

Friday, 15th December, 1922.

HALF-PAST TEN O'CLOCK A.M.

Prayers by Mr. Speaker.

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the motion moved by Mr. *Esling* on 13th instant, as follows:—

That an Order of the House be granted for a Return of all correspondence between the Premier or Minister of Railways and the Chief Engineer, between the Premier and the Accountant, and between the Premier and any other official or clerk in the office of the Department of Railways during the period from October 1st, 1919, to March, 1920.

The motion was negatived on the following division:—

YEAS—17.

Messieurs

<i>Hanes,</i>	<i>McRae,</i>	<i>Schofield,</i>	<i>McKenzie, W. A.,</i>
<i>Neelands,</i>	<i>Catherwood,</i>	<i>Duncan,</i>	<i>Jones,</i>
<i>Guthrie,</i>	<i>Pearson,</i>	<i>Hunter,</i>	<i>Bowser,</i>
<i>Uphill,</i>	<i>Esling,</i>	<i>Hinchliffe,</i>	<i>Pooley,</i>
<i>Wallinger,</i>			

NAYS—23.

Messieurs

<i>Menzies,</i>	<i>Anderson,</i>	<i>Sloan,</i>	<i>Whiteside,</i>
<i>Clearihue,</i>	<i>Paterson,</i>	<i>Campbell,</i>	<i>Smith, Mrs.</i>
<i>Jackson,</i>	<i>Farris,</i>	<i>Ramsay,</i>	<i>Barrow,</i>
<i>Perry,</i>	<i>Hart,</i>	<i>Kergin,</i>	<i>Sutherland,</i>
<i>Yorston,</i>	<i>Oliver,</i>	<i>Mackenzie, I. A.,</i>	<i>MacLean.</i>
<i>MacDonald, K. C.,</i>	<i>Manson,</i>	<i>Buckham,</i>	

Dr. *K. C. MacDonald* moved, seconded by Mr. *Menzies*,—

Whereas the fruit industry is of paramount interest to British Columbia:

And whereas all reasonable precautions should be taken to prevent the dumping of foreign fruit on the Canadian markets, thereby demoralizing the natural markets of the fruit-growers of the Province:

Therefore be it Resolved, That the Hon. the Minister of Customs for Canada be respectfully urged to put into complete operation the legislation passed by the Dominion Parliament at its last session, for the safeguarding of the Canadian fruit-growers, sufficiently early in the year to prevent the dumping of fruit on the Canadian market.

And that a copy of this Resolution be forwarded to the Prime Minister, Hon. MacKenzie King; the Hon. Jacques Bureau, Minister of Customs; the Hon. Dr. King, Minister of Public Works; and the Hon. Senator Bostock, Speaker of the Senate.

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

On the third reading of Bill (No. 34) intituled "An Act to ratify and make Provision for the Carrying-out of an Agreement between His Majesty in Right of the Dominion and His Majesty in Right of the Province relating to the Examination of Iron-ore Deposits in British Columbia," Mr. *Wallinger* moved the following amendment:—

Section 4, subsection (1), line 7: To add after the word "advisable" the following words: "Provided that before such entry and taking possession by the Government an amount shall be fixed, accepted by both parties, representing the value of the property entered upon, and this amount shall constitute the minimum value of the owner's equity and shall under no circumstances be estreated, but shall be payable in cash to the owner before any subsequent sale or transfer of such property."

Amendment negatived on the following division:—

YEAS—15.

Messieurs

<i>Neelands,</i>	<i>McRae,</i>	<i>Esling,</i>	<i>McKenzie, W. A.,</i>
<i>Guthrie,</i>	<i>Catherwood,</i>	<i>Schofield,</i>	<i>Jones,</i>
<i>Uphill.</i>	<i>Pearson,</i>	<i>Hunter.</i>	<i>Bowser.</i>
<i>Wallinger,</i>	<i>McDonald, A.,</i>	<i>Hinchliffe,</i>	

NAYS—24.

Messieurs

<i>Duncan,</i>	<i>MacDonald, K. C.,</i>	<i>Manson,</i>	<i>Buckham.</i>
<i>Menzies,</i>	<i>Anderson,</i>	<i>Sloan,</i>	<i>Whiteside,</i>
<i>Clearihue,</i>	<i>Paterson,</i>	<i>Campbell,</i>	<i>Smith, Mrs.</i>
<i>Jackson,</i>	<i>Farris,</i>	<i>Ramsay,</i>	<i>Barrow,</i>
<i>Perry,</i>	<i>Hart,</i>	<i>Kergin,</i>	<i>Sutherland,</i>
<i>Yorston,</i>	<i>Oliver,</i>	<i>Mackenzie, I. A.,</i>	<i>MacLean.</i>

Bill read a third time and passed.

The following Bills were read a third time and passed:—

Bill (No. 46) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Co-operative Associations Act.'"

Bill (No. 87) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Health Act.'"

