720	Pemberton Meadows.
900	Killarney.	816	Pemberton Range.
1,020	Kimberley.	840	Pender Harbour.
900	Kingcome Inlet.	936	Perry Siding.
900	Kingsgate.	840	Pinantan.

DETAILED STATEMENT OF VOTE No. 63—*Concluded.*

SALARIES OF TEACHERS IN ASSISTED SCHOOLS—*Concluded.*

Yearly Salary.	School.	Yearly Salary.	School.
\$ 780	—Popcum.	\$ 840	—Squirrel Cove.
960	—Porcher Island.	960	—Standard Mine.
960	—Port Alice.	960	—Stellaco.
1,020	—Port Clements.	960	—Stewart.
900	—Port Hardy.	1,020	—Strandby.
780	—Port Renfrew.	840	—Sullivan Valley.
1,200	—Pouce Coupe.	816	—Sunnybrae.
1,200	—Pouce Coupe, Central.	840	—Sunnyside.
1,200	—Pouce Coupe, North.	780	—Sunnyside, No. 2.
900	—Princeton, East.	960	—Swanson Bay.
960	—Quatsino.	900	—Swift Creek.
1,020	—Queen Charlotte.	840	—Syringa Creek.
840	—Ray Lake.	840	—Taft.
840	—Refuge Cove.	840	—Tappen Valley.
840	—Reiswig.	960	—Tatalaska.
900	—Renata.	1,260	—Telegraph Creek.
780	—Retreat Cove.	960	—Telkwa.
900	—Richland.	900	—Three Forks.
876	—Riondel.	840	—Three Valley.
840	—Roberts Creek.	936	—Thrms.
900	—Robin's Range.	900	—ThurLOW.
900	—Rock Bay.	840	—Tranquille.
960	—Rock Creek.	840	—Trapp Lake.
960	—Roe Lake.	840	—Trout Creek, Upper.
876	—Roosville.	960	—Trout Lake.
900	—Round Top.	900	—Tulameen.
840	—Saint Elmo.	840	—Turtle Valley.
840	—Salmon Bench.	936	—Uculelet.
900	—Salmon Valley.	900	—Ucluelet Arm.
840	—Sand Creek.	900	—Ucluelet East.
1,080	—Sand Spit.	900	—Usk.
1,200	—Saskatoon Creek.	900	—Valdes Island.
840	—Savary Island.	1,080	—Vanderhoof.
816	—Savona Road.	900	—Vavenby.
900	—Sayward.	780	—Walhachin.
780	—Sechelt.	840	—Wanklyn.
876	—Seton Lake.	900	—Wapta.
900	—Seymour Arm.	900	—Wasa.
876	—Shoreacres.	816	—Watmore.
840	—Shuswap Falls.	780	—West View.
876	—Shuswap, North.	900	—Whaletown.
840	—Shutty Bench.	1,080	—Whatshan.
900	—Sicamous.	816	—Wheeler Mountain.
876	—Silver Creek.	840	—White Lake.
900	—Similkameen.	1,020	—Williams Lake.
840	—Sinclair.	900	—Williams Siding.
816	—Sirdar.	960	—Willow River.
1,020	—Sister's Creek.	900	—Wilmer.
1,020	—Skidegate.	840	—Windermere.
780	—Skookumchuck.	960	—Winlaw.
840	—Smith's Landing.	1,020	—Woden River.
1,080	—Soda Creek.	840	—Wolfson Bay.
900	—Solsqua.	900	—Woodville Road.
660	—Sooke Harbour.	960	—Wynndel.
840	—Sorrento.	900	—Yahk.
1,020	—Springhouse.	840	—Yale.
900	—Squam Bay.		

## DETAILED STATEMENT OF VOTE No. 64.

## SALARIES OF TEACHERS OF SCHOOLS IN ESQUIMALT &amp; NANAIMO RAILWAY BELT.

Yearly Salary.	School.	Yearly Salary.	School.
\$ 780	—Beaver Creek.	\$ 780	—Harewood, Eighth Division.
900	—Bench.	780	—Headquarters.
720	—Bowser.	780	—Hillier.
1,200	—Brechin, Principal.	840	—Koksilah.
960	—Brechin, Second Division.	900	—Lazo.
840	—Brechin, Third Division.	936	—Malahat.
780	—Brechin, Fourth Division.	960	—Minto, Principal.
720	—Cedar, East.	780	—Minto, Second Division.
960	—Cedar, North, Principal.	720	—Montrose.
780	—Cedar, North, Second Division.	900	—Mountain.
936	—Cedar, South.	1,020	—Nanaimo Bay, Principal.
1,080	—Chase River, Principal.	900	—Nanaimo Bay, Second Division.
900	—Chase River, Second Division.	816	—Nanose Bay.
780	—Chase River, Third Division.	780	—Nob Hill.
780	—Cherry Creek.	960	—Northfield, Principal.
780	—Cobble Hill.	780	—Northfield, Second Division.
960	—Comox, Principal.	1,020	—Number 7 Mine, Principal.
780	—Comox, Second Division.	840	—Number 7 Mine, Second Division.
960	—Cowichan, Principal.	876	—Oyster.
780	—Cowichan, Second Division.	900	—Oyster, North.
780	—Cowichan Lake.	960	—Parksville, Principal.
900	—Departure Bay.	780	—Parksville, Second Division.
960	—Diamond Crossing, Principal.	960	—Qualicum Beach, Principal.
780	—Diamond Crossing, Second Division.	720	—Qualicum Beach, Second Division.
840	—Errington.	840	—Qualicum, Little.
1,140	—Extension, Principal.	780	—Royston.
900	—Extension, Second Division.	780	—Sahtlam.
780	—Extension, Third Division.	900	—Sandwick.
840	—Fanny Bay.	960	—Shawnigan, Principal.
840	—French Creek.	780	—Shawnigan, Second Division.
840	—Gill.	1,020	—Union Bay, Principal.
840	—Glenora.	840	—Union Bay, Second Division.
900	—Grantham.	720	—Waterloo.
840	—Grant Mine.	960	—Wellington, Principal.
1,320	—Harewood, Principal.	720	—Wellington, Second Division.
1,080	—Harewood, Second Division.	1,260	—Wellington, South, Principal.
960	—Harewood, Third Division.	1,080	—Wellington, South, Second Division.
840	—Harewood, Fourth Division.	960	—Wellington, South, Third Division.
780	—Harewood, Fifth Division.	840	—Wellington, South, Fourth Division.
780	—Harewood, Sixth Division.	780	—Wellington, South, Fifth Division.
780	—Harewood, Seventh Division.		

*Ordered*, That the said Message, and the proposed amendments accompanying the same, be referred to the Committee of the Whole House having in charge Bill (No. 71) intituled "An Act for granting certain Sums of Money for the Public Service of the Province of British Columbia."

Bill (No. 71) intituled "An Act for granting certain Sums of Money for the Public Service of the Province of British Columbia" was committed.

Progress reported.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

*Resolved*, That the House, at its rising, do stand adjourned until 10.30 o'clock a.m. to-morrow.

