

Friday, February 7th, 1930.

HALF-PAST TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by Mr. Speaker.

Mr. A. M. Manson moved, seconded by Mr. I. A. Mackenzie,—

That an Order of this House be granted for a Return of the Order in Council dismissing one Norman Watt as Government Agent, etc., at Prince Rupert, B.C., together with all documents bearing on the said dismissal, and all correspondence relating thereto, upon or in the files of any Minister of the Crown.

A debate arose, which was, on the motion of the Hon. Mr. Maitland, adjourned to the next sitting.

On the motion of Mr. A. M. Manson, seconded by Mr. Gillis, it was *Resolved*,—

That an Order of this House be granted for a Return of: (a) All persons in the service of the Liquor Control Board who have resigned since August 20th, 1928; (b) all persons in the service of the Liquor Control Board whose services have been dispensed with since August 20th, 1928; (c) dates of their leaving the service; (d) their ages, places of residence, and length of time in the service; (e) reasons for their dismissal; (f) also names and ages and places of residence of all persons appointed, temporarily or otherwise, to the service since August 20th, 1928.

Mr. A. M. Manson moved, seconded by Mr. MacPherson,—

That an Order of this House be granted for a Return of all Commissions appointed since August 20th, 1928, under any Act or Resolution of this Legislature, with copies of the Orders in Council creating the Commissions, the terms of the Commissions, the names of the Commissioners, payments made to the Commissioners, and the reports of the Commissioners.

A debate arose, which was, on the motion of the Hon. Mr. Pooley, adjourned to the next sitting.

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

R. RANDOLPH BRUCE,
Lieutenant-Governor.

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

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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. 18) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Public Schools Act,'" a draft of which is annexed to this Resolution.

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

The Hon. Mr. Burden presented a Return in answer to the following questions standing on the Order Paper in the name of Mr. Sutherland:—

1. Were any patrolmen retained in the service of the Forest Branch after September 15th, 1929?
2. If so, what are their names; where were they employed; on what work; for how long; and at what rate of pay?

The Hon. Mr. *Burden* presented a Return in answer to the following questions standing on the Order Paper in the name of Mr. *Sutherland*:—

1. Were any Assistant Rangers retained in the service of the Forest Branch after September 15th, 1929?

2. If so, what are their names; where were they employed; on what work; for how long; and at what rate of pay?

Mr. *Gray* asked the Hon. the Minister of Finance the following question:—

What sum has been set aside during 1929 to meet interest on Superannuation Fund?

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

“\$91,397.89.”

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

1. Has any change been made since August 20th, 1928, in amounts of insurance carried by the Government in respect to any branch of the Service?

2. If so, in what amounts, and in respect of what property?

3. Have any changes been made since August 20th, 1928, in the firms carrying Government insurance?

4. If so, what changes?

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

“1. Yes.

“2. \$10,000 additional cover, Henshall Fish Products Plant; \$10,000 cover placed on Victor Lumber Plant on taking over plant; \$27,250 on French Complex Ore Company Plant at Nelson cancelled.

“3. Yes.

“4. \$4,000 placed on Diamond Lumber & Shingle Plant by T. B. Monk & Co., replacing policies cancelled by Gillespie, Hart & Todd and R. S. Day & Son, whose insurance companies refused to stay on the risks; \$31,250 placed on Western Toy & Furniture Plant by M. J. Lauder, replacing insurance cover previously carried by Gillespie, Hart & Todd.”

Mr. *Pearson* asked the Hon. the Minister of Finance the following question:—

What was the total income-tax outstanding at December 31st, 1929?

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

“Current year, \$843,103.19; previous years, \$301,595.25; total, \$1,144,698.44.

“NOTE.—Arrears for current year shown above is less than 20 per cent. of total levy for the year.”

Mr. *I. A. Mackenzie* asked the Hon. the Minister of Finance the following question:—

How much revenue was collected under the gasoline-tax between April 1st and December 31st, 1929?

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

“\$905,173.43. (See Comptroller-General's nine months' report.)”

Mr. *Hanna* asked the Hon. the Minister of Finance the following question:—

By whom, in what capacity, and at what salary was the present Comptroller-General employed immediately prior to his appointment as Comptroller-General?

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

“Canadian Bakeries, Limited; Secretary-Treasurer, \$7,500.”

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

1. How many Game Wardens have been appointed since January 1st, 1929?

2. How many of them were returned soldiers?

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

“1. Sixty-two, including those officers transferred from the B.C. Police Force on organization of Game Department.

“2. Thirty-one, including those officers transferred from the B.C. Police Force on organization of Game Department.”

Mr. *Sutherland* asked the Hon. the Attorney-General the following question:—
Are Game Wardens sworn in as Special Constables?

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

“The majority of Game Wardens are sworn in as Special Provincial Constables.”

Mr. *Pearson* asked the Hon. the Minister of Education the following question:—

On what dates did C. M. Dunlop, Miss A. T. Wilson, E. S. Blair, and S. H. Welch start work?

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

“C. M. Dunlop, September 9th, 1929; Miss A. T. Wilson, May 30th, 1929; E. S. Blair, May 28th, 1929; S. H. Welch, August 27th, 1929.”

Mr. *I. A. Mackenzie* asked the Hon. the Attorney-General the following questions:—

1. Who were tenderers on new cruiser for the use of the Provincial Police in northern waters?

2. What was the amount of each tender?

3. Were tenders opened in public?

4. If not, why not?

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

“1. Yarrow's, Ltd., Victoria, B.C.; Burrard Shipyard & Engineering Works, Ltd., Vancouver, B.C.; W. R. Menchions, Vancouver, B.C.

“2. Equipped with Gardner engine: Yarrow's, Ltd., \$15,671; Burrard Shipyard, \$15,500; W. R. Menchions, \$15,760. Equipped with Standard engine: Yarrow's, Ltd., \$16,525; Burrard Shipyard, \$15,964; W. R. Menchions, \$15,975. Equipped with Fairbanks engine: Yarrow's, Ltd., \$15,282.

“3. Quotation sheets were sent out to the above firms from the Purchasing Agent's Office, and opened in same office as they were returned.

“4. Answered by No. 3.”

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

1. What salary is paid to Mr. C. A. Welsh as Chairman of the Board to administer the “Milk Act”?

2. Is this the same Mr. Welsh who was Conservative candidate in a by-election in New Westminster?

3. What business was he in before being appointed Chairman of the Board to administer the “Milk Act”?

4. What experience has he had to qualify him for his new position?

5. Is Mr. Welsh the husband of the successor to Mrs. J. W. de B. Farris on the Board of Governors of the University of British Columbia?

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

“1. No Board is administering the ‘Milk Act.’

“2, 3, 4, and 5. Answered by No. 1.”

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

1. Was one M. C. McConnan appointed to a temporary position in the service of the Provincial Police?

2. If so, what were his duties?

3. When was he appointed?

4. When did his services terminate?

5. What was his rate of pay?

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

“1. No; but E. M. McConnan was appointed to a temporary position in the service of the Provincial Police.

“2. Temporary Assistant Cashier, Motor Licence Issuing Office, Victoria.

“3. Appointed December 16th, 1929.

“4. January 18th, 1930.

“5. \$8 per working-day.”

Mr. *Gray* asked the Hon. the Minister of Finance the following question:—

What amount was collected under rural district school taxes between April 1st and December 31st, 1929?

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

“\$542,573.63. (See Comptroller-General's nine months' report.)”

Mr. *Gray* asked the Hon. the Minister of Finance the following question:—

What amount was collected in succession duties between April 1st and December 31st, 1929?

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

“\$721,760.33. (See Comptroller-General's nine months' report.)”

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

1. Are there any arrears in payments under the “Better Housing Act”?
2. If so, how much, and by whom are payments due?
3. What was the total amount loaned under the “Better Housing Act”?

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

“1. Yes.

“2. \$1,265.96, Corporation of District of Saanich; \$465.66, Corporation of City of Prince George; \$337.63, Corporation of City of Vernon.

“3. \$1,697,300.”

Mr. *J. A. Mackenzie* asked the Hon. the Attorney-General the following questions:—

1. Has a beer licence been granted for the Canada Hotel at Prince George since August 20th, 1928?

2. To whom was the licence issued?

3. Is the licensee a fit and proper person to hold such a licence?

4. Who is the owner of the premises?

5. Was said Canada Hotel formerly known as the Empress Hotel?

6. Was there a previous application for a beer licence for the Empress Hotel?

7. If so, on what date?

8. Was it granted?

9. If not, why not?

10. Was the owner of said hotel convicted at any time of a violation of the British Columbia “Liquor Act” or any other Act?

11. If so, give particulars, including date of last conviction.

12. Has an application for a beer licence for the National Hotel at Prince George been made since August 20th, 1928?

13. If so, by whom?

14. Was application granted?

15. If not, why not?

16. Was applicant considered a fit and proper person to hold a beer licence?

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

“1. Yes.

“2. Dan Radakovich.

“3. Yes.

“4. Martin Zadielovich.

“5. Yes.

“6. Yes.

“7. Application received April 23rd, 1929.

“8. No.

“9. Not considered advisable.

“10. Martin Zadielovich, yes.

“11. Liquor Board has no information in regard to prosecutions under Acts other than the ‘Government Liquor Act.’ In reports received pursuant to section 121 of the ‘Government Liquor Act’ the following convictions appear against Martin Zadielovich:—Date, nature of prosecution, and result: December 14th, 1921; section 43; fine \$50, paid. December 22nd,

1922; section 46; fine \$50, paid. March 5th, 1928; section 28; fine \$300, paid. December 20th, 1928; section 28; 6 months. Police report no other convictions.

- " 12. Yes.
 " 13. George Scott Porter.
 " 14. No.
 " 15. Not considered advisable.
 " 16. No information."

Mr. *Buckham* asked the Hon. the Minister of Education the following questions:—

1. Was John Bartington, aged 16, dismissed from the service of the Department?
2. Was his father killed in action?
3. What were his educational qualifications?
4. Who was appointed in his place?
5. What are his educational qualifications?

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

- " 1. John Bartington was not in the service of the Department of Education, nor can any record be found to show that any person of a similar name has been in such service.
 " 2, 3, and 4. Answered by No. 1."