Bill (No. 90) intituled "An Act to confer certain Powers upon the Corporation of the City of Nanaimo."

Bill (No. 92) intituled "An Act respecting the List of Voters for the Trail Electoral District."

On the consideration of the Report on Bill (No. 13) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Municipal Elections Act,'" the Hon. Mr. *Manson* moved the following amendment:—

To insert the following as section 3 and renumber the following sections:—

"3. Section 15 of said chapter 71, as re-enacted by section 7 of chapter 21 of the Statutes of 1915, is amended by inserting after the word 'printed,' in the tenth line of clause (c), and after the word 'printed,' in the first line of clause (d) of said section, the words 'or mimeographed.'"

The amendment was carried.

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

J. A. MACDONALD,  
*Administrator.*

The Administrator transmits herewith a Bill intituled "An Act to amend the 'Better Housing Act,'" and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

*Government House,*  
*December 15th, 1922.*

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

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

*Resolved,* That the Committee rise and report to the House, recommending the introduction of a Bill (No. 98) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Better Housing Act,'" a draft of which is annexed to this Resolution.

Resolution and Bill reported.  
Bill introduced and read a first and second time.  
To be committed at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 30) intituled "An Act to provide for the Licensing of Insurance Agents and Insurance Adjusters" was again committed.

Reported complete with amendments.

On the motion for the adoption of the Report, the following amendment was, with leave of the House, moved by the Hon. Mr. *Manson*:—

Section 22, line 7: That the words "unless provision for such rebate, other consideration, or thing of value is expressly made in the policy evidencing the contract" be struck out, and the following inserted as subsection (2):—

"(2.) Nothing in this section shall be construed to affect any payment by way of dividend, bonus, or profit which is provided for under the policy evidencing a contract of insurance."

And to renumber subsection (2) as subsection (3).

The amendment was carried.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 89) intituled "An Act to provide for the Establishment and Maintenance of a Provincial Home for Persons afflicted with Incurable Bodily Disease or Disability" was read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 40) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Village Municipalities Act'" was read a third time and passed.

The Report on Bill (No. 10) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Summary Convictions Act'" was adopted.

Bill read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 55) intituled "An Act to provide for the Control of the Codling-moth" was again committed.

Reported complete with amendments.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 85) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Succession Duty Act'" was committed.

Reported complete without amendment.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 59) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Revenue Act'" was committed.

Progress reported.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

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

1. Has the Minister of Public Works arrived at any conclusion with the Federal Department of Public Works in regard to Nicomen Island?

2. If so, what is the purport of the arrangements?

3. Does the Department intend to provide any funds for the protection of the farmers of Nicomen Island next year?

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

"1 and 2. See answers, Votes and Proceedings No. 9, page 4.

"3. This depends on what action the Federal Government takes after arriving at conclusions based on their surveys."

The Hon. the Attorney-General presented a Return of special liquor permits issued from June 15th, 1921, to November 30th, 1922.

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

And then the House adjourned at 1 p.m.

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## Friday, 15th December, 1922.

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HALF-PAST TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

The Report on Bill (No. 30) intituled "An Act to provide for the Licensing of Insurance Agents and Insurance Adjusters" was adopted.

Bill read a third time and passed.

The Report on Bill (No. 55) intituled "An Act to provide for the Control of the Codling-moth" was adopted.

Bill read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 73) intituled "An Act to provide for the Regulation of Passenger Rates chargeable by the British Columbia Electric Railway Company" was committed.

Reported complete with amendments.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 75) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Workmen's Compensation Act'" was committed.

Reported complete with amendments.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 88) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Trespass Act'" was committed.

Reported complete without amendment.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 98) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Better Housing Act'" was committed.

Reported complete without amendment.

Report adopted.

Bill read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 96) intituled "An Act to confer on the Corporation of the District of South Vancouver certain Powers" was read a second time and committed.

Reported complete without amendment.

Report adopted.

Bill read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 99) intituled "An Act respecting the Powers of the Corporation of the District of South Vancouver" was read a second time and committed.

Reported complete without amendment.

Report adopted.

Bill read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 45) intituled "An Act to ratify and confirm an Agreement bearing Date the Fifteenth Day of November, A.D. 1922, between the Corporation of the City of Duncan, the Corporation of the District of North Cowichan, and the Board of School Trustees of the Duncan (City) School District" was read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 51) intituled "An Act relating to the Corporation of the City of Victoria" was again committed.

Reported complete with amendments.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

The Hon. Mr. *Manson* presented to Mr. Speaker a Message from His Honour the Administrator, which read as follows:—

J. A. MACDONALD,  
*Administrator.*

The Administrator transmits herewith a Bill intituled "An Act to amend the 'Game Act,'" and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

*Government House,*  
*December 15th, 1922.*

*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. 100) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Game Act,'" a draft of which is annexed to this Resolution.

Resolution and Bill reported.  
Bill introduced and read a first and second time.  
To be committed at the next sitting.

