

Monday, 15th February, 1915.

TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by Rev. A. de B. Owen.

The following papers were presented by the Hon. the Minister of Finance:—

Return of Loans made under certain Acts administered by the Department of Agriculture.  
Report of the Bureau of Provincial Information for the year 1914.

Return showing the cash receipts and expenditure for the period March 31st, 1914, to January 31st, 1915.

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 on Thursday, February 18th, to consider the Resolution.

The following Bills were introduced, read a first time, and *Ordered* to be read a second time to-morrow:—

By the Hon. Mr. *Bowser*—Bill (No. 19) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Pool-rooms Act.'"

By the Hon. Mr. *Bowser*—Bill (No. 18) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Creditors' Trust Deeds Act.'"

By the Hon. Dr. *Young*—Bill (No. 20) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Civil Service Act.'"

By Mr. *Hayward*—Bill (No. 22) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Master and Servant Act.'"

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. *Bowser*, Bill (No. 21) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Municipal Elections Act'" was introduced and read a first time.

Referred to the Municipal Committee.

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

1. Is it the intention of the Government to investigate the recent explosion at Coal Creek?
2. If so, when?

The Hon. Sir *Richard McBride* replied as follows:—

"1. Yes.

"2. As soon as possible."

Bill (No. 15) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Legal Professions Act'" was committed.  
Progress reported.

Committee to sit again to-morrow.

The Hon. Mr. *Bowser* presented a Return showing all reports made to the Hon. Attorney-General, and all reports made to the Hon. Minister of Finance, dealing with or regarding the affairs of the Dominion Trust Company, as made by the Inspector of Trust Companies or by any officer appointed under the "Trust Companies Act."

Bill (No. 14) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Companies Act'" was committed.

Progress reported.

Committee to sit again to-morrow.

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. *Bowser*, Bill (No. 13) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Benevolent Societies Act'" was read a second time, and *Ordered* to be committed to-morrow.

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

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

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

*Government House,*  
*February 15th, 1915.*

*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 'Execution Act,'" a draft of which is annexed to this Resolution.

Resolution and Bill reported.  
Bill introduced and read a first time.  
Second reading to-morrow.

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

And then the House adjourned at 4.05 p.m.

---

Tuesday, 16th February, 1915.

TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by Rev. F. A. *Chadwick*.

Mr. *Pooley* presented the Fifth Report from the Private Bills Committee, as follows:—

REPORT No. 5.

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE ROOM,  
15th February, 1915.

MR. SPEAKER:

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

That the time limit be extended for presenting petitions to the House from February 15th to February 22nd, 1915; and that the time limit be extended for presenting reports on Private Bills from February 18th to February 25th, 1915.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

R. H. POOLEY,  
*Chairman.*

The report was received.

The Standing Rules were suspended, and the report was adopted.

On the motion of the Hon. Dr. *Young*, Bill (No. 17) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Health Act'" was introduced, read a first time, and *Ordered* to be read a second time to-morrow.

Bill (No. 13) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Benevolent Societies Act'" was committed. Progress reported.

Committee to sit again to-morrow.

The following Bills were read a second time, and *Ordered* to be committed to-morrow:—

Bill (No. 23) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Execution Act.'"

Bill (No. 18) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Creditors' Trust Deeds Act.'"

Bill (No. 20) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Civil Service Act.'"

Bill (No. 19) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Pool-rooms Act.'"

The Hon. Mr. *Bowser* presented the Tenth Annual Report of the Provincial Game Warden.

On the second reading of Bill (No. 22) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Master and Servant Act'" a debate arose, which was adjourned until to-morrow.

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

F. S. BARNARD.

*Lieutenant-Governor.*

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

*Government House,*

*16th February, 1915.*

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

Resolution and Bill reported.

Bill introduced and read a first time.

Second reading to-morrow.

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

And then the House adjourned at 3.55 p.m.

---

Wednesday, 17th February, 1915.

TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by the Rev. J. W. Flinton.

Mr. *Pooley* presented the Sixth Report from the Private Bills Committee, as follows:—

REPORT No. 6.

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE ROOM,

February 17th, 1915.

MR. SPEAKER:

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

The preamble of Bill (No. 53) intituled "An Act to validate certain Notices to Purchase given by the District of North Vancouver to the Vancouver Power Company, Limited, of Company's Lighting Plant, and authorizing the City of North Vancouver to complete Purchase of Company's Plant" has not been proved, on the following ground:—

The Bill proposed to interfere with the rights of parties under existing contracts.

The preambles of Bill (No. 57) intituled "An Act to incorporate the Anglican Theological College of British Columbia," and of Bill (No. 56) intituled "An Act to confer upon the Corporation of the District of Saanich certain Powers, and to validate certain By-laws," have been proved, and the Bills ordered to be reported with amendments.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

R. H. POOLEY, *Chairman.*

The report was received.

The Hon. *Price Ellison* presented the Third Annual Report of the Superintendent of Insurance for the Province, 1914 (business transacted in 1913).

The following Bills were introduced, read a first time, and *Ordered* to be read a second time to-morrow:—

By the Hon. Mr. *Bowser*—Bill (No. 26) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Plans Cancellation Act.'"

By the Hon. Mr. *Bowser*—Bill (No. 27) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Line Fences Act.'"

By the Hon. Mr. *Bowser*—Bill (No. 28) intituled "An Act to amend the "Statute of Limitations.'"

By the Hon. Mr. *Bowser*—Bill (No. 29) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Religious Institutions Act.'"

By Mr. *Williams*—Bill (No. 30) intituled "An Act for the Protection of Workmen engaged in Industrial Operations."

Mr. *Lucas* moved, seconded by Mr. *Schofield*,—

That whereas the following conditions exist affecting the interests of the apple industry of Canada:—

Between the years 1900 and 1910 the production of apples in the United States, in relation to demand, was normal, ensuring fair prices to producers:

In 1914 the production, through the stimulation of success during the ten years mentioned, had increased nearly two and a half times. Almost one-half of this went into the ordinary commercial channels and much of the remainder went to waste, with the result of a disastrous decline in prices:

This overproduction in apples in the United States had the effect of a large export of the surplus to Canada at prices at which the producers in the latter country could not profitably grow and market their fruit:

These general conditions were accentuated in the territory of the North-west Pacific Coast:

In the four States of Washington, Oregon, Montana, and Idaho the area of orchards and the production of apples have enormously increased during the past ten years, with the result that in 1914 the commercial output was 14,000 car-loads. With the great area of orchards not yet in bearing, that production will steadily increase in a similar ratio:

As a consequence of this increased production there was overproduction in 1914 and disastrous prices. Hundreds of car-loads of the surplus apples were shipped from these four States into Western Canada, upon which market British Columbia growers must mainly depend, at prices with which the latter cannot, without loss, compete:

On account of this condition of affairs, although, as the result of rapid expansion of the orchard areas, the apple production in the interior parts of British Columbia was larger and better in quality than ever before, prices have been seriously depressed and the effect upon the industry has been equally depressing:

And whereas, in view of such condition, it is highly desirable to point out to the Federal authorities that—

There is, in the existing circumstances of overproduction in the United States and unfair competition in the Canadian markets as a consequence, no prospect of betterment in the future:

Western Canada is the largest and best market for British Columbia and Ontario apples, and has been supplied from as far east as Nova Scotia:

The Coast cities of British Columbia have been to a large extent supplied with apples from the States of Washington and Oregon at prices which completely discourage home production:

British Columbia apples, as demonstrated by frequent awards in exhibition contests, are superior in quality to those of the Pacific Coast States:

British Columbia buys annually from the Prairie Provinces about \$12,000,000 worth of grain and other agricultural products, and the destruction of the fruit industry in British Columbia would be largely injurious to Middle West commercial interests. The fostering of interprovincial trade, being one of the prime objects of Confederation, is vitally important to Canadian development:

The wholesale fruit trade of the Pacific Coast States is highly organized as a combination of interests, and if the British Columbia industry were crippled the fruit markets of both British Columbia and the Middle West would be at their mercy:

Canada has within her own borders an annual apple production ample to meet all her demands, and with the remarkable increase of output provided for and interprovincial competition, at prices just to the consumer:

An increase in the protection afforded by the tariff to Canadian apple-growers would enable them to continue in an industry that is of immense consequence to the Dominion as shown by the value of annual apple production already reached:

No new economic departure is involved, as the readjustment of the tariff from time to time to meet the requirements of industrial development is the cardinal principle of Canadian fiscal policy:

The grape-growing industry of the Niagara Peninsula of Ontario formerly suffered from conditions similar to those which affect apple-growing in British Columbia at the present time and was eventually ruined. The Canadian Government of ten years ago imposed a protective duty of 2 cents per pound upon imported grapes, and grape-growing was restored to prosperity and consumers have never yet since complained as to prices paid as a consequence:

Therefore be it Resolved, That a humble petition be presented by the members of this Legislature assembled to the Government of the Dominion of Canada, praying that the tariff schedule respecting fruits may be so amended during the next session of Federal Parliament as to afford the increased protection necessary in the interests of the apple industry of the whole of Canada.

Mr. *Williams* moved in amendment, seconded by Mr. *Place*,—

That all the words after the word "That" in the first line be struck out, and the following inserted in lieu thereof:—

"whereas agriculture in British Columbia does not produce a return commensurate with the labour and self-denial involved, nor the capital invested:

"And whereas in many cases transportation charges on farm produce are unduly high:

"And whereas agricultural produce, notably United States surplus apples, are 'dumped' into the Western Canadian market:

"And whereas heavy import duties are charged on the raw material and machinery used in agriculture:

"And whereas the Railway Commission exists to secure equitable transportation rates:

"And whereas section 12 of chapter 49 of the 'Revised Statutes of Canada, 1906,' provides a means to prevent foreign surplus produce being sold at less than a fair valuation in the Canadian market:

"And whereas throughout the Canadian Customs Tariff, with the exception of the agricultural schedules, the principle obtains that raw material and the machinery used in the processes of production may be imported duty free:

"Therefore be it Resolved, That an humble Address be presented, through His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, to the Government of the Dominion of Canada, praying that—

"(a.) Such steps be taken as will secure to the farmers of British Columbia release from oppressive transportation charges;

"(b.) Rigid enforcement of the 'dumping' clauses of the Canadian Customs Tariff be made; and

"(c.) Such changes be made in the Canadian Customs Tariff as will give the producer of fruit, grain, and other foodstuffs the same advantageous position in the matter of free raw material and free machinery as is enjoyed by other interests producing commodities for sale."

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

YEAS—33.

Messieurs

<i>Shaw,</i>	<i>Manson, Wm.,</i>	<i>Ellison,</i>	<i>Young,</i>
<i>Watson,</i>	<i>Tisdall,</i>	<i>Cotton,</i>	<i>Taylor,</i>
<i>Fraser,</i>	<i>Callanan,</i>	<i>Thomson,</i>	<i>Macgowan,</i>
<i>McDonald,</i>	<i>Müller,</i>	<i>Schofield,</i>	<i>Gifford,</i>
<i>MacKenzie,</i>	<i>Jackson,</i>	<i>Hunter,</i>	<i>McGuire,</i>
<i>Manson, Michael,</i>	<i>Caven,</i>	<i>Manson, Wm. J.,</i>	<i>Mackay,</i>
<i>Lucas,</i>	<i>Pooley,</i>	<i>Campbell,</i>	<i>Davey,</i>
<i>MacLean,</i>	<i>McBride,</i>	<i>Foster, W. W.</i>	<i>Behnsen.</i>
<i>Forster, H. E.,</i>			

NAYS—2.

Messieurs

*Place,*

*Williams.*

Debate on main question resumed.

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

To strike out the words "petition be presented by the members of this Legislative Assembly to" in the first and second lines of the Resolution, and insert in lieu thereof the words "Address be presented to His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, requesting His Honour to urge upon," and by striking out the word "praying" in the second line of the Resolution.

Carried.

Resolution as amended carried.

Bill (No. 50) intituled "An Act respecting the City of New Westminster, British Columbia" was read a second time.

To be committed to-morrow.

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

F. S. BARNARD,

*Lieutenant-Governor.*

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

*Government House,*

*17th February, 1915.*

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

Resolution and Bill reported.

Bill introduced and read a first time.

Referred to the Municipal Committee.

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

And then the House adjourned at 4.55 p.m.

---

Thursday, 18th February, 1915.

---

TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by the Rev. *H. A. Collison*.

Pursuant to Order, the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole to consider the Resolution—"That a Supply be granted to His Majesty."

(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 on Tuesday, next, February 23rd, resolve itself into a Committee of Supply.

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. *Bowser*, Bill (No. 31) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Local Improvement Act'" was introduced, read a first time, and *Ordered* to be committed to-morrow.

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the second reading of Bill (No. 22) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Master and Servant Act.'"

Bill read a second time.

To be committed to-morrow.

Bill (No. 30) intituled "An Act for the Protection of Workmen engaged in Industrial Operations" was read a second time.

To be committed to-morrow.

Bill (No. 23) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Execution Act'" was committed.

Progress reported.

