
Monday, 27th November, 1922.

HALF-FAST EIGHT O'CLOCK P.M.

On the motion of the Hon. the Premier, the House proceeded to the Orders of the Day.

Bill (No. 36) intituled "An Act to consolidate and amend the 'Public Schools Act'" was again committed.

Progress reported.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 37) intituled "An Act to amend and consolidate the 'Boilers Inspection Act'" was again committed.

Progress reported.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 17) intituled "An Act to provide for the Inspection and Regulation of Premises and Equipment for the Generation, Transmission, Supply, or Use of Electrical Energy" was committed.

Progress reported.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 21) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Pound District Act'" was committed.

Reported complete without amendment.

Report adopted.

Third reading at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 41) intituled "An Act to consolidate the 'Assignment of Book Accounts Act' and Amending Acts" was committed.

Reported complete without amendment.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Resolved, That the House, at its rising, do stand adjourned until 2 o'clock p.m. to-morrow.

And then the House adjourned at 11.15 p.m.

Tuesday, 28th November, 1922.

TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by Mr. Speaker.

Mr. *Neclands* rose to a question of privilege with reference to a matter of unemployment, and proposed to move the adjournment of the House.

Mr. Speaker: I must rule the motion out of order. The matter has already been dealt with by the House. It is not a question of privilege, and I do not think the motion is of sufficient urgent public importance to justify me in submitting the same to the House. The motion cannot be moved without notice as required by Rule 48.

Mr. *Neclands* appealed from the ruling of the Chair.

The Chair was sustained on the following division:—

YEAS—22.

Messieurs

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

NAYS—18.

Messieurs

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

Mr. *Paterson* presented the report of the Select Standing Committee on Municipal Matters, pursuant to Resolution of the House passed on November 27th, 1922, with reference to the proposal to incorporate the District of Tadanac as a district municipality, pursuant to the "Municipalities Incorporation Act," and recommending that an Order in Council be passed providing for such incorporation.

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. *Manson*, the report was received.

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the motion moved by Mr. *I. A. Mackenzie* on 21st instant, as follows:—

Whereas it is set out under section 132 of the "British North America Act" that "The Parliament and Government of Canada shall have all powers necessary or proper for performing the obligations of Canada or of any Province thereof, as part of the British Empire, towards foreign countries, arising under treaties between the Empire and such foreign countries":

And whereas the treaty-making power of Canada, in dealing with foreign countries, is thus limited to the "performing of obligations" undertaken by the Imperial Parliament, should Canada, as a self-governing Dominion, consent to become a party to the same:

And whereas a serious situation has developed in the Province of British Columbia because of the rapidly growing numerical and economic power of its Asiatic population:

And whereas it is imperative for the protection of the citizens of British Columbia that strong measures be adopted designed to prevent Asiatics from acquiring further rights in this Province, the active exercise of which would give them an alarming hold on agriculture, fishing, lumbering, mining, and other Provincial industrial interests:

And whereas, under section 91, subsection (25), the limitation of Provincial legislative authority under the "British North America Act" precludes Provincial Legislatures from enacting such legislation as is necessary to effectively deal with the situation defined:

And whereas it is essential, if the Caucasian population of the Province of British Columbia is to be permitted to work out, unfettered, the high ideals of Anglo-Saxon civilization, both in the development of the country's natural resources and in the application of those ideals to proper standards of living:

Therefore be it Resolved, That the Government of the Dominion of Canada be petitioned to grant its assent and accord its active assistance to the obtaining of an amendment to the "British North America Act," giving the Province of British Columbia, at present most affected, the power to make laws prohibiting Asiatics from acquiring proprietary interest, in any form whatsoever, in agricultural lands in British Columbia, in the timber lands of British Columbia, in the mineral lands of British Columbia, or in the fishing or other industrial enterprises carried on within the Province of British Columbia, and from obtaining employment in any of the above-mentioned industries.

And be it further Resolved, That the Government of the Dominion of Canada be respectfully requested to grant adherence on the part of Canada to no treaty or binding international obligation in any form whatsoever having the effect of limiting the authority of Provincial Legislatures as set out by the terms of this Resolution.

And be it further Resolved, That copies of this Resolution be forwarded to the Provincial Secretaries of the various Provinces of the Dominion of Canada.

And be it further Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, praying that a copy of the Resolution hereinbefore set out be transmitted to the Hon. the Secretary of State or other proper official at Ottawa for presentation to His Excellency the Governor-General in Council.

Mr. *Bowser* moved in amendment, seconded by Mr. *Pooley*,—

That the Resolution be amended by striking out all the words after the words "And whereas" in the fifth paragraph down to and including the word "Resolution" in the eighth paragraph, and inserting the following in lieu thereof:—

"at the last Session of the House of Commons of Canada a resolution was moved requiring the total exclusion of alien Asiatic immigration into Canada:

"And whereas the said resolution was amended and passed by the said House of Commons so as to strike out the words 'total exclusion' and substitute the words 'effective restriction':

"And whereas this resolution so passed as amended, if in any way carried into effect by law in Canada in actual practice, can only mean that some treaty or arrangement will be made with some alien Asiatic power or people or that regulations will be made in Canada for the admission into Canada of alien Asiatics under certain restrictions:

"And whereas, if any such treaty or arrangement is made or if any regulation is passed, unless the rights of this Province are preserved, it will have the effect of curtailing the Provincial right of this Province to enact legislation prohibiting the employment of alien Asiatics in industries of the Province or prohibiting the ownership of lands by alien Asiatics in this Province, both of which are a growing menace to our people:

"And whereas practically all alien Asiatic immigration into Canada comes into or through the Province of British Columbia, and as a result the menace of this immigration will always be much greater in British Columbia than in other parts of Canada:

"Therefore be it Resolved, That this Legislative Assembly places itself on record as being opposed to the making or maintaining of any treaty or arrangement with any alien Asiatic power or the passing of any regulations by the House of Commons of Canada or under the 'Immigration Act' dealing with the immigration of alien Asiatics into Canada unless the same have been made subject to the approval of the Legislative Assembly of the Province of British Columbia before the same becomes effective, or unless such treaty or regulations specially reserves to the Province of British Columbia power and the right to pass laws prohibiting the ownership by Asiatics of land or interests therein in British Columbia and the employment of Asiatics in industries in British Columbia."

On the motion of Mr. *I. A. Mackenzie*, the debate was adjourned to the next sitting.

Mr. *Neelands* moved, seconded by Mr. *Guthrie*,—

Whereas the unemployed situation has reached a most acute stage and become one of great urgency and public interest:

Therefore be it Resolved, That this House do now adjourn for the purpose of discussing this important matter.

Nine Members rose in their places to support the motion.