Mr. *Wrinch* asked the Hon. the Minister of Finance the following question:—

What amount was collected under income and personal-property tax between April 1st and December 31st, 1929?

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

" \$4,592,172.91. (See Comptroller-General's nine months' report.)"

Resolved, That the House, at its rising, do stand adjourned until 3.30 o'clock p.m. on Monday next.

And then the House adjourned at 4.50 p.m.

Monday, February 10th, 1930.

HALF-PAST THREE O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by the Rev. A. E. *Nunns*.

On the motion of the Hon. the Premier, the House proceeded to the Orders of the Day, "Public Bills and Orders."

On the second reading of Bill (No. 18) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Public Schools Act'" a debate arose, which was, on the motion of Mr. *Hanna*, adjourned to the next sitting.

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the second reading of Bill (No. 12) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Motor-vehicle Act.'"

Bill read a second time.

To be committed at the next sitting.

The Hon. Mr. *Burden* presented a Return in answer to the following questions standing on the Order Paper in the name of Mr. *Pearson*:—

1. What sales of Crown timber have been made on Vancouver Island since August 20th, 1928?
2. To whom were sales made; what was estimated stumpage; and what were stumpage prices in each case?
3. In which newspapers were said sales advertised, and for how long?
4. Were any sales made without advertisement; and, if so, which sales?

Mr. *I. A. Mackenzie* asked the Hon. the Minister of Lands the following questions:—

1. What was the total of water-borne shipments of lumber from October 1st, 1928, to September 30th, 1929?
2. What was the total of water-borne shipments of lumber from October 1st, 1927, to September 30th, 1928?

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

- "1. 796,209,566 F.B.M.
- "2. 750,127,689 F.B.M."

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

1. How many launches have been built for the Forest Branch since August 28th, 1928?
2. By whom were said launches built, and at what cost?
3. Were specifications drawn up by the Department?
4. What make of engine was specified or recommended?
5. What make of engine was installed in each case; where were said engines built; and from whom were they purchased?
6. Were tenders called for the engines? If not, why not?
7. Were such tenders opened in public?
8. If not, why not?

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

- "1. Two.
- "2. Hulls built by Rodd Bros., Victoria, at a cost of \$2,750 each without engines.
- "3. Yes.
- "4. Ballantyne or other approved make.
- "5. Kermaths; no information; Hoffars, Limited, Vancouver.
- "6. No; it has never been the custom.
- "7. Answered by No. 6.
- "8. Answered by No. 6."

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

1. How many fires were reported to the Forest Branch in the Big Bend area of Kamloops Forest District during 1929?
2. On what dates were fires reported, and on what date were men put on the fire in each case?

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

- "1. Six.
- "2. (a) July 2nd; (b) July 21st (men arrived on fire on August 5th); (c) July 22nd; (d) August 3rd; (e) August 13th; (f) August 21st. The fires reported on July 2nd, July 22nd, August 3rd, August 13th, and August 21st burned over a total area of 1.5 acres, and no outside assistance was required. The delay in putting men on the fire which was reported on July 21st was caused by the Patrolman not doing his duty. Immediately this was discovered, men were rushed to the fire and the Patrolman was dismissed."

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

1. What areas are set aside as forest nurseries in the Province?
2. When were said nurseries seeded?
3. How many seedlings have been transplanted into forest areas, and from which nursery or nurseries were they taken?

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

- "1. Two areas have been set aside in the Province as forest nurseries—one on Shelbourne Avenue in the Municipality of Saanich, and one on the 'Green Timbers' area in Surrey Municipality.
- "2. There has been seeding in the Shelbourne Avenue Nursery in both 1928 and 1929. The 'Green Timbers' Nursery has not been seeded.
- "3. None."

Mr. *Pearson* asked the Hon. the Minister of Lands the following question:—

What was the total of grazing fees outstanding at December 31st, 1929?

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

“\$8,522.08.”

Mr. *Sutherland* asked the Hon. the Minister of Lands the following question:—

What was the deficit in the Forest Protection Fund at December 31st, 1929?

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

“\$479,831.71, accumulated during the past three fire seasons.”

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

1. Was J. Boyd, of Isle Pierre, near Prince George, employed in the summer of 1928 as Assistant Ranger or Patrolman?

2. Is he a returned soldier?

3. Who was employed to take Boyd's place in 1929?

4. Is he a returned soldier?

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

“1. Yes; Assistant Ranger for the season.

“2. Yes.

“3. G. F. Colebank for the season.

“4. No.”

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

1. Was Mr. Colgrove employed as an Assistant Ranger or Patrolman in Fort George District in 1928?

2. Were his services dispensed with in 1929?

3. Is he a returned soldier?

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

“1. Yes; Patrolman.

“2. Seasonal employment only in 1928; not employed in 1929.

“3. Yes.”

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

1. How many cars or trucks were purchased between August 20th, 1928, and March 31st, 1929?

2. How many motor cars or trucks have been purchased since April 1st, 1929?

3. What types of car or truck were purchased? At what price for each type, and from whom?

4. How many cars or trucks were turned in as part payment on the purchase price of the above cars or trucks?

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

“1. Thirty-three.

“2. Twelve.

“3. Three Ford light deliveries at \$775, F. Abbot, Quesnel; one Ford coach, \$921, F. Abbot, Quesnel; one Ford light delivery, \$744, Dearborn Motors, Kamloops; one Ford truck, \$1,235, Dearborn Motors, Kamloops; two Ford light deliveries at \$754, Henry Motors, Smithers; one Ford light delivery, \$754, Terrace Motors, Terrace; four Ford light deliveries at \$739, Fernie Motors, Fernie; two Ford light deliveries at \$739, Columbia Motors, Trail; two Ford light deliveries at \$749, R. Beurge, Nakusp; two Ford light deliveries at \$744, Watkins Garage, Vernon; one Ford light delivery, \$744, Orchard City Motors, Kelowna; two Ford light deliveries at \$744, McPherson Garage, Grand Forks; one Ford light delivery, \$745.45, E. A. Begert, Penticton; one Ford light delivery, \$739, Duncan Garage, Duncan; two Ford light deliveries at \$729, Stonehouse Motors, Vancouver; one Ford light delivery, \$744, Corfield Motors, Courtenay; one Ford light delivery, \$739, Corfield Motors, Ladysmith; one Ford light delivery, \$729, Bretts, Ltd., Abbotsford; one Ford coach, \$848, Nanaimo Motors, Nanaimo; one Ford truck, \$1,207, National

Motors, Victoria; three Whippet coupes (with box bodies) at \$995, Dezall's Garage, Cranbrook; one Ford coach, \$880, National Motors, Victoria; one Chevrolet touring (second-hand), \$400, Begg Motor Co., Victoria; one Ford light delivery, \$790.47, Watkins Garage, Vernon; one Ford light delivery, \$535, National Motors, Victoria; one Ford truck, \$1,170.84, E. A. Begert, Penticton; one Dodge sedan, \$1,552.63, Humphries Motors, Victoria; one Chevrolet coach, \$978.37, Nelson Transfer Co., Nelson; one Chevrolet coach, \$986.77, Kamloops Motor Co., Kamloops; one Chevrolet bus, \$2,411.45, Begg Bros. and Tupper & Steele, Vancouver; one Ford touring, \$790, N. Bentley, Summerland; one Chrysler sedan, \$1,600, Okanagan Garage, Ltd., Penticton.

"4. Twenty-seven."

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

1. What loans have been made by the Department of Industries since August 20th, 1928?
2. What is the total amount loaned by the Department since its inception?
3. What amounts have been repaid or recovered?

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

"1. A loan not to exceed \$70,000 to the Berry Processors, Limited. Of this amount \$32,854.11 was used, and this amount reduced by repayments to \$14,100.36 now owing, which is secured by lien on unsold berries to the value of \$70,000.

"2. \$1,639,356.74.

"3. Principal, \$871,149.90; interest, \$323,383.78; total, \$1,194,533.68."

Mr. *Gray* asked the Hon. the Provincial Secretary the following questions:—

1. Was a Commissioner appointed to report on the operation of the University of British Columbia?
2. What was the cost of the inquiry?

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

"1. No; but an inquiry was held.

"2. The cost of the inquiry was: Mr. Baird, \$135.90; Mr. Bass, \$14.95; total, \$150.85."

Mr. *Sutherland* asked the Hon. the Minister of Education the following questions:—

1. How many motor cars and trucks were purchased by the Department between August 20th, 1928, and March 31st, 1929?
2. What types of car or truck were purchased; at what price for each; and from whom?
3. How many motor cars and trucks were purchased by the Department since April 1st, 1929?
4. What types of car or truck were purchased; at what price for each; and from whom?

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

"1. Four.

"2. Ford Fordor sedan, \$1,032, Dearborn Motors, Ltd., Kamloops; Dodge Standard sedan, \$1,434.06, A. E. Humphries Motors, Ltd., Victoria; '56A' Willys Knight sedan, \$1,865.25, less \$895 allowance on Dodge car turned in, Monarch Motors, Ltd., Vancouver; Dodge 4-door sedan, \$1,540.10, less \$700 allowance on Dodge car turned in, A. J. Smith Garage Co., Ltd., Kelowna.

"3. Two.

"4. Dodge sedan, \$1,522.43, less \$665 allowance on Dodge car turned in, Capital Motors, Ltd., Nelson; '56' Willys Knight sedan exchanged for '70' Willys Knight sedan, \$2,265.25, less \$1,865.25 allowance on '56' Willys Knight sedan, Monarch Motors, Ltd., Vancouver."

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

1. Who was appointed Commissioner to inquiry into the affairs of the Municipality of Saanich?
2. Does the Government intend to follow his recommendations?
3. What was the total cost of said inquiry?

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

"1. His Honour P. S. Lampman.

"2. Not in its entirety; but the whole question is under consideration.

"3. \$3,256.82."

Mr. *Sutherland* asked the Hon. the Minister of Labour the following questions:—

1. How many motor cars and trucks were purchased by the Department between August 20th, 1928, and March 31st, 1929?
2. What types of car or truck were purchased; at what price for each; and from whom?
3. How many motor cars and trucks were purchased by the Department since April 1st, 1929?
4. What types of car or truck were purchased; at what price for each; and from whom?