Committee to sit again to-morrow.

Bill (No. 18) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Creditors' Trust Deeds Act'" was committed.

Progress reported.

Committee to sit again to-morrow.

Mr. *H. E. Forster* asked the Hon. the Minister of Agriculture the following questions:—

1. What amount of money has been paid by the Government during the years 1912, 1913, and 1914 as compensation for cattle condemned under the tuberculin test?

2. What amount of money has been expended during the years 1912, 1913, and 1914 in Eastern Canada in purchasing cattle to be resold to the farmers of the Province to replace those slaughtered under the tuberculin test?

3. Through the agency of what Eastern buyer were these cattle purchased?

4. Does the Department of Agriculture know that a number of these cattle bought as sound in Eastern Canada reacted to the tuberculin test when such was applied in British Columbia by the Department's veterinarians?

5. What have been the salaries and expenses of the Veterinary Department as a whole during 1912, 1913, and 1914?

The Hon. *Price Ellison* replied as follows:—

" 1. Fiscal year ending March 31st, 1912 .....	\$10,903 50
Fiscal year ending March 31st, 1913 .....	8,746 50
Fiscal year ending March 31st, 1914 .....	25,075 50
Nine months, April 1st, 1914, to December 31st, 1914 .....	33,876 75

        Total .....

\$78,602 25

" 2. 1912, none; 1913, \$29,720.17; 1914, \$3,989.25.

" 3. D. C. Flatt, of Hamilton, Ontario, and James Boden, of Danville, Quebec.

" 4. Yes.

" 5. Fiscal year ending March 31st, 1912 .....	\$ 9,191 00
Fiscal year ending March 31st, 1913 .....	9,093 85
Fiscal year ending March 31st, 1914 .....	13,896 90
Nine months, April 1st, 1914, to December 31st, 1914 .....	12,650 98

        Total .....

\$44,832 73"

Bill (No. 20) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Civil Service Act'" was committed.  
Progress reported.

Committee to sit again to-morrow.

Bill (No. 19) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Pool-rooms Act'" was committed.  
Progress reported.

Committee to sit again to-morrow.

The following Bills were read a second time, and *Ordered* to be committed to-morrow:—

Bill (No. 17) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Health Act.'"

Bill (No. 24) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Land Registry Act.'"

Bill (No. 29) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Religious Institutions Act.'"

Bill (No. 28) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Statute of Limitations.'"

Bill (No. 26) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Plans Cancellation Act.'"

Bill (No. 27) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Line Fences Act.'"

Bill (No. 50) intituled "An Act respecting the City of New Westminster, British Columbia," was committed.

Reported complete without amendment.

Report to be considered at next sitting.

On the second reading of Bill (No. 12) intituled "An Act to modify the Provisions of the 'Forest Act' in relation to Special Timber Licences," a debate arose, which was adjourned until to-morrow.

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

1. What proportion, if any, of the Canadian Northern Pacific line between Patricia Bay and Victoria has been graded?

2. For what distance has steel been laid on this branch?

3. What is the estimated cost of completing this branch, including all sidings, station, and freight-sheds, telegraph-lines, etc.

4. What amount of money has the Canadian Northern Pacific Railway Company paid to contractors for all works on this line up to February 1st, 1915?

The Hon. *Thos. Taylor* replied as follows:—

" 1. 94 per cent.

" 2. None has been laid.

" 3. \$358,700.

" 4. Cash paid, \$127,628."



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

1. How many miles of line have been "opened up" on the Canadian Northern Pacific Railway's branch line between Victoria and Port Alberni?
2. How many miles of grading have been completed on this line?
3. How many miles of track, if any, have been laid on this line?
4. What amount of money, if any, will be required to complete the grading and bridging on the line already opened up?
5. What amount of money will be required to lay track and put line in condition to operate, so far as now graded?
6. What amount of money has the Canadian Northern Pacific Railway Company paid to contractors for construction purposes on the whole line between Victoria and Port Alberni, up to February 1st, 1915?

The Hon. *Thos. Taylor* replied as follows:—

- "1. 135.5.
- "2. 128.5 miles.
- "3. None.
- "4. \$889,624 is still required to complete grading and bridging.
- "5. \$1,346,563.
- "6. Cash paid, \$2,893,088."

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

And then the House adjourned at 4.20 p.m.

---

## Friday, 19th February, 1915.

---

TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by the Rev. *Robert Cameron*.

On the motion of Mr. *Place*, Bill (No. 36) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Coal-mines Regulation Act'" was introduced, read a first time, and *Ordered* to be read a second time at the next sitting.

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. *Bowser*, Bill (No. 32) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Special Surveys Act'" was introduced, read a first time, and *Ordered* to be read a second time at the next sitting.

On the motion of Mr. *Williams*, seconded by Mr. *Place*, it was *Resolved*,—

That an Order of the House be granted for a Return showing the complete answers of each Provincial Assessor to questions 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, and 13 on the returns they made during the year 1913 to the Royal Commission on Agriculture.

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

1. What amount of money does the Government intend to advance in connection with the bonds of the Dominion Trust Company?
2. What disposal is to be made of money advanced by Government?

The Hon. Sir *Richard McBride* replied as follows:—

- "1. \$250,000.
- "2. (a.) \$50,000 thereof is to be administered by the Minister of Finance and Agriculture, and applied for the relief of those persons to whom the security of the bond for \$50,000, deposited under the provisions of section 9 of chapter 89 of the Statutes of 1913, is found to be applicable:

"(b.) \$200,000 thereof is to be administered by the Minister of Finance and Agriculture, and applied for the relief of those persons to whom the security of the bond for \$200,000, deposited under the provisions of section 39 of the 'Trust Companies Act,' is found to be applicable."

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

1. Did the Dominion Trust Company forward to the Minister a report as required by section 4, "Trust Companies Regulation Act," on the 30th day of September and the 31st day of December, 1913?
2. Did the directors or committee of the Dominion Trust Company deposit with the Inspector a duplicate of the report in 1914 as required by section 55, "Trust Companies Act"?
3. If questions 1 and 2 are answered in the affirmative, where are these reports now?
4. Did the Inspector of Trust Companies make or cause any inspection to be made on behalf of the Government of the Dominion Trust Company's affairs in 1912, 1913, or 1914?
5. If so, what are the approximate dates of such inspections?

The Hon. Sir *Richard McBride* replied as follows:—

- "1. Yes.
- "2. No. This is not due under the 'Trust Companies Act' until April, 1915.
- "3. Reports referred to in question 1. In the office of the Inspector of Trust Companies.
- "4. Yes. In 1914.
- "5. Inspection began July 28th, and was being continued up to the time the Company closed its doors."

