

JOURNALS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY

OF THE PROVINCE OF
BRITISH COLUMBIA.

SESSION 1911.

Thursday, 12th January, 1911.

THREE O'CLOCK P. M.

This being the first day of the second meeting of the Twelfth Parliament or Legislative Assembly of the Province of British Columbia, for the despatch of business, pursuant to a Proclamation of His Honour the Honourable THOMAS WILSON PATERSON, Lieutenant-Governor of the Province, dated the 18th day of October, 1910.

His Honour the Honourable THOMAS WILSON PATERSON, Lieutenant-Governor of the Province, having entered the House, took his seat on the Throne, and was pleased to deliver the following gracious Speech :—

Mr. Speaker and Gentlemen of the Legislative Assembly :

The pleasure which I feel in meeting you to-day is tempered by a sense of the heavy loss which the British Empire and the civilized world sustained in the death of King Edward. He won the love of his people and the respect of the world in his life, and in death an imperishable fame.

His son, King George the Fifth, trained for the duties of his illustrious destiny, inspires his subjects with a sense of security and unshaken confidence in the permanence of British institutions under his wise ministration.

In response to an official invitation, it is intended that this Province will be represented at the Coronation of His Majesty next June.

I deem it fitting to pay tribute to the memory of Robert Garnett Tatlow, whose lamentable death is so generally regretted. Mr. Tatlow administered the portfolio of Finance and Agriculture for several years with marked ability.

I am pleased to inform you that negotiations for the settlement of the Songhees Reserve question are now in progress. It is expected that an early and satisfactory adjustment of this long-standing matter will be arrived at.

Questions of jurisdiction between the Province and the Dominion, relating to fisheries, have been settled upon by the two Governments and are now before the Supreme Court of Canada.

The abundant harvest of the past season is a most gratifying feature of a prosperous year. I congratulate the fruit-growers on the splendid successes secured in Central and Eastern Canada and Great Britain, where British Columbia fruit won the highest awards for excellence over all competitors.

There has also been a marked improvement in the mining industry, the value of the year's output being the largest on record. The opening of new coal-mines and the increasing output of our collieries call for the application of every possible safeguard for the miners. You are, therefore, requested to give earnest consideration to a Bill amending and extending the provisions of the "Coal-mines Regulation Act," which will be laid before you.

The financial statement which will be presented to you will, I am pleased to say, show a considerable expansion in the revenue.

As a result of the legislation passed at last Session, work is now in progress on the Canadian Northern Pacific and the Kettle River Valley Railways. Other extensive railway construction is also under way.

In addition to these railways, it is pleasing to note another indication of the great increase which is taking place in the trade of the Province in the numerous additions to the merchant marine.

In the interests of the public, you will be asked to provide for a Department of Railways; this will necessitate an amendment to the "Constitution Act," creating the Department.

In order to provide a more expeditious method by which railway companies will be enabled to secure incorporation without special legislation, a Bill consolidating the existing Railway Acts, and containing provisions for facilitating the incorporation of railway companies, will be placed before you.

A Bill will be submitted for your consideration for the regulation of trust companies.

With a view to the protection of the health and comfort of the workmen, you will be asked to consider a Bill for the inspection of logging camps and railroad construction camps.

Owing to the large increase of population and the opening of new settlements, it will be necessary to provide an adequate grant for the construction and maintenance of Public Works.

The report of the University Site Commission will be laid before you. Measures to confirm the finding of the Commission, as well as to extend the time for choosing the lands set apart for the endowment of the University of British Columbia, will be introduced.

The report of the Forestry Commission, which will be presented to you, contains a mass of valuable information relating to the conservation of our timber, and suggestions as to the best methods of dealing with this great national asset. You will have opportunity to consider the report during the recess, in order to be prepared to pass upon a Bill which will be prepared for your consideration at the next Session of this House.

The report of the Commission on Insurance will be brought down, together with a comprehensive Bill dealing with this important subject.

The Commission appointed under authority of the Act passed by you in the year 1909 has prepared a revision of the Statutes of British Columbia. The result of their labours will be laid before you for your approval.

A reserve of upwards of 231,000 acres of Crown lands on Vancouver Island has been set apart for a public park, to be known as Strathcona Park, in honour of the Right Honourable Lord Strathcona and Mount Royal, who, at the request of my Government, has consented to have his name so associated. The report of the Chief Commissioner of Lands, who has made a personal examination of the property selected, will be presented.

My Government has completed the acquisition of all the land comprised in the Parliament Buildings Square. You will be asked to approve an appropriation for an enlargement of the present buildings to meet the growing requirements of the Civil Service, as well as to provide for additional accommodation for the Legislature.

The Public Accounts for the past fiscal year will be laid before you early in the Session.

The Estimates of Expenditure for the coming year, based upon the growing requirements of the Province with due regard to economy, will be submitted for your approval.

Gentlemen, in committing to you these items of business, fraught with the future welfare of the Province, I feel assured that you will devote the greatest care to their consideration.

His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor was then pleased to retire.

Prayers by the Lord Bishop of Columbia.

Mr. Speaker reported that, to prevent mistakes, he had obtained a copy of His Honour's Speech.

The Election Returns of the Hon. *W. R. Ross* to represent Fernie Electoral District, and *Alexander Lucas*, to represent Yale Electoral District, were read and *Ordered* to be placed on the Journals of the House.