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

- "1. None.
- "2. Answered by No. 1.
- "3. One.
- "4. Model A Ford coupe, \$910 (cash, \$605; trade-in value of old car, \$305), from Stonehouse Motors, Ltd., Vancouver."

Mr. *Sutherland* asked the Hon. the Minister of Mines the following questions:—

1. How many motor cars and trucks were purchased by the Department between August 20th, 1928, and March 31st, 1929?
2. What types of car or truck were purchased; at what price for each; and from whom?
3. How many motor cars and trucks were purchased by the Department since April 1st, 1929?
4. What types of car or truck were purchased; at what price for each; and from whom?

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

- "1. None.
- "2. Answered by No. 1.
- "3. One.
- "4. Dodge sedan; price \$1,482.43; purchased from Capitol Motors, Nelson."

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

1. Has the Department agreed to take over certain roads within the Municipality of Saanich?
2. If so, what is the estimated saving to the taxpayers of Saanich?
3. Has a similar arrangement been made with any other municipalities?
4. If so, which municipalities, and what is the estimated saving to the municipalities in each case?

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

- "1. Certain highways in Saanich were classified in accordance with 'Highway Act.'
- "2. Twenty-five per cent. saving on construction and 35 per cent. saving on maintenance of primary highways; 50 per cent. saving on construction and 40 per cent. saving on maintenance of secondary highways.
- "3. Yes.
- "4. Savings in each case proportional to the mileage classified or reclassified, as the case may be."

In further answer to the above question, the Hon. the Minister of Public Works presented a Return.

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

1. What was the total cost of repairing and relaying sidewalks at Princeton?
2. From whom was lumber purchased for this work?
3. How much of the total cost was borne by the Department of Public Works, and how much by the property-owners?
4. Were tenders called for the purchase of lumber?
5. If so, were these opened in public?

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

- "1. No sidewalks repaired or relayed, but new concrete sidewalks built at a total cost of \$11,532.28.
- "2. Demuth Lumber Company (rough lumber for cribbing).
- "3. \$10,008.28; \$1,524.
- "4 and 5. Lumber purchased at the only local mill at prices approved by the Purchasing Agent."

Mr. *Sutherland* asked the Hon. the Provincial Secretary the following questions:—

1. How many motor cars and trucks were purchased by the Department between August 20th, 1928, and March 31st, 1929?
2. What types of car or truck were purchased; at what price for each; and from whom?
3. How many motor cars and trucks were purchased by the Department since April 1st, 1929?
4. What types of car or truck were purchased; at what price for each; and from whom?

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

- "1. One on November 27th, 1928.
- "2. Ford coupe; old car, plus \$540; Fraser Motors, Ltd., New Westminster.
- "3. Five.
- "4. (a) Ford panel delivery truck on May 17th, 1929, \$1,010, Dearborn Motors, Kamloops;
- (b) Chevrolet light express truck on July 3rd, 1929, \$1,008.04, Kamloops Motor Co., Ltd.;
- (c) Chevrolet utility truck on September 18th, 1929, \$1,455.04, Kamloops Motor Co., Ltd.;
- (d) fire truck and pumper in September, 1929, \$6,900, La France Fire Engine & Foamite Co., Ltd.;
- (e) Ford Tudor on February 1st, 1930, \$841.87, E. A. Begert, Penticton."

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

1. Was a loan of money made from the Conservation Fund to Creston Irrigation District?
2. If so, in what amount?
3. Will the district be compelled to repay the whole of the loan, or will they be granted the same terms and conditions as other water improvement districts?

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

- "1. A loan was authorized to be made to the East Creston Irrigation District.
- "2. \$150,000 was authorized to be loaned.
- "3. Loan was authorized on understanding that full amount would be repaid."

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

1. Was a contract let on the Box Lake-Rosebery Highway during the year 1929?
2. Were tenders called for?
3. If so, who were tenderers, and what was the amount of each tender?
4. Who was the successful tenderer, and what was amount tendered?
5. What was the mileage let by contract?
6. How many miles were constructed?
7. What was total cost of work done?
8. What amount has been paid to contractors to date?
9. What was the amount of contractor's deposit?
10. Has said deposit been retained by the Department?
11. What amount was held back by the Department?
12. Is hold-back still retained by the Department?

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

- "1. Yes.
- "2. Yes.
- "3. J. A. Broley, \$35,646, unit basis; Dawson, Wade & Co., Ltd., \$37,454.50, unit basis; General Construction Co., Ltd., \$37,920, unit basis; L. H. Rawlings, \$43,515, unit basis; Pacific Engineers, Ltd., \$46,880.75, unit basis.
- "4. J. A. Broley, \$35,646 on unit basis.
- "5. Not let on mileage but on unit basis, between Summit Lake and north end of Slovan Lake.

- "6. Approximately 4 miles.
- "7. \$33,422.03.
- "8. \$30,911.50.
- "9. \$5,000.
- "10. Yes.
- "11. \$2,510.53, as well as the deposit of \$5,000.
- "12. Yes. (See answer to No. 11.)"

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

1. Was contract let for construction of Camp Lister waterworks?
2. If so, by whom, and to whom was contract let?
3. If contract let, on what basis?
4. Were tenders called?
5. If not, why not?
6. Was contract approved by the Department?
7. Was work carried out under supervision of the Department?
8. Has contract been completed?
9. What was estimated cost of work?
10. What was final cost of work?

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

"1. The Lister waterworks system is being installed by a Board of Trustees elected by the property-owners of the district in accordance with the provisions of the 'Water Act.' The Government has no control whatever over this Board and is not in any way responsible for its actions.

"2 to 10. Answered by No. 1."

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

1. Has a Fruit Inquiry Commission been appointed to investigate problems affecting the British Columbia fruit industry?
2. If yes, who is Commissioner, when was he appointed, and by whom?
3. Is this Fruit Inquiry Commission also investigating the irrigation problems in the Province?
4. If yes, is the cost of the irrigation investigations being assumed by the Fruit Inquiry Commission as a part of its undertakings?
5. Have any previous commissions or investigating committees been appointed to study the irrigation problems in British Columbia?
6. If yes, when and by whom were said commissions or committees appointed?
7. What was the personnel of each commission?
8. What knowledge or experience of irrigation problems had they to qualify them for such investigations?
9. What was the total cost to the Government of said commissions or committees?
10. What action was taken on the reports or recommendations of said commissions or committees?

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

"1. Yes.

"2. W. Sanford Evans; August 26th, 1929; by Royal Commission under 'Public Inquiries Act.'

"3. Yes.

"4. Yes; as incidental to the general investigation of the fruit industry of the Southern Interior of the Province.

"5. Yes.

"6. (1) August 19th, 1907, Lieutenant-Governor in Council; (2) August 17th, 1915, Minister of Finance; (3) July 20th, 1917, Lieutenant-Governor in Council; (4) July 20th, 1917, Lieutenant-Governor in Council; (5) July 20th, 1917, Lieutenant-Governor in Council; (6) July 20th, 1917, Lieutenant-Governor in Council; (7) December 27th, 1917, Lieutenant-Governor in Council; (8) April 9th, 1918, Lieutenant-Governor in Council; (9) July 22nd, 1918, Lieutenant-Governor in Council; (10) September 6th, 1918, Lieutenant-Governor in Council; (11) June 25th, 1919, Lieutenant-Governor in Council; (12) July 26th, 1927, Lieutenant-Governor in Council.

"7. As to No. 1, Fred J. Fulton and L. G. Carpenter; as to No. 2, A. R. Mackenzie; Nos. 3 to 8, inclusive, J. S. T. Alexander, E. Davis, and Francis Kidd; Nos. 9 and 10, J. S. T. Alexander, E. Davies, and L. A. Roberts; No. 11, D. A. McDonald, J. F. Armstrong, and Francis Kidd; No. 12, W. G. Swan.

"8. Fred J. Fulton, Chief Commissioner of Lands; L. G. Carpenter, irrigation expert; A. R. Mackenzie, consulting engineer; J. S. T. Alexander, member of Board of Investigation

under 'Water Act'; E. Davis, member of Board of Investigation and Chief Engineer; Francis Kidd, accountant; L. A. Roberts, accountant; D. A. McDonald, barrister (now Justice of Supreme Court); J. F. Armstrong, Chairman of Board of Investigation; W. G. Swan, consulting engineer.

"9. F. J. Fulton and L. G. Carpenter, fees and expenses, \$2,990; A. R. Mackenzie, fees and expenses, including stenographer, \$5,362.52; Francis Kidd, fees and expenses, \$1,640.32; L. A. Roberts, fees and expenses, \$1,315.36; D. A. McDonald, fees and expenses, including stenographer, \$2,143.79; W. G. Swan, fees and expenses, including stenographer, \$7,803.73; total, \$21,255.72. F. J. Fulton, J. S. T. Alexander, E. Davis, and J. F. Armstrong, being officials of the Lands Department, received no remuneration in addition to their regular salaries.

"10. With respect to: No. 1, a new 'Water Act' was submitted to and passed by the Legislature; No. 2, report was made to Minister of Finance for his information; Nos. 3 to 11, improvement districts were formed to take over the work of the various companies inquired into; No. 12, report was filed for information of the Government. No specific action was taken in respect thereof."

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

1. How many parcels and what amount of acreage in the Sumas Reclamation Project were sold during 1929?
2. What was total sale price and terms and condition of sale?
3. How many acres were exchanged during 1929?
4. Was any rebate allowed to any purchasers? If so, how much?
5. How many holders of acreage in the Sumas Reclamation tract are resident there?
6. Were tenders called for the sale of any portion or portions of the Sumas Reclamation tract?
7. Who were the tenderers, and what was the price per acre tendered in each case?
8. Was any tender accepted? If so, which?
9. Were said tenders opened in public?
10. If not, why not?

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

"1. Seven parcels, 451.479 acres.

"2. \$44,066.22 (15 per cent. cash and the balance over twenty years at 6 per cent. interest), subject to a deferred charge of \$50 per acre in respect to construction cost of reclamation-work, applicable to six of the parcels and amounting to \$10,475 additional.

"3. Two exchanges were effected under section 3, subsection (3), 'Sumas Drainage, Dyking, and Development District Act Amendment Act, 1929,' involving a total of 163.05 acres.