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

1. What are the details of the item on page 6 of the Votes and Proceedings of November 17th, 1922, referred to as "Sinking funds, collateral, and revenue-producing debt, \$28,562,613.45"?
2. What amounts of revenue were produced from such revenue-producing debts for the year ending March 31st, 1922, showing amounts opposite each item?
3. What losses (if any) have been made in respect to any of the above debts as to the principal or revenue anticipated from these debts, showing details opposite each item?

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

"1. Sinking funds .....	\$ 9,150,463 45
Collateral, P.G.E. Stock .....	5,925,125 00
Revenue-producing debt:	
Forest Protection .....	\$ 300,000 00
Land Settlement Board .....	4,500,000 00
Soldiers' Land Act .....	2,635,000 00
Dyking Debentures .....	445,000 00
Department of Industries .....	1,025,000 00
Conservation of Irrigation .....	1,865,000 00
Better Housing .....	1,701,500 00
South Vancouver Loan .....	790,000 00
B.C. House Mortgage .....	225,525 00
	13,487,025 00
	\$28,562,613 45
"2. Forest Protection .....	\$ 47,433 56
Land Settlement Board .....	159,201 08
Soldiers' Land Act .....	38,188 95
Dyking Debentures .....	23,442 00
Department of Industries .....	51,314 27
Conservation of Irrigation .....	58,900 13
Better Housing .....	108,258 98
South Vancouver Loan .....	45,400 00
B.C. House, proportion rents supplied on mortgage..	21,825 00
	\$ 553,963 97

"3. There are some arrears, but it is impossible at this time to state whether there will be eventually any losses in regard to such items."

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

1. What amount of money has been collected by the Department of Finance from succession duties dating from January 1st, 1922, to December 1st, 1922?
2. What is the total amount of succession duties in arrears?

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

“1. \$726,178.51.

“2. \$404,950.13 owing at November 30th.”

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

What was the amount of taxes collected by the Government in the Peace River Block for the years 1921 and 1922?

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

“1921, \$13,744.24; 1922, \$15,323.90.”

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

And then the House adjourned at 6 p.m.

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## Friday, 15th December, 1922.

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HALF-PAST EIGHT O'CLOCK P.M.

With leave of the House, the motion of Mr. *Menzies* for leave to introduce a Bill intituled “An Act to amend the ‘Workmen’s Compensation Act’” was withdrawn.

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the motion moved by Dr. *K. C. MacDonald* on 15th instant, as follows:—

Whereas the fruit industry is of paramount interest to British Columbia:

And whereas all reasonable precautions should be taken to prevent the dumping of foreign fruit on the Canadian markets, thereby demoralizing the natural markets of the fruit-growers of the Province:

Therefore be it Resolved, That the Hon. the Minister of Customs for Canada be respectfully urged to put into complete operation the legislation passed by the Dominion Parliament at its last session, for the safeguarding of the Canadian fruit-growers, sufficiently early in the year to prevent the dumping of fruit on the Canadian market.

And that a copy of this Resolution be forwarded to the Prime Minister, Hon. MacKenzie King; the Hon. Jacques Bureau, Minister of Customs; the Hon. Dr. King, Minister of Public Works; and the Hon. Senator Bostock, Speaker of the Senate.

Mr. *Jones* moved in amendment, seconded by Mr. *W. A. McKenzie*,—

To strike out all the words in the fifth, sixth, seventh, and eighth lines, and substitute the following:—

“And whereas the provisions of section 47 (a) of the ‘Customs Act’ of the Dominion of Canada provides that the Minister of Customs can only invoke the provisions of the legislation against dumping of foreign fruits after report to and with the consent of the Governor in Council:

“And whereas serious damage to the fruit-growers is likely to occur owing to delay arising in putting the provisions of the said Act in force:

“Therefore be it Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Honour, praying that representations be made to the proper authorities at Ottawa, asking that the said section 47 (a)

be amended in such manner as to ensure that the Minister of Customs may be in a position to take prompt actions to prevent the dumping of foreign fruit on the Canadian market without first reporting to the Governor in Council as therein provided.

"And that a copy of this Resolution be forwarded to the Prime Minister, Hon. MacKenzie King; the Hon. Jacques Bureau, Minister of Customs; the Hon. Dr. King, Minister of Public Works; and the Hon. Senator Bostock, Speaker of the Senate."

The amendment was negatived on the following division:—

YEAS—14.

Messieurs

<i>Uphill,</i>	<i>Pearson,</i>	<i>Hunter,</i>	<i>Jones,</i>
<i>Wallinger,</i>	<i>McDonald, A.,</i>	<i>Hinchliffe.</i>	<i>Bowser,</i>
<i>McRae,</i>	<i>Esling,</i>	<i>McKenzie, W. A.,</i>	<i>Pooley.</i>
<i>Catherwood,</i>	<i>Burde,</i>		

NAYS—25.