“PROVINCIAL SECRETARY'S OFFICE,
“VICTORIA, 28th November, 1910.

“Whereas a vacancy occurred in the Legislative Assembly by reason of the acceptance of office by *William Roderick Ross*, late Member for the Fernie Electoral District; and

“Whereas on the 10th day of October, 1910, a Writ for the election of a Member to represent such Electoral District was duly issued to the Returning Officer of the said Electoral District:

“Now I do hereby certify that on the 26th day of November, 1910, the said Writ was returned by the Returning Officer, with his certificate attached thereto, whereby it appears that the electors of the said District have chosen the Honourable *William Roderick Ross* to represent the Fernie Electoral District in the Legislative Assembly.

“A. CAMPBELL REDDIE,
“Deputy Provincial Secretary.

“To the Clerk of the Legislative Assembly of British Columbia.”

“PROVINCIAL SECRETARY'S OFFICE,
“VICTORIA, 12th December, 1910.

“Whereas a vacancy occurred in the Legislative Assembly by reason of the resignation of his seat by the Honourable *Richard McBride*, late Member for the Yale Electoral District; and

“Whereas on the 14th day of November, 1910, a Writ for the election of a Member to represent such Electoral District was duly issued to the Returning Officer of the said Electoral District:

“Now I do hereby certify that the said Writ was returned by the Returning Officer, with his certificate attached thereto, whereby it appears that the electors of the said District have chosen *Alexander Lucas* to represent the Yale Electoral District in the Legislative Assembly.

“A. CAMPBELL REDDIE,
“Deputy Provincial Secretary.

“To the Clerk of the Legislative Assembly of British Columbia.”

Hon. *Wm. R. Ross*, elected to represent Fernie Electoral District, was introduced by the Hon. Mr. *McBride* and the Hon. Dr. *Young* and took his seat.

Alexander Lucas, Esquire, Member elected to represent Yale Electoral District, was introduced by the Hon. Mr. *McBride* and the Hon. Dr. *Young* and took his seat.

Ordered, That the Votes and Proceedings of this House be printed, being first perused by Mr. Speaker, and that he do appoint the printing thereof, and that no person but such as he shall appoint do presume to print the same.

Ordered, That the Select Standing Committees of this House, for the present Session, be appointed for the following purposes:—

1. On Standing Orders and Private Bills;
2. On Public Accounts;
3. On Printing;

4. On Railways ;
5. On Mining ;
6. On Agriculture ;
7. On Municipal Matters ;

which said Committees shall severally be empowered to examine and inquire into all such matters and things as shall be referred to them by the House, and to report from time to time their observations and opinions thereon, with power to send for papers, persons, and records.

Resolved, That if it shall appear that any person hath been elected or returned a Member of this House, or endeavoured so to be, by bribery or other corrupt practices, this House will proceed with the utmost severity against all such persons as shall have been wilfully concerned in such bribery or other corrupt practices.

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. *Bowser*, Bill (No. 1) intituled "An Act to amend the 'County Courts Act'" was introduced and read a first time.

To be read a second time at the next sitting of the House.

On the motion of the Hon. the Premier, seconded by the Hon. the Attorney-General,—

Resolved, That the Speech of His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor be taken into consideration on Friday, January 13th, instant.

By consent of the House, on the motion of Mr. *Hawthornthwaite*, Bill (No. 2) intituled "An Act respecting Compensation to Workmen for Accidental Injuries suffered in the Course of their Employment" was introduced and read a first time.

Second reading to-morrow.

The Hon. the Minister of Finance presented the Public Accounts of the Province for the fiscal year ending 31st March, 1910.

The following papers and reports were presented :—

By Hon. Mr. *Ross*—The Final Report of the Royal Commission of Inquiry on Timber and Forestry, 1909-10.

By Hon. Dr. *Young*—Return of copy of the reply of the Federal Government to the Resolution of the 2nd Februray, 1910, of the Legislative Assembly, *re* settlement of lands in the Dominion Railway Belt.

By Hon. Dr. *Young*—The Thirteenth Annual Report of the Provincial Board of Health.

By Hon. Dr. *Young*—Report of the Fire Insurance Commission, 1910.

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

And then the House adjourned at 3:40 P.M.

Friday, 13th January, 1911.

TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by the Very Rev. Dean of Columbia.

Mr. *M. Manson* presented a petition from *W. B. Garrard* and others, for leave to introduce a Private Bill to incorporate the Northern Vancouver Island Railway Company. (No. 11.)
Laid on the table.

Pursuant to Order, the House proceeded to take into consideration the Speech of His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor at the opening of the Session.

Mr. *Shaw* moved, seconded by Mr. *M. Manson*,—

That an humble Address be presented to His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, thanking His Honour for his gracious Speech at the opening of the present Session.

1. We deeply deplore the heavy loss which the British Empire and the civilized world sustained in the death of King Edward, who won the love of his people and the respect of the world in his life, and in death imperishable fame.

2. While deploring his death, we feel assured that his son, King George the Fifth, trained for the duties of his illustrious destiny, inspires his subjects with a sense of security and unshaken confidence in the permanence of British institutions under his wise ministration.

3. It affords us much pleasure to learn that, in response to an official invitation, it is intended that this Province will be represented at the Coronation of His Majesty next June.