Mr. Speaker ruled the motion out of order upon similar grounds to those given by him in his ruling on the previous motion of Mr. *Neelands*.

Mr. *Burde* appealed from the ruling of the Chair.

The Chair was sustained on the following division:—

YEAS—23.

Messieurs

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

NAYS—18.

Messieurs

<i>Hanes,</i>	<i>McRae,</i>	<i>Schofield,</i>	<i>Hinchliffe,</i>
<i>Neelands,</i>	<i>Catherwood,</i>	<i>Duncan,</i>	<i>Jones,</i>
<i>Guthrie,</i>	<i>Pearson,</i>	<i>Burde,</i>	<i>Bowser,</i>
<i>Uphill,</i>	<i>McDonald, A.,</i>	<i>Hunter,</i>	<i>Pooley.</i>
<i>Wallinger,</i>	<i>Estling,</i>		

Bill (No. 19) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Highway Act'" was again committed.
Reported complete without amendment.
Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 36) intituled "An Act to consolidate and amend the 'Public Schools Act'" was again committed.

Progress reported.
Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 37) intituled "An Act to amend and consolidate the 'Boilers Inspection Act'" was again committed.

Reported complete with amendments.
Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 43) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Companies Act, 1921'" was committed.
Reported complete without amendment.
Report to be considered at the next sitting.

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the second reading of Bill (No. 30) intituled "An Act to provide for the Licensing of Insurance Agents and Insurance Adjusters."

Bill read a second time.
To be committed at the next sitting.

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the second reading of Bill (No. 38) intituled "An Act to provide Relief in Relation to certain Licences and Leases under the 'Coal and Petroleum Act.'"

Bill read a second time.
To be committed at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 44) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Royal Columbian Hospital Act, 1901'" was read a second time.

To be committed at the next sitting.

On the second reading of Bill (No. 46) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Co-operative Associations Act'" a debate arose, which was, on the motion of Mr. *Uphill*, adjourned to the next sitting.

Bill (No. 47) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Societies Act'" was read a second time.
To be committed at the next sitting.

On the second reading of Bill (No. 53) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Trust Companies Act'" a debate arose, which was, on the motion of Mr. *Burd*, adjourned to the next sitting.

Bill (No. 56) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Tranquille Sanatorium Agreement Ratification Act'" was read a second time.

To be committed at the next sitting.

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

1. Has the Land Settlement Board a title to any lands in the Sumas Reclamation Area?
2. If so, what is the acreage?
3. What was the price paid per acre?

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

- "1. Yes, acting as Dyking Commissioners for Sumas Dyking District.
- "2. 423.35 acres, being right-of-way for dykes, canals, and ditches.
- "3. Prices range from \$50 to \$250 per acre; average price \$98.35 per acre.

"NOTE.—The Dominion Government has undertaken to transfer to the Provincial Government approximately 12,000 acres of Dominion lands when reclaimed."

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

1. What is the assessed value respectively of real property, personal property, wild land, and school lands in the Vernon Agency for 1922?
2. What are the sums levied for taxes on each for 1922?
3. What sums of money have been collected to date for motor licences, gun licences, probate duties, or any other tax in the Vernon Agency for 1922?
4. What is the total sum of money received as revenue from the Vernon Agency for 1922?

The Hon. Mr. Hart replied as follows:—

"1. Real property, \$12,317,459; personal property, \$2,746,411; wild land, \$59,160; school lands, \$7,047,945.

"2. Real property, \$123,174.59; personal property, \$27,464.11; wild land, \$2,958; school taxes, \$41,645.34.

"3. January 1st to October 31st: Motor licences and fees, \$67,152.88; gun licences, \$4,760; probate fees, \$2,615.74; other taxes, \$220,194.06.

"4. January 1st to October 31st, \$294,722.68."

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

1. What sum of money has been received each year by the Department of Agriculture from the Federal "Agricultural Instruction Act," beginning with 1914 up to and including 1922?
2. How have these sums been distributed each year?
3. In how many high schools of the Province is agriculture being taught?
4. How many students in high schools are receiving instruction?
5. In how many public schools is agriculture being taught?
6. How many students in public schools are receiving instruction?
7. What has been the total cost of agricultural education in the Province from March 31st, 1917, to March 31st, 1922?
8. What sum has the Provincial Government contributed to agricultural education during period between March 31st, 1917, and March 31st, 1922?
9. What sum was contributed by the Provincial Government during past fiscal year?

The Hon. Mr. Barrow replied as follows:—

"1. Fiscal year—

1913-14	\$ 47,334 76
1914-15	52,799 38
1915-16	58,265 94
1916-17	63,732 50
1917-18	69,199 06
1918-19	69,199 06
1919-20	69,199 06
1920-21	69,199 06
1921-22	69,199 06

\$568,127 88

"2.	Agricultural Education.	University of B.C.	General.
1913-14	\$ 1,000 00	.....	\$ 46,334 76
1914-15	15,000 00	.....	37,799 38
1915-16	15,000 00	.....	48,265 94
1916-17	15,000 00	.....	48,732 50
1917-18	20,000 00	.....	49,199 06
1918-19	20,000 00	\$ 8,000 00	41,199 06
1919-20	20,000 00	12,000 00	37,199 06
1920-21	20,000 00	20,000 00	29,199 06
1921-22	10,000 00	23,000 00	36,199 06

\$136,000 00

\$63,000 00

\$369,127 88

"3 to 9. No information; administered by Department of Education."

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

And then the House adjourned at 5.50 p.m.

Tuesday, 28th November, 1922.

HALF-PAST EIGHT O'CLOCK P.M.

On the motion of the Hon. the Attorney-General, the House proceeded to the Orders of the Day.

Pursuant to Order the House again resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

2. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$125,500 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Legislation to 31st March, 1924.

4. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$13,190 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Minister's Office, to 31st March, 1924.

5. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$37,426 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, General Office, to 31st March, 1924.

6. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$3,180 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Workshop and Shipping Office, to 31st March, 1924.

8. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$11,470 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Markets Commissioner, to 31st March, 1924.

The House continued to sit after midnight.

WEDNESDAY, 29TH NOVEMBER.

9. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$43,872 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Horticultural Branch, to 31st March, 1924.

43. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$13,680 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Attorney-General's Office, to 31st March, 1924.

44. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$24,760 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, General Office, to 31st March, 1924.

45. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$14,130 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Joint-stock Companies Branch, to 31st March, 1924.

46. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$8,250 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Insurance Branch, to 31st March, 1924.

47. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$14,660 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, "Fire Marshal Act," to 31st March, 1924.

48. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$7,050 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Municipal Branch, to 31st March, 1924.

49. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$15,672 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Censor of Moving Pictures, to 31st March, 1924.

50. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$11,862 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Sheriff's Office, Vancouver, to 31st March, 1924.

51. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$8,212 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Sheriff's Office, Victoria, to 31st March, 1924.

52. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$6,500 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Sundry Sheriffs, to 31st March, 1924.

53. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$2,740 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Official Guardian, to 31st March, 1924.

54. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$4,950 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Legal Offices Branch, to 31st March, 1924.

55. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$28,872 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Land Registry Office, Kamloops, to 31st March, 1924.

56. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$15,124 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Land Registry Office, Nelson, to 31st March, 1924.

57. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$31,916 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Land Registry Office, New Westminster, to 31st March, 1924.

58. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$7,420 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Land Registry Office, Prince Rupert, to 31st March, 1924.

59. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$55,120 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Land Registry Office, Vancouver, to 31st March, 1924.

60. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$42,274 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Land Registry Office, Victoria, to 31st March, 1924.

61. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$6,552 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Supreme and County Courts, New Westminster, to 31st March, 1924.

62. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,850 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Supreme and County Courts, Prince Rupert, to 31st March, 1924.

63. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$30,352 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Supreme and County Courts, Vancouver, to 31st March, 1924.

64. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$28,032 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Supreme and County Courts, Victoria, to 31st March, 1924.

65. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$4,500 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Sundry Supreme and County Courts, to 31st March, 1924.

The Committee reported the Resolutions.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

Resolved, That the House, at its rising, do stand adjourned until 2 o'clock p.m. to-day.

And then the House adjourned at 1.23 a.m.

Wednesday, 29th November, 1922.

TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Perry moved, seconded by Mr. Whiteside,—

That the report of the Select Standing Committee on Municipal Matters, pursuant to Resolution of the House passed on November 27th, 1922, with reference to the proposal to incorporate the District of Tadanac as a district municipality, pursuant to the "Municipalities Incorporation Act," and recommending that an Order in Council be passed providing for such incorporation, be adopted.

A debate arose, the House divided, and the Resolution was carried on the following division:—

YEAS—28.

Messieurs

<i>Wallinger,</i>	<i>Menzies,</i>	<i>Yorston,</i>	<i>Sloan,</i>
<i>McRae,</i>	<i>Clearihue,</i>	<i>MacDonald, K. C.,</i>	<i>Campbell,</i>
<i>Catherwood,</i>	<i>Hunter,</i>	<i>Paterson,</i>	<i>Whiteside,</i>
<i>Pearson,</i>	<i>McKenzie, W. A.,</i>	<i>Farris,</i>	<i>Smith, Mrs.</i>
<i>Esling,</i>	<i>Jones,</i>	<i>Hart,</i>	<i>Barrow,</i>
<i>Schofield,</i>	<i>Bowser,</i>	<i>Oliver,</i>	<i>Pattullo,</i>
<i>Duncan,</i>	<i>Perry,</i>	<i>Manson,</i>	<i>MacLean.</i>

NAYS—10.

Messieurs

<i>Hanes,</i>	<i>Uphill,</i>	<i>Anderson,</i>	<i>Henniger,</i>
<i>Neelands,</i>	<i>Burde,</i>	<i>Ramsay,</i>	<i>Kergin.</i>
<i>Guthrie,</i>	<i>Hinchliffe,</i>		

Order called for the adjourned debate on the motion moved by the Hon. Mr. *Oliver* on 27th instant, as follows:—

Whereas the Member for Rossland, standing in his place in the House, made an allegation to the effect that the Northern Construction Company had been allowed to sublet construction-work on the Pacific Great Eastern Railway, and that the said Northern Construction Company had pocketed the difference between the price paid to the sub-contractors and the unit prices used in connection with the said work:

And whereas the Pacific Great Eastern Railway Company's accounts have been referred to the Public Accounts Committee:

Therefore be it Resolved, That the aforesaid allegation be referred to the Public Accounts Committee, with instructions to immediately inquire into the truth or otherwise of the above allegation, and to report its finding to the House at an early date.

And on the amendment thereto moved by Mr. *Esling* on the same date, as follows:—

That after the word "date," on the last line of the last paragraph, the following words be added: "and that all the books of the Northern Construction Company be produced before said Committee at the same time."

The Hon. Mr. *Oliver* rose to a point of order with reference to the amendment moved by Mr. *Esling*.

Mr. Speaker ruled the amendment out of order, and gave his decision as follows:—

"The amendment moved by the Hon. Member for Rossland is, in my opinion, inoperative as lacking direction. On the question of superfluity, I would remind the House of the comprehensive powers of the Public Accounts Committee to call for persons, papers, and records in order to examine and inquire into all such matters and things as shall be referred to them by this House. On the Votes and Proceedings of November 9th it is recorded that, on the motion of the Hon. Mr. *Oliver*, 'the accounts of the Pacific Great Eastern Railway Company be referred to the Public Accounts Committee.' This motion was approved by the House.

"In my judgment, the accounts so referred must necessarily and do include all transactions of the Northern Construction Company with the Pacific Great Eastern Railway Company.

"Having been already referred to the Public Accounts Committee, it is not in order to again ask that they be referred.

"I must rule that the amendment is out of order as it is inoperative and lacks direction, also that the same question cannot be dealt with twice in the same Session of the Legislature."

Mr. *Esling* appealed from the ruling of the Chair.

The Chair was sustained on the following division:—

YEAS—24.

Messieurs

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

NAYS—16.

Messieurs

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

Mr. *Hanes* moved in amendment, seconded by Mr. *Neelands*.—

That after the word “date,” on the last line of the last paragraph, the following words be added: “and that all the books of the Northern Construction Company relating to the contract between the Northern Construction Company and the Pacific Great Eastern Railway Company and the Government be produced before the said Committee at the same time.”

The Hon. Mr. *Oliver* rose to a point of order.

Mr. Speaker ruled the amendment out of order on similar grounds to those mentioned in his previous ruling on the amendment moved by Mr. *Esling*.

Mr. *Hanes* appealed from the ruling of the Chair.

The Chair was sustained on the following division:—

YEAS—22.

Messieurs

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

NAYS—17.

Messieurs

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

The motion was carried.

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

That an Order of this House be granted for a Return of all correspondence between the Hon. the Attorney-General and H. H. Stevens, M.P., in connection with the administration of the “Government Liquor Act.”

Pursuant to such Order of the House, the Hon. the Attorney-General presented the above Return.

On the motion of Mr. *W. A. McKenzie*, seconded by Mr. *Jones*, it was *Resolved*.—

That an Order of the House be granted for a Return of copies of all plans and specifications of the new addition to the Mental Hospital at Essondale now in course of construction.