Messieurs

<i>Hanes,</i>	<i>Anderson,</i>	<i>Sloan,</i>	<i>Buckham,</i>
<i>Duncan,</i>	<i>Paterson,</i>	<i>Campbell,</i>	<i>Whiteside.</i>
<i>Menzies,</i>	<i>Farris,</i>	<i>Ramsay,</i>	<i>Smith, Mrs.</i>
<i>Clearihue,</i>	<i>Hart,</i>	<i>Henniger,</i>	<i>Barrow,</i>
<i>Perry,</i>	<i>Oliver,</i>	<i>Kergin,</i>	<i>Sutherland,</i>
<i>Yorston.</i>	<i>Manson,</i>	<i>Mackenzie, I. A.,</i>	<i>MacLean,</i>
<i>MacDonald, K. C.,</i>			

The motion was carried.

On the consideration of the Report on Bill (No. 13) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Municipal Elections Act,'" Mrs. *Smith* moved that the Report of the Committee be amended as follows:—

Section 3: Section 2 of the "Municipal Elections Act," being chapter 71 of the Revised Statutes, 1911, is amended by striking out the definition of "householder," and inserting the following in lieu thereof:—

"'Householder' shall include any person of the full age of twenty-one years who is a resident of the municipality and who has resided therein from the first day of January of the current year and who has, unless exempted by the provisions of clause (167) or clause (168) of section 54 of the 'Municipal Act,' paid to the municipality direct all rates, taxes, and assessments which are not chargeable on land and are due by such person to the municipality for the current year to an amount of not less than two dollars, exclusive of water, electric light, gas, and telephone rates or taxes, and licence fees for dogs; or in the case of a person who is not required by the provisions of any by-law of the municipality to pay road-tax or poll-tax amounting to the sum of two dollars, has paid or tendered the sum of two dollars to the Collector of the municipality during the current year for the use of the municipality."

The amendment was carried.

Report adopted.

Bill read a third time and passed.

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

That the Resolutions reported from Committee of Supply on the 24th, 28th, 29th, and 30th November, and the 1st, 4th, 5th, 6th, 11th, 12th, and 13th instant be received and read a first time.

That the Resolutions be read a second time and taken as read.

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

The Report on Bill (No. 85) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Succession Duty Act'" was adopted.

Bill read a third time and passed.

On consideration of the Report on Bill (No. 75) intituled "An Act to amend the "Workmen's Compensation Act," Mr. *Guthrie* moved the following amendment:—

To add the following as section 17 and renumber the following section:—

"17. The Schedule to said chapter 77 is amended by adding thereto the following:—

"Sulphur-poisoning—Coal-mining."

Amendment carried.

Report adopted.

Bill read a third time and passed.

The Report on Bill (No. 73) intituled "An Act to provide for the Regulation of Passenger Rates chargeable by the British Columbia Electric Railway Company" was adopted.

Bill read a third time and passed.

The Report on Bill (No. 88) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Trespass Act'" was adopted.

Bill read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 91) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Government Liquor Act'" was again committed.

Reported complete with amendments.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 59) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Revenue Act'" was again committed.

Reported complete with amendments.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 76) intituled "An Act to amend and consolidate certain Acts relating to the Assessment, Levy, and Collection of Taxes on Property and Income" was committed.

Reported complete with amendments.

Report adopted.

Third reading at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 61) intituled "An Act to borrow the Sum of Three million five hundred thousand Dollars for the Purposes therein specified" was committed.

Reported complete with amendments.

Report adopted.

Third reading at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 93) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Municipal Act'" was committed.

Reported complete with amendments.

Report adopted.

Third reading at the next sitting.

The House continued to sit after midnight.

SATURDAY, 16TH DECEMBER.

Bill (No. 94) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Medical Act'" was committed.

Reported complete without amendment.

On the motion for the adoption of the Report, Mr. *Menzies* moved in amendment as follows:—

To strike out the words "who shall be a duly qualified member of the College of Physicians and Surgeons of British Columbia in good standing."

The amendment was negatived on the following division:—

YEAS—13.

Messieurs

*Hanes,*  
*Neelands,*  
*Guthrie,*  
*Duncan,*

*Menzies,*  
*Jones,*  
*Perry,*

*Yorston,*  
*Farris,*  
*Sloan,*

*Mackenzie, I. A.,*  
*Whiteside,*  
*Smith, Mrs.*

## NAYS—27.

## Messieurs

<i>Uphill,</i>	<i>Schofield,</i>	<i>Pooley,</i>	<i>Campbell,</i>
<i>Wallinger,</i>	<i>Burde,</i>	<i>MacDonald, K. C.,</i>	<i>Kergin,</i>
<i>McRae,</i>	<i>Clearihue,</i>	<i>Anderson,</i>	<i>Buckham,</i>
<i>Catherwood,</i>	<i>Jackson,</i>	<i>Paterson,</i>	<i>Barrow,</i>
<i>Pearson,</i>	<i>Hunter,</i>	<i>Hart,</i>	<i>Sutherland,</i>
<i>McDonald, A.,</i>	<i>Hinchliffe,</i>	<i>Oliver,</i>	<i>MacLean.</i>
<i>Esling,</i>	<i>Bowser,</i>	<i>Manson,</i>	

Report adopted.