4. We join with His Honour in paying tribute to the memory of Robert Garnett Tatlow, who administered the portfolio of Finance and Agriculture for several years with marked ability, and whose lamentable death is so generally regretted.

5. We are pleased to be informed that negotiations for the settlement of the Songhees Reserve question are now in progress, and that it is expected that an early and satisfactory adjustment of this long-standing matter will be arrived at.

6. It is a satisfaction to learn that questions of jurisdiction between the Province and the Dominion, relating to fisheries, have been settled upon by the two Governments and are now before the Supreme Court of Canada.

7. The abundant harvest of the past season is a most gratifying feature of a prosperous year, and we join with His Honour in congratulating the fruit-growers on the splendid successes secured in Central and Eastern Canada and Great Britain, where British Columbia won the highest awards for excellence over all competitors.

8. We note with pleasure that there has also been a marked improvement in the mining industry, and that the value of the year's output is the largest on record. As the opening of new coal-mines and the increasing output of our collieries call for the application of every possible safeguard for the miners, the amendment and extension of the provisions of the "Coal-mines Regulation Act" will receive our most earnest consideration.

9. It is gratifying to be informed that there is considerable expansion in the revenue of our Province.

10. It is also a pleasure to note that, as a result of the legislation passed last Session, work is now in progress on the Canadian Northern Pacific and the Kettle River Valley Railways, and that other extensive railway construction is also under way.

11. We are pleased to note that, in addition to these railways, numerous additions to the merchant marine give another indication of the great increase which is taking place in the trade of the Province.

12. It is no doubt in the interests of the public that provision be made for a Department of Railways, and that the "Constitution Act" be amended accordingly.

13. Any measure for the consolidation of the existing Railway Acts, and for facilitating the incorporation of railway companies in order to provide a more expeditious method for securing incorporation without special legislation, will receive our most careful consideration.

14. We note with pleasure that a measure for the regulation of trust companies will be submitted for our consideration.

15. We regard as most important the inspection of logging camps and railroad construction camps with a view to the protection of the health and comfort of the workmen.

16. We are pleased to learn that, in view of the large increase of population and the opening of new settlements, due provision will be made for the construction and maintenance of Public Works.

17. We are glad to be informed that the report of the University Site Commission will be laid before us, and that measures to confirm the finding of the Commission, as well as to extend the time for choosing the lands set apart for the endowment of the University of British Columbia, will be introduced.

18. We are also pleased to note that the report of the Forestry Commission, containing a mass of valuable information relating to the conservation of our timber, and suggestions as to the best methods of dealing with this great national asset, will be presented to us, and that a measure, based on the report of the Commission, will be prepared for our consideration at the next Session of this House.

19. We learn with pleasure that the report of the Commission of Insurance will be brought down, together with a comprehensive Bill dealing with this important subject.

20. We shall give most careful consideration to the revision of the Statutes of British Columbia which has been prepared by the Commission appointed under authority of the Act passed in 1909.

21. We learn with pleasure that a reserve of upwards of 231,000 acres of Crown lands on Vancouver Island has been set apart for a public park, to be known as Strathcona Park, in honour of the Right Honourable Lord Strathcona and Mount Royal, who, at the request of His Honour's Government, has consented to have his name so associated. The report of the Chief Commissioner of Lands, who has made a personal examination of the property selected, will be carefully considered.

22. We take pleasure in being informed that His Honour's Government has completed the acquisition of all the land comprised in the Parliament Buildings Square. An appropriation for an enlargement of the present buildings to meet the growing requirements of the Civil Service, as well as to provide for additional accommodation for the Legislature, is urgently needed.

23. The Public Accounts for the past fiscal year and the Estimates of Expenditure for the coming year, when submitted to us, will receive our most careful attention.

A debate arose, which was adjourned until the next sitting of the House.

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

That *W. H. Hayward*, Esquire, Member for Cowichan, be appointed Deputy Speaker of the House.

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

And then the House adjourned at 4:25 P.M.

Monday, 16th January, 1911.

TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by Rev. *W. L. Clay*.

The following petitions were presented and laid on the table :—

By Mr. *Mackay*—From *L. C. Miles* and others, for leave to introduce a Private Bill to incorporate the Grouse Mountain Scenic Railway Company. (No. 3.)

By Mr. *Thomson*—From *Francis W. Stevenson* and others, for leave to introduce a Private Bill to incorporate the Victoria Stock Exchange. (No. 1.)

By Mr. *Watson*—From *Casimer S. Gowski* and others, for leave to introduce a Private Bill to incorporate the Grouse Mountain Scenic Railway Company. (No. 10.)

The petition from *W. B. Garrard* and others, for leave to introduce a Private Bill to incorporate the Northern Vancouver Island Railway Company (No. 11), was received.

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the Address in reply to the Speech of His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor at the opening of the Session.

The debate was again adjourned until to-morrow.

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

That Mr. *A. H. B. Macgowan*, third Member for Vancouver, be Deputy Chairman (Chairman of Ways and Means).

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

The Hon. the Attorney-General presented the Sixth Annual Report of the Superintendent of the Provincial Industrial School.

The Hon. Mr. *Ross* presented a Return of all alienations of Indian Reserves under section 80 of the "Land Act" to date.

And then the House adjourned at 4:50 P.M.

Tuesday, 17th January, 1911.

TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by Rev. *W. L. Clay*.