Mr. *Uphill* moved, seconded by Mr. *Wallinger*,—

That an Order of the House be granted for a Return of all correspondence between the Chief Engineer (Patrick Philip) of the Public Works Department and the Hon. Dr. Sutherland relating to the circumstances under which Captain Richardson was removed from office.

With leave of the House the motion was withdrawn.

The Hon. the Provincial Secretary presented the Annual Report of the Public Library Commission for the Fiscal Year ending September 30th, 1922.

The Hon. the Minister of Education presented the Fifty-first Annual Report of the Public Schools for the School-year 1921-22.

Bill (No. 50) intituled "The Shaughnessy Heights Building Restriction Act, 1922" was committed.

Reported complete without amendment.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 36) intituled "An Act to consolidate and amend the 'Public Schools Act'" was again committed.

Progress reported.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

The House again resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

7. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$4,320 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Statistics, to 31st March, 1924.

11. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$33,300 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Inspection of Imported and Exported Horticultural and Field Products, etc., to 31st March, 1924.

The Committee reported the Resolutions.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

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

1. Was a new ferry built this year at Francois Lake?
2. Were tenders called for said ferry?
3. If so, what were the names of the tenderers and the amount of in each case, both for the building of the boat, including the cradle, as well as the engines?
4. Is the work now completed?
5. If not, how much will it take to complete it?
6. What was the estimate of the Department for the complete work?
7. What is the total amount paid to date for the ferry and approaches?

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

"1. Yes.

"2. Yes.

"3. Grand Trunk Pacific Dry Dock, \$24,500 for steel hull and \$22,000 for wooden hull, including everything in cradle item above tracks, but not tracks or foundations. Atlas Boiler Works, \$25,766 for steel hull only. Hoffar Motor Boat Co., wooden hull, \$28,475; engine, \$5,800; marine railway and cradle, \$4,480. Engines: Vivian Gas Engine Works, \$5,040 and \$6,200; Ideal Iron Works, \$5,500; Edward Lipsett, \$8,200; Ferrier & Lucas, \$8,650 and \$8,050.

"4. Yes.

"5. Answered by No. 4.

"6. Approximately \$35,000.

"7. Hull, engine, marine railway, etc., including plans, supervision, etc., \$34,696.18."

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

1. Were tenders called for the first portion of the road between Prince George and Quesnel, and was Colonel Ryan the successful tenderer?
2. Who were the other tenderers and what was the amount in each case?
3. If Colonel Ryan was the successful tenderer, what was the amount of his tender?
4. What was the final amount paid Colonel Ryan for this work?
5. What was the Department's original estimate for this work?
6. Did Colonel Ryan receive a contract for a further 5 miles of this road?
7. If so, were tenders called for this work?
8. If not, why not?
9. If Colonel Ryan was given the contract for the second piece of work, what were the prices allowed him?
10. Is the work now finished?
11. If so, what was the amount paid Colonel Ryan?
12. What was the estimate of the Department for the second piece of work?

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

- "1. Yes; but Colonel Ryan did not tender.
- "2. David Jennings, Prince George: Section 1, \$24,450; Section 2, \$21,899 (cheque not marked). J. A. Bowles, R. Pickard, Prince George: Section 1, \$25,336 (accepted); Section 2, \$22,806.50. M. S. Caine, H. H. Brawn, Prince George: Section 2, \$20,168.45 (accepted). Oscar Berg & Co., Prince George: Section 2, \$64,883.
- "3 and 4. Answered by No. 1.
- "5. Section 1, \$31,242; Section 2, \$19,965.70.
- "6. Yes; received contract to complete unfinished portions of first sections.
- "7. Yes.
- "8. Answered by No. 7.
- "9. Clearing and grubbing, \$251 per acre. Excavation: Solid rock, \$1.90 per cubic yard; loose rock, 60 cents per cubic yard; earth, 41½ cents per cubic yard. Contour grading, 6 cents per lineal foot. Timber culverts, logs, flattened, 21 cents per lineal foot. Timber boxes, \$67.30 F.B.M. Pipe culverts (metal): 12 inches diameter, \$2.84 per lineal foot; 15 inches diameter, \$3.41 per lineal foot; 24 inches diameter, \$5.30 per lineal foot. Handrails: Log, 28 cents per lineal foot; sawn timber, \$67.30 F.B.M. Ditching (special), per cubic yard.
- "10. Yes.
- "11. Final estimate not received.
- "12. \$24,770.79."

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

1. Is the Provincial Government erecting a new addition to the Mental Home at Essondale?
2. If so, by whom were the plans and specifications prepared?
3. Were tenders invited for the work?
4. If so, give tenderers, with names and addresses, and amounts of each tender?
5. To whom was contract awarded?
6. When was the work commenced, and on what date is contract to be completed?
7. What amount of money has been expended to date on this building?
8. Has the Government appointed a clerk of works to see that the plans and specifications are carried out?
9. If so, who has been appointed, and what experience has said clerk had in building construction?
10. Was the appointment made with the approval of the Provincial Government Architect?

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

- "1. Yes.
- "2. Provincial Architect.
- "3. Yes.
- "4. Building: E. J. Ryan Contracting Co., Vancouver, \$640,000; Carter-Halls-Aldinger Co., Ltd., Winnipeg, \$610,929; Grant-Smith Co. & McDonnell, Ltd., Vancouver, \$594,042; Smith Bros.

& Wilson, Ltd., Vancouver, \$587,400; Hodgson, King & Marble, Vancouver, \$574,869; McDougall, McNeill, Ltd., Vancouver, \$573,800. Heating and ventilating: Barr & Anderson, Ltd., Vancouver, \$53,222; McDowell & Mann, Victoria, \$49,500; Hayward & Dods, Ltd., \$54,800; Leek & Co., Ltd., \$55,214.

"5. Building, McDougall-McNeill, Ltd.; heating and ventilating, Barr & Anderson, Ltd.

"6. Building, April, 1922, date for completion, July, 1924; heating and ventilating, July, 1922, date for completion, July, 1924.

"7. On the building, heating, and ventilating contracts, including supervision, \$141,197.50.

"8. Yes.

"9. J. B. Henderson; lifetime experience.

"10. Appointment approved by Public Works Department."

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

1. Were preliminary surveys carried on during the present year on the Hope-Princeton Road, particularly that section known as Allison Pass?

2. If yes, what is the name and address of the Engineer in charge of said work?

3. Will the Minister table a report of this Engineer?

4. Are Engineers at present or recently engaged in laying out a road through the Allison Pass or on any other section of the Hope-Princeton Road?

5. If yes, what is the name and address of the Engineer in charge of this work?

6. What are the names and addresses of the Engineers actually doing the work?

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

"1. No.