Bill read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 95) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Poll-tax Act'" was committed.

Reported complete without amendment.

Report adopted.

Bill read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 100) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Game Act'" was committed.

Reported complete with amendment.

Report adopted.

Third reading at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 63) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Woodman's Lien for Wages Act'" was again committed.

Reported complete with amendments.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

The Report on Bill (No. 51) intituled "An Act relating to the Corporation of the City of Victoria" was adopted.

Bill read a third time and passed.

On the motion of the Hon. the Minister of Finance, seconded by the Hon. the Premier, the House resolved itself into the Committee of Ways and Means.

## (IN THE COMMITTEE.)

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

\$ 46,714 49 for the financial year ending March 31st, 1922.

301,725 00 for the financial year ending March 31st, 1923.

20,097,300 45 for the financial year ending March 31st, 1924.

\$20,445,739 94

The Chairman reported the Resolution.

Report considered forthwith and adopted.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

The Hon. the Minister of Finance presented Bill (No. 97) intituled "An Act for granting certain Sums of Money for the Public Service of the Province of British Columbia."

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

## (IN THE COMMITTEE.)

*Resolved*, That the Committee rise and report to the House, recommending the introduction of a Bill (No. 97) intituled "An Act for granting certain Sums of Money for the Public Service of the Province of British Columbia," a draft of which is annexed to this Resolution.

Resolution and Bill reported.  
 Report adopted.  
 Bill read a first time.  
 Bill read a second time and committed.  
 Reported complete without amendment.  
 Report adopted.  
 Bill read a third time and passed.

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

1. Has the Government checked the Cowichan Bay Railway Company's estimate of the amount of timber in the section of the Island to be served by that company?
2. Does the estimate include the timber limits of the Victoria Lumber and Manufacturing Company and Mossom Boyd and allied interests?
3. Is not the Victoria Lumber and Manufacturing Company building its own line from Chemainus to tap its own timber?
4. Do not the Boyd interests oppose the railway company's application?
5. Is it not a fact that if the railway company's application for foreshore rights on the south shore of Cowichan Bay is granted, public access to the water will be limited to a strip 200 yards wide?

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

- "1. No.
- "2. No information.
- "3. No information.
- "4. Yes, in respect to interference with riparian rights.
- "5. Application only covers approximately one-quarter of south shore of Cowichan Bay."

*Resolved*, That the House, at its rising, do stand adjourned until 11 o'clock a.m. to-day.

And then the House adjourned at 1.20 a.m.

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## Saturday, 16th December, 1922.

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ELEVEN O'CLOCK A.M.

Prayers by Mr. Speaker.

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

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE ROOM,  
 December 15th, 1922.

MR. SPEAKER:

Your Select Standing Committee on Printing begs leave to report as follows:—  
 We recommend that the following Reports presented to the House be printed:—

1. Provincial Library and Archives, October 1st, 1921, to September 30th, 1922.
2. Exploration for oil and gas.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

D. WHITESIDE, *Chairman*.

The report was received.  
 The Rules were suspended and the report adopted.

The following Bills were read a third time and passed:—

Bill (No. 76) intituled “An Act to amend and consolidate certain Acts relating to the Assessment, Levy, and Collection of Taxes on Property and Income.”

Bill (No. 61) intituled “An Act to borrow the Sum of Three million five hundred thousand Dollars for the Purposes therein specified.”

Bill (No. 100) intituled “An Act to amend the ‘Game Act.’”

On the consideration of the Report on Bill (No. 91) intituled “An Act to amend the ‘Government Liquor Act,’” Mr. *I. A. Mackenzie* moved the following amendment:—

Section 7, line 5: To strike out all the words after the word “to,” and substitute therefor the following: “a fine not less than one hundred dollars and not exceeding five hundred dollars, and for a second or subsequent offence to imprisonment, with hard labour, for not less than one month nor more than three months, or to a fine not less than five hundred dollars and not more than one thousand dollars, or to both fine and imprisonment. If the offender so convicted is a corporation it shall be liable to a penalty of not less than one thousand dollars.”

The amendment was negatived on the following division:—

YEAS—15.

Messieurs

<i>Uphill,</i>	<i>Lister,</i>	<i>Anderson,</i>	<i>Mackenzie, I. A.,</i>
<i>Wallinger,</i>	<i>Pooley,</i>	<i>Farris,</i>	<i>Whiteside,</i>
<i>Schofield,</i>	<i>Perry,</i>	<i>Campbell,</i>	<i>Smith, Mrs.</i>
<i>Hinchliffe,</i>	<i>MacDonald, K. C.,</i>	<i>Kergin,</i>	

NAYS—22.