"4. No.

"5. No accurate information as to the tract as a whole. In the lake area five holders are resident there continuously.

"6, 7, 8, 9, and 10. Not in public interest to state at present time."

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

1. Which water-powers have been placed under reserve since January 1st, 1929?
2. For what purpose were said water-powers reserved?

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

"1. Chehalis River and tributaries in the New Westminster District and Silver Creek in the Ashcroft Water District.

"2. For power purpose in both cases."

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

1. What was the net public debt of British Columbia on August 20th, 1928?
2. What is the net public debt of British Columbia on January 1st, 1930?

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

"1. \$82,887,338.60.

"2. \$93,084,672.44."

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

And then the House adjourned at 5.18 p.m.

Tuesday, February 11th, 1930.

HALF-PAST TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by Mr. Speaker.

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

R. RANDOLPH BRUCE,
Lieutenant-Governor.

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

Government House,
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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. 20) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Department of Public Works Act,'" a draft of which is annexed to this Resolution.

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

The Hon. Mr. *Shelley* presented the Report of the Comptroller-General, pursuant to the provisions of the "Audit Act," chapter 19, R.S.B.C. 1924.

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

That a Supply be granted to His Majesty, and that this House do resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole forthwith to consider the Resolution.

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

Resolved, That a Supply be granted to His Majesty, and that the Committee rise and report the Resolution.

The Resolution was reported and adopted.

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

That this House will at its next sitting resolve itself into a Committee of Supply.

Mr. *Davie* presented the First Report of the Select Standing Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills, as follows:—

REPORT No. 1.

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE ROOM,
February 11th, 1930.

MR. SPEAKER:

Your Select Standing Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills begs leave to report as follows:—

That the Standing Orders have been complied with in respect of the undermentioned petitions:—

No. 2—The London and Western Trusts Company, Limited, and the Standard Trusts Company.

No. 3—City of Vancouver.

No. 5—Edward Gallant, Herbert Nowell, *et al.*

All of which is respectfully submitted.

C. F. DAVIE, *Chairman.*

The report was read and received.

The Rules were suspended and the report adopted.

On the motion of Mr. *Kirk*, the following Bills were introduced, read a first time, and referred to the Select Standing Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills:—

Bill (No. 51) intituled "An Act respecting the London and Western Trusts Company, Limited, and the Standard Trusts Company."

Bill (No. 52) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Vancouver Incorporation Act, 1921.'"

Mr. *Davie* presented the progress report of the Royal Commission of State Health Insurance and Maternity Benefits.

To lie upon the table.

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the motion moved by Mr. *A. M. Manson* on 7th instant, as follows:—

That an Order of this House be granted for a Return of the Order in Council dismissing one Norman Watt as Government Agent, etc., at Prince Rupert, B.C., together with all documents bearing on the said dismissal, and all correspondence relating thereto, upon or in the files of any Minister of the Crown.

Motion agreed to.

Mr. *Pattullo* moved, seconded by Mr. *Wrinch*,—

That an Order of this House be granted for a Return of all correspondence between any Minister of the Government, or departmental officer, and any person, persons, corporation, or association, relating to statements or charges upon which investigation was caused to be made under the "Public Inquiries Act," pursuant to Order in Council No. 748, approved on May 16th, 1929.

A debate arose, which was, on the motion of Mr. *Uphill*, adjourned to the next sitting.

Pursuant to an Order of the House dated February 6th, the Hon. Mr. *Tolmie* presented a Return of correspondence relating to the Portland Canal Short Line, the North-eastern Railway Company, and foreshore at head of Portland Canal.

To lie upon the table.

Hon. Mr. *Howe* presented the following papers:—

Report of the Royal Commission appointed by Order in Council No. 559, approved on the 16th day of April, 1929, under the authority of the "Public Inquiries Act," *re* Kelowna Police Inquiry.

Report of the Royal Commission appointed by Order in Council No. 1352, approved on the 5th day of December, 1928, under the authority of the "Public Inquiries Act," *re* Saanich Secession.

Annual Report of Public Library Commission for the Year ended December 31st, 1929.

The Hon. Mr. *Howe* presented a Return in answer to the following questions standing on the Order Paper in the name of Mr. *Hanna*:—

1. How many Medical Health Officers have had their appointments rescinded since August 20th, 1928?
2. How many Medical Health Officers have been appointed during the same period?
3. How many Medical Inspectors of Schools have had their appointments rescinded since August 20th, 1928?
4. How many Medical Inspectors of Schools have been appointed during the same period?

Mr. *Kergin* asked the Hon. the Minister of Labour the following questions:—

1. Who is Factory Inspector; when was he appointed; and what is his salary?
2. What was his initial salary?
3. Was he injured during the course of his duties?
4. If so, how?

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

- "1. W. T. Hamilton; November 1st, 1928; \$2,600.
- "2. \$2,100. An error was made in the first Order in Council in stating this figure.
- "3. Yes.
- "4. Hand caught between cable and drum while inspecting an elevator."

Mr. *I. A. Mackenzie* asked the Hon. the Minister of Agriculture the following question:—

What amount was expended by the Department for stumping-powder during the year 1929?

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

"No amount was expended by the Department for purchase of stumping-powder during the year 1929."

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

1. Was a Milk Commission appointed under the "Public Inquiries Act"? If yes, when and by whom was such Commission appointed?
2. Who were the members of said Commission, and what remuneration did each receive for his services?
3. Was F. M. Clement, Dean of the Faculty of Agriculture at the University of British Columbia, also the Chairman of said Commission?
4. What salary does he receive as Dean of the Faculty of Agriculture and Professor at the University of British Columbia?
5. Was said F. M. Clement paid his salary by the University while he was receiving remuneration from the Milk Commission?
6. What was the total cost of said Milk Commission?
7. What amount did Dean F. M. Clement receive for his services on said Commission?

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

- "1. Yes; May 19th, 1928; Royal Commission.
- "2. F. M. Clement, Dr. H. W. Hill, G. E. Hancox. Each, \$30 per day for eighty-eight days spent in conducting hearings and \$24 per day for fifty-three days preparing report.
- "3. Yes.
- "4. \$6,600.
- "5. Yes.
- "6. \$24,026.02.
- "7. \$3,912."

Mr. *Wrinch* asked the Hon. the Minister of Railways the following questions:—

1. What were the freight receipts on the Pacific Great Eastern Railway between Squamish and Bridge River during 1928?
2. What were they during 1929?
3. What were the receipts for passenger traffic on the Pacific Great Eastern Railway between Squamish and Bridge River during 1928?
4. What were they during 1929?
5. What were the receipts on the Pacific Great Eastern Railway for transportation of survey parties and their supplies during 1928?
6. What were they during 1929?

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

- "1. Revenue of freight forwarded from and received at Bridge River Station, \$43,182.88.
- "2. \$21,975.47.
- "3. Fares collected from passengers to and from Bridge River Station, \$9,187.
- "4. \$8,709.30.
- "5. Nil.
- "6. \$1,354.81."

Mr. *Hanna* asked the Hon. the Commissioner of Fisheries the following questions:—

1. Has the Department since July 1st, 1929, formulated any regulations under the "Fisheries Act" by Order in Council or otherwise?
2. Has the Department put any or all such regulations into effect?
3. What are those regulations?
4. Has the Department conferred with the Dominion Fisheries Department in respect to the effect of such regulations on the fishermen and the fishing industry?
5. If so, when did such conference take place, and where?
6. If not, why not?

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

- "1. No. Regulations under consideration.
"2 to 6. Answered by No. 1."

Mr. *Sutherland* asked the Hon. the Commissioner of Fisheries the following questions:—

1. How many motor cars and trucks were purchased by the Department between August 20th, 1928, and March 31st, 1929?
2. What types of car or truck were purchased; at what price for each; and from whom?
3. How many motor cars and trucks were purchased by the Department since April 1st, 1929?
4. What types of car or truck were purchased; at what price for each; and from whom?

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

- "1. None.
"2. Answered by No. 1.
"3. None.
"4. Answered by No. 3."

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

1. What amounts had been expended for clothing, janitors' supplies, fuel, and provisions for the Girls' Industrial School, under Vote 65, at December 31st, 1929?
2. Were tenders called for the supply of said goods? If not, why not?
3. If yes, were said tenders opened in public?

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

- "1. Clothing, \$1,243.06; janitors' supplies, \$1,398.40; fuel, \$1,476.41; provisions, \$4,369.07.
"2. Yes, with exception of wood, \$45.
"3. Not customary."

Mr. *MacPherson* asked the Hon. the Minister of Railways the following questions:—

1. From whom was meat purchased for the Pacific Great Eastern Railway during the year 1929?
2. Were tenders called for?
3. If not, why not?

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

- "1. F. R. Stewart & Co., Ltd.; Burns & Co., Ltd.; Carson's Ranch.
"2. No. Meat as required purchased at market prices.
"3. Answered by No. 2."

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

1. What amount had been expended for provisions and fuel, under Vote 64 (b), for Oakalla Prison Farm at December 31st, 1929?
2. Were tenders called for the supply of said goods? If not, why not?
3. If yes, were said tenders opened in public?

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

- "1. Provisions, \$18,806.50; fuel, \$5,027.26.
"2. Yes.
"3. Not customary."

Mr. *Wrinch* asked the Hon. the Minister of Railways the following questions:—

1. What was the amount of special grant spent on roads through West Vancouver at the time of the closing of the Pacific Great Eastern Railway between North Vancouver and Whytecliff?

2. Was this amount charged up to operating expenses of the Pacific Great Eastern Railway?

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

"1. \$105,000.

"2. \$25,000 to Right-of-way Account; \$80,000 to operating expenses in Investment Account."

Mr. *I. A. Mackenzie* asked the Hon. the Attorney-General the following questions:—

1. Are there any automobiles in the service of the Liquor Control Board?

2. If so, how many?

3. When were they purchased; from whom; at what cost; and for what purpose?

4. Where are said cars located?

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

"1. Yes.

"2. Three.