"2 and 3. Answered by No. 1.

"4. Surveys being made on western section of Hope-Princeton route.

"5. W. K. Gwyer, Department Engineer, Penticton.

"6. D. J. Bergin, with field party, Hope."

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

1. When was the office of the Land Settlement Board of Merville moved to Courtenay?

2. Does the Board contemplate moving it back to Merville?

3. If so, when?

4. Is G. B. Capes a Clerk in the office?

5. If not, when were his services dispensed with?

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

"1. Board office burnt out at Merville, July 6th, 1922. Reopened at Courtenay, July 10th, 1922.

"2. No.

"3. Answered by No. 2.

"4. Yes.

"5. Answered by No. 4."

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

1. Is the Hon. the Premier aware that the Federal Government in the last Session had a vote in their Estimates of \$175,000 for the purchase of the British Columbia House in London?

2. Were any negotiations carried on between this Government and the Federal Government as to the sale of the British Columbia House?

3. If so, what was the nature of such negotiations and how far did they proceed?

4. Is it the intention of the Government to sell said British Columbia House?

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

"1. Yes.

"2. An exchange of telegrams took place.

"3. Dominion desired full control of British Columbia House if purchased. This Government was unwilling to lose identity of British Columbia House and the matter was dropped.

"4. Answered by No. 3."

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

1. Have the United Farmers of the Peace River Block sent a petition to the Government, asking for a special investigator to go to the Peace River to investigate the administration of public affairs in that district?

2. If so, when was such petition received?

3. How many people signed such petition?

4. Is it the intention of the Government to meet their request?

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

"1. Yes.

"2. October 13th, 1922.

"3. 172.

"4. The petition was forwarded by L. P. Codona, of Kilkerran, B.C., and was dated June 30th, but was only forwarded on September 29th. The petition is signed by Thomas Jamieson and others, and reads as follows: 'We, the United Farmers and citizens of the Peace River Block, being aware that grave dissatisfaction exists with regard to recent administration of justice and public affairs in our district, call upon the Premier of British Columbia, both in our own interests and also in the interests of his local representative, to send to this district an investigator or investigators with power to inquire into these matters.' On October 14th Mr. Codona was written and advised that there was nothing of a specific nature in the petition, and that I thought occurrences leading to the dissatisfaction which was said to exist should have been specified, so that the Government might give intelligent consideration to the petition. No reply has yet been received from Mr. Codona. Based upon present information, it is not the intention of the Government to send a special investigator to Pouce Coupe."

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

1. Who is the Road Foreman in the District of St. Elmo, Electoral Riding of Yale?

2. Did the Public Works Department construct a bridge during the year 1920 or 1921 on a road leading from the Hope-Rosedale Main Road to the property of one O. E. Dent?

3. If so, what was the cost of said bridge?

4. Was the bridge constructed on a public or privately owned road?

5. If privately owned, to whom does road belong?

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

"1. O. E. Dent.

"2. A bridge originally constructed in 1916 by the Provincial Government, known locally as Dent's, situated on the Ritter Road, 0.2 mile from Hope-Rosedale Road, was renewed in the fiscal year 1921-22 at a cost of \$386.48.

"3. Answered by No. 2.

"4. Public road.

"5. Answered by No. 4."

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

1. Did the Land Settlement Board purchase 600 acres, more or less, of Lots 30 and 31, Group 1, Kootenay District?

2. What price was paid per acre?

3. For what purpose was this land bought?

4. Why has nothing been done with it?

5. Does the Government intend to use it for the purpose as mentioned?

6. If so, when?

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

"1. Yes; 629.97 acres.

"2. \$7.50 per acre.

"3. Agricultural purposes.

"4. Tenders for reclamation too high.

"5. Yes.

"6. Whenever circumstances permit of work being done at a reasonable cost."

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

1. What was the contract price of Palmer Bros. relative to the paving of the Island Highway between Craigflower Bridge and Parsons Bridge?
2. What amount was paid to Palmer Bros. for said work?
3. Have any moneys been paid to Palmer Bros. for extras?
4. If yes, how much, with dates of payment?

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

"1. Unit prices as follows: Clearing and grubbing, \$1,050; grading, earth excavation, 95 cents per cubic yard; solid rock excavation, \$2.36 per cubic yard; culverts, 90¾ cents per lineal foot; Y branches, \$4.12½ each; culverts, 6S¾ cents per lineal foot; Y branches, \$3.85 each; catch-basins, \$20.07½ each; 6-inch vitrified pipe, 52¼ cents per lineal foot; 6-inch bends for catch-basins, \$1.25 each; cement mortar gutters, 66 cents per lineal foot; 4-inch drain-tiles, 25¾ cents per lineal foot; 3-inch drain-tiles, 25 cents per lineal foot; retaining-walls, \$4.50 per cubic yard; riprap, \$4.50 per cubic yard; one-course Portland cement concrete pavement, \$1.46 per superficial yard; metal reinforcement in concrete where required, 40 cents per superficial yard.

"2. \$98,493.86; this includes extras and additional work.

"3. Yes.

"4. Extra on original contract, \$21,750, May, 1922; trenching for waterworks diversion not included in original contract, \$13,993.91, September, October, December, 1919, and July, 1920; additional work, approach to Craigflower Bridge, fencing, etc., \$1,983.73, May, June, and July, 1920; temporary roadways, 4-Mile Hill, \$5,005.69, May and July, 1920."

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

1. Was R. A. Baker suspended from office as Director of the British Columbia Patriotic and Educational Picture Service?
2. If so, when?
3. Was said Baker reinstated?
4. If so, when?
5. Did the said Baker receive his salary of \$300 per month during said period?
6. If yes, under what authority were said moneys paid over?
7. What amount was paid said Baker during said suspension?
8. Has said Baker resigned?
9. If so, when?

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

"1. Yes.

"2. November 21st, 1921.

"3. Yes.

"4. February 22nd, 1922.

"5. Yes, subsequent to reinstatement.

"6. By Order in Council approved March 11th, 1922.

"7. Answered by No. 5.

"8. Yes.

"9. February 22nd, 1922."

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

1. Of the 91,920 ties stated in Votes and Proceedings, Nos. 35-36, November 28th, 1921, to have been purchased by the General Manager of the Pacific Great Eastern for 1921 requirements, how many were put in the track in the year 1921 and how many were on hand at the end of that year?
2. What was the price paid to private contractors for the aforesaid ties?
3. What price was paid for ties purchased this year?
4. What is the estimated loss to the company through the purchase of ties in 1921 in excess of that year's requirements, based on the 1922 price?
5. What was the total cost of the tug "Clinton," which was sunk in the entrance to Burrard Inlet in December, 1921?