Messieurs

<i>Hanes,</i>	<i>Menzies,</i>	<i>Paterson,</i>	<i>Ramsay,</i>
<i>McRae,</i>	<i>Clearihue,</i>	<i>Hart,</i>	<i>Buckham,</i>
<i>Catherwood,</i>	<i>McKenzie, W. A.,</i>	<i>Oliver,</i>	<i>Sutherland,</i>
<i>Pearson,</i>	<i>Jones,</i>	<i>Manson,</i>	<i>Pattullo,</i>
<i>McDonald, A.,</i>	<i>Bowser,</i>	<i>Sloan,</i>	<i>MacLean.</i>
<i>Duncan,</i>	<i>Yorston,</i>		

Mr. *Pooley* moved in amendment to insert the following as section 15 and renumber the following sections:—

“15. Section 89 of said chapter 30 is amended by adding the following as clause (1):—

“(1.) An appeal shall not lie from the decision of any Court dismissing a charge preferred under this Act where the penalty is one of imprisonment either with or without the option of a fine.”

The amendment was negatived on the following division:—

YEAS—16.

Messieurs

<i>Uphill,</i>	<i>Pearson,</i>	<i>Hinchliffe,</i>	<i>Bowser,</i>
<i>Wallinger,</i>	<i>McDonald, A.,</i>	<i>Lister,</i>	<i>Pooley,</i>
<i>McRae,</i>	<i>Esting,</i>	<i>McKenzie, W. A.,</i>	<i>Anderson,</i>
<i>Catherwood,</i>	<i>Schofield,</i>	<i>Jones,</i>	<i>Mackenzie, I. A.</i>

NAYS—23.

Messieurs

<i>Hanes,</i>	<i>MacDonald, K. C.,</i>	<i>Sloan,</i>	<i>Smith, Mrs.</i>
<i>Duncan,</i>	<i>Paterson,</i>	<i>Campbell,</i>	<i>Barrow,</i>
<i>Menzies,</i>	<i>Farris,</i>	<i>Ramsay,</i>	<i>Sutherland,</i>
<i>Clearihue,</i>	<i>Hart,</i>	<i>Kergin,</i>	<i>Pattullo,</i>
<i>Perry,</i>	<i>Oliver,</i>	<i>Buckham,</i>	<i>MacLean.</i>
<i>Yorston,</i>	<i>Manson,</i>	<i>Whiteside,</i>	

Report adopted.

Bill read a third time and passed.

The Hon. Dr. *MacLean* presented to Mr. Speaker a Message from His Honour the Administrator, which read as follows:—

J. A. MACDONALD,  
*Administrator.*

The Administrator transmits herewith an amendment to Bill (No. 69) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Land Registry Act,'" enclosed herewith, and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

*Government House,*  
*December 16th, 1922.*

(ENCLOSURE.)

To amend by adding the following as section 4:—

"4. Section 127 of said chapter 26 is amended by striking out the proviso added by section 2 of the 'Land Registry Act Amendment Act, 1921,' and substituting therefor the following:—

"Provided that in case of a transmission of property by reason of death, the Registrar may, where hardship might otherwise ensue, accept an application for the registration of the title to a portion of the property."

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

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

*Resolved,* That the Committee rise and report to the House, recommending the introduction of the proposed amendment to Bill (No. 69) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Land Registry Act,'" a draft of which is annexed to the Message from His Honour the Administrator.

Resolution and amendment reported.

Amendment introduced and read a first and second time.

*Ordered,* That the amendment be referred to the Committee of the Whole forthwith having in charge Bill (No. 69) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Land Registry Act.'"

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

The Committee rose and reported the Bill complete with amendment.

Report adopted.

Bill read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 93) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Municipal Act'" was read a third time and passed.

The Report on Bill (No. 59) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Revenue Act'" was adopted. Bill read a third time and passed.

The Report on Bill (No. 63) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Woodman's Lien for Wages Act'" was adopted.

Bill read a third time and passed.

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

1. Has the Government been informed that certain newspapers in this Province are carrying advertisements in which are offered prizes in connection with a football competition?
2. If so, does the Government intend to prosecute these newspapers?

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

"1. Yes.

"2. The Government considers all cases on their individual merits when reported to it, and takes such action as is appropriate."

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

1. Has the Minimum Wage Board for miners ever met?
2. If not, why not?
3. When will said Board meet?

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

"1. No. The chairman has considered the convening of the Board, and is obtaining information to that end.

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

ELEVEN FIFTY-FIVE O'CLOCK A.M.