The following petitions were received :—

From *L. C. Miles* and others, for leave to introduce a Private Bill to incorporate the Grouse Mountain Scenic Incline Railway Company. (No. 3.)

From *Francis W. Stevenson* and others, for leave to introduce a Private Bill to incorporate the Victoria Stock Exchange. (No. 1.)

From *Casimer S. Gouski* and others, for leave to introduce a Private Bill to incorporate the Grouse Mountain Scenic Railway Company. (No. 10.)

The following petitions were presented and laid on the table :—

By Mr. *Hayward*—From the Corporation of the District of Oak Bay, for leave to introduce a Private Bill for additional powers. (No. 5.)

By Mr. *Mackay*—From the Crow's Nest and Northern Railway Company, for leave to introduce a Private Bill to amend its corporate Act. (No. 15.)

The Hon. Dr. *Young* presented papers relating to the selection of a site for a University in British Columbia.

The Hon. Mr. *Ross* presented the Report of the Chief Commissioner of Lands on Strathcona Park, Vancouver Island.

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

THOMAS W. PATERSON,
Lieutenant-Governor.

The Lieutenant-Governor transmits herewith a Bill intituled "An Act respecting Health Regulations for Lumber Camps, Railway Camps, Mining Camps, Sawmills, and other Places in which Labour is employed," and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,
17th January, 1911.

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. 6) intituled "An Act respecting Health Regulations for Lumber Camps, Railway Camps, Mining Camps, Sawmills, and other Places in which Labour is employed," a draft of which is annexed to this Resolution.

Report adopted.
 Bill introduced and read a first time.
 Second reading to-morrow.

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

THOMAS W. PATERSON,
Lieutenant-Governor.

The Lieutenant-Governor transmits herewith a Bill intituled "An Act to amend the 'University Endowment Act, 1907,'" and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,
17th January, 1911.

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. 4) intituled "An Act to amend the 'University Endowment Act, 1907,'" a draft of which is annexed to this Resolution.

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

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

THOMAS W. PATERSON,
Lieutenant-Governor.

The Lieutenant-Governor transmits herewith a Bill intituled "An Act to amend the 'Public Service Act, 1909,'" and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,
17th January, 1911.

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. 5) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Public Service Act, 1909,'" a draft of which is annexed to this Resolution.

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

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the Address in reply to the Speech of His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor at the opening of the Session.

The debate was again adjourned until to-morrow.

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

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

THOMAS W. PATERSON,
Lieutenant-Governor.

The Lieutenant-Governor transmits herewith a Bill intituled "An Act to regulate the Use and Operation of Motor-vehicles," and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,
17th January, 1911.

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. 7) intituled "An Act to regulate the Use and Operation of Motor-vehicles," 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. *Bowser* presented the Annual Report of the Factories Inspector for the Year 1910.

And then the House adjourned at 5:55 P.M.

Wednesday, 18th January, 1911.

TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by Rev. *W. L. Clay.*

The following petition was presented and laid on the table :—

By Mr. *Mackay*—From *Roy M. Taylor* and others, for leave to introduce a Private Bill to incorporate the British Columbia Accident and Employers' Liability Insurance Company, Limited.

The following petitions were received :—

From the Corporation of the District of Oak Bay, for leave to introduce a Private Bill for additional powers. (No. 5.)

From the Crow's Nest and Northern Railway Company, for leave to introduce a Private Bill to amend its corporate Act. (No. 15.)

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the Address in reply to the Speech of His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor at the opening of the Session.

The debate was again adjourned until to-morrow.

The Standing Committees were appointed as follows :—

Committee on Private Bills and Standing Orders—Messrs. *Mackay, Manson* (Dewdney), *Miller, McGuire, Shatford, Jardine, Brewster,* and *Williams.*

Committee on Mining—Messrs. *Hunter, Braden, Behnsen, Callanan, Jackson, McDonald,* *Manson* (Comox), *Schofield,* and *Wright.*

Committee on Railways—Messrs. *Tisdall, Braden, Behnsen, Caven, Cawley, Lucas, Miller, McDonald, McGuire, Parson, Shaw, Thomson, Jardine, Brewster, Williams, and Hawthornthwaite.*

Committee on Public Accounts—Messrs. *Shatford, Macgowan, Fraser, Manson (Skeena), and Wright.*

Committee on Municipal Matters—Messrs. *Gifford, Cawley, Caven, Davey, Mackenzie, Manson (Skeena), Schofield, Watson, Parson, Wright, Jardine, Williams, and Hawthornthwaite.*

Committee on Agriculture—Messrs. *Shaw, Fraser, Manson (Comox), Jackson, Lucas, Jardine, Schofield, and Williams.*

Committee on Printing—Messrs. *Parson, Davey, Mackenzie, and Callanan.*

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

And then the House adjourned at 3:45 P.M.

Thursday, 19th January, 1911.

TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by Rev. *T. E. Hollings.*

The following petitions were presented and laid on the table :—

By Mr. *Parson*—From the Columbia Valley Irrigated Fruit Lands, Limited, for leave to introduce a Private Bill to consolidate their water records. (No. 7.)

By Mr. *Macgowan*—From *Arthur McEvoy* and others, for leave to introduce a Private Bill to incorporate the British Pacific Land and Mortgage Corporation. (No. 14.)