Bill (No. 24) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Land Registry Act'" was committed.  
Progress reported.  
Committee to sit again at next sitting.

Bill (No. 29) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Religious Institutions Act'" was committed.  
Progress reported.  
Committee to sit again at next sitting.

Bill (No. 28) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Statute of Limitations'" was committed.  
Progress reported.  
Committee to sit again at next sitting.

Bill (No. 26) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Plans Cancellation Act'" was committed.  
Progress reported.  
Committee to sit again at next sitting.

Bill (No. 27) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Line Fences Act'" was committed.  
Progress reported.  
Committee to sit again at next sitting.

Bill (No. 31) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Local Improvement Act'" was read a second time.  
To be committed at next sitting.

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the second reading of Bill (No. 12) intituled "An Act to modify the Provisions of the 'Forest Act' in relation to Special Timber Licences."  
Bill read a second time.  
To be committed at next sitting.

Bill (No. 30) intituled "An Act for the Protection of Workmen engaged in Industrial Operations" was committed.  
Progress reported.  
Committee to sit again at next sitting.

The Hon. Dr. *Young* presented a Return of all letters, correspondence, and other papers in any way dealing with the circumstances surrounding the death of C. R. Nutt, in June, 1914, while engaged on construction-work on the Canadian Northern Railway grade near Cowichan Lake.

Bill (No. 56) intituled "An Act to confer upon the Corporation of the District of Saanich certain Powers, and to validate certain By-laws" was read a second time.

To be committed at next sitting.

The Hon. Mr. *Bowser* presented a Return of all papers, including accounts, statements, vouchers, cancelled cheque or cheques, and all other papers connected with the payment of a sum of money to Eberts & Taylor, as shown on page 132 of Public Accounts for fiscal year ending March 31st, 1914, Vote No. 82.

*Resolved*, That the House, at its rising, do stand adjourned until two o'clock on Monday next.

And then the House adjourned at 5.15 p.m.

---

## Monday, 22nd February, 1915.

---

TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by the Rev. *Joseph McCoy*.

Mr. *Pooley* presented the Seventh Report from the Private Bills Committee, as follows:—

### REPORT No. 7.

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE ROOM,

February 22nd, 1915.

MR. SPEAKER:

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

That the time limit be extended for receiving petitions from February 22nd to March 1st, 1915; for presenting petitions to the House from February 22nd to March 1st, 1915; and for presenting reports to the House on Private Bills from February 25th to March 1st, 1915.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

R. H. POOLEY, *Chairman*.

The report was received.

The Standing Rules were suspended, and the report adopted.

Mr. *Pooley* presented the Eighth Report from the Private Bills Committee, as follows:—

### REPORT No. 8.

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE ROOM,

February 22nd, 1915.

MR. SPEAKER:

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

The preamble of Bill (No. 55) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Vancouver Incorporation Act, 1900,'" has been proved, and the Bill ordered to be reported to the House with amendments.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

R. H. POOLEY, *Chairman*.

The report was received.

Mr. *H. E. Forster* asked the Hon. the Minister of Agriculture the following questions:—

1. Were any cattle condemned for bovine tuberculosis by Provincial veterinarians during the years 1912, 1913, and 1914, and were any of such cattle sent to Swift Canadian Company's abattoir at Eburne?
2. Was anything, and how much, paid for said cattle by Swift Canadian Company?
3. How many animals were destroyed in their fertilizer-tank?
4. How much was paid for the hides from the same?
5. How much was paid for the by-products from the same?
6. Were any of the carcasses of these animals hung up in their cold-storage room to be used for food for the residents of Vancouver and other places?
7. How much per head or per pound was paid by them for these carcasses which were for human consumption?
8. What was the average wholesale market price, per head or per pound, for beef at the time these carcasses were bought by them?
9. Were a number of the animals so slaughtered valuable dairy stock and in some cases registered as pure-bred?
10. Have the Provincial Government of British Columbia a laboratory?
11. Have the Provincial Department of Agriculture a bacteriologist in their employ?
12. If so, does he pass on all the tuberculin used in the compulsory testing of cattle?
13. To what extent does the Government guarantee the tuberculin used by their officials in the compulsory testing of cattle?
14. To what extent does the Government insure against loss from the use of inert or faulty tuberculin?
15. To what extent does the Government insure the results of the tests made with tuberculin?
16. To what extent does the Government insure the farmers against loss incurred through the inefficiency of their officials in diagnosing their cases after the injection of tuberculin?
17. Where was the tuberculin used by the Department in 1912, 1913, and 1914 produced?
18. Under the supervision of what bacteriologist was this tuberculin produced?
19. Who is entrusted as Chief Veterinarian with the efficient carrying-out of the compulsory tuberculin test in British Columbia?
20. Were part of this official's time and energies devoted to his own farm?
21. Does said official develop two breeds of registered cattle and pure-bred hogs?

The Hon. *Price Ellison* replied as follows:—

- "1 to 9. It will require some time to secure the information asked for in these questions.  
 "10. Yes.  
 "11. No.  
 "12. Answered by No. 11.  
 "13. Only reliable tuberculin is used.  
 "14. Government does not use inert or faulty tuberculin.  
 "15. Every reasonable precaution is used.  
 "16. Only competent officials are employed to make the tuberculin test.  
 "17. In Germany and in the United States.  
 "18. Names are not on file in our offices.  
 "19. Dr. A. Knight.  
 "20. He puts in full time in carrying out his official duties.  
 "21. He has representatives of two breeds of cattle and of one breed of hogs on his farm."

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. *Bowser*, Bill (No. 37) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Sandon Receivership Act'" was introduced, read a first time, and *Ordered* to be read a second time to-morrow.

The Hon. Dr. *Young* presented the Eighteenth Annual Report of the Department of Public Health for the year ending 31st December, 1914.

Bill (No. 31) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Local Improvement Act'" was committed. Progress reported.

Committee to sit again to-morrow.

Bill (No. 12) intituled "An Act to modify the Provisions of the 'Forest Act' in relation to Special Timber Licences" was committed.

Progress reported.

Committee to sit again to-morrow.

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

F. S. BARNARD,

*Lieutenant-Governor.*

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

*Government House,*

*20th February, 1915.*

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

Resolution and Bill reported.

Bill introduced and read a first time.

Second reading to-morrow.

Bill (No. 22) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Master and Servant Act'" was committed.

Progress reported.

Committee to sit again to-morrow.

Bill (No. 32) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Special Surveys Act'" was read a second time, and *Ordered* to be committed to-morrow.