"3. At Vancouver—Purchase price and date of purchase as follows: One 2½-ton Federal truck, \$5,070, May 2nd, 1929; one 2½-ton Federal truck, \$4,952.50, September 5th, 1925. Purchased from the Federal Motor Co., Ltd., Vancouver. At Victoria—Purchase price and date of purchase as follows: One 1½-ton Graham M.C. truck, \$2,358.74, May 31st, 1927; chassis purchased from the Humphries Motors, Ltd., Victoria; body purchased from John Meston, Victoria. All trucks used for hauling liquor, etc., incidental to the Board's business.

"4. Answered by No. 3."

Mr. *I. A. Mackenzie* asked the Hon. the Minister of Railways the following question:—

What amount has been advanced by the Government to the Pacific Great Eastern Railway Company since April 1st, 1929, on Capital Account?

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

"\$390,000."

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

1. What was the charge per gallon made by British Columbia distilleries to British Columbia hospitals for rubbing-alcohol previous to the ruling that hospitals must purchase from the Liquor Board?

2. What is the charge per gallon made by the Liquor Board to British Columbia hospitals for rubbing-alcohol?

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

"1. No information.

"2. The Board does not sell rubbing-alcohol, but pure grain alcohol can be obtained at \$27.50 per gallon and absolute alcohol at \$5 per lb. (See section 58 of the 'Government Liquor Act.')

Mr. *MacPherson* asked the Hon. the Attorney-General the following question:—

Who are the owners of the premises for which beer licences have been issued since August 20th, 1928?

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

"The following information has been obtained from the last applications for beer licences submitted to the Liquor Control Board in respect of the undermentioned hotels:—Name of hotel, place, and owner as follows: Nimpkish Hotel, Alert Bay, W. Beswick; Flathead Hotel, Corbin, Sidney Knight; Ashcroft Hotel, Ashcroft, J. Shung and J. Ping Kue, under agreement of sale to C. H. Croke, A. M. Sparling, and D. B. Derbyshire; Tzouhalem Hotel, Duncan, Grant Thorburn; Jamieson Hotel, McBride, L. C. Jamieson; Commercial Hotel, Duncan, Commercial Land Co.; York Hotel, Vancouver, Canadian Pacific Railway Co.; Dawson Creek Hotel, Dawson Creek, W. A. Reasbeck; Canada Hotel, Prince George, M. Zadielovich; Omineca Hotel, Hazelton, J. C. K. Sealy; Lytton Hotel, Lytton, Lytton Hotel Co., Ltd.; Commercial Hotel, Prince Rupert,

J. C. McLennan; Princeton Hotel, Princeton, E. N. Swanson and A. D. Broomfield; Similkameen Hotel, Princeton, G. E. Wardle; Tulameen Hotel, Princeton, J. J. Malone and W. J. Kirkpatrick Estate; Bridesville Hotel, Bridesville, A. F. Eddy, under agreement of sale to H. B. Purdy; Grand Forks Hotel, Grand Forks, Mary Hartinger; Hotel Province, Grand Forks, Wilhelmina Larson; Winnipeg Hotel, Grand Forks, M. L. Miller, under agreement of sale to E. Rainey; Yale Hotel, Grand Forks, Albert Traunweiser; Canal Flat Hotel, Canal Flat, M. Wasyluk; Cross Keys Hotel, Cranbrook, J. A. Arnold, executor of the estate of James Buchanan, deceased; Alexandra Hotel, Natal, Anton Svec; Pacific Hotel, Greenwood, J. H. Goodeve; Abbotsford Hotel, Vancouver, A. Anderson."

Mr. *Buckham* asked the Hon. the Provincial Secretary the following questions:—

1. What amounts had been expended for fuel, janitors' supplies, furniture and fixtures, provisions, farm produce, etc., uniforms and clothing for Essondale Mental Hospital, under Vote 149 (b), at December 31st, 1929?

2. Were tenders called for the supplying of said goods? If not, why not?

3. If yes, were said tenders opened in public?

4. If not, why not?

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

"1. Fuel, \$30,876.68; janitors' supplies, \$2,938.88; furniture and fixtures, \$10,996.99; provisions, exclusive of flour, \$67,064.52; farm products, \$105,020.95; uniforms and clothing, \$15,428.28.

"2. Tenders were called for fuel, uniforms (clothing is manufactured by institution tailorshop), boots and slippers, also groceries, meat, fish, and certain bedding included in the dry-goods contract.

"3. No; not customary.

"4. Answered by No. 3.

"(These figures are for the nine months ended December 31st, 1929.)"

Mr. *Gillis* asked the Hon. the Provincial Secretary the following questions:—

1. What amounts had been expended for provisions, fuel, feed for stock, janitors' supplies, implements, and harness for Tranquille Sanatorium Farm, under Vote 151 (b), at December 31st, 1929?

2. Were tenders called for the supplying of said goods? If not, why not?

3. If yes, were said tenders opened in public?

4. If not, why not?

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

"1. Total expenses, not segregated, \$18,221.48.

"2. No; but quotations requested as goods required.

"3. Answered by No. 2.

"4. Answered by No. 2.

"(These figures are for the nine months ended December 31st, 1929.)"

Mr. *Gillis* asked the Hon. the Provincial Secretary the following questions:—

1. What amounts had been expended for fuel, janitors' supplies, furniture and fixtures, provisions and clothing for the Provincial Home, Kamloops, under Vote 150, at December 31st, 1929?

2. Were tenders called for the supplying of said goods? If not, why not?

3. If yes, were said tenders opened in public?

4. If not, why not?

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

"1. Total expenses, not segregated, \$17,455.97.

"2. Fuel, provisions, and clothing were called for by tender; quotations requested for furniture and fixtures and janitors' supplies as goods required.

"3. No; not customary.

"4. Answered by No. 3.

"(These figures are for the nine months ended December 31st, 1929.)"

Mr. *Pattullo* asked the Hon. the Provincial Secretary the following questions:—

1. What amounts had been expended for fuel, janitors' supplies, furniture and fixtures, provisions, etc., clothing, boots, etc., and medical and surgical supplies for the Provincial Home for Incurables, under Vote 154, at December 31st, 1929?
2. Were tenders called for the supplying of said goods? If not, why not?
3. If yes, were said tenders opened in public?
4. If not, why not?

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

"1. Total expenses, not segregated, \$39,155.87.

"2. Tenders were called for fuel, janitors' supplies, provisions, etc., and clothing; quotations for furniture, boots, etc., and medical supplies requested as goods required.

"3. No; not customary.

"4. Answered by No. 3.

"(These figures are for the nine months ended December 31st, 1929.)"

Mr. *Pattullo* asked the Hon. the Provincial Secretary the following questions:—

1. What amounts had been expended for fuel, provisions, feed for stock, implements, and harness for the Colony Farm and Nursery at Essondale, under Vote 149 (d), at December 31st, 1929?
2. Were tenders called for the supplying of said goods? If not, why not?
3. If yes, were said tenders opened in public?
4. If not, why not?

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

"1. Fuel, including light, power, and water, \$5,987.20; provisions, \$8,558; feed for stock, \$28,484.15; implements and harness, \$780.86.

"2. Tenders not called for. Fuel and provisions supplied by the institution. Quotations obtained for feed, etc.

"3. Answered by No. 2.

"4. Answered by No. 2.

"(These figures are for the nine months ended December 31st, 1929.)"

Mr. *Hanna* asked the Hon. the Provincial Secretary the following questions:—

1. Has one J. A. Blair been appointed Justice of the Peace?
2. Was said Blair at time of such appointment organizer of the Conservative Party, or otherwise connected with the Conservative Party?

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

"1. Yes.

"2. No information."

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

And then the House adjourned at 5.25 p.m.

Wednesday, February 12th, 1930.

Prayers by Mr. Speaker.

HALF-PAST TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. *Poolley*, Bill (No. 22) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Savings and Loan Associations Act'" was introduced, read a first time, and *Ordered* to be read a second time at the next sitting.

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the motion moved by Mr. *Pattullo* on 11th instant, as follows:—

That an Order of this House be granted for a Return of all correspondence between any Minister of the Government, or departmental officer, and any person, persons, corporation, or

association, relating to statements or charges upon which investigation was caused to be made under the "Public Inquiries Act," pursuant to Order in Council No. 748, approved on May 16th, 1929.

On the motion of Mr. *A. M. Manson*, the debate was adjourned to the next sitting.

Mr. *I. A. Mackenzie* moved, seconded by Mr. *Sutherland*,—

That an Order of the House be granted for a Return of all correspondence between any member of the Government, or any official of any department of the Government, and any person, group of persons, association, or corporation, dealing with the dismissal or non-appointment of Mrs. Helen Gregory MacGill as a Judge of the Juvenile Court, or referring to her reinstatement.

A debate arose, which was, on the motion of the Hon. Mr. *Hinchliffe*, adjourned to the next sitting.

On the motion of Mr. *Buckham*, seconded by Mr. *Sutherland*, it was *Resolved*,—

That an Order of this House be granted for a Return of all documents and correspondence between the Attorney-General, the Provincial Secretary, or any other Minister of the Crown, or any official of any department of the Government, and any person, company, association, or group of individuals, relating to the suspension of D. B. Brankin, Superintendent of the Boys' Industrial School.

Mr. *Spencer* moved, seconded by Mr. *Beatty*,—

That a humble petition be presented to His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, praying that an inquiry be made under the "Departmental Inquiries Act" into the conduct of one Norman Watt, late Government Agent at Prince Rupert, while in the service of the Government.

A debate arose.

Mr. *A. M. Manson* moved in amendment, seconded by Mr. *Buckham*,—

To strike out all words after the word "that" at the end of line 1, and insert the following:—

"whereas one Lieutenant Norman A. Watt, M.C., was summarily dismissed from the office of Government Agent at Prince Rupert on about the 15th day of May, 1929, by the Hon. W. C. Shelly, Minister of Finance:

"And whereas the said Minister has at this Session of the Legislature made serious aspersions upon the character of the said Lieutenant Watt, M.C., while in the service of the Crown as Government Agent:

"Be it therefore Resolved, That a humble Address be presented to His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, praying that a Royal Commission under the authority of the 'Public Inquiries Act' be appointed to inquire into the conduct of the said Lieutenant Watt, M.C., and into the conduct of the said Minister in dismissing the said Lieutenant Watt, M.C., and subsequently in connection therewith."