By Mr. *Tisdall*—From the Corporation of the City of Vancouver, for leave to introduce a Private Bill to amend their corporate Act. (No. 9.)

By Mr. *Macgowan*—From *Arthur McEvoy* and others, for leave to introduce a Private Bill to incorporate the Vancouver Plate Glass Insurance Company. (No. 13.)

By Mr. *Hayward*—From *J. D. Hunter* and others, for leave to introduce a Private Bill to incorporate the Naas and Peace River Railway Company. (No. 4.)

The following petition was received :—

From *Roy M. Taylor* and others, for leave to introduce a Private Bill to incorporate the British Columbia Accident and Employers' Liability Insurance Company, Limited.

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the Address in reply to the Speech of His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor at the opening of the Session.

The debate was again adjourned until to-morrow.

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

THOMAS W. PATERSON,
Lieutenant-Governor.

The Lieutenant-Governor transmits herewith a Bill intituled "An Act to consolidate and amend the Coal-mines Regulation Act and amending Acts," and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,
17th January, 1911.

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. 3) intituled "An Act to consolidate and amend the Coal-mines Regulation Act and amending Acts," 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 3:30 P.M.

Friday, 20th January, 1911.

TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by Rev. *T. E. Hollings*.

The following petitions were presented and laid on the table :—

By Mr. *Thomson*—From *A. C. F. Hamilton* and others, for leave to introduce a Private Bill to incorporate the Mid-Provincial and Nechaco Railway Company. (No. 6.)

By Mr. *Miller*—From *H. B. Robertson* and *G. H. Barnard*, for leave to introduce a Private Bill to incorporate the Naas and Skeena Rivers Railway Company. (No. 12.)

The following petitions were received :—

From the Columbia Valley Irrigated Fruit Lands, Limited, for leave to introduce a Private Bill to consolidate their water records. (No. 7.)

From *Arthur McEvoy* and others, for leave to introduce a Private Bill to incorporate the British Pacific Land and Mortgage Corporation. (No. 14.)

From the Corporation of the City of Vancouver, for leave to introduce a Private Bill to amend their corporate Act. (No. 9.)

From *Arthur McEvoy* and others, for leave to introduce a Private Bill to incorporate the Vancouver Plate Glass Insurance Company. (No. 13.)

From *J. D. Hunter* and others, for leave to introduce a Private Bill to incorporate the Naas and Peace River Railway Company. (No. 4.)

Mr. *Mackay* presented the First Report from the Private Bills Committee, as follows :—

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE ROOM,
January 20th, 1911

MR. SPEAKER :

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

That the time limited for presenting petitions for Private Bills be extended until Wednesday, February 1st, 1911.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

NEIL F. MACKAY,
Chairman.

The report was read and received.

The Standing Rules and Orders were suspended and the report adopted.

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the Address in reply to the Speech of His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor at the opening of the Session.

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

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

"whereas the enactment of the legislation proposed by the Government is of little real interest or benefit to the masses; and

"Whereas the further development of the means of wealth production and distribution by the present ruling class results in the last analysis in but further misery and poverty for the great majority of the people:

"Therefore, be it Resolved, That we have no confidence in the present Government; and

"Be it further Resolved, That the collective ownership and democratic management of the means of wealth production and distribution, and the abolition of the wage system, can alone remedy the existing evils and poverty that afflict the people of this Province, and human society generally."

The amendment was negatived.

Debate on the main question resumed.

Resolution agreed to.

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

That the Address in reply to the Speech of His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor be presented to His Honour by such Members as are of the Executive Council.

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

That the Speech of His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor at the opening of the present Session be taken into consideration on Wednesday next.

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

And then the House adjourned at 4:20 P.M.

Monday, 23rd January, 1911.

TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

The following petition was presented:—

By Mr. *Manson*—From the Portland Canal Short Line Railway Company, asking leave to introduce a Private Bill to change its name and increase its capital. (No. 16.)

The following petitions were received:—

From *A. C. F. Hamilton* and others, for leave to introduce a Private Bill to incorporate the Mid-Provincial and Nechaco Railway Company. (No. 6.)

From *H. B. Robertson* and *G. H. Barnard*, for leave to introduce a Private Bill to incorporate the Naas and Skeena Rivers Railway Company. (No. 12.)

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

THOMAS W. PATERSON,
Lieutenant-Governor.

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

*Government House,
20th January, 1911.*

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. 10) intituled "An Act respecting Strathcona Park," 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. McGuire asked the Hon. the Provincial Secretary the following questions:—

1. Were the resolutions passed by this House during the Sessions of 1908 and 1909 regarding the cost of coal forwarded to the Governor-General in Council?
2. If so, what replies were received to the same?

The Hon. Dr. Young replied as follows:—

The answers to the questions will be found in the following correspondence:—

"THE 3RD OF MAY, 1909,
"AT GOVERNMENT HOUSE, VICTORIA, B. C.

"SIR,—I am directed by His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 1st instant, forwarding copy of a Minute covering a Resolution of the Legislative Assembly with regard to an inquiry into the price of coal, and to inform you that the same was to-day transmitted to the Secretary of State at Ottawa.

"I have the honour to be,

"Sir,
"Your obedient servant,
(Signed) "H. J. S. MUSKETT,

"*Private Secretary.*

"*The Honourable the Provincial Secretary.*"

"THE 7TH OF JUNE, 1909,
"AT GOVERNMENT HOUSE, VICTORIA, B. C.