And then the House adjourned at 10.45 p.m.

Thursday, 18th April, 1918.

HALF-PAST TEN O'CLOCK A.M.

Prayers by Mr. Speaker.

On the motion of the Hon. the Provincial Secretary, Bill (No. 84) intituled "An Act to amend the 'British Columbia University Act'" was introduced, read a first time, and *Ordered* to be read a second time at the next sitting.

On the motion of the Hon. the Attorney-General, the following Bills were introduced, read a first time, and *Ordered* to be read a second time at the next sitting:—

Bill (No. 82) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Local Improvement Act.'"

Bill (No. 81) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Municipal Act.'"

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the motion moved by the Hon. Mr. *Sloan* on the 16th instant, as follows:—

That it is in the public interest that an arrangement should be made by the Department of Mines with the Esquimalt & Nanaimo Railway Company, whereby the minerals in the Esquimalt & Nanaimo Railway Belt on Vancouver Island may be more satisfactorily administered than under the present dual method of company regulations and the "Mineral Act," and that legislation be introduced ratifying such agreement, or otherwise remedying existing difficulties.

Resolution agreed to.

Mr. *Schofield* asked the Hon. the Minister of Mines the following question:—

Who are the proprietors of the Phoenix Garage, from whom the Overland car was purchased for the use of Mr. Freeland, the Mining Engineer?

The Hon. Mr. *Sloan* replied as follows:—

"No information."

Dr. *Rose* asked the Hon. the Minister of Mines the following questions:—

1. Who did the work on the Paradise Mine Road, the Paradise Mine Bridges, and the Toby Creek Cut-off, in the Columbia Riding?
2. Was it by tender or private contract?
3. Who entered into the arrangement for this work?
4. Was same supervised by the Mines Department or the Public Works Department?
5. If so, who supervised same, and how often did he visit the work?
6. What was the estimated cost of these pieces of work?

The Hon. Mr. *Sloan* replied as follows:—

"1. Paradise Mine Road and Bridges work done by the Government; Toby Creek Cut-off work done by Ritchie, Cleland & Bruce.

"2. Toby Creek Cut-off by private contract.

"3. Toby Creek Cut-off work arranged by the Department of Public Works with Ritchie, Cleland & Bruce.

"4. Public Works Department.

"5. District Engineer and Assistant District Engineer. The number of visits can only be obtained from District Engineer by communicating with him; however, a close supervision was given the work.

"6. Paradise Mine Road and Bridges, appropriated \$809; Toby Creek Cut-off, \$27,000, of which \$13,300 was paid by the Government and the balance by the operators."

The following Bills were read a second time, and *Ordered* to be committed at the next sitting:—

Bill (No. 68) intituled "An Act respecting the Profession of Nursing."

Bill (No. 86) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Land Registry Act.'"

Bill (No. 51) intituled "An Act for the Relief of the Corporation of the City of Victoria."

On the second reading of Bill (No. 72) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Factories Act'" a debate arose, which was adjourned to the next sitting.

Bill (No. 32) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Water Act, 1914'" was again committed. Progress reported.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

Dr. *Rose* asked the Hon. the Minister of Lands the following questions:—

1. When was the demand made on the owners of the Anyox Townsite to subdivide same?
2. What answer was received by the Government?
3. What time was given by the Government to the owners to have the townsite subdivided?
4. Will the Minister table a copy of the correspondence?

The Hon. Mr. *Pattullo* replied as follows:—

"1. June 9th, 1917.

"2. Company offered objection to complying with the demand.

"3. Request made in accordance with sections 63 and 68 of the 'Land Act.'

"4. No objection to tabling correspondence."

Bill (No. 31) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Land Act'" was again committed. Reported with amendments.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

*Resolved*, That the House, at its rising, do stand adjourned until 2.30 o'clock p.m. to-day.

And then the House adjourned at 12.45 p.m.

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## Thursday, 18th April, 1918.

HALF-PAST TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

The Hon. Mr. *Oliver* presented to Mr. Speaker a Message from His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, which read as follows:—

F. S. BARNARD,  
*Lieutenant-Governor.*

The Lieutenant-Governor transmits herewith a Bill intituled "An Act to amend the 'British Columbia Railway Act,'" and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

*Government House,*

*April 18th, 1918.*

*Ordered*, That the said Message, and the Bill accompanying the same, be referred to a Committee of the Whole House forthwith.

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

*Resolved*, That the Committee rise and report to the House, recommending the introduction of a Bill (No. 85) intituled "An Act to amend the 'British Columbia Railway Act,'" a draft of which is annexed to this Resolution.

Resolution and Bill reported.

Bill introduced and read a first time.

Second reading at the next sitting.

The Hon. Mr. *Pattullo* presented to Mr. Speaker a Message from His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, which read as follows:—

F. S. BARNARD,  
*Lieutenant-Governor.*

The Lieutenant-Governor returns to the Legislative Assembly Bill (No. 41) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Ditches and Watercourses Act,'" and recommends amendment thereto by the insertion of the following as section 3, namely:—

Section 6 of said chapter 66 is hereby repealed, and that section 3 in the Bill be numbered 4.  
*Government House,*  
*April, 1918.*

*Ordered,* That the said Message, and the Bill and proposed amendment accompanying the same, be referred to a Committee of the Whole House forthwith.

Message, Bill, and amendment committed.

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

*Resolved,* That Bill (No. 41) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Ditches and Watercourses Act'" be amended as follows:—

Insert the following as clause 3 of said Bill and renumber the following clause:—

"3. Section 6 of said chapter 66 is hereby repealed."

*Resolved,* That the Committee rise and report to the House, recommending the amendment to the Bill (No. 41) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Ditches and Watercourses Act,'" as recommended by Message and adopted in the Committee.

Resolution and Bill and amendment thereto reported and adopted.

Bill as amended to be read a third time at the next sitting.

The Hon. Mr. *Farris* presented to Mr. Speaker a Message from His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, which read as follows:—

F. S. BARNARD,  
*Lieutenant-Governor.*

The Lieutenant-Governor transmits herewith a Bill intituled "An Act to amend the 'Workmen's Compensation Act,'" and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

*Government House,*  
*April 18th, 1918.*

*Ordered,* That the said Message, and the Bill accompanying the same, be referred to a Committee of the Whole House forthwith.

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

*Resolved,* That the Committee rise and report to the House, recommending the introduction of a Bill (No. 87) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Workmen's Compensation Act,'" a draft of which is annexed to this Resolution.

Resolution and Bill reported.

Bill introduced and read a first time.

Second reading at the next sitting.

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the motion moved by Mr. *Ross* on the 16th instant *re* War Veterans and the bringing into force of the "Civil Service Act."

On the motion of Mr. *Nelson*, the debate was again adjourned to the next sitting.

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the motion moved by Mr. *Weart* on the 16th instant, as follows:—

That this House resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole to consider the following Resolution:—

"Resolved, That the Committee rise and report, recommending the introduction of legislation this Session or the 1919 Session providing for Old-age Pensions."