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

On the second reading of Bill (No. 20) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Department of Public Works Act,'" a debate arose, which was, on the motion of Mr. *Walkem*, adjourned to the next sitting.

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

R. RANDOLPH BRUCE,
Lieutenant-Governor.

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

Government House,
February 12th, 1930.

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. 21) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Public Works Act,'" a draft of which is annexed to this Resolution.

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

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

R. RANDOLPH BRUCE,
Lieutenant-Governor.

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

Government House,
February 11th, 1930.

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. 19) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Land Act,'" a draft of which is annexed to this Resolution.

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

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. *Shelby*, seconded by Mr. *Twigg*, it was *Resolved*,—

That the Public Accounts for the fiscal year 1928-29 be referred to the Select Standing Committee on Public Accounts.

Mr. *Hanna* asked the Hon. the Provincial Secretary the following questions:—

1. Have any stenographers been appointed, temporarily or permanently, to the Service since August 20th, 1929, without first passing the qualifying examination?
2. If so, what are their names, ages, salaries, and where are they located?

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

"1 and 2. No stenographers have been appointed permanently to the Service since August 20th, 1928, without first passing the qualifying examination. The following stenographers have been appointed temporarily to the Service since August 20th, 1928, without first passing the qualifying examination:—

"Name, age, salary, and where located, as follows:—

- "Edmondson, Miss K. E. H.; 17; \$65; Government Agency, Cranbrook.
Malone, Miss E.; 17; \$65; Government Agency, Nanaimo.
Davis, Miss N. M.; 18; \$65; Government Agency, Nelson.
Mitchell, Miss J.; 18; \$65; Government Agency, Penticton.
Gwyer, Miss M. R.; 23; \$65; Government Agency, Penticton.
McKay, Miss I. M.; 19; \$65; Government Agency, Penticton.
Couldwell, Miss J. N.; 28; \$65; Government Agency, Quesnel.
White, Miss L.; 21; \$65; Government Agency, Revelstoke.
Rawlins, Mrs. M.; 36; \$65; General, Lands.
Grant, Miss J. H.; 27; \$70; Assessor and Collector, Victoria.
Shoebottom, Mrs. A. I.; 42; \$70; Sheriff, Vancouver.
Hunter, Miss L. A.; 29; \$65; Forest, Nelson.
Dalby, Miss E. M.; 20; \$75; Forest, Prince Rupert.
Powers, Miss K.; 20; \$65; Forest, Prince George.

Rebagliati, Miss M.; \$65; Forest, Prince George.
Taylor, Miss V. B.; 23; \$65; Forest, Prince George.
Norberg, Mrs. O. J.; 20; \$75; Forest, Williams Lake.
Dutch, Miss A.; 42; \$65; General, Public Works.
Wintle, Miss P. R.; 28; \$65; Architect, Public Works.
Rigler, Miss M. A.; 17; \$65; District Engineer, Comox.
Hale, Miss D.; 22; \$65; District Engineer, New Westminster.
Spraggett, Miss F. O. I.; 32; \$80; District Engineer, Grand Forks.
Beasley, Miss K.; 17; \$65; District Agriculturist, Courtenay.
Clarke, Miss L. O.; 19; \$65; General, Agriculture.
Nicholson, Mrs. M.; 33; \$65; Sheriff, Vancouver.
Sibley, Mrs. H.; \$2.50 w.d.; Fire Marshal, Vancouver.
Carment, Miss M.; 18; \$65; Land Registry Office, Kamloops.
Jeffreys, Miss R.; 19; \$65; Land Registry Office, Nelson.
Stiles, Miss E.; 20; \$70; Land Registry Office, New Westminster.
Ross, Miss D. E.; 19; \$65; Land Registry Office, Prince Rupert.
Metro, Miss M.; 20; \$65; Provincial Police.
Read, Miss J.; 20; \$65; Provincial Police.
Eagel, Miss F. T.; 26; \$65; Correspondence Courses, Education.
Bell, Miss F. E.; 21; \$65; Correspondence Courses, Education.
Wilson, Miss A. T.; 16; \$65; Free Text-book Branch.
Finley, Miss F.; 19; \$65; Government Agency, Cranbrook.
Kelman, Miss D.; 27; \$65; Government Agency, Fernie.
Peake, Miss M. J.; 18; \$75; Government Agency, Fernie.
Bethune, Miss M. E. A.; 19; \$65; Government Agency, Kamloops.
Drouin, Miss J.; 28; \$65; Government Agency, Kamloops.
Maddock, Miss O. B.; 18; \$65; Government Agency, Nelson.
Wood, Miss E. A.; 20; \$65; Government Agency, Nelson.
McKelvie, Mrs. D. M.; 33; \$65; Government Agency, Princeton.
Hayward, Miss D.; 17; \$65; Government Agency, Penticton.
Brooke, Miss W. A.; 17; \$65; Government Agency, Penticton.
Gaul, Miss E. R.; 18; \$75; Government Agency, Prince George.
Pooley, Miss D.; 18; \$75; Government Agency, Prince George.
Rothwell, Miss C.; 36; \$75; Government Agency, Prince George.
Kyle, Miss M. H.; 17; \$75; Government Agency, Prince George.
Walters, Miss J. K.; 17; \$65; Government Agency, Prince Rupert.
Westman, Miss A.; 21; \$65; Government Agency, Revelstoke.
Chapman, Miss B.; 17; \$65; Government Agency, Smithers.
McIntyre, Miss I. T.; 18; \$65; Government Agency, Smithers.
Handford, Miss C. M.; 24; \$65; Government Agency, Vancouver.
Dickson, Miss J.; 20; \$65; Government Agency, Vernon.
Todd, Miss I.; 32; \$75; Provincial Clearing House.
Duncan, Miss M. K.; 17; \$65; Forest, Vancouver.
Rines, Miss D. B.; 19; \$65; Minister of Mines.
Josephs, Miss M. D.; 18; \$65; Provincial Board of Health.
Pearson, Miss M. I.; 16; \$65; Mental Hospital, Essondale.
Scuby, Miss I. H.; 17; \$2.50 w.d.; District Engineer, New Westminster.
Hughes, Mrs. A. E.; \$3.50 w.d.; District Engineer, New Westminster.
Cashato, Miss O.; 23; \$65; District Engineer, North Vancouver.
Stevens, Miss L.; 18; \$65; District Engineer, Prince Rupert.
Allen, Miss E. M. F.; 18; \$75; District Engineer, Prince Rupert.
Teto, Miss H.; 17; 50c. p.h.; District Engineer, Revelstoke.
Haydon, Miss G.; \$2.50 w.d.; District Engineer, Nelson.
Dahl, Miss M.; 19; \$65; District Engineer, Nelson.
Arrowsmith, Miss E.; 36; \$2.50 w.d.; District Engineer, Nelson.
Lowery, Miss G.; 20; \$2.50 w.d.; District Engineer, Nelson.
Edwards, Miss M. E.; 17; \$75; District Engineer, Prince George.
Campbell, Miss A.; 22; \$75; District Engineer, Williams Lake."

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

1. What amount was expended in travelling expenses by the Minister of Mines and Labour from August 20th, 1928, to March 31st, 1929?
2. What amount was expended in travelling expenses by the Minister of Mines and Labour from April 1st to December 31st, 1929?

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

- "1. \$372.40 during the seven and a quarter months from August 20th, 1928, to March 31st, 1929.
- "2. \$904.95."

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

1. Was a contract let on the Summit Lake Road, Fort George District, during 1929?
2. Who were the tenderers; what were the amounts of their tenders; and what amounts were deposited in each case?
3. To whom was contract let?
4. When were deposits returned?
5. Did contractor sublet any or all of this work?
6. If so, to whom, and at what prices?
7. Did the Department approve of sub-lease?
8. What were unit prices paid by the Department?
9. What were unit prices paid to sub-contractors?
10. Were tenders opened in public?
11. If not, why not?

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

- "1. No contract let on the Summit Lake Road.
- "2 to 11. Answered by No. 1."

Mr. *MacPherson* asked the Hon. the Minister of Public Works the following question:—

Have any departmental plans, tentative or permanent, been prepared for a highway through the Delta to connect Douglas and Fraser Avenue Bridge?

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

"Yes; preliminary sketch-plans."

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

And then the House adjourned at 6 p.m.

Thursday, February 13th, 1930.

HALF-PAST TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by Mr. Speaker.

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

R. RANDOLPH BRUCE,
Lieutenant-Governor.

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

Government House,
February 13th, 1930.

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. 28) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Fire Marshal Act,'" a draft of which is annexed to this Resolution.

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

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

R. RANDOLPH BRUCE,
Lieutenant-Governor.

The Lieutenant-Governor transmits herewith a Bill intituled "An Act to indemnify Colonel Cyrus Wesley Peck, V.C., in connection with the Receipt of certain Moneys from the Province while a Member of the Legislative Assembly," and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,
February 13th, 1930.

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. 27) intituled "An Act to indemnify Colonel Cyrus Wesley Peck, V.C., in connection with the Receipt of certain Moneys from the Province while a Member of the Legislative Assembly," a draft of which is annexed to this Resolution.

Resolution and Bill reported.
Report adopted.
Bill introduced and read a first time.
With the leave of the House, Bill read a second time and committed.
Reported complete without amendment.
Report adopted.
Bill read a third time and passed.

Pursuant to an Order of the House dated February 6th, 1930, the Hon. Mr. *Pooley* presented a Return relating to the Provincial Police Force.

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

R. RANDOLPH BRUCE,
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,
February 13th, 1930.

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. 23) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Land Settlement and Development Act,'" a draft of which is annexed to this Resolution.

Resolution and Bill reported.

Report adopted.

Bill introduced and read a first time.

Second reading at the next sitting.

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

Bill (No. 24) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Legal Professions Act.'"

Bill (No. 26) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Court of Appeal Act.'"

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

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the motion moved by Mr. *Spencer* on 12th instant, as follows:—

That a humble petition be presented to His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, praying that an inquiry be made under the "Departmental Inquiries Act" into the conduct of one Norman Watt, late Government Agent at Prince Rupert, while in the service of the Government.