6. What was the amount of insurance received by the company on account of the loss of the vessel?

7. What was the loss sustained by the company through under-insurance?

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

“1. 44,557 in track; 47,263 on hand.

“2. 60 cents and 50 cents for No. 1's; 45 cents and 40 cents for No. 2's.

“3. 2,941 No. 1's at 50 cents; 677 No. 1's at 45 cents; 854 No. 2's at 40 cents.

“4. None.

“5. \$48,032.74.

“6. \$25,000.

“7. \$23,032.74.”

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

What was the total cost of the game inquiry under the “Public Inquiries Act,” with details?

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

“H. C. Shaw, Commissioner, fees and expenses, \$2,085; J. N. Ellis, Crown Counsel, fees and expenses, including disbursements to witnesses, advertising, etc., \$2,652.89; P. J. McKay, Official Stenographer, services, including transcript of proceedings and travelling expenses, \$1,367.30; King's Printer, advertising, \$7.25; total, \$6,112.44.”

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

And then the House adjourned at 6 p.m.

Wednesday, 29th November, 1922.

HALF-PAST EIGHT O'CLOCK P.M.

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

REPORT No. 4.

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE ROOM,
November 29th, 1922.

MR. SPEAKER:

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

Your Committee recommends that the Rules be suspended, and that the time for receiving reports be extended from November 27th, 1922, to December 6th, 1922.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

M. B. JACKSON, *Chairman*.

The report was received.

The Rules were suspended and the report adopted.

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

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

On the motion of Mrs. *Smith*, Bill (No. 57) intituled “An Act allowing Municipalities to adopt a Town Planning and Rural Development Scheme” was introduced, read a first time, and referred to the Select Standing Committee on Municipal Affairs.

On the motion of Mr. *Clearihue*, Bill (No. 58) intituled "An Act to incorporate the Greater Victoria Water District" was introduced, read a first time, and *Ordered* to be read a second time at the next sitting.

On the motion of the Hon. the Premier, the House proceeded to the Orders of the Day.

Pursuant to Order, the House again resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

10. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$16,500 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Control of Fruit Pests, Diseases, etc., to 31st March, 1924.

12. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$4,080 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Plant Pathology, to 31st March, 1924.

13. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$6,540 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Entomological and Research, etc., to 31st March, 1924.

14. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$11,252 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Live Stock Branch, to 31st March, 1924.

The Committee reported the Resolutions.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

Resolved, That the House, at its rising, do stand adjourned until 2 o'clock p.m. to-morrow.

And then the House adjourned at 10.30 p.m.

Thursday, 30th November, 1922.

TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by Mr. Speaker.

Mr. *Menzies* rose to a question of privilege, and on his motion it was *Resolved* that the division recorded on the first page of Votes and Proceedings Nos. 26 and 27, with reference to Mr. *Perry's* motion respecting the incorporation of the District of Tadanac, be recorded on to-day's Votes and Proceedings as showing Mr. *Menzies* voting in the negative.

The division being correctly recorded as follows:—

YEAS—27.

Messieurs

<i>Wallinger,</i>	<i>Clearihue,</i>	<i>MacDonald, K. C.,</i>	<i>Campbell,</i>
<i>McRae,</i>	<i>Hunter,</i>	<i>Paterson,</i>	<i>Whiteside,</i>
<i>Catherwood,</i>	<i>McKenzie, W. A.,</i>	<i>Farris,</i>	<i>Smith, Mrs.</i>
<i>Pearson,</i>	<i>Jones,</i>	<i>Hart,</i>	<i>Barrow,</i>
<i>Esling,</i>	<i>Bowser,</i>	<i>Oliver,</i>	<i>Pattullo,</i>
<i>Schofield,</i>	<i>Perry,</i>	<i>Manson,</i>	<i>MacLean.</i>
<i>Duncan,</i>	<i>Yorston,</i>	<i>Stoan,</i>	

NAYS—11.

Messieurs

<i>Hanes,</i>	<i>Uphill,</i>	<i>Hinchliffe,</i>	<i>Henniger,</i>
<i>Neelands,</i>	<i>Menzies,</i>	<i>Anderson,</i>	<i>Kergin,</i>
<i>Guthrie,</i>	<i>Burde,</i>	<i>Ramsay,</i>	

Mr. *Guthrie* moved, seconded by Mr. *Neelands*,—

That this Legislature resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole House to consider the question of State health insurance, with a view to discussing the advisability of appointing a Committee to bring in a Bill before the close of this Session of the House.

Mr. Speaker delivered his reserved decision on a point of order raised by the Hon. Mr. *Manson* with reference to the above motion, as follows:—

“On the 28th instant, a motion standing in the name of the Member for Newcastle being called, a question was asked by the Hon. the Attorney-General as to whether it was in order.

“The motion is as follows: ‘That this Legislature resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole House to consider the question of State health insurance, with a view to discussing the advisability of appointing a Committee to bring in a Bill before the close of this Session of the House.’

“The motion proposes that this Legislature resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole House for the purpose of considering the matter of State health insurance. There is, of course, no question but that the Legislature can, by motion, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole for the purpose of deliberation.

“If the House should so resolve itself, the Committee of the Whole could then discuss the advisability of appointing a Committee to bring in a Bill.

“The motion does not disclose what the nature of the Bill is that the Committee, if appointed, might bring in before the close of this Session of the House.

“The motion is in order.”

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

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

J. A. MACDONALD,
Administrator.

The Administrator transmits herewith a Bill intituled “An Act to amend the ‘Pre-emptors’ Free Grants Act,” and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,
November 30th, 1922.

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

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

Resolved, That the Committee rise and report to the House, recommending the introduction of a Bill (No. 60) intituled “An Act to amend the ‘Pre-emptors’ Free Grants 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.

On the second reading of Bill (No. 42) intituled “An Act to amend the ‘Coal-mines Regulation Act’” a debate arose, which was, on the motion of the Hon. Mr. *Sloan*, adjourned to the next sitting.

On the second reading of Bill (No. 48) intituled “An Act to amend the ‘Night Employment of Young Persons Act’” a debate arose, which was, on the motion of Mr. *Farris*, adjourned to the next sitting.

On the second reading of Bill (No. 49) intituled “An Act to amend the ‘Night Employment of Women Act’” a debate arose, which was, on the motion of Mr. *Farris*, adjourned to the next sitting.

On the motion of Mr. *Guthrie* for the second reading of Bill (No. 52) intituled “An Act to amend the ‘Employment of Children Act’” a debate arose.

The House divided, and the motion was negatived on the following division:—

YEAS—16.

Messieurs

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

NAYS—23.