Resolution agreed to.



The House forthwith resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole to consider the said Resolution.

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

*Resolved*, That the Committee rise and report that this Committee approve of the principle of Old-age Pensions, but are of the opinion that the proposed legislation should be Dominion wide in its effect and should be enacted either by the Federal Government or should be enacted simultaneously by the whole of the Provinces of Canada.

Resolution reported and adopted.

Dr. *Sutherland* asked the Hon. the Minister of Agriculture the following questions:—

1. What amount (if any) remains unpaid for seed-grain furnished in the Okanagan Districts issued between the years 1909 and 1917?
2. If any, what are the names of the parties so in arrears, and how much does each owe?

The Hon. Mr. *Oliver* replied as follows:—

"1. \$1,203.88.

"2. T. S. Webb, \$30; J. Pickering, \$15; W. Osborn, \$30; S. H. Leal, \$15; F. Murray, \$30; E. Miller, \$30; D. Lynch, \$30; G. Hardwick, \$30; C. S. Hall, \$30; J. Grant, \$30; E. Comber, \$30; W. R. Moore, \$30; R. Goldie, \$30; T. Anderson, \$18; A. Stevens, \$30; W. S. Parker, \$30; H. Lumsden, \$16.50; G. Lawes, \$15; W. Ketley, \$12; Y. C. Kitley, \$10; F. N. Hales, \$30; E. Hallier, \$13; W. Golightly, \$18; J. Ellison, \$15; T. Riley, \$24; J. Colquhoun, \$21; F. Brown, \$15; J. Chapman, \$30; Baron Herry, \$30; M. Roberts, \$7.28; J. Smith, \$8.10; J. Sharp, \$30; E. Olger, \$18; W. Simons, \$24; J. Prother, \$30; D. Burna, \$30; J. Muchowski, \$10; D. Watson, \$15; R. Lipsett, \$30; H. Heggie, \$30; A. Fruno, \$30; C. Couture, \$30; P. Seeley, \$21; J. Anderson, \$30; J. Webb, \$30; S. Drake, \$2; W. Clark, \$3; J. Bruce, \$3; J. Johnston, \$30; W. Bailey, \$30; G. Matheson, \$15; W. Kerr, \$30; J. Murray, \$30. Total, \$1,203.88."

Mr. *Bowser* asked the Hon. the Minister of Finance the following questions:—

1. Was Donald Downie, of Vancouver, appointed Judge of the Court of Revision and Appeal for the Vancouver Assessment District?
2. If so, when was he appointed?
3. What amounts have been allowed him for the years 1917 and 1918, and have they been paid?
4. If not, why have said moneys not been paid?
5. What was the amount of the bills rendered the Department for those two years?
6. Who was the Judge of the Court of Revision and Appeal for this district in 1916 and 1917?
7. What amounts were paid him for these two years?

The Hon. Mr. *Hart* replied as follows:—

"1. Yes.

"2. December 12th, 1916.

"3. \$200 paid for 1917; nothing yet allowed for 1918.

"4. Department not satisfied with amount of bill?

"5. \$200 (ten days at \$20 a day) for 1917; \$260 (thirteen days at \$20 a day) for 1918.

"6. A. M. Harper in 1916 and Donald Downie in 1917.

"7. Harper was paid \$40 (two days at \$20 a day) in 1915-16, and \$20 (one day at same rate) in 1916-17."

*Resolved*, That the House, at its rising, do stand adjourned until 8.30 o'clock p.m. to-day.

And then the House adjourned at 5.50 p.m.

Thursday, 18th April, 1918.

HALF-PAST EIGHT O'CLOCK P.M.

The House proceeded to the Orders of the Day.

Bill (No. 68) intituled "An Act respecting the Profession of Nursing" was committed.  
Reported with amendments.  
Report to be considered at the next sitting.

The Hon. Mr. *Pattullo* presented to Mr. Speaker a Message from His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, which read as follows:—

F. S. BARNARD,  
*Lieutenant-Governor.*

The Lieutenant-Governor transmits herewith a Bill intituled "An Act for defining certain Lands granted to the Nelson and Fort Sheppard Railway Company," and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

*Government House,*  
*April 18th, 1918.*

*Ordered,* That the said Message, and the Bill accompanying the same, be referred to a Committee of the Whole House forthwith.

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

*Resolved,* That the Committee rise and report to the House, recommending the introduction of a Bill (No. 89) intituled "An Act for defining certain Lands granted to the Nelson and Fort Sheppard Railway," a draft of which is annexed to this Resolution.

Resolution and Bill reported.  
Bill introduced and read a first time.  
Second reading at the next sitting.

The Hon. Mr. *Sloan* presented to Mr. Speaker a Message from His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, which read as follows:—

F. S. BARNARD,  
*Lieutenant-Governor.*

The Lieutenant-Governor transmits herewith a Bill intituled "An Act to make Provision for Further Aid for the Purpose of developing a Process for the Treatment of Complex Ores," and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

*Government House,*  
*April 18th, 1918.*

*Ordered,* That the said Message, and the Bill accompanying the same, be referred to a Committee of the Whole House forthwith.

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

*Resolved,* That the Committee rise and report to the House, recommending the introduction of a Bill (No. 88) intituled "An Act to make Provision for Further Aid for the Purpose of developing a Process for the Treatment of Complex Ores," a draft of which is annexed to this Resolution.

Resolution and Bill reported.  
Bill introduced and read a first time.  
Second reading at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 86) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Land Registry Act'" was committed.  
Reported with amendments.  
Report to be considered at the next sitting.

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the second reading of Bill (No. 67) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Provincial Elections Act.'"  
The debate was again adjourned to the next sitting.

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the second reading of Bill (No. 72) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Factories Act.'"  
Bill read a second time.  
To be committed at the next sitting.

Mr. *Hawthornthwaite* asked the Hon. the Attorney-General the following questions:—

1. How many prisoners were detained in Kamloops Gaol during the past year?
2. How many prisoners were detained in Nelson Gaol during the past year?
3. How many prisoners were detained in Oakalla Prison Farm during the past year?

The Hon. Mr. *Farris* replied as follows:—

- "1. For gaol year, November 1st, 1916, to October 31st, 1917, 144.
- "2. For gaol year, November 1st, 1916, to October 31st, 1917, 122.
- "3. For gaol year, November 1st, 1916, to October 31st, 1917, 312."

Order for the third reading of Bill (No. 41) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Ditches and Watercourses Act'" called.

On a point of order raised as to the practice in dealing with amendments to Bills returned by Message recommending amendment, Mr. Speaker *Keen* gave the following ruling:—

"When the Lieutenant-Governor returns a Bill to the House for amendment, it places the Bill again under the control of the House.

"If the amendments are numerous, the Bill should be recommitted for consideration of all clauses affected by the Message.

"If only one or two clauses are affected the Message and amendments are referred to a Committee of the Whole, and the Committee reports thereon.

"The House considers this report and, if adopted, amends the Bill accordingly.

"The Bill then, as amended, is ordered for third reading.