And on the amendment thereto moved by Mr. *A. M. Manson* on 12th instant, as follows:—

To strike out all words after the word "that" at the end of line 1, and insert the following:—

"whereas one Lieutenant Norman A. Watt, M.C., was summarily dismissed from the office of Government Agent at Prince Rupert on about the 15th day of May, 1929, by the Hon. W. C. Shelly, Minister of Finance:

"And whereas the said Minister has at this Session of the Legislature made serious aspersions upon the character of the said Lieutenant Watt, M.C., while in the service of the Crown as Government Agent:

"Be it therefore Resolved, That a humble Address be presented to His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, praying that a Royal Commission under the authority of the 'Public Inquiries Act' be appointed to inquire into the conduct of the said Lieutenant Watt, M.C., and into the conduct of the said Minister in dismissing the said Lieutenant Watt, M.C., and subsequently in connection therewith."

The debate continued.

Question proposed—"Shall the words proposed to be struck out stand part of the question?"

Resolved in the affirmative on the following division:—

YEAS—29.

Messieurs

<i>Mackenzie, R.</i>	<i>Walkem</i>	<i>Tolmie</i>	<i>Kennedy</i>
<i>Rutledge</i>	<i>Peck</i>	<i>Pooley</i>	<i>Davie</i>
<i>Fitzsimmons</i>	<i>Hayward</i>	<i>Hinchliffe</i>	<i>Bruhn</i>
<i>Carson</i>	<i>Twigg</i>	<i>Michell</i>	<i>Burden</i>
<i>Kingston</i>	<i>Maitland</i>	<i>Dick</i>	<i>Atkinson</i>
<i>Borden</i>	<i>Howe</i>	<i>MacNaughton</i>	<i>Lougheed</i>
<i>Kirk</i>	<i>Shelly</i>	<i>Manson, M.</i>	<i>McKenzie, W. A.</i>
<i>Spencer</i>			

NAYS—11.

Messieurs

<i>Uphill</i>	<i>MacPherson</i>	<i>Mackenzie, I. A.</i>	<i>Manson, A. M.</i>
<i>Hanna</i>	<i>Wrinch</i>	<i>Sutherland</i>	<i>Buckham</i>
<i>Pearson</i>	<i>Kergin</i>	<i>Pattullo</i>	

PAIRS:

Messieurs

<i>Beatty</i>	<i>Gillis</i>
<i>Cornett</i>	<i>Gray</i>

Main motion agreed to.

With the leave of the House, on the motion of Mr. *I. A. Mackenzie*, the following notice of motion was withdrawn:—

Whereas the Hon. the Minister of Finance in this House on Friday, February 7th, did accuse Mr. Norman Watt of stealing public funds while employed as Government Agent at Prince Rupert, B.C.:

Be it therefore Resolved, That a Select Committee of the House be appointed, consisting of Messrs. *Davie, Dick, Peck, A. M. Manson*, and *I. A. Mackenzie*, to inquire into the dismissal from the Service of the said Norman Watt, and generally to inquire into the truthfulness of the aforesaid allegations.

And, further, that such Committee be empowered to hear evidence under oath, send for witnesses and documents; and that such Committee do report its findings and recommendations to the House.

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the motion moved by Mr. *I. A. Mackenzie* on 12th instant, as follows:—

That an Order of the House be granted for a Return of all correspondence between any member of the Government, or any official of any department of the Government, and any person, group of persons, association, or corporation, dealing with the dismissal or non-appointment of Mrs. Helen Gregory MacGill as a Judge of the Juvenile Court, or referring to her reinstatement.

The motion was negatived on the following division:—

YEAS—10.

Messieurs

<i>Hanna</i>	<i>Wrinch</i>	<i>Sutherland</i>	<i>Manson, A. M.</i>
<i>Pearson</i>	<i>Kergin</i>	<i>Pattullo</i>	<i>Buckham</i>
<i>MacPherson</i>	<i>Mackenzie, I. A.</i>		

NAYS—29.

Messieurs

<i>Mackenzie, R.</i>	<i>Spencer</i>	<i>Shelly</i>	<i>Manson, M.</i>
<i>Rutledge</i>	<i>Walkem</i>	<i>Tolmie</i>	<i>Kennedy</i>
<i>Fitzsimmons</i>	<i>Peck</i>	<i>Pooley</i>	<i>Davie</i>
<i>Carson</i>	<i>Hayward</i>	<i>Hinchliffe</i>	<i>Bruhn</i>
<i>Uphill</i>	<i>Twigg</i>	<i>Michell</i>	<i>Burden</i>
<i>Kingston</i>	<i>Maitland</i>	<i>Dick</i>	<i>Atkinson</i>
<i>Borden</i>	<i>Howe</i>	<i>MacNaughton</i>	<i>Lougheed</i>
<i>Kirk</i>			

PAIRS:

<i>Beatty</i>	<i>Gillis</i>
<i>Cornett</i>	<i>Gray</i>

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the motion moved by Mr. *Pattullo* on 11th instant, as follows:—

That an Order of this House be granted for a Return of all correspondence between any Minister of the Government, or departmental officer, and any person, persons, corporation, or association, relating to statements or charges upon which investigation was caused to be made under the "Public Inquiries Act," pursuant to Order in Council No. 748, approved on May 16th, 1929.

The motion was negatived.

Pursuant to an Order of the House dated February 6th, the Hon. Mr. *Burden* presented a Return relating to sales of timber over 5,000,000 feet since August 20th, 1928.

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

1. Were Frank Coons, W. Coons, Carman Coons, and Fred Coons employed during 1929 in the Peace River District?
2. If so, what work did they do; for how long; and how much was paid to each?
3. Were any others of the name of Coons employed by the Department in the same district?

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

"1. Yes.

"2. Name, occupation, when employed, and amount paid, as follows: Frank Coons, truck-driver, May and June, \$191.25; W. S. Coons, tractor-man, June, July, and August, \$283.48; Fred Coons, hauling freight, June, \$95.50; Carmen Coons, clerk, June, July, and August, \$375; Carmen Coons, tractor-man, September, October, November, and December, \$574.

"3. No."

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

1. What amount of work in dredging or clearing the channel has been done on Coquitlam River since September 1st, 1928?

2. Was this work done by public tender?

3. If so, to whom were the tenders awarded?

4. If not, upon what basis, and by whom, was the work carried out?

5. What was the expenditure involved?

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

"1 to 5. Work undertaken and controlled by City of Port Coquitlam, the Dominion and Provincial Governments contributing towards the cost; this Department's proportion being \$4,000."

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

1. Was any road-work carried out during 1929 on the Kaien Island Highway?

2. If so, how much work was done by day-labour and how much by contract?

3. Were tenders called for contract-work?

4. To whom was contract awarded, and what were unit prices?

5. If by contract, were such tenders opened in public?

6. If not, why not?

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

"1. Yes.

"2. Material crushed, hauled, and distributed by day-labour.

"3. See answer to No. 2. No work done by contract, save necessary material purchased.

"4, 5, and 6. See answer to No. 3."

Mr. *Kennedy* asked the Hon. the Minister of Agriculture the following question:—

What sum has been expended by the Department of Agriculture for seed during the year 1929 for any other project than demonstration plots?

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

"The sum of \$874.10 was spent for grass and clover seed to seed down an area of about 600 acres at Hillcrest, near Duncan, for a sheep-promotion demonstration in co-operation with Dominion Experimental Farms Branch and owners of logged-off lands made available for experiment."

Mr. *Gillis* asked the Hon. the Minister of Agriculture the following question:—

What security has the Land Settlement Board for loan of \$60,000 for the construction of Camp Lister waterworks?

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

"This loan is being made in accordance with the provisions of the 'Water Act' on the security of Lister Waterworks District, but is not yet completed."

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

1. Was a lighting system installed on the ferry at Hall's Landing?

2. If so, what type?

3. From whom was it purchased, and at what cost?

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

"1. Yes.

"2. Canadian Fairbanks-Morse 750-watt F-M type H 32-volt.

"3. Canadian Fairbanks-Morse Company, Limited, Victoria, B.C.; cost, \$565."

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

1. Did the Department of Public Works supply one Gordon, Road Foreman at Queen Charlotte City, with a motor-car?

2. Does said Gordon drive the car himself, or employ some one to drive it for him?

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

"1. Gordon supplied with light truck.

"2. Gordon drives when necessary; at other times a driver is hired."

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

1. Is one D. R. McDonald in the employ of the Department in the Comox District? If so, in what capacity?

2. What are his duties?

3. What are his qualifications for the position?

4. Is he a returned soldier?

5. If not, why was not a returned soldier given the position?

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

"1. Yes.

"2. Assistant General Foreman.

"3. Over twenty years' previous experience in handling of men in important positions with the Canadian Collieries (Dunsmuir), Limited.

"4. No information.

"5. See answer to No. 4."

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

1. Were crushed rock and gravel spread on the road between Prince Rupert and Galloway Rapids during the past year?

2. If so, what quantity, and at what cost per yard?

3. To whom was the work awarded?

4. Were tenders called for the work?

5. If not, why not?

6. If yes, were such tenders opened in public?

7. If not, why not?

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

"1. Yes.

"2. 3,195 cubic yards, at \$1.75 per yard.

"3. Day-labour.

"4. See answer to No. 3.

"5. Action taken was in the interest of the public.

"6. Answered by No. 4.

"7. Answered by No. 4."

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

1. Was a change of road route made at Willow River, in Fort George District?

2. Why was route changed, entailing the building of an additional half-mile of road?

3. What was the cost of change?

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

"1. Yes.

"2. For better alignment, eliminating unnecessary curves, and reducing maintenance costs.

"3. \$1,888."

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

1. Have any sums been paid to a Clipping Bureau since August 20th, 1928?

2. If so, what sums? when were payments made; and to whom?

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

"1. No.

"2. Answered by No. 1."

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

1. What moneys were spent in fighting fires on Lasqueti Island during 1929?
2. What were the names of the parties to whom money was paid, with the amounts in each case, and on what fires was it spent?

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

"1. \$30.90.

"2. M. Copley, \$8.30; G. A. Curran, \$7.40; D. Lenfesty, \$5.50; G. Lenfesty, \$9.70; the 'Oben' fire."

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

1. Has any agreement been made with the Creston Reclamation Company respecting the drainage of lands in the Kootenay flats?
2. If so, in what acreage, and on what terms?