"SIR,—Referring to your memo. of the 4th instant, I beg to forward herewith copy of the communication from the Under-Secretary of State acknowledging the receipt of His Honour's despatch of the 3rd May, transmitting Resolution with regard to the excessive price of coal.

"I have the honour to be,

"Sir,
"Your obedient servant,
(Signed) "H. J. S. MUSKETT,

"*Private Secretary.*

"*The Deputy Provincial Secretary.*"

“OTTAWA, 14th May, 1909.

“SIR,—I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your despatch of the 3rd instant, covering an approved Resolution of your Legislative Assembly, embodying a request that the Dominion Government cause inquiry to be made to ascertain the cause of the alleged excessive price charged to consumers of coal in the Province of British Columbia.

“I have the honour to be,

“Sir,

“Your obedient servant,

(Signed) “J. POPE,

“Under-Secretary of State.

“His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor of British Columbia,
“Victoria, B. C.”

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

Bill (No. 1) intituled “An Act to amend the ‘County Courts Act.’”

Bill (No. 4) intituled “An Act to amend the ‘University Endowment Act, 1907.’”

Bill (No. 7) intituled “An Act to regulate the Use and Operation of Motor-vehicles.”

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

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

1. Was any money paid by the Provincial Government to Mr. *George Snider* for work done by him on the Lampson Street School-house, in the Esquimalt District ?

2. If so, how much ?

3. Was Mr. *Snider* asked to make any refund on account of defective work ?

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

“1. Yes.

“2. \$8,894.85.

“3. Yes.”

The following Bills were introduced and read a first time time :—

By the Hon. Mr. *Bowser*—Bill (No. 8) intituled “An Act to amend the ‘Tramway Inspection Act.’”

By the Hon. Mr. *Bowser*—Bill (No. 9) intituled “An Act to amend the ‘Oaths Act.’”

To be read a second time to-morrow.

And then the House adjourned at 3:50 P.M.

Tuesday, 24th January, 1911.

TWO O’CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by Rev. *T. W. Gladstone*.

The following petition was received :—

From the Portland Canal Short Line Railway Company, asking leave to introduce a Private Bill to change its name and increase its capital. (No. 16.)

Bill (No. 1) intituled “An Act to amend the ‘County Courts Act.’” was committed.

Progress reported.

Committee to sit again to-morrow.

Bill (No. 4) intituled "An Act to amend the 'University Endowment Act, 1907,'" was committed.

Reported without amendment.

Report to be considered to-morrow.

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

Bill (No. 5) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Public Service Act, 1909.'" "

Bill (No. 8) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Tramway Inspection Act.'" "

Bill (No. 9) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Oaths Act.'" "

The Hon. Mr. *Bowser* presented the Sixth Report of the Provincial Game and Forest Warden of the Province for the year 1910.

Mr. *Jackson* presented a petition from the Greenwood-Phoenix Tramway Company, Limited, for leave to introduce a Private Bill to incorporate the Greenwood-Phoenix Tramway Company. (No. 17.)

Laid on the table.

The following reports were presented :—

REPORT No. 2.

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE ROOM,

January 24th, 1911.

MR. SPEAKER :

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

That the Standing Orders in connection with the undermentioned Petitions have been complied with :—

Petition No. 1.—Victoria Stock Exchange.

Petition No. 3.—The Grouse Mountain Scenic Incline Railway Company.

Petition No. 11.—Northern Vancouver Island Railway Company.

Petition No. 15.—Crow's Nest and Northern Railway Company.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

NEIL F. MACKAY,

Chairman.

The report was received.

REPORT No. 3.

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE ROOM,

January 24th, 1911.

MR. SPEAKER :

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

That the Standing Orders in connection with the undermentioned Petition have not been complied with, inasmuch as the required notice did not appear in a paper published in the electoral district in which the proposed railway is to be constructed; but as such notice was published in a newspaper circulating in said electoral district, your Committee would respectfully recommend that the Bill be allowed to proceed.

Your Committee would further recommend that as the proposed name of the Company is almost identical with that of the Grouse Mountain and Scenic Incline Railway (Petition No. 3), a change be made in one of them.

Petition No. 10.—Grouse Mountain and Scenic Railway Company.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

NEIL F. MACKAY,

Chairman.

The report was received.

The following Bills were introduced and read a first time :—

By Mr. *Hawthornthwaite*—Bill (No. 11) intituled “An Act to prevent Discrimination against Members of Trades-unions.”

Second reading to-morrow.

By Mr. *Mackay*—Bill (No. 52) intituled “An Act to incorporate the Grouse Mountain Scenic Incline Railway Company.”

Referred to the Railway Committee.

By Mr. *Thomson*—Bill (No. 50) intituled “An Act to incorporate the Victoria Stock Exchange.”

Referred to the Private Bills Committee.

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

And then the House adjourned at 5 P.M.

Wednesday, 25th January, 1911.

TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by Rev. *Stanley Ard*.

The following petitions were presented and laid on the table :—

By Mr. *Wm. Manson*—From the Municipal Corporation of the City of Prince Rupert for leave to amend its corporate Act. (No. 2.)

By Mr. *Miller*—From the West Kootenay Power and Light Company, Limited, for leave to amend its corporate Act. (No. 19.)