"This has been the practice of the House for many years. (*See Journals, 1901, pages 144 and 148; 1902, page 76; 1913, page 101; 1907, page 120; 1917, page 181.*)

"These precedents I consider I am bound to follow until the House directs otherwise.

"JOHN KEEN."

Bill read a third time and passed.

The Report on Bill (No. 31) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Land Act'" was adopted.  
Bill read a third time and passed.

The Report on Bill (No. 65) intituled "An Act conferring upon Municipal Councils the Power to make available for Food-production Purposes any Unused Arable Lands lying within Municipal Boundaries" was adopted.

Bill read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 47) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Legal Professions Act'" was committed.  
Reported without amendment.  
Report adopted.  
Bill read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 43) intituled "An Act to fix a Minimum Wage for Women" was again committed.  
Reported with amendment.  
Report to be considered at the next sitting.

On the motion of Mr. *Whiteside*, Bill (No. 92) intituled "An Act to incorporate the New Westminster District Co-operative Agricultural Association" was introduced, read a first time, and *Ordered* to be read a second time at the next sitting.

The following Bills were read a second time, and *Ordered* to be committed at the next sitting:—

Bill (No. 25) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Labour Regulation Act.'"

Bill (No. 44) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Audit Act.'"

Bill (No. 57) intituled "An Act to amend the 'British Columbia Loan Act, 1917.'"

Bill (No. 58) intituled "An Act to amend the 'British Columbia Loan Act, 1916.'"

Bill (No. 59) intituled "An Act to borrow the Sum of Four million Dollars for Provincial Purposes."

Bill (No. 61) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Succession Duty Act.'"

The House continued to sit after midnight.

FRIDAY, 19TH APRIL, 1918.

Bill (No. 51) intituled "An Act for the Relief of the Corporation of the City of Victoria" was committed.

Reported with amendments.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 22) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Game Act'" was again committed.

Progress reported.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

*Resolved*, That the House, at its rising, do stand adjourned until 10.30 a.m. to-day.

And then the House adjourned at 1.50 a.m.

Friday, 19th April, 1918.

HALF-PAST TEN O'CLOCK A.M.

Prayers by Mr. Speaker.

Mr. *M. A. Macdonald* presented a petition from Edith E. Schofield and others, of the Municipality of West Vancouver, *re* sales of land for taxes.

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. *Sloan*, Bill (No. 93) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Provincial Fisheries Act'" was introduced, read a first time, and *Ordered* to be read a second time at the next sitting.

The Hon. Mr. *Oliver* presented to Mr. Speaker a Message from His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, which read as follows:—

F. S. BARNARD,

*Lieutenant-Governor.*

The Lieutenant-Governor transmits herewith a Bill intituled "An Act to ratify and to make Provision for the Carrying-out of an Agreement dated the Twenty-second Day of February, 1918, between His Majesty the King, in Right of his Province of British Columbia, and Timothy Foley,

Patrick Welch, and John W. Stewart, doing Business under the Firm-name and Style of 'Foley, Welch & Stewart,' Frederick Wilson, D'Arcy Tate, and E. F. White," and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

*Government House,*

*April 18th, 1918.*

*Ordered,* That the said Message, and the Bill accompanying the same, be referred to a Committee of the Whole House forthwith.

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

*Resolved,* That the Committee rise and report to the House, recommending the introduction of a Bill (No. 83) intituled "An Act to ratify and to make Provision for the Carrying-out of an Agreement dated the Twenty-second Day of February, 1918, between His Majesty the King, in Right of his Province of British Columbia, and Timothy Foley, Patrick Welch, and John W. Stewart, doing Business under the Firm-name and Style of 'Foley, Welch & Stewart,' Frederick Wilson, D'Arcy Tate, and E. F. White," a draft of which is annexed to this Resolution.

Resolution and Bill reported.

Bill introduced and read a first time.

Second reading at the next sitting.

The Hon. Mr. *Oliver* presented to Mr. Speaker a Message from His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, which read as follows:—

F. S. BARNARD,

*Lieutenant-Governor.*

The Lieutenant-Governor transmits herewith a Bill intituled "An Act to aid the West Nicomen Dyking District in respect of certain Dyking Debentures," and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

*Government House,*

*April 18th, 1918.*

*Ordered,* That the said Message, and the Bill accompanying the same, be referred to a Committee of the Whole House forthwith.

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

*Resolved,* That the Committee rise and report to the House, recommending the introduction of a Bill (No. 94) intituled "An Act to aid the West Nicomen Dyking District in respect of certain Dyking Debentures," a draft of which is annexed to this Resolution.

Resolution and Bill reported.

Bill introduced and read a first time.

Second reading at the next sitting.

Dr. *Sutherland* asked the Hon. the Minister of Public Works the following questions:—

1. Has any right-of-way for roads in the Okanagan District been paid for by the Department of Public Works between the years 1909 and 1917?

2. If so, who are the parties such rights-of-way have been purchased from, the amount paid each, and the parties receiving same?

The Hon. Dr. *King* replied as follows:—

"1. Yes.

"2. Payments for road rights-of-way made to: Samuel D. Hine, \$500; H. Byrnes, \$300; W. Kinnear, \$115; J. H. Campbell, \$200; Canadian Pacific Railway, annual rental, \$1; Canadian Pacific Railway, annual rental, \$1."

Mr. *Anderson* asked the Hon. the Minister of Public Works the following questions:—

1. Was there paid a sum approximating \$15,000 from a vote for roads, etc., Kamloops Electoral District, in the year 1914 or thereabouts, towards the construction of a road or roads by a Canadian Northern Pacific Railway contractor or others, the location of which road was outside the boundaries of Kamloops Electoral District? If so, when, and what amount was paid, and what was the number of the vote?

2. If so, by what procedure was the money taken from the vote mentioned?
3. Who inspected the road and recommended payment?
4. Is this road at present in use, and what is the name of the party who received the money?

The Hon. Dr. *King* replied as follows:—

"1. Yes; March 30th and April 1st, 1914; \$8,000 and \$7,000 respectively; Vote 147, 1913-14, and Vote 143, 1914-15.

"2. It was more convenient to supervise the work from Kamloops than Cariboo, it being a continuation of the road from Kamloops to Tete Jaune Cache; thus the money was provided in the Kamloops District vote.

"3. Inspection made by Inspector of Roads; payment recommended by the Minister.

"4. Yes; Palmer Bros. & Henning."

Mr. *A. McDonald* asked the Hon. the Minister of Public Works the following questions:—

1. Did any one from the district advise that the preliminary work for new bridge across the Chilcotin River be discontinued?

2. Prior to advising, did the said adviser or advisers visit at any time the present bridge-site?

3. Did the Provincial Bridge Inspector or any other official condemn the present bridge as unsafe for traffic?

4. If so, why was a new bridge not constructed last year?

5. Will it be constructed this year?

6. If not, why not?

The Hon. Dr. *King* replied as follows:—

"1. Yes.

"2. Yes.

"3. Yes.

"4. Shortage of funds; bridge repaired.