On the second reading of Bill (No. 36) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Coal-mines Regulation Act'" a debate arose, which was adjourned to the next sitting of the House.

The Report on Bill (No. 50) intituled "An Act respecting the City of New Westminster, British Columbia," was adopted.

Third reading to-morrow.

Bill (No. 56) intituled "An Act to confer upon the Corporation of the District of Saanich certain Powers, and to validate certain By-laws" was committed.

Reported with amendments.

Report to be considered to-morrow.

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

F. S. BARNARD,

*Lieutenant-Governor.*

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

*Government House,*

*20th February, 1915.*

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

Resolution and Bill reported.

Bill introduced and read a first time.

Second reading to-morrow.

Mr. H. E. Forster asked the Hon. the Premier the following questions:—

1. What charges, if any, were made by Mr. Basil Gardom against the Department of Agriculture or officials thereof respecting the conduct of the tuberculin test on cattle?
2. Have the Executive Council, since September 28th, 1914, been considering such charges?
3. Was Mr. Basil Gardom requested to procure evidence to substantiate these charges?
4. Was evidence produced to prove that provisions of the "Contagious Diseases (Animals) Act," chapter 46, relating to the regular inspection of byres and cattle, had been neglected?
5. Was evidence produced to prove that the Department of Agriculture or its officials had been guilty of negligence and failed to ascertain the condition of cattle entering the Province and public exhibitions, thereby exposing the British Columbia cattle to infection?
6. Was an illegal quarantine notice served on Mr. Gardom in the street in Vancouver just before the Vancouver exhibition?
7. Did officials of the Department of Agriculture make false statements to the Government in order to justify such quarantine notice?
8. Have the Executive Council found that Mr. Basil Gardom has suffered loss\* by reason of the actions of unreliable officials and from the policy of the Department of Agriculture in exceeding powers given by the Act?
9. Was, or is, the Government aware that Mr. Gardom purchased a young bull for \$575 at the Colony Farm auction sale, October, 1913?
10. Was a charge made that Doctors Knight and Allen conducted a fake test on this bull?
11. If so, did the Government investigate the charge?
12. What is the result of this investigation?
13. Was it proven that this young bull's famous father and mother (former three-year-old champion for production of Canada) were condemned as reactors two years ago by Dr. Alton, and are alive to-day?
14. Is the Government aware that the cow, "Wademantje Canary," since made a record of 33 lb. of butter in a week?
15. Is the Government aware that there are a number of cattle that have reacted to the tuberculin test on the Government Farm at Coquitlam at the present time?
16. Have the Executive Council received evidence of milk having been shipped into Vancouver from cows which they knew had reacted to the tuberculin test, and this with the knowledge and consent of the Department of Agriculture?
17. Have the Executive Council been informed that cattle condemned for bovine tuberculosis were slaughtered in British Columbia and sold for food, in some cases without inspection, and at one-third of the price to the wholesaler of what can be, and has been, obtained in the open market?
18. Has the Hon. the Premier discovered from evidence recently submitted that it has been the practice of the Department of Agriculture to act in accordance with provisions of "Contagious Diseases (Animals) Act," chapter 46, and in particular to serve quarantine notices on owners of all cattle that have reacted to the tuberculin test and which were not slaughtered?
19. Have the Executive Council information that tuberculous cattle have been running at large on the highways and on farms away from home, and that such cattle have never been quarantined by the Department?
20. Did the Executive Council instruct the Minister of Agriculture, on or before the 9th February, 1915, to make known to Mr. Gardom their decision with reference to his claim in respect to the tuberculin test?
21. If so, had Dr. Ransom previously been appointed by the Government to investigate Mr. Gardom's claim and recommended that Mr. Gardom be paid the sum of \$2,260?

22. Did the Hon. the Premier on Friday, February 5th, 1915, inform William J. Manson that the amount of \$2,260 would be paid?

23. Did the Hon. the Premier on 9th February, 1915, inform Mr. Gardom that the Minister of Agriculture would bring the matter to a close?

24. Did the Hon. the Premier advise Mr. Gardom on 12th February, 1915, that the settlement of his differences with the Department of Agriculture rested in the hands of the Minister of Agriculture?

25. If the answers to the above questions are to the effect that Mr. Gardom was informed by the Hon. the Premier he would be paid \$2,260, and on the 12th February, 1915, that the settlement of his differences rested with the Department of Agriculture, was the Hon. the Premier aware that the Minister of Agriculture wrote Mr. Gardom on the 9th February, 1915, that the Executive had already decided upon his decision?

26. What steps have the Government taken to investigate information they received last autumn concerning fraudulent disposal of beef from cattle condemned for tuberculosis?

27. What steps have the Government taken to investigate the alleged fraudulent sale of Government ear-tags which would denote the animals carrying them had passed the tuberculin test?

The Hon. Sir *Richard McBride* replied as follows:—

"1. That the conduct of the Inspectors was not in conformity with the provisions of the 'Contagious Diseases (Animals) Act'; and, generally, the work undertaken by the Department towards the eradication of bovine tuberculosis in various parts of the Province was not efficiently carried out.

"2. Yes.

"3. Yes.

"4. Investigation showed that the work was being carried out as thoroughly as was possible with the number of veterinarians employed by the Department.

"5. No. It is the duty of the Dominion Department of Agriculture, and not that of the Provincial Department of Agriculture, to regulate the shipments of cattle from outside the Province for exhibition purposes.

"6. Not to my knowledge.

"7. Not to my knowledge.

"8. As a result of several inquiries made by the Executive Council, it was decided to submit the case to Dr. Ransom for special investigation.

"9. Yes.

"10. Yes.

"11. Yes.

"12. The charge was not substantiated.

"13. They reacted to a test formerly used by the Department, but which has since been replaced.

"14. Yes.

"15. Yes; they are now in quarantine.

"16. No evidence that this has occurred with the knowledge and consent of the Department of Agriculture.

"17. Yes; but investigation has so far failed to reveal any definite evidence that carcasses were sold without having satisfactorily passed inspection.

"18. All Veterinary Inspectors are instructed to quarantine all reactors which are not destroyed. In the case of Basil Gardom's herd, the Inspector failed to serve a quarantine notice at the conclusion of the test. Quarantine notice was served later.

"19. Conflicting evidence has been submitted in regard to cattle owned by St. Mary's Mission, Mission City. These cattle, however, were placed under quarantine at the time of inspection.

"20. Instruction was given to the Minister at or about 4 p.m. on February 9th.

"21. As a result of an inquiry made by the Executive Council, Dr. Ransom was appointed to investigate in Gardom's case, and submitted the following: Owing to an unnecessary delay in making a retest after cattle were quarantined, Mr. Gardom was entitled to compensation amounting to \$2,260.