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

"1. No.

"2. Answered by No. 1."

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

1. What position does H. A. Tomalin occupy in the Department?
2. What are his duties?
3. What salary is he paid?

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

"1. Recorder.

"2. Reorganization not completed, and full duties not yet defined.

"3. \$1,800 per annum."

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

1. Were any authorizations to make survey or other rights in water over 40,000 horse-power granted between August 20th, 1928, and December 31st, 1928?
2. If so, on what waters; to whom; for what quantity of water; and for what purposes?

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

"1. Yes.

"2. Pend d'Oreille River; West Kootenay Power and Light Company, Limited; 6,000 cubic feet per second; power for sale."

Mr. *I. A. Mackenzie* asked the Hon. the Minister of Lands the following questions:—

1. What amount was collected for grazing rentals, leases, and fees, and reported to the Treasury, between April 1st and December 31st, 1929?
2. What amount was collected from survey fees and sale of maps, and reported to the Treasury, between April 1st and December 31st, 1929?
3. What amount was collected in timber royalties, and reported to the Treasury, between April 1st and December 31st, 1929?
4. What amount was collected from timber-sales, and reported to the Treasury, between April 1st and December 31st, 1929?
5. What amount was collected from water rentals and recording fees, and reported to the Treasury, between April 1st and December 31st, 1929?
6. What amount was collected from land-sales, and reported to the Treasury, between April 1st and December 31st, 1929?

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

"1. Grazing rental, \$5,147.45; grazing fees, \$10,761.82.

"2. Survey fees and sale of maps, \$12,976.89.

"3. Timber royalties, \$880,043.27.

"4. Timber-sales, \$343,403.67.

"5. Water rental and recording fees, \$189,305.29.

"6. Land-sales, \$237,049.94."

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

1. Is pulverized coal being used in the fuelling plants of any Government Buildings?
2. Do you anticipate using this form of fuel in Government Buildings?
3. If so, in what buildings do you propose using it, and when do you propose commencing?

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

“1. No.

“2. Yes.

“3. Provincial Mental Hospital, New Westminster. Tenders have been invited by advertisement.”

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

And then the House adjourned at 4.57 p.m.

Friday, February 14th, 1930.

HALF-PAST TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by Mr. Speaker.

On the motion of the Hon. the Premier, the House proceeded to the Orders of the Day, “Public Bills and Orders.”

Bill (No. 28) intituled “An Act to amend the ‘Fire Marshal Act’” was read a second time.

To be committed at the next sitting.

On the second reading of Bill (No. 23) intituled “An Act to amend the ‘Land Settlement and Development Act’” a debate arose, which was, on the motion of Mr. *Wrinch*, adjourned to the next sitting.

On the second reading of Bill (No. 24) intituled “An Act to amend the ‘Legal Professions Act’” a debate arose, which was, on the motion of Mr. *Kennedy*, adjourned to the next sitting.

Bill (No. 26) intituled “An Act to amend the ‘Court of Appeal Act’” was read a second time.

To be committed at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 25) intituled “An Act to amend the ‘Insurance Act’” was read a second time.

To be committed at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 21) intituled “An Act to amend the ‘Public Works Act’” was read a second time.

To be committed at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 19) intituled “An Act to amend the ‘Land Act’” was read a second time.

To be committed at the next sitting.

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the second reading of Bill (No. 7) intituled “An Act to amend the ‘Assignment of Book Accounts Act.’”

Bill read a second time.

To be committed at the next sitting.

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the second reading of Bill (No. 18) intituled “An Act to amend the ‘Public Schools Act.’”

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

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the second reading of Bill (No. 20) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Department of Public Works Act.'"

Bill read a second time.

To be committed at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 16) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Eggs Marks Act'" was committed.

Reported complete without amendment.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 11) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Creameries and Dairies Regulation Act'" was committed.

Progress reported.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

With the leave of the House, on the motion of Mr. *Dick*, Bill (No. 54) intituled "An Act respecting the Practice of Drugless Physicians" was introduced, read a first time, and referred to the Select Standing Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills.

Mr. *Peck* presented the First Report of the Select Standing Committee on Printing, as follows:—

REPORT No. 1.

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE ROOM,

February 14th, 1930.

MR. SPEAKER:

Your Select Standing Committee on Printing begs leave to report as follows:—

That at a meeting of the Committee held this day, it was resolved that this Committee recommend that the Progress Report of the Royal Commission on State Health Insurance and Maternity Benefits be printed for the information of members and the concerned public.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

C. W. PECK, *Chairman.*

The report was read and received.

The Rules were suspended and the report adopted.

The Hon. Mr. *Pooley* presented a Return in answer to the following questions standing on the Order Paper in the name of Mr. *Sutherland*:—

1. What quantities of each brand of Scotch whisky have been purchased since August 20th, 1928?
2. What was the price in each case?
3. Which brands were bottled in Scotland?
4. Which brands were bottled in Canada?
5. Who was the agent in British Columbia for each brand?

The Hon. Mr. *Pooley* presented a Return in answer to the following questions standing on the Order Paper in the name of Mr. *Hanna*:—

1. How much bulk Scotch whisky has been purchased since August 20th, 1928?
2. From whom was said whisky purchased, and at what prices?
3. From which shipping-points was delivery made?
4. Has any bulk Scotch whisky purchased since August 20th, 1928, been destroyed? If so, give details as to quantity, vendor, when purchase was made, and price paid?
5. How much bulk rye whisky has been purchased since August 20th, 1928?
6. From whom was it purchased, and at what prices?
7. Has any bulk rye whisky purchased since August 20th, 1928, been destroyed? If so, give details as to quantity, vendor, when purchased, and prices paid?

Mr. *Wrinch* asked the Hon. the Minister of Labour the following question:—

What was the total number of persons present at each meeting of the Male Minimum Wage Board, exclusive of members of the Board?

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

"No record kept."

Mr. *Kennedy* asked the Hon. the Minister of Labour the following question:—

What was the total number of persons present at each meeting of the Male Minimum Wage Board between the date of the appointment of the said Board and the 1st day of August, 1928, exclusive of the members of the Board?

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

“No record kept.”

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

1. What yardage of each class of material was moved in continuing the construction of the Yellow Lake Road into Similkameen District last year?
2. What was the total cost of work done, and how many miles were built?
3. Was a new survey made and route changed; and, if so, why?
4. What road-making machinery was used on the work, and where was it built?
5. Was any machinery hired to work on this road?
6. If so, what; from whom; at what total cost; and on what basis?
7. Was it found necessary to build a bridge on the new portion of road?
8. If so, what did bridge cost?
9. Would a bridge have been necessary had the road followed the lake, as originally planned?
10. What is maximum gradient on the portion built in 1929, and what was estimated maximum gradient on said portion as originally surveyed?
11. What was price per yard for each class of material moved?

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

“1. Approximately: Solid rock, 14,000 cubic yards; other material, 50,000 cubic yards; dry masonry, 15,000 cubic yards.

“2. \$43,732.78; 2.3 miles.

“3. Yes; on account of poor alignment of original route and heavy rock-work.

“4. One gasoline-shovel, two 40 tractors, one 60 tractor, one 20 tractor, one grader, one ½-yard drag-line scraper. No information on departmental files as to place of manufacture; purchased in British Columbia.

“5. Yes.

“6. One gasoline-shovel from Interior Contracting Company; total cost, including wages, gasoline, etc., \$5,286; rental in dollars for one day to equal \$20 plus one-fifth of the yardage moved on that day; minimum of \$70 per day. (This arrangement in accordance with an established departmental practice.)

“7. Yes.

“8. \$4,069.04.

“9. Yes, and maintenance cost would have been higher.

“10. 10 per cent. present; 6 per cent. original. (Any grade disadvantage more than offset by saving in distance and elimination of rock- and snow-slide hazards.)

“11. Rock, approximately \$1.50; dry masonry, \$4; other material, 34 cents.”

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

1. Was any estimate made as to cost of building Yellow Lake route between Penticton and Keremeos as compared with reconstructing and relocating present road between above points?
2. If so, what is the estimate of cost of each route?
3. What is the approximate distance and maximum altitude of each route?
4. What are the physical conditions pertaining to each route?

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

“1. Yes.

“2. Approximately \$450,000 via Green Mountain route; approximately \$158,000 via Marron Valley route; the latter being route adopted.

“3. Marron Valley route 2½ miles shorter and 400 feet lower than Green Mountain route.

“4. Marron Valley route is through a broad open valley, whereas the Green Mountain route is in a narrow, tortuous canyon, subject to heavy snow-drifts; alignment on Marron Valley Road is better in every way from a traffic and economic point of view.”

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

1. Who is District Road Foreman for Nanaimo District?
2. When was he appointed?
3. Who did he succeed?
4. Is he a returned soldier?
5. What previous experience had he?

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

- "1. James G. Dickinson.
- "2. Instructions issued under departmental letter, February 6th, 1930.
- "3. S. York (deceased).
- "4. Dickinson, returned soldier.
- "5. Served with Royal Engineers in France."

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

1. Who was appointed Inspector of Construction on the Government Building at Salmon Arm?
2. When was he appointed?
3. What is his salary?
4. What previous experience has he had in such work?
5. What was his occupation before being appointed Building Inspector?
6. What amount had he been paid to January 31st, 1930?

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

- "1. J. Smith Salt.
- "2. October 28th, 1929.
- "3. \$24 per week.
- "4 and 5. Employed by his father for many years on various building contracts. Contractor for himself, building station and other public works for London & North-western Railway. Employed by Wm. Moss & Son, contractors, England, on building-work for Air Ministry, etc. All recommendations regarding this man express entire satisfaction with his work and experience.
- "6. \$336."

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

1. What was the total amount of money paid for purchase of property in the City of Victoria during the year 1929, and the valuation of same?
2. What is the total revenue received monthly from the above property?
3. Were any commissions paid? If so, to whom? State amounts with particulars in each case.

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

- "1. \$125,562.50; valuation, \$125,562.50.
- "2. \$377 plus \$50 per year for sign-boards.
- "3. No commissions paid in connection with purchase of this property."

Resolved, That the House, at its rising, do stand adjourned until 3.30 o'clock p.m. on Monday next.

And then the House adjourned at 5.10 p.m.