His Honour the Administrator having entered the House, and being seated in the Chair,—  
*W. H. Langley*, Esquire, the Clerk of the House, read the titles to the following Bills:—

- (No. 1) An Act to amend the "Inferior Courts Practitioners Act."
- (No. 2) An Act to amend the "Pacific Great Eastern Settlement Act."
- (No. 3) An Act respecting Legitimation by Subsequent Marriage.
- (No. 4) An Act to make Uniform the Law respecting Warehousemen's Liens.
- (No. 5) An Act to validate a certain Order in Council respecting the Corporation of the District of South Vancouver.
- (No. 6) An Act to amend the "Shops Regulation Act."
- (No. 7) An Act to provide for the Maintenance of Parents by their Children.
- (No. 8) An Act to amend the "Fire Marshal Act."
- (No. 10) An Act to amend the "Summary Convictions Act"
- (No. 11) An Act to provide for the Maintenance of Children of Unmarried Parents.
- (No. 13) An Act to amend the "Municipal Elections Act."
- (No. 14) An Act to amend the "Local Improvement Act."
- (No. 15) An Act to amend the "Execution Act."
- (No. 16) An Act to provide for Special Surveys.
- (No. 17) An Act to provide for the Inspection and Regulation of Premises and Equipment for the Generation, Transmission, Supply, or Use of Electrical Energy.
- (No. 18) An Act to amend the "Dyking Assessments Adjustment Act, 1905."
- (No. 19) An Act to amend the "Highway Act."
- (No. 20) An Act to amend the "Supreme Court Act."
- (No. 21) An Act to amend the "Pound District Act."
- (No. 22) An Act respecting Public Printing.
- (No. 23.) An Act to make Uniform the Law respecting Conditions in Policies of Accident and Sickness Insurance.
- (No. 24) An Act to make Uniform the Law respecting Conditions in Policies of Automobile Insurance.
- (No. 25) An Act to amend the "Jury Act."
- (No. 29) An Act to amend the "Optometry Act."
- (No. 30) An Act to provide for the Licensing of Insurance Agents and Insurance Adjusters.
- (No. 31) An Act to amend the "British Columbia Fire Insurance Act."
- (No. 32) An Act to amend the "Insurance Act."
- (No. 34) An Act to ratify and make Provision for the Carrying-out of an Agreement between His Majesty in Right of the Dominion and His Majesty in Right of the Province relating to the Examination of Iron-ore Deposits in British Columbia.
- (No. 35) An Act to amend the "Water Act, 1914."
- (No. 36) An Act to consolidate and amend the "Public Schools Act."
- (No. 37) An Act to amend and consolidate the "Boilers Inspection Act."
- (No. 38) An Act to provide Relief in Relation to certain Licences and Leases under the "Coal and Petroleum Act."
- (No. 39) An Act to amend the "Factories Act."
- (No. 40) An Act to amend the "Village Municipalities Act."
- (No. 41) An Act to consolidate the "Assignment of Book Accounts Act" and Amending Acts.
- (No. 43) An Act to amend the the "Companies Act, 1921."

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- (No. 44) An Act to amend the "Royal Columbian Hospital Act, 1901."
- (No. 45) An Act to ratify and confirm an Agreement bearing Date the Fifteenth Day of November, A.D. 1922, between the Corporation of the City of Duncan, the Corporation of the District of North Cowichan, and the Board of School Trustees of the Duncan (City) School District.
- (No. 46) An Act to amend the "Co-operative Associations Act."
- (No. 47) An Act to amend the "Societies Act."
- (No. 50) An Act to create and perpetuate certain Building Restrictions in that Portion of the Municipality of the Corporation of Point Grey known as Shaughnessy Heights.
- (No. 51) An Act relating to the Corporation of the City of Victoria.
- (No. 53) An Act to amend the "Trust Companies Act."
- (No. 54) An Act to amend the "Adoption Act."
- (No. 55) An Act to provide for the Control of the Codling-moth.
- (No. 56) An Act to amend the "Tranquille Sanatorium Agreement Ratification Act."
- (No. 58) An Act to incorporate the Greater Victoria Water District.
- (No. 59) An Act to amend the "Revenue Act."
- (No. 60) An Act to amend the "Pre-emptors' Free Grants Act."
- (No. 61) An Act to borrow the Sum of Three million five hundred thousand Dollars for the Purposes therein specified.
- (No. 62) An Act relating to Sewers belonging to the Corporation of the City of Victoria and the Corporation of the District of Oak Bay.
- (No. 63) An Act to amend the "Woodman's Lien for Wages Act."
- (No. 64) An Act to amend the "British Columbia University Act."
- (No. 65) An Act to amend the "Forest Act."
- (No. 66) An Act to amend the "Infants Act."
- (No. 67) An Act to amend the "British Columbia Railway Act."
- (No. 68) An Act to amend the "British Columbia Land Surveyors Act."
- (No. 69) An Act to amend the "Land Registry Act."
- (No. 70) An Act to amend the "Creditors' Relief Act."
- (No. 71) An Act to repeal certain Enactments which have become Obsolete.
- (No. 72) An Act to make Uniform the Law respecting Conditional Sales of Goods.
- (No. 73) An Act to provide for the Regulation of Passenger Rates chargeable by the British Columbia Electric Railway Company.
- (No. 74) An Act to amend the "Interpretation Act."
- (No. 75) An Act to amend the "Workmen's Compensation Act."
- (No. 76) An Act to amend and consolidate certain Acts relating to the Assessment, Levy, and Collection of Taxes on Property and Income.
- (No. 77) An Act to amend the "Administration Act."
- (No. 78) An Act to amend the "County Courts Act."
- (No. 79) An Act to amend the "Johnson Street Bridge Agreements Validation Act."
- (No. 80) An Act to amend the "West Vancouver Incorporation Act."
- (No. 81) An Act to amend the "Married Women's Property Act."
- (No. 82) An Act to amend the "Plans Cancellation Act."
- (No. 84) An Act to amend the "Motor-vehicle Act."
- (No. 85) An Act to amend the "Succession Duty Act."
- (No. 86) An Act to amend the "Constitution Act."
- (No. 87) An Act to amend the "Health Act."
- (No. 88) An Act to amend the "Trespass Act."
- (No. 89) An Act to provide for the Establishment and Maintenance of a Provincial Home for Persons afflicted with Incurable Bodily Disease or Disability.
- (No. 90) An Act to confer certain Powers upon the Corporation of the City of Nanaimo.
- (No. 91) An Act to amend the "Government Liquor Act."
- (No. 92) An Act respecting the List of Voters for the Trail Electoral District.
- (No. 93) An Act to amend the "Municipal Act."
- (No. 94) An Act to amend the "Medical Act."
- (No. 95) An Act to amend the "Poll-tax Act."