"22. On the personal application of Mr. Gardom, endorsed by Mr. W. J. Manson, the Premier looked into the findings of Dr. Ransom, and informed Mr. Manson that he would recommend a

settlement accordingly. The Minister of Agriculture was absent at the time, but on his return the Minister of Agriculture was requested to bring the case before the Government for final settlement.

"23. The Premier had very many conversations with Mr. Gardom, and it is quite probable that he so informed him.

"24. This is quite probable.

"25. On the final presentation of Dr. Ransom's report, the Minister of Agriculture recommended that Mr. Gardom be paid the sum fixed by Dr. Ransom, but that the payment be made on the condition that should a further test of these cattle disclose them to be in a tubercular condition, credit for this amount be given the Government when arranging compensation for any animals destroyed.

"26. No definite proof has been furnished the Department, but investigations have already been made, and are still being conducted.

"27. The Government has been unable to secure any evidence of such fraudulent sale of ear-tags."

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

And then the House adjourned at 4.40 p.m.

---

## Tuesday, 23rd February, 1915.

---

TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by the Rev. J. G. Inkster.

Mr. Pooley presented the Ninth Report from the Private Bills Committee, as follows:—

REPORT No. 9.

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE ROOM,

February 23rd, 1915.

MR. SPEAKER:

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

The preamble of the undermentioned Bill has been proved, and the Bill ordered to be reported with amendments:—

Bill (No. 51) intituled "An Act to validate certain Municipal By-laws of the Corporation of the District of West Vancouver."

All of which is respectfully submitted.

R. H. POOLEY, *Chairman*.

The report was received.

Mr. Wm. Manson presented the First Report from the Municipal Committee, as follows:—

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE ROOM,

February 23rd, 1915.

MR. SPEAKER:

Your Select Standing Committee on Municipal Matters beg leave to report as follows:—

That Bill (No. 21) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Municipal Elections Act'" has been considered.

The Bill is now reported with amendments for the favourable consideration of the House.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

WM. MANSON, *Chairman*.

The report was received.



The following Bills were introduced, read a first time, and *Ordered* to be read a second time to-morrow:—

By the Hon. Mr. *Bowser*—Bill (No. 38) intituled “An Act to amend the ‘Small Debts Court Act.’”

By Mr. *Williams*—Bill (No. 41) intituled “An Act to amend the ‘Highway Act.’”

By Mr. *Fraser*—Bill (No. 40) intituled “An Act to amend the ‘Pound District Act.’”

On the motion of Mr. *Williams*, seconded by Mr. *Place*, it was *Resolved*,—

That an Order of the House be granted for a Return showing the total sums due, including interest, to the Treasury, to December 31st, 1914, from the following sources, showing each item separately:—

- (a.) The sale of townsite lots.
- (b.) The sale of agricultural land.
- (c.) The sale of other land.
- (d.) Timber licences.
- (e.) Timber leases.
- (f.) Pulp leases.
- (g.) The purchase of coal and petroleum lands.
- (h.) The lease of coal and petroleum lands.
- (i.) The lease of range or grazing lands.
- (j.) The rental or leases of foreshore, sea, or other water areas.
- (k.) Timber royalty.

Bill (No. 16) intituled “An Act to enable the Lieutenant-Governor in Council to grant Relief from Penalties and Forfeitures in relation to Moneys payable to the Crown, and in relation to other Similar Matters” was read a second time, and *Ordered* to be committed to-morrow.

Bill (No. 32) intituled “An Act to amend the ‘Special Surveys Act’” was committed.  
Progress reported.  
Committee to sit again to-morrow.

Bill (No. 35) intituled “An Act to amend the ‘Marriage Act’” was read a second time.  
To be committed to-morrow.

Bill (No. 22) intituled “An Act to amend the ‘Master and Servant Act’” was again committed.  
Progress reported.  
Committee to sit again to-morrow.

Bill (No. 50) intituled “An Act respecting the City of New Westminster, British Columbia” was read a third time and passed.

The report on Bill (No. 56) intituled “An Act to confer upon the Corporation of the District of Saanich certain Powers, and to validate certain By-laws” was adopted.  
Third reading to-morrow.

Bill (No. 57) intituled “An Act to incorporate the Anglican Theological College of British Columbia” was read a second time, and *Ordered* to be committed to-morrow.

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

And then the House adjourned at 4.50 p.m.

---

Wednesday, 24th February, 1915.

---

Two o'clock P.M.

Prayers by the Rev. F. H. Graham.

Mr. Place asked the Hon. the Premier the following question:—

Is it the intention of the Government to introduce legislation this Session as requested by the merchants' employees?

The Hon. Sir Richard McBride replied as follows:—

"The matter is receiving the attention of the Government, and a statement will be made later."

Bill (No. 56) intituled "An Act to confer upon the Corporation of the District of Saanich certain Powers, and to validate certain By-laws" was read a third time and passed.

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

F. S. BARNARD,

*Lieutenant-Governor.*

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

*Government House,*

*24th February, 1915.*

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

Resolution and Bill reported.

Bill introduced and read a first time.

Second reading to-morrow.

Bill (No. 57) intituled "An Act to incorporate the Anglican Theological College of British Columbia" was committed.

Reported without amendment.

Report to be considered to-morrow.

Bill (No. 51) intituled "An Act to validate certain Municipal By-laws of the Corporation of the District of West Vancouver" was read a second time.

To be committed to-morrow.

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

And then the House adjourned at 4.45 p.m.

---

Thursday, 25th February, 1915.

TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by the Rev. *Herbert T. Archbold*.

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

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

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

*Government House,*  
*25th February, 1915.*

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

Resolution and Bill reported.  
Bill introduced and read a first time.  
Second reading to-morrow.

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

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

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

*Government House,*  
*25th February, 1915.*

*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. 44) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Coal and Petroleum Act,'" a draft of which is annexed to this Resolution.

Resolution and Bill reported.  
Bill introduced and read a first time.  
Second reading to-morrow.

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

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

The Lieutenant-Governor transmits herewith a Bill intituled "An Act respecting Noxious Weeds," and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

*Government House,*  
*25th February, 1915.*

*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. 42) intituled "An Act respecting Noxious Weeds," a draft of which is annexed to this Resolution.

Resolution and Bill reported.

Bill introduced and read a first time.

Second reading to-morrow.

On the motion of the Hon. Sir *Richard McBride*, seconded by the Hon. Mr. *Bowser*, it was *Resolved*,—

That on Thursday, February 25th, and on all following days to the close of the Session, there shall be two distinct sittings in each day, one from 2 p.m. to 6 p.m., and the other from 8 p.m. until adjournment, unless otherwise ordered.