"5. Yes.

"6. Answered by No. 5."

The Report on Bill (No. 43) intituled "An Act to fix a Minimum Wage for Women" was adopted.

Bill read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 32) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Water Act, 1914'" was again committed. Reported with amendments.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 48) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Supreme Court Act'" was committed.

Reported without amendment.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 45) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Bills of Sale Act'" was committed.

Reported without amendment.

Report adopted.

Bill read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 26) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Metalliferous Mines Inspection Act'" was committed.

Progress reported.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 63) intituled "An Act respecting the City of New Westminster, British Columbia," was committed.

Reported without amendment.

Report adopted.

Bill read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 64) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Municipalities Incorporation Act'" was committed.

Progress reported.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

The Hon. Mr. *Hart* presented to Mr. Speaker a Message from His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, which read as follows:—

F. S. BARNARD,

*Lieutenant-Governor.*

The Lieutenant-Governor transmits herewith a Bill intituled "An Act to amend the 'Taxation Act,'" and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

*Government House,*

*April 19th, 1918.*

*Ordered,* That the said Message, and the Bill accompanying the same, be referred to a Committee of the Whole House forthwith.

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

*Resolved,* That the Committee rise and report to the House, recommending the introduction of a Bill (No. 90) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Taxation Act,'" a draft of which is annexed to this Resolution.

Resolution and Bill reported.

Bill introduced and read a first time.

Second reading at the next sitting.

The Hon. Mr. *Hart* presented to Mr. Speaker a Message from His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, which read as follows:—

F. S. BARNARD,

*Lieutenant-Governor.*

The Lieutenant-Governor transmits herewith a Bill intituled "An Act to amend the 'Poll Tax Act,'" and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

*Government House,*

*April 19th, 1918.*

*Ordered,* That the said Message, and the Bill accompanying the same, be referred to a Committee of the Whole House forthwith.

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

*Resolved,* That the Committee rise and report to the House, recommending the introduction of a Bill (No. 91) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Poll-tax Act,'" a draft of which is annexed to this Resolution.

Resolution and Bill reported.

Bill introduced and read a first time.

Second reading at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 25) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Labour Regulation Act'" was committed.

Progress reported.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the second reading of Bill (No. 27) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Coal-mines Regulation Act.'"

Bill read a second time.

To be committed at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 44) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Audit Act'" was committed.  
Reported with amendments.  
Report adopted.  
Third reading at the next sitting.

*Resolved*, That the House, at its rising, do stand adjourned until 2.30 o'clock p.m. to-day.

And then the House adjourned at 1.40 p.m.

## Friday, 19th April, 1918.

THREE O'CLOCK P.M.

The House proceeded to the Orders of the Day.

Bill (No. 44) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Audit Act'" was read a third time and passed.

The Report on Bill (No. 32) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Water Act, 1914'" was adopted.

Bill read a third time and passed.

The Report on Bill (No. 48) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Supreme Court Act'" was adopted.

Bill read a third time and passed.

The Hon. the Premier presented a Return: (a) Showing the assessment and taxes collected on each salmon-cannery on real and personal property for the year 1916; (b) showing the assessment and taxes collected on each salmon-cannery on real and personal property for the year 1917; (c) showing the taxes collected for the year 1916 from each salmon-cannery in this Province on the salmon packed and the rate per case; (d) showing the taxes collected for the year 1917 from each salmon-cannery in this Province on the salmon packed and the rate per case; (e) showing the amount of the tax on income collected from each owner, shareholder, or stockholder in each salmon-cannery in this Province which was derived from said salmon-cannery business in the Province for the year 1916; (f) showing the amount of the tax on income collected from each owner, shareholder, or stockholder in each salmon-cannery in this Province which was derived from said salmon-cannery business in the Province for the year 1917.

Mr. *Anderson* asked the Hon. the Minister of Agriculture the following questions:—

1. What amount remains unpaid as on March 31st, 1918, for seed-grain distributed in Kamloops District during the year 1915?
2. If any, what are the names of the persons so in arrears, and how much does each owe?

The Hon. Mr. *Oliver* replied as follows:—

"1. \$1,614.75.

"2. P. Weler, \$30; E. Evanson, \$10.50; L. S. Bell, \$30; H. W. Dayton, \$30; A. P. Dayton, \$30; A. E. Spencer, \$15; R. J. Denny, \$30; R. S. Cread, \$30; R. Allen, \$12; F. Smith, \$9.50; John Johnson, \$12.00; J. Hazelhurst, \$20; B. C. Wright, \$27; A. J. McPhail, \$21; E. W. Miller, \$9; J. Schaaf, \$30; E. Carr, \$2.50; W. E. Evaris, \$30; T. A. Saintabin, \$19.35; C. D. Burrell, \$11.25; G. Darragh, \$30; Donald Ross, \$30; A. C. Phillips, \$30; C. E. Woodbridge, \$3; J. Amey, \$30; J. S. Fleming, \$17.10; W. H. Campbell, \$30; T. Morrison, \$30; J. J. Young, \$30; F. Carr, \$12; W. Heathfield, \$30; A. F. McLeod, \$30; H. M. Riddle, \$24.75; H. G. Denny, \$30; E. L. Morrison, \$30; T. Hill, \$30; C. May, \$11.25; F. A. Turner, \$18; F. Martin, \$30; J. Berry, \$27;



C. Peterson, \$7.50; Mrs. E. Richardson, \$24.75; H. Peterson, \$24.75; E. E. Reeve, \$30; A. Cook, \$4; J. F. McDiarmid, \$30; T. E. Horn, \$13.50; V. L. Eighme, \$30; J. Johnson, \$15; M. Damgaard, \$30; J. Pruden, \$20.25; P. Muir, \$18; F. Disdere, \$30; T. J. Beaugard, \$27; Paul Blais, \$15; J. A. Wright, \$30; H. H. Mitchell, \$6; E. Barraclough, \$8.10; T. T. Wraith, \$3; F. Waltin, \$15; H. F. Hole, \$30; F. J. Rossley, \$10.80; P. McBryan, \$24; R. Lovellet, \$27; G. W. Null, \$21; J. Butterworth, \$30; J. J. Smith, \$27; T. A. Hardie, \$18; W. F. Spooneman, \$30; N. S. Smith, \$27; Olga Hillman, \$15; C. H. Kelham, \$27; Wm. Wilson, \$24.30; E. Pare, \$9. Total, \$1,614.75."

The following Bills were read a second time, and *Ordered* to be committed at the next sitting:—

Bill (No. 66) intituled "An Act to provide Lands for the Use and Benefit of Returned Soldiers."

Bill (No. 70) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Agricultural Act, 1915.'"

Bill (No. 73) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Pound District Act.'"

Bill (No. 76) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Public Schools Act.'"

Bill (No. 77) intituled "An Act to amend the 'British Columbia Prohibition Act.'"

Bill (No. 78) intituled "An Act to amend the 'War Relief Act.'"

Bill (No. 79) intituled "An Act respecting the Capacity of Provincial Corporations."