Messieurs

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

On the second reading of Bill (No. 45) intituled "An Act to ratify and confirm an Agreement bearing Date the Fifteenth Day of November, A.D. 1922, between the Corporation of the City of Duncan, the Corporation of the District of North Cowichan, and the Board of School Trustees of the Duncan (City) School District" a debate arose, which was, on the motion of Mr. K. C. MacDonald, adjourned to the next sitting.

Bill (No. 54) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Adoption Act'" was read a second time, and *Ordered* to be committed at the next sitting.

The Hon. the Minister of Lands presented the Annual Report of the Minister of Lands for the Year ending 31st December, 1921.

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the second reading of Bill (No. 53) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Trust Companies Act.'"

Bill read a second time.

To be committed at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 36) intituled "An Act to consolidate and amend the 'Public Schools Act'" was again committed.

Progress reported.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 17) intituled "An Act to provide for the Inspection and Regulation of Premises and Equipment for the Generation, Transmission, Supply, or Use of Electrical Energy" was again committed.

Progress reported.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

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

What number of schools are there in the Province with an attendance of over thirty and under forty pupils?

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

"Twenty-one, according to the attendance for the month of October, 1922."

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

1. On October 31st last, when the arrangements were terminated between the Government and the Northern Construction Company, did the Government take over certain supplies from the Northern Construction Company?

2. What was the value of these supplies?

3. Of what did they chiefly consist?

4. Has the Government an inventory of these supplies?

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

- "1. Yes.
- "2. \$255,418.06, cost price.
- "3. Plant and equipment, warehouse stock, commissary goods, tools, and miscellaneous supplies, buildings, mill plant, etc., comprising a list of 126 foolscap pages.
- "4. Yes."

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

1. Who were the contractors carrying on oil investigations during the years 1919, 1920, 1921, and 1922 to November 1st?
2. How many test-holes were made in each year and what was the depth of each test-hole?
3. Was oil or gas encountered in any of these tests?
4. If so, in which test and at what depth?
5. What is the location of each test-hole?
6. What formations were drilled through and what was the depth and thickness of each formation?
7. From the results of tests made, does the Government consider these locations, or any of them, favourable for oil production?

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

- "1. Exploratory surveys were made in 1919 by the late Professor Gwillim, and in 1920 by John A. Dresser and E. M. Spieker. (See reports tabled 1920 and 1921.) Diamond-drilling was carried on during 1921 and 1922 by Lynch Bros. under the direction of John A. Dresser.
- "2 to 7. Report covering drilling operations will be presented to the House early next week."

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

1. Has a school been opened in the Bunkhouse, in Granby Townsite, Cassidy?
2. If so, who authorized the opening of this school?
3. Was the said school opened on the advice of Mr. Paterson, Inspector of Schools, and Mr. Willis, Superintendent of Education?
4. If so, were they not aware that the school referred to is not 500 yards from a powder-magazine?
5. In opening this school, was it contrary to section 144 of the "Public Schools Act"?

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

- "1. So far as this Department is aware, a public school has not yet been opened on Granby Townsite, Cassidy.
- "2 and 3. A petition was received from the residents of the townsite for school facilities in their area. The Inspector for the district made careful investigation and recommended that the older pupils be required to attend the new two-room graded school on the opposite side of Haslam Creek, and that a class-room for the younger pupils of Cassidy be opened on the townsite. The Department accordingly authorized the School Board to engage a teacher to take charge of this 3rd Division.
- "4. No.
- "5. It is contrary to the 'Public Schools Act' to keep a powder-magazine within 500 yards of a school building."

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

1. What revenue has been collected from amusement tax for the fiscal years 1919, 1920, 1921?
2. What revenue has been collected from motor-vehicle licences, automobiles only, for fiscal years 1919, 1920, 1921?
3. What number of automobiles were licensed in each of the above years?

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

- "1. 1919-20, \$320,472.92; 1920-21, \$346,879.26; 1921-22, \$318,316.43.
- "2. Classes of vehicles are not segregated in returns. Revenue from motor-vehicle licence fees was: 1919-20, \$354,222.50; 1920-21, \$582,082.24; 1921-22, \$802,518.84.
- "3. Classes not segregated. Approximately 25,000 motor-vehicles were licensed in 1919-20, 28,000 in 1920-21, and 32,000 in 1921-22."

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

1. For which mining district is W. M. Brewer Resident Mining Engineer?
2. What salary did he draw for the year ending March 31st, 1922?
3. What was the amount of expenses paid him for same period?
4. What other sums did he draw from the Treasury?
5. What work did such extra sums cover, if any?

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

- "1. Western Mineral Survey District (No. 6); office at Nanaimo.
- "2. \$3,600.
- "3. \$3,175.68.
- "4. \$1,289.39.
- "5. Mining and shipping iron ore pursuant to 'Iron-ore Supply Act.'"

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

1. How many employees use the present Public Works Office in South Fort George?
2. How far are said offices from the Prince George Station?
3. How many automobiles are under your Department in the Fort George District?
4. Do you intend to provide accommodation for your Department in Prince George in the immediate future?

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

- "1. Four.
- "2. One and a half miles.
- "3. Three.
- "4. It is intended to provide accommodation for the Public Works Department in the proposed new building at Prince George."

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

1. What is the total cost of work done on the Yale Road, Chilliwack District Municipality, in which the Provincial and Federal Governments participated?
2. What is the mileage of such work?
3. In what sections was this road-work done, giving the type of pavement adopted?
4. What tenders were received for each section respectively, with the width and thickness of pavement?
5. Who was the successful tenderer for each section referred to in question 4?
6. What was the cost per square yard of paved surface, including the subgrade, for each section and type of pavement adopted respectively?

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

- "1. \$79,873.69 for 3.074 miles, but Federal Government did not participate.
- "2. 3.074 miles.
- "3. Two sections—Warrenite-Bitulithic, Type 'B.'
- "4. Tenders for first section (2.074 miles):—Asphaltic concrete or Warrenite-Bitulithic, 2-inch surfacing on asphaltic concrete base, 3 inches thick (minimum), 16 feet wide: Columbia Bitulithic, Ltd., \$57,568 (alternative tender); Nickson Construction Co., \$72,640.74; Cotton Co., Ltd., \$83,591.20. One-course cement concrete, 6½ inches uniform thickness, 16 feet wide: Nickson Construction Co., \$65,511.95; Hodgson, King & Marble, \$72,810.81; A. B. Palmer & Co., Ltd., \$74,847.54; Cotton Co., Ltd., \$80,957.39. Tender for second section on same unit prices by Columbia Bitulithic, Ltd.
- "5. Columbia Bitulithic, Ltd.
- "6. \$2.76."