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

1. In the matter of reply to question 22, page 5, Votes and Proceedings, February 22nd: Is the endorsement of the local representative a factor of assistance to persons desiring consideration or redress from the Government?

2. If so, is this also true of similar matters arising in an Opposition district?

The Hon. Sir *Richard McBride* replied as follows:—

"No."

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

Progress reported.

Committee to sit again at next sitting.

Bill (No. 30) intituled "An Act for the Protection of Workmen engaged in Industrial Operations" was again committed.

Progress reported.

Committee to sit again to-morrow.

The following Bills were read a second time, and *Ordered* to be committed to-morrow:—

Bill (No. 40) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Pound District Act.'"

Bill (No. 38) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Small Debts Court Act.'"

The Report on Bill (No. 57) intituled "An Act to incorporate the Anglican Theological College of British Columbia" was adopted.

Third reading to-morrow.

The second reading of Bill (No. 41) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Highway Act'" was negatived on the following division:—

YEAS—2.

Messieurs

*Place,*

*Williams.*

NAYS—27.

Messieurs

*Shaw,*  
*Watson,*  
*Fraser,*  
*McDonald,*  
*MacKenzie,*  
*Lucas,*  
*MacLean,*

*Manson, Wm.,*  
*Tisdall,*  
*Callanan,*  
*Miller,*  
*Jackson,*  
*Pooley,*  
*Ellison,*

*Cotton*  
*Schofield,*  
*Hunter,*  
*Manson, Wm. J.,*  
*Campbell,*  
*Foster, W. W.,*  
*Taylor,*

*Ross,*  
*Macgowan,*  
*Gifford,*  
*McGuire,*  
*Davey,*  
*Behnsen.*

Bill (No. 51) intituled "An Act to validate certain Municipal By-laws of the Corporation of the District of West Vancouver" was committed.

Reported complete with amendment.

Report to be considered to-morrow.

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

And then the House adjourned at 5.05 p.m.

---

## Friday, 26th February, 1915.

---

TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by the Rev. J. M. Comyn Chine.

Mr. Pooley presented the Tenth Report from the Private Bills Committee, as follows:—

### REPORT No. 10.

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE ROOM,

February 26th, 1915.

MR. SPEAKER:

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

The preamble of the undermentioned Bill has been proved, and the Bill ordered to be reported with amendments:—

Bill (No. 52) intituled "An Act legalizing the Payment by the City of North Vancouver of certain Moneys, and annexing District Lot 272 and the Foreshore in Front of said District Lot."

All of which is respectfully submitted.

R. H. POOLEY, *Chairman*.

The report was received.

The following Bills were introduced by the Hon. Mr. Bowser, read a first time, and *Ordered* to be read a second time to-morrow:—

Bill (No. 48) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Bills of Sale Act.'"

Bill (No. 49) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Drainage and Dyking Act.'"

On the motion of Mr. Hayward, seconded by Mr. Pooley, it was *Resolved*,—

That an humble Address be presented to His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, praying His Honour to urge upon the Dominion Government the pressing necessity and urgency for an amendment to the "Inspection and Sale Act," whereby eggs coming from China or other foreign lands shall be legibly marked when exposed for sale, stating and showing the country or place from whence they came.

Mr. H. E. Forster asked the Hon. the Minister of Agriculture the following questions:—

1. What was the purchase price in Ontario by the Colony Farm for the following Holstein-Friesian cows:—

- (1.) "Aaggie Posch De Kol," Herd Book No. 13915.
- (2.) "Roxy of Elmwood," Herd Book No. 8019.
- (3.) "Rose de Kol Fayne," Herd Book No. 14892.
- (4.) "Meta Clothild P.," Herd Book No. 54330.

2. What was charged against these animals as their proportion of cost in procuring them and for care and transportation to Government Farm at Essondale, B.C.?

3. Was there a shipment of Holstein-Friesian cattle made from the Government Farm at Essondale on or about June 15th, 1912?

4. Were any or all of the below-mentioned cattle shipped from the Colony Farm from Essondale on or about June 15th, 1912?

- (1.) "Aaggie Posch De Kol," No. 13915, Holstein-Friesian Herd Book.
- (2.) "Roxy of Elmwood," No. 8019.
- (3.) "Rose de Kol Fayne," No. 14892.
- (4.) "Colony Roel Luella," No. 29694.
- (5.) "Colony Oxford Hengerveld," No. 21214.
- (6.) "Colony Julep de Kol Ormsby 1st," No. 21298.
- (7.) "Colony Julep de Kol Ormsby," No. 21209.
- (8.) "Homestead Countess," No. 16847.
- (9.) "Colony Duchess Galantha," No. 20612.
- (10.) "Colony Celia Fayne," No. 20606.
- (11.) "Colony Sir Galantha Fayne," No. 14836.
- (12.) "Aaggie Cornucopia Sana," No. 12008.

5. Were these Holstein-Friesian cattle purchased privately or at public auction from the Government Farm at Essondale?

6. Who valued and set a price on the cattle to the purchaser?

7. What was the valuation of each animal?

8. What was the total valuation set on this shipment of Holstein-Friesian cattle?

9. What cash payment was made on these animals?

10. What other settlement was made for these animals?

11. Who purchased these animals?

12. At what price was the Holstein cow "Meta Clothild P.," No. 54330, sold for by the Government Farm?

13. Was she shipped from Essondale on or about August 13th, 1912?

14. Was she sold privately or at public auction?

15. At what price was she valued?

16. At what price was she sold?

17. Who purchased her?

18. What cash payment was made on this cow?

19. What other settlement was made for this cow?

20. Were some mares and a Clydesdale stallion shipped from the Colony Farm, Essondale, on or about June 15th, 1912?

21. Were they sold privately or at public auction?

22. Who valued these horses?

23. At what price were they sold?

24. Who purchased these horses?

25. What cash payment was made on these horses?

26. What other settlement was made for these horses?

27. What amount of cash has been received by the Treasury to the present date on these Holstein-Friesian cattle and horses above referred to as shipments which left Essondale, B.C., on June 15th and August 13th, 1912, and when paid?

28. To what place were these shipments made?

29. To whom were these shipments made?

The Hon. *Price Ellison* replied as follows:—

"1. 'Axie Posch de Kol,' No. 13015 .....	\$275 00
"'Roxy of Elmwood,' No. 8019 .....	225 00
"'Rose de Kol Fayne,' No. 14892 .....	130 00
"'Meta Clothilde P.,' No. 54330 .....	400 00

"2. 25 per cent. on purchase price allowed for delivery on 'Axie Posch de Kol,' or \$68.75; also 25 per cent. on 'Roxy of Elmwood,' \$56.25; 20 per cent. on cash allowed on 'Rose de Kol Fayne' for delivery, or \$26; while 'Meta Clothilde P.' cost, freight \$20 from Chemainus, Washington, U.S.A.