Bill (No. 80) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Wills Act.'"

Bill (No. 22) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Game Act'" was again committed.

Reported with amendments.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

The Report on Bill (No. 68) intituled "An Act respecting the Profession of Nursing" was adopted.

Bill read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 26) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Metalliferous Mines Inspection Act'" was again committed.

Reported with amendments.

Report adopted.

Third reading at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 64) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Municipalities Incorporation Act'" was again committed.

Reported with amendments.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 25) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Labour Regulation Act'" was committed.

Reported with amendments.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 57) intituled "An Act to amend the 'British Columbia Loan Act, 1917'" was committed.

Reported without amendment.

Report adopted.

Bill read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 58) intituled "An Act to amend the 'British Columbia Loan Act, 1916'" was committed.

Reported without amendment.

Report adopted.

Bill read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 59) intituled "An Act to borrow the Sum of Four million Dollars for Provincial Purposes" was committed.

Reported without amendment.

Report adopted.

Bill read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 61) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Succession Duty Act'" was committed.

Reported without amendment.

Report adopted.

Bill read a third time and passed.

The Hon. Mr. *Sloan* presented to Mr. Speaker a Message from His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, which read as follows:—

F. S. BARNARD,

*Lieutenant-Governor.*

The Lieutenant-Governor transmits herewith a Bill intituled "An Act to amend the 'Mineral Survey and Development Act,'" and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

*Government House,*

*April 19th, 1918.*

*Ordered,* That the said Message, and the Bill accompanying the same, be referred to a Committee of the Whole House forthwith.

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

*Resolved,* That the Committee rise and report to the House, recommending the introduction of a Bill (No. 99) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Mineral Survey and Development Act,'" a draft of which is annexed to this Resolution.

Resolution and Bill reported.

Bill introduced and read a first time.

Second reading at the next sitting.

The Hon. Mr. *Farris* presented to Mr. Speaker a Message from His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, which read as follows:—

F. S. BARNARD,

*Lieutenant-Governor.*

The Lieutenant-Governor transmits herewith a Bill intituled "An Act to amend the 'Assignment of Book Accounts Act,'" and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

*Government House,*

*April 19th, 1918.*

*Ordered,* That the said Message, and the Bill accompanying the same, be referred to a Committee of the Whole House forthwith.

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

*Resolved,* That the Committee rise and report to the House, recommending the introduction of a Bill (No. 97) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Assignment of Book Accounts Act,'" a draft of which is annexed to this Resolution.

Resolution and Bill reported.

Bill introduced and read a first time.

Second reading at the next sitting.

The Hon. Mr. *Farris* presented to Mr. Speaker a Message from His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, which read as follows:—

F. S. BARNARD,  
*Lieutenant-Governor.*

The Lieutenant-Governor transmits herewith a Bill intituled "An Act to amend the 'Companies Act,'" and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

*Government House,*  
*April 19th, 1918.*

*Ordered.* That the said Message, and the Bill accompanying the same, be referred to a Committee of the Whole House forthwith.

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

*Resolved.* That the Committee rise and report to the House, recommending the introduction of a Bill (No. 96) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Companies Act,'" a draft of which is annexed to this Resolution.

Resolution and Bill reported.  
Bill introduced and read a first time.  
Second reading at the next sitting.

The Hon. Mr. *Hart* presented to Mr. Speaker a Message from His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, which read as follows:—

F. S. BARNARD,  
*Lieutenant-Governor.*

The Lieutenant-Governor transmits herewith a Bill intituled "An Act to authorize the Payment of the Guaranteed Bonds of the Nakusp and Slocan Railway Company," and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

*Government House,*  
*April 19th, 1918.*

*Ordered.* That the said Message, and the Bill accompanying the same, be referred to a Committee of the Whole House forthwith.

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

*Resolved.* That the Committee rise and report to the House, recommending the introduction of a Bill (No. 98) intituled "An Act to authorize the Payment of the Guaranteed Bonds of the Nakusp and Slocan Railway Company," a draft of which is annexed to this Resolution.

Resolution and Bill reported.  
Bill introduced and read a first time.  
Second reading at the next sitting.

Mr. *W. A. McKenzie* asked the Commissioner of Fisheries the following questions:—

1. As it is reported that the Federal authorities have turned over to the Province the administration and control of game fish in British Columbia, will the Provincial Government have an inquiry made into the suitability of the lakes in the Okanagan Valley for varieties of useful food-fishes, and also if means can be taken for the destruction of German carp, squaw-fish, and suckers which infest the southern end of Lake Okanagan and Lakes Skaha, Vaseaux, and Osoyoos and destroy trout spawn?

2. Is the Provincial Department aware of the proposals for the establishment of game-fish hatcheries in that district?

3. What assistance will the Government provide to obtain these hatcheries or otherwise encourage stocking of lakes there?

4. Has the Provincial Department of Fisheries established any hatcheries in the Province?

5. If so, when, and where?

The Hon. Mr. *Sloan* replied as follows:—

"1. The Dominion Government has not turned over to the Province the administration and control of game fish in British Columbia. The Provincial Government has not provided for any expenditure for an inquiry as to the suitability of the lakes in Okanagan Valley for useful food-fish or the means to be taken for the destruction of carp, squaw-fish, and sucker.

"2. No.

"3. No provision at this Session.

"4. Yes, one.

"5. In 1903; at the outlet of Seton Lake."

The Order for the second reading of Bill (No. 75) intituled "An Act to authorize the Payment of the Guaranteed Bonds of the Nakusp and Slocan Railway Company" was discharged.

Bill (No. 52) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Vancouver Incorporation Act, 1900'" was read a second time.

To be committed at the next sitting.

*Resolved*, That the House, at its rising, do stand adjourned until 8.30 o'clock p.m. to-day.

And then the House adjourned at 6.10 p.m.

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## Friday 19th April, 1918.

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HALF-PAST EIGHT O'CLOCK P.M.

The petition from Edith E. Schofield and others, ratepayers, etc., of the Municipality of West Vancouver, *re* sales of lands for taxes, was received.

Mr. *Ross* asked the Hon. the Minister of Lands the following questions:—

1. How many acres of land reverted to the Crown under the provisions of the "Soldiers' Homestead Act, 1916," as at January 1st, 1917?

2. How many acres of the same are surveyed lands?

3. How many applications for proportionate allotment have been made under the "Soldiers' Homestead Act, 1916"?

4. In the event of all applications for proportionate allotment being favourably considered, what acreage (approximately) would be covered by the same?

5. What was the acreage of land, as at December 31st, 1917, to which the provisions of section 6 of chapter 58, Statutes of 1917, apply?

6. What amount of money has been received in respect of lands referred to in question 5 hereof?

7. What amount of money, if any, is still outstanding in respect of lands referred to in question 5 hereof?

8. What extension of time, if any, has been granted in respect of such outstanding payments, if any?

The Hon. Mr. *Pattullo* replied as follows:—

"1. Approximately 2,228,994 acres.

"2. Approximately 1,810,930 acres.

"3. 372.