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

1. What is the total cost of work done on Section 3 (Cloverdale) of the Pacific Highway, in which the Provincial and Federal Governments participated?
2. What is the mileage of such work?
3. In what sections was this road-work done, giving the type of pavement adopted?

4. What tenders were received for each section respectively, with the width and thickness of pavement?

5. Who was the successful tenderer for each section referred to in question 4?

6. What was the cost per square yard of paved surface, including the subgrade, for each section and type of pavement adopted respectively?

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

"1. \$60,061.51.

"2. Section D, 1.63 miles.

"3. Section D, one-course cement concrete.

"4. Proposal A, asphaltic concrete; 2-inch asphaltic concrete on broken-stone base varying from 4 to 12 inches deep, 18 feet wide: Nickson Construction Co., (a) \$66,565.05 (rock), (b) \$63,467.45 (gravel); Cotton Co., (a) \$62,018 (rock), (b) \$62,018 (gravel). Proposal B, one-course cement concrete; 7 inches uniform thickness, 18 feet wide: Vancouver Cement Co., \$64,168.61 (including cement); Nickson Construction Co., \$66,217.22 (including cement); Palmer Bros., \$60,592.40 (including cement); Cotton Co., \$72,745.20 (including cement); Hodgson, King & Marble, \$71,151.30.

"5. Palmer Bros.

"6. \$3.49."

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

1. Has your Department been advised of the action of the United States of America with regard to liquor within the 3-mile limit of the Coast of Alaska?

2. Does this action interfere with the shipment of liquor into the north-western part of this Province and the Yukon Territory?

3. What action has your Department taken with regard to this, if any?

4. Will you call the attention of the Imperial Government of this action of the United States of America and its effect upon British Columbia and the Yukon Territory?

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

"1. It came to the notice of the Department in June, 1922, through the press, that the United States Treasury had ruled that liquor could not be shipped across a portion of Alaska to the northern section of British Columbia.

"2. Yes.

"3. The facts were communicated to the Under-Secretary of State for External Affairs, who advised that action had already been taken, with the result that 'the United States Customs officers had been instructed to allow certain shipments of liquor to pass through their territory; that is to say, liquor which had been shipped and was actually afloat when the United States Treasury Order of May 25th was promulgated.' In view of the urgency of the matter affecting liquor in transit, the Department of External Affairs considered it expedient to make this specific request before raising the general question in regard to future shipments. The result of the negotiations between the Department of External Affairs and the United States authorities has not yet been communicated to this Government.

"4. The action suggested is not necessary in view of the negotiations referred to in answer to question No. 3."

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

1. What is the total cost of work done on the Yale Road, Langley Municipality, in which the Provincial and Federal Governments participated?

2. What is the mileage of such work?

3. In what sections was this road-work done, giving the type of pavement adopted?

4. What tenders were received for each section respectively, with the width and thickness of pavement?

5. Who was the successful tenderer for each section referred to in question 4?

6. What was the cost per square yard of paved surface, including the subgrade, for each section and type of pavement adopted respectively?

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

"1. \$63,713.81, but Federal Government did not participate.

"2. 1.90 miles.

"3. One section—" I."

"4. Asphaltic concrete or Warrenite-Bitulithic; 2-inch asphaltic surface on 3½-inch asphaltic concrete base, 16 feet wide: Cotton Co., Ltd., \$67,116.90; Columbia Bitulithic, Ltd., \$57,467.30. One-course cement concrete 7 inches thick (reduced to 6½ inches in certain portions where subgrade permitted): A. B. Palmer & Co., Ltd., \$65,365.74 (including cement); Cotton Co., Ltd., \$70,394.70; Hodgson, King & Marble, \$70,213.52.

"5. A. B. Palmer Co., Ltd.

"6. \$3.48."

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

What was the total cost of the work done on the road on the west side of Harrison River leading up to Mr. Pretty's place during the years 1921 and 1922?

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

"Expenditure on road known as West Side Harrison River Road during fiscal years 1921-22 and 1922-23 to date, \$24,449.29."

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

And then the House adjourned at 5.45 p.m.

Thursday, 30th November, 1922.

HALF-PAST EIGHT O'CLOCK P.M.

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

J. A. MACDONALD,
Administrator.

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

Government House,
November 30th, 1922.

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

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

Resolved, That the Committee rise and report to the House, recommending the introduction of a Bill (No. 59) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Revenue Act,'" a draft of which is annexed to this Resolution.

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

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

J. A. MACDONALD,
Administrator.

The Administrator transmits herewith a Bill intituled "An Act to borrow the Sum of Three million five hundred thousand Dollars for the Purposes therein specified," and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,
November 30th, 1922.

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

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

Resolved, That the Committee rise and report to the House, recommending the introduction of a Bill (No. 61) intituled "An Act to borrow the Sum of Three million five hundred thousand Dollars for the Purposes therein specified," 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.

On the motion of Mr. *Clearihue*, Bill (No. 62) intituled "An Act relating to Sewers belonging to the Corporation of the City of Victoria and the Corporation of the District of Oak Bay" was introduced, read a first time, and *Ordered* to be read a second time at the next sitting.

On the motion of the Hon. the Premier, the House proceeded to the Orders of the Day.

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the second reading of Bill (No. 27) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Provincial Elections Act.'"

Mr. *Farris* moved the adjournment of the debate to the next sitting.

The House divided, and the Resolution was carried on the following division:—

YEAS—29.

Messieurs

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

NAYS—11.

Messieurs

<i>Wallinger,</i>	<i>Pearson,</i>	<i>Schofield,</i>	<i>Jones,</i>
<i>McRae,</i>	<i>MacDonald, A.,</i>	<i>Hinchliffe,</i>	<i>Pooley.</i>
<i>Catherwood,</i>	<i>Esling,</i>	<i>McKenzie, W. A.,</i>	

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the second reading of Bill (No. 33) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Hours of Work Act.'"

On the motion of Dr. *K. C. MacDonald*, the debate was adjourned to the next sitting.

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the second reading of Bill (No. 48) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Night Employment of Young Persons Act.'"

Second reading negatived on the following division:—

YEAS—12.

Messieurs

<i>Hanes,</i>	<i>Uphill,</i>	<i>Schofield,</i>	<i>Burde,</i>
<i>Ncelands,</i>	<i>Wallinger,</i>	<i>Duncan,</i>	<i>Clearihue,</i>
<i>Guthrie,</i>	<i>Esling,</i>	<i>Menzies,</i>	<i>Perry.</i>

NAYS—24.

Messieurs

<i>Catherwood,</i>	<i>MacDonald, K. C.,</i>	<i>Sloan,</i>	<i>Whiteside,</i>