"3. Yes.

"4. Yes.

" 5. Private sale.	
" 6. Medical Superintendent and Chief Herdsman.	
" 7. 'Roxie of Elmwood' .....	\$ 75 00
'Homestead Countess' .....	75 00
'Axie Posch de Kol' .....	25 00
'Rose de Kol Fayne' .....	25 00
'Aggie Cornucopia Sena' .....	25 00
'Colony Roil Luella' (calf) .....	25 00
'Colony Celia Fayne' (calf) .....	25 00
'Colony Oxford Hengerveld' .....	50 00
'Colony Duchess Colanthe' .....	50 00
'Colony Julip de Kol Ormsby 1st' .....	50 00
'Colony Julip de Kol Ormsby 2nd' .....	50 00
'Colony Sir Colantha Fayne' .....	50 00
	\$475 00

" Further to question 7, would say that 'Roxie of Elmwood,' 'Axie Posch de Kol,' and 'Rose de Kol Fayne' were culls, and animals which turned out not as represented at the time of the purchase by Colony Farm; as is sometimes the case, they were useless to the herd.

" 8. Valuation, \$475.

" 9. No cash payments; terms same at sale November 12th, 1912.

" 10. Settlement, twelve months' lien note in full.

" 11. Purchaser, the Hon. Price Ellison, Vernon, B.C.

" 12. 'Meta Clothilda P.' sold for \$75. She was an old cow in her thirteenth year, which was purchased at a good price, simply to get her calf, which at the time of the transaction was born and weaned, and which was considered worth more than the original price of the mother; she being unlikely to raise another calf, it was considered well to dispose of her.

" 13. Yes.

" 14. Private sale.

" 15. Cull; no value to herd; bought to get calf.

" 16. Sold for \$75.

" 17. Purchased by the Hon. Price Ellison, Vernon, B.C.

" 18. No.

" 19. Included in twelve months' lien note, same as terms in November 12th, 1912, auction sale.

" 20. Yes.

" 21. Sold at private sale.

" 22. Medical Superintendent and Head Horseman.

" 23. \$900 for Clyde team; \$150 for disabled grade Percheron.

" 24. Sold to the Hon. Price Ellison, Vernon, B.C.

" 25. No cash payment.

" 26. Included in twelve months' lien note, same as terms in November 12th, 1912, auction sale.

" 27. Twelve months' lien note for \$2,750, including \$1,950 for all the above stock purchases of June 15th and August 13th, 1912, discounted to credit of Colony Farm Stock Account in the Canadian Bank of Commerce at New Westminster, B.C., and paid out on July 21st by cheque for half-yearly lease on rental of the Sunbury Branch Farm.

" 28. Vernon, B.C.

" 29. Hon. Price Ellison's ranch."

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

1. In the matter of special police—D. Thomas, R. B. Boyle, J. P. Miller, H. Halstead, P. Cowley, A. Haydock, and J. Russell—page 112 of Public Accounts: At what dates were these men placed to work in the Creston locality?

2. Was there any special occasion for their appointment?

3. Are these men residents of Ymir District?

4. If not, where are these men resident?

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

“All these men were employed as special constables during 1913-14 in connection with the coal-miners' strike at Cumberland. It is purely a clerical error that these men are stated in the Public Accounts as having been employed at Creston. It should have been Cumberland.

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

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

The Lieutenant-Governor transmits herewith—

Estimates of sums required for the service of the Province for the fiscal year ending 31st March, 1916;

Supplementary Estimates of Expenditure for the financial year ending 31st March, 1915; and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

*Government House,*  
26th February, 1915.

*Ordered,* That the said Message, and the Estimates accompanying the same, be referred to the Committee of Supply.

Bill (No. 16) intituled “An Act to enable the Lieutenant-Governor in Council to grant Relief from Penalties and Forfeitures in relation to Moneys payable to the Crown, and in relation to other Similar Matters” was committed.

Progress reported.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 38) intituled “An Act to amend the ‘Small Debts Court Act’” was committed.

Progress reported.

Committee to sit again at next sitting.

Bill (No. 42) intituled “An Act respecting Noxious Weeds” was read a second time. To be committed at next sitting.

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

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

The Lieutenant-Governor transmits herewith a Bill intituled “An Act to amend the ‘Vancouver and Districts Joint Sewerage and Drainage Act,’” and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

*Government House,*  
26th February, 1915.

*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. 59) intituled “An Act to amend the ‘Vancouver and Districts Joint Sewerage and Drainage Act,’” a draft of which is annexed to this Resolution.

Resolution and Bill reported.

Bill introduced and read a first time.

Second reading at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 57) intituled “An Act to incorporate the Anglican Theological College of British Columbia” was read a third time and passed.



---

The Report on Bill (No. 51) intituled "An Act to validate certain Municipal By-laws of the Corporation of the District of West Vancouver" was adopted.

Third reading at next sitting.

Bill (No. 55) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Vancouver Incorporation Act, 1900,'" was read a second time.

To be committed at next sitting.

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

Progress reported.

Committee to sit again at next sitting.

The following papers were presented by the Hon. the Minister of Lands:—

Report of the Minister of Lands for the year ending 31st December, 1914.

Report of the Water Rights Branch for the year ending 31st December, 1914.

Report of the Forest Branch for the year ending 31st December, 1914.

Bill (No. 40) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Pound District Act'" was committed.

Reported complete without amendment.

Report to be considered at next sitting.

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

And then the House adjourned at 4.45 p.m.

---

## Friday, 26th February, 1915.

---

HALF-PAST EIGHT O'CLOCK P.M.

The House proceeded to the Orders of the Day.

The Hon. *Price Ellison* moved, seconded by the Hon. Sir *Richard McBride*, "That Mr. Speaker do leave the Chair."

A debate arose, which was, on the motion of Mr. *Williams*, adjourned until Monday next.

Bill (No. 42) intituled "An Act respecting Noxious Weeds" was committed.

Progress reported.

Committee to sit again at next sitting.

Bill (No. 51) intituled "An Act to validate certain Municipal By-laws of the Corporation of the District of West Vancouver" was read a third time and passed.

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

Progress reported.

Committee to sit again at next sitting.

*Resolved*, That the House, at its rising, do stand adjourned until two o'clock on Monday next.

And then the House adjourned at 11 p.m.