"4. Approximately 392,517 acres.

"5. Approximately 594,944 acres.

"6. Approximately \$73,679.43.

"7. None.

"8. None."

The Hon. Mr. *Oliver* presented to Mr. Speaker a Message from His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, which read as follows:—

F. S. BARNARD,

*Lieutenant-Governor.*

The Lieutenant-Governor transmits herewith a Bill intituled "An Act to amend the 'Land Settlement and Development Act,'" and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

*Government House,*

*April 19th, 1918.*

*Ordered,* That the said Message, and the Bill accompanying the same, be referred to a Committee of the Whole House forthwith.

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

*Resolved,* That the Committee rise and report to the House, recommending the introduction of a Bill (No. 95) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Land Settlement and Development Act,'" a draft of which is annexed to this Resolution.

Resolution and Bill reported.

Bill introduced and read a first time.

Second reading at the next sitting.

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the motion moved by Mr. *Ross* on the 16th instant, as follows:—

That this House regrets the inability of the Government to approve the Resolutions of a gathering of War Veterans, Patriotic and other Associations, as follows:—

Inasmuch as the delegates of the returned soldiers who went to Ottawa recently to confer with Sir Robert Borden and his colleagues on matters of vital importance in this crucial time of the Empire's history have come away from that conference in several instances disappointed men.

Their disappointment will be shared by many and the feeling is widespread that promises made to the ear are being broken to the hope. It was known to the Government that the returned men had considered questions with regard to "enemy aliens," with respect to the conscription of men of alien races, and other matters of equal importance. The Government recognized the fact that the War Veterans were men who would debate these questions with tact, judgment, and experience, and, more than that, their sufferings and their sacrifices would give them a status for the expression of opinion which could not be ignored, but deserved and demanded consideration, and the Government, as was to be expected, very rightly asked the War Veterans to bring the result of their deliberations before them.

This has been done, and the result has been that for the present, at any rate, the War Veterans must bear the disappointment that "the Government is unable to accept their proposals."

There is not a returned man who is not alive to the difficulties and dangers of the complicated questions which now confront the Governments in all parts of the Empire. However, it was decided at a meeting of all returned men, held in this city on April 6th, that a public demonstration is necessary, and that all bodies interested in the enemy alien question should be asked to take part in the demonstration, and also to adopt the resolution as set forth. The resolution presented to Sir Robert Borden and his colleagues is as follows:—

"Whereas there are in Canada a great number of people of alien origin: Therefore be it *Resolved*, That the aliens of enemy origin in our midst should be employed in work of national importance in industries essential to the winning of the war, under proper surveillance, and their employer, for the time being, made responsible for them; and that their earnings, over and above an amount equal to the pay and allowance of a Canadian soldier, be taken by the Government for war purposes, or, failing their being employed, that such alien enemies be interned.

"Further, that measures be taken at once to make the 'Military Service Act' applicable to all allied aliens in the same manner and to the same extent as to the citizens of Canada, either by negotiating the necessary treaties or conventions with the remaining allied countries upon similar lines or the same as those provided for in the conventions recently adopted by the

United States of America and Great Britain, or, failing the obtaining of such treaties or conventions, that such allied aliens be forthwith given the option of enlisting voluntarily in the Canadian Forces, or being deported to their country of origin as is being done under the Alien Slacker Bill just passed by an overwhelming majority in the House of Representatives at Washington.

"Further, that no steps should be taken to call out the second or other class under the 'Military Service Act,' or to return to France married men of the First Contingent, C.E.F., until the question of the disposition of the aliens has been settled in a manner satisfactory to the citizens of Canada; and that we urge the Government to take up and deal with these questions without further delay."

We respectfully beg to submit the following in addition to the foregoing:—

"(1.) That no enemy alien shall any longer hold public office, and that all questions having to do with the alien be taken out of the hands of the Provincial authorities and taken under Federal direction.

"(2.) That the Canadian Government establish an Alien Registration Bureau, the same as obtains in Great Britain, in which every neutral, allied, and enemy alien shall be registered, so as to be used to the best advantage in the national service; and, moreover, that all aliens be compelled to wear a badge or token, prominently displayed, designating that he is an alien in his class.

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"Whereas greater production of food is of vital importance; and whereas, especially in the Western Provinces, the farmers are labouring under a great disadvantage owing to the unreliable condition of alien labour; and whereas much hardship has resulted from frequent breaches of contract during harvest time: Therefore be it *Resolved*, That it is the opinion of this conference of returned soldiers of Canada, assembled, that a law be passed punishing with a heavy fine such breaking of contracts where it is shown that the employer has fulfilled his contract."

"That whereas the present Provincial Government, under the leadership of the late Premier, passed a 'Civil Service Act,' making it obligatory for all Civil Servants to obtain positions through competitive examinations, and also containing a special clause concerning the applications of returned disabled soldiers; and whereas, although this Act is now on the statute-books of the Province of British Columbia, but is non-operative until a Commissioner or Controller be appointed: Therefore be it *Resolved*, That this delegation here assembled now ask the Hon. John Oliver, in his position as Premier of British Columbia, to immediately put this Act into force."

Mr. *Pauline* moved in amendment, seconded by Mr. *Bell*,—

To strike out all the words of the Resolution after the first word "That," and to substitute the following:—

"Whereas on the 10th day of April, 1918, a representative meeting of citizens, including representatives from the Returned Soldiers, Win-the-War League, and other kindred associations, presented the subjoined resolutions pertaining to Dominion matters to the Hon. John Oliver as Premier of this Province:

"And whereas this House is in thorough sympathy with the spirit and purport of the aforesaid resolutions, but recognize its limitations in respect of matters wholly within the purview of the Imperial and Dominion authorities:

"Be it *Resolved*, That a copy of these resolutions be forwarded forthwith to Right Hon. Sir Robert L. Borden, with the recommendation of this House that the matters therein set forth receive the careful consideration of the Federal Government, with a view to the adjustment of the grievances set forth, and with a further view to harmonious and concerted action throughout the Dominion of Canada, so as to secure the utmost committal of the Dominion to the prosecution of the war, both in respect of its man-power and the earnings of its citizens.

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*Subjoined Resolutions.*

Inasmuch as the delegates of the returned soldiers who went to Ottawa recently to confer with Sir Robert Borden and his colleagues on matters of vital importance in this crucial time of the Empire's history have come away from that conference in several instances disappointed men.

Their disappointment will be shared by many and the feeling is widespread that promises made to the ear are being broken to the hope. It was known to the Government that the returned men had considered questions with regard to "enemy aliens," with respect to the conscription of men of alien races, and other matters of equal importance. The Government recognized the fact that the War Veterans were men who would debate these questions with tact, judgment, and experience, and, more than that, their sufferings and their sacrifices would give them a status for the expression of opinion which could not be ignored, but deserved and demanded consideration, and the Government, as was to be expected, very rightly asked the War Veterans to bring the result of their deliberations before them.

This has been done, and the result has been that for the present, at any rate, the War Veterans must bear the disappointment that "the Government is unable to accept their proposals."