The petition from the Greenwood-Phoenix Tramway Company, Limited, for leave to introduce a Private Bill to incorporate the Greenwood-Phoenix Tramway Company (No. 17), was received.

The Standing Rules and Orders were suspended, and Report No. 3 from the Private Bills Committee adopted.

The following Bills were introduced and read a first time :—

By Mr. *M. Manson*—Bill (No. 60) intituled “An Act to incorporate the Northern Vancouver Island Railway Company.”

Referred to the Railway Committee.

By Mr. *Watson*—Bill (No. 59) intituled “An Act to incorporate Grouse Mountain Scenic Railway Company.”

Referred to the Railway Committee.

On the motion of the Honourable the Minister of Finance, seconded by the Honourable 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 Wednesday next to consider the Resolution.

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

That an Order of the House be granted for a Return showing the total number of pre-emptions applied for between January 1st, 1905, and January 1st, 1910; the number of such pre-emptions that have been cancelled or abandoned; the number of such cancelled pre-emptions

that have been subsequently purchased by the parties originally applying for them; the number of such pre-emptions the titles to which have been subsequently delivered by mail or in person to the original pre-emptors, and the number delivered to agents for them; also, the number of applications to purchase Crown lands during the same period.

The Report on Bill (No. 4) intituled "An Act to amend the 'University Endowment Act, 1907,'" was adopted.

Third reading to-morrow.

Bill (No. 6) intituled "An Act respecting Health Regulations for Lumber Camps, Railway Camps, Mining Camps, Sawmills, and other Places in which Labour is employed" was read a second time.

To be committed to-morrow.

Bill (No. 8) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Tramway Inspection Act'" was committed. Progress reported.

Committee to sit again to-morrow.

Bill (No. 9) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Oaths Act'" was committed.

Reported without 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 3:55 P.M.

Thursday, 26th January, 1911.

TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by Rev. *Stanley Ard*.

Mr. *Davey* presented a petition from the Corporation of the City of Victoria, for leave to introduce a Bill to validate certain loan by-laws. (No. 18.)

Laid on the table.

The following petitions were received:—

From the Municipal Corporation of the City of Prince Rupert, for leave to amend its corporate Act. (No. 2.)

From the West Kootenay Power and Light Company, Limited, for leave to amend its corporate Act. (No. 19.)

The following report was presented:—

REPORT No. 4.

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE ROOM,
26th January, 1911.

MR. SPEAKER:

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

That the Standing Orders in connection with the undermentioned Petitions have been complied with:—

Petition No. 5.—To amend the "Oak Bay Act, 1910."

Petition No. 7.—Columbia Valley Irrigated Fruit Lands, Limited.

Petition No. 12.—Naas and Skeena Rivers Railway Company.

Petition No. 16.—Portland Canal Short Line Railway Company.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

NEIL F. MACKAY,
Chairman.

The report was received.

The following Bills were introduced and read a first time :—

By Mr. *W. Manson*—Bill (No. 61) intituled “An Act to incorporate the Naas and Skeena Rivers Railway Company.”

Referred to the Railway Committee.

By Mr. *W. Manson*—Bill (No. 65) intituled “An Act respecting the Portland Canal Short Line Railway, and to change its Name to the ‘Canadian North-eastern Railway Company.’”

Referred to the Railway Committee.

By Mr. *Miller*—Bill (No. 54) intituled “An Act to amend the ‘Oak Bay Act, 1910.’”

Referred to the Private Bills Committee.

By Mr. *Parson*—Bill (No. 56) intituled “An Act to enable the Columbia Valley Irrigated Fruit Lands, Limited, to amalgamate their Water Rights.”

Referred to the Private Bills Committee.

The Order for the second reading of Bill (No. 2) intituled “An Act respecting Compensation to Workmen for Accidental Injuries suffered in the Course of their Employment” was discharged.

Bill (No. 4) intituled “An Act to amend the ‘University Endowment Act, 1907,’” was read a third time and passed.

The Report on Bill (No. 9) intituled “An Act to amend the ‘Oaths Act’” was adopted. Third reading to-morrow.

Bill (No. 6) intituled “An Act respecting Health Regulations for Lumber Camps, Railway Camps, Mining Camps, Sawmills, and other Places in which Labour is employed” was committed.

Reported complete with amendments.

Report to be considered to-morrow.

Bill (No. 10) intituled “An Act respecting Strathcona Park” 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 5 P.M.

Friday, 27th January, 1911.

TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by Rev. *Stanley Ard.*

The following petition was received :—

From the Corporation of the City of Victoria, for leave to introduce a Bill to validate certain loan by-laws. (No. 18.)

The Report on Bill (No. 6) intituled " An Act respecting Health Regulations for Lumber Camps, Railway Camps, Mining Camps, Sawmills, and other Places in which Labour is employed " was adopted.

Third reading at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 5) intituled " An Act to amend the ' Public Service Act, 1909, ' " was committed. Progress reported.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 10) intituled " An Act respecting Strathcona Park " was committed. Progress reported.

Committee to sit again on Monday next.

On the motion of Mr. *Mackay*, Bill (No. 64) intituled " An Act to extend the Time for the Expenditure of Ten per Cent. on the Amount of the Capital of the Crow's Nest and Northern Railway Company " was introduced and read a first time.

Referred to the Railway Committee.

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

And then the House adjourned at 2:45 P.M.

Monday, 30th January, 1911.

TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by Rev. Dr. *Campbell*, Ph.D.

The following papers were presented :—

By Hon. the Minister of Finance—The Annual Report of the Bureau of Provincial Information, 1910.

By Hon. the Minister of Finance—Statement of Special Warrants signed by His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, together with the expenditure incurred thereon, 5th April, 1910, to 27th January, 1911.

On the motion of the Hon. the Attorney-General, Bill (No. 17) intituled " An Act to amend the ' Benevolent Societies Act ' " was introduced and read a first time.

Second reading to-morrow.

On the motion of the Hon. the Attorney-General, seconded by the Hon. the Premier, it was *Resolved*,—

That the words "of Commons," in the first and second lines of Rule 119 of the Rules and Orders of the Legislative Assembly, be struck out.

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

THOMAS W. PATERSON,
Lieutenant-Governor.

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

Government House,
30th January, 1911.

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. 13) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Constitution 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. *McBride* presented to Mr. Speaker a Message from His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, which read as follows :—

THOMAS W. PATERSON,
Lieutenant-Governor.

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

Government House,
27th January, 1911.

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. 14) intituled "An Act respecting the Department of Railways," 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. *Bowser* presented to Mr. Speaker a Message from His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, which read as follows :—

THOMAS W. PATERSON,
Lieutenant-Governor.

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

Government House,
27th January, 1911.

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. 12) intituled "An Act respecting Railway," a draft of which is annexed to this Resolution.

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

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

THOMAS W. PATERSON,
Lieutenant-Governor.

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

Government House,
30th January, 1911.

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. 16) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Charitable Associations Act,'" a draft of which is annexed to this Resolution.

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

Bill (No. 6) intituled "An Act respecting Health Regulations for Lumber Camps, Railway Camps, Mining Camps, Sawmills, and other Places in which Labour is employed" was read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 9) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Oaths Act'" was read a third time and passed.

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

And then the House adjourned at 3:45 P.M.

Tuesday, 31st January, 1911.

TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by Rev. Dr. *Campbell*, Ph.D.

On the motion of Mr. *Mackenzie*, Bill (No. 19) intituled "An Act respecting Habit-forming Drugs" was introduced and read a first time.

Second reading to-morrow.

On the motion of Mr. *Miller*, Bill (No. 18) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Legal Professions Act'" was introduced and read a first time.

Second reading to-morrow.

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

1. What was the date when the report of the University Site Commission was drawn up and signed, as shown by the report itself?
2. Did any of the documents in connection with the report bear a different date? If so which document, and what was the date of it?
3. How much of the report comprised the so-called "interim report," and why was it so called?
4. Were all the documents since made public as the Commission's report contained in the envelope when first handed to the Minister of Education by Professor *Murray*?
5. Was the Minister told when handed the report on that occasion that it was an interim report only? If not, why did he so characterize it?
6. Did the Minister make himself acquainted with the substance of the report when first handed it by Professor *Murray*?
7. If he did, did the Minister communicate the information to his colleagues or to any other persons; and, if so, to whom and when?
8. What was the object of the Minister in returning the report to Professor *Murray* and asking him to hold it till a later date?

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

"1. June 28th, 1910.

"2. No.

"3. Refer to report submitted to House—2nd article in report.

"4. No.

"5. Was told that it contained suggestions as to sites.

"6. Yes.

"7. Yes, the Premier.

"8. It was not the report of the Commission."

Bill (No. 5) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Public Service Act, 1909,'" was again committed.

Reported complete with amendments.

Report to be considered 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 'Benevolent Societies Act.'"

Bill (No. 14) intituled "An Act respecting the Department of Railways."

Bill (No. 13) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Constitution Act.'"

The following reports were presented :—

REPORT No. 5.

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE ROOM,
31st January, 1911.

MR. SPEAKER :

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

That the time limited for presentation of Private Bills be extended until February 17th, inst.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

NEIL F. MACKAY,
Chairman.

The report was received.

The Standing Rules and Orders were suspended and the report adopted.

REPORT No. 6.

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE ROOM,
31st January, 1911.

MR. SPEAKER :

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

That the Standing Orders in connection with the undermentioned Petitions have been complied with :—

Petition No. 2.—An Act to amend the Prince Rupert Incorporation Act.

Petition No. 6.—Mid-Provincial and Nechaco Railway Company.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

NEIL F. MACKAY,
Chairman.

The report was received.

REPORT No. 7.

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE ROOM,
31st January, 1911.

MR. SPEAKER :

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

That the Standing Orders in connection with the undermentioned Petition have not been complied with, inasmuch as the advertising has not been fully completed in a newspaper published in the electoral district affected ; and also for the reason that the Petition prays for legislation validating certain by-laws passed during the month of January, 1911, not included in the published notices ; but as proof has been produced to the Committee that the said matters have been discussed in the City Council and referred to in the daily press, and as it appears of considerable importance and urgency to the City of Victoria, your Committee would recommend that the Bill be allowed to proceed.

Petition No. 18.—An Act respecting Victoria City.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

NEIL F. MACKAY,
Chairman.

The report was received.

The Standing Rules and Orders were suspended and the report adopted.

On the motion of Mr. *Davey*, Bill (No. 67) intituled "An Act respecting the City of Victoria" was introduced and read a first time.

Referred to the Private Bills Committee.

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

And then the House adjourned at 4 P.M.