(No. 96) An Act to confer on the Corporation of the District of South Vancouver certain Powers.

(No. 98) An Act to amend the "Better Housing Act."

(No. 99) An Act respecting the Powers of the Corporation of the District of South Vancouver.

(No. 100) An Act to amend the "Game Act."

His Honour was pleased, in His Majesty's name, to give assent to the said Bills.

The said assent was announced by the Clerk of the House in the following words:—

"In His Majesty's name, His Honour the Administrator doth assent to these Bills."

Then the Honourable Mr. Speaker addressed His Honour the Administrator as follows:—

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR HONOUR:

We, His Majesty's most dutiful and loyal subjects, the Legislative Assembly of the Province of British Columbia, in Session assembled, approach Your Honour at the close of our labours with sentiments of unfeigned devotion and loyalty to His Majesty's person and Government, and humbly beg to present for Your Honour's acceptance Bill (No. 97) intituled "An Act for granting certain Sums of Money for the Public Service of the Province of British Columbia."

To this Bill the Clerk of the Legislative Assembly, by His Honour's command, did thereupon say:—

"In His Majesty's name, His Honour the Administrator doth thank His Majesty's loyal subjects, accept their benevolence, and assent to this Bill."

Then His Honour the Administrator was pleased to deliver the following gracious Speech:—

*Mr. Speaker and Members of the Legislative Assembly:*

In relieving you from your legislative duties, it is with pleasure that I express my appreciation of the earnestness with which you have applied yourselves to the important questions submitted for your consideration.

I note with gratification the humanitarian aim of measures to provide for the maintenance of the children of unmarried parents, and for the support of needy parents by their children.

The amendments to the "Workmen's Compensation Act" will enlarge its scope and increase its benefits.

The Act to ratify an Agreement with the Dominion Government for the examination of the iron-ore deposits of the Province marks an important step in the investigation of our iron resources.

The consolidation and revision of the "Public Schools Act" places in convenient form the legislation relating to public education.

The amendments to the "Forest Act" will provide additional safeguards against forest fires. The laws relating to taxation have been consolidated.

The Act relating to passenger charges on the British Columbia Electric Railway provides a necessary means of adjusting disputes in the matter of rates.

The "Electrical Energy Inspection Act" will make for greater safety in the uses of electricity.

The "Conditional Sales Act" is intended to define the rights of persons interested in goods subject to conditional sale agreements.

The "Coddling-moth Control Act" should prove of great assistance in combating a menace to one of the great industries of the Province.

The Act to provide for the establishment of a Provincial Home for Incurables promises amelioration of the lot of the permanently afflicted.

In conformity with legislation in other parts of the Empire, the "Jury Act" has been amended to qualify women for jury service.

These, and other Acts passed at this Session, will, I am sure, prove of advantage to the people of British Columbia.

I thank you for the supplies granted for the administration of public affairs, and in taking leave of you I express the hope that your efforts during the Session now closed will be followed with the fullest measure of success, and result in the continued progress and prosperity of the Province.

The Hon. Dr. *MacLean*, Provincial Secretary, then said:—

*Mr. Speaker and Members of the Legislative Assembly:*

It is His Honour the Administrator's will and pleasure that the Legislative Assembly be prorogued until it shall please His Honour to summon the same for dispatch of business, and this Provincial Legislative Assembly is hereby prorogued accordingly.

F. A. PAULINE, *Speaker*.

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