There is not a returned man who is not alive to the difficulties and dangers of the complicated questions which now confront the Governments in all parts of the Empire. However, it was decided at a meeting of all returned men, held in this city on April 6th, that a public demonstration is necessary, and that all bodies interested in the enemy alien question should be asked to take part in the demonstration, and also to adopt the resolution as set forth. The resolution presented to Sir Robert Borden and his colleagues is as follows:—

"Whereas there are in Canada a great number of people of alien origin: Therefore be it *Resolved*, That the aliens of enemy origin in our midst should be employed in work of national importance in industries essential to the winning of the war, under proper surveillance, and their employer, for the time being, made responsible for them; and that their earnings, over and above an amount equal to the pay and allowance of a Canadian soldier, be taken by the Government for war purposes, or, failing their being employed, that such alien enemies be interned.

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Question proposed—"Shall the words proposed to be struck out stand part of the question?" and *Resolved* in the negative on the following division:—

YEAS—8.

Messieurs

<i>Schofield,</i>	<i>MacKenzie, F. J. A.,</i>	<i>Ross,</i>	<i>Rose,</i>
<i>Jones,</i>	<i>Wallis,</i>	<i>Bowser,</i>	<i>McKenzie, W. A.</i>

NAYS—29.

Messieurs

<i>Bell,</i>	<i>Willson,</i>	<i>Sutherland,</i>	<i>Whiteside,</i>
<i>Yorston,</i>	<i>Cowper,</i>	<i>Thompson,</i>	<i>Walters,</i>
<i>Buckham,</i>	<i>Mrs. Smith,</i>	<i>Anderson,</i>	<i>McGeer,</i>
<i>Fisher,</i>	<i>Farris,</i>	<i>Macdonald, K. C.,</i>	<i>Barrow,</i>
<i>Nelson,</i>	<i>Oliver,</i>	<i>Weart,</i>	<i>Stewart,</i>
<i>Hawthornthwaite,</i>	<i>King,</i>	<i>Pattullo,</i>	<i>Pauline,</i>
<i>Mobley,</i>	<i>Macdonald, M. A.,</i>	<i>Sloan,</i>	<i>Hall.</i>
<i>Jackson,</i>			

Question proposed—"Shall the words proposed to be inserted stand part of the question?" and *Resolved* in the affirmative on the same division.

Original Resolution as amended carried on the same division.

Mr. *F. J. A. MacKenzie* moved, seconded by Mr. *Wallis*,—

Whereas the amount of compensation allowed for the destruction of cattle that prove to be affected with tuberculosis is not sufficient compensation or proportionate with the loss sustained:

Therefore be it *Resolved*, That this Government take under its favourable consideration the advisability of increasing the amount of compensation.

After some debate, the motion was withdrawn with leave of the House.

NOTE.—Rule 118 was suspended to enable the above Resolution to be moved.

On the motion of Mr. *Hall*, seconded by Mr. *Pauline*, it was *Resolved*,—

That an Order of the House be granted for a Return of copies of all correspondence of the Fisheries Commissioner or any official in his Department in connection with the Dominion Order in Council, dated January 5th, 1918, whereby Cowichan Bay was opened to net fishing during the times therein set out.

Bill (No. 26) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Metalliferous Mines Inspection Act'" was read a third time and passed.

The Reports on the following Bills were adopted, and the Bills read a third time and passed:—

Bill (No. 64) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Municipalities Incorporation Act.'"

Bill (No. 25) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Labour Regulation Act.'"



Bill (No. 71) intituled "An Act for granting certain Sums of Money for the Public Service of the Province of British Columbia" was committed.

Reported with amendments.

Report adopted.

Bill read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 27) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Coal-mines Regulation Act'" was committed.

Reported with amendments.

Report adopted.

Third reading at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 66) intituled "An Act to provide Lands for the Use and Benefit of Returned Soldiers" was committed.

Reported without amendment.

Report adopted.

Bill read a third time and passed.

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Bill (No. 70) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Agricultural Act, 1915'" was committed.

Reported with amendments.

Report adopted.

Third reading at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 73) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Pound District Act'" was committed.

Reported without amendment.

Report adopted.

Bill read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 76) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Public Schools Act'" was committed.

Reported without amendment.

Report adopted.

Bill read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 77) intituled "An Act to amend the 'British Columbia Prohibition Act'" was committed.

Reported with amendments.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 78) intituled "An Act to amend the 'War Relief Act'" was committed.

Progress reported.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 79) intituled "An Act respecting the Capacity of Provincial Corporations" was committed.

Reported without amendment.

Report adopted.

Bill read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 80) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Wills Act'" was committed.

Progress reported.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 74) intituled "An Act to authorize the Payment of Two hundred thousand Dollars to the Grand Trunk Pacific Railway Company in respect of their Traffic Bridge across the Fraser River at Fort George" was read a second time and committed.

Reported without amendment.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

The following Bills were read a second time, and *Ordered* to be committed at the next sitting:—

Bill (No. 82) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Local Improvement Act.'"

Bill (No. 92) intituled "An Act to incorporate the New Westminster District Co-operative Agricultural Association."

Bill (No. 81) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Municipal Act.'"

Bill (No. 84) intituled "An Act to amend the 'British Columbia University Act.'"

Bill (No. 85) intituled "An Act to amend the 'British Columbia Railway Act.'"

Bill (No. 87) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Workmen's Compensation Act.'"

Bill (No. 89) intituled "An Act for defining certain Lands granted to the Nelson and Fort Sheppard Railway Company."

Bill (No. 88) intituled "An Act to make Provision for Further Aid for the Purpose of developing a Process for the Treatment of Complex Ores."

Bill (No. 93) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Provincial Fisheries Act.'"

Bill (No. 83) intituled "An Act to ratify and to make Provision for the Carrying-out of an Agreement dated the Twenty-second Day of February, 1918, between His Majesty the King, in Right of his Province of British Columbia, and Timothy Foley, Patrick Welch, and John W. Stewart, doing Business under the Firm-name and Style of 'Foley, Welch & Stewart,' Frederick Wilson, D'Arcy Tate, and E. F. White."

Bill (No. 94) intituled "An Act to aid the West Nicomen Dyking District in respect of certain Dyking Debentures."

Bill (No. 99) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Mineral Survey and Development Act.'"

Bill (No. 97) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Assignment of Book Accounts Act.'"

The House continued to sit after midnight.

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Bill (No. 98) intituled "An Act to authorize the Payment of the Guaranteed Bonds of the Nakusp and Slocan Railway Company."

Bill (No. 96) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Companies Act.'"

The Report on Bill (No. 86) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Land Registry Act'" was adopted.

Third reading at the next sitting.

The Order for Committee on Bill (No. 28) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Metalliferous Mines Inspection Act'" was discharged.

Bill (No. 52) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Vancouver Incorporation Act, 1900'" was committed.

Progress reported.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

*Resolved*, That the House, at its rising, do stand adjourned until 10.30 o'clock a.m. to-day.

And then the House adjourned at 2.50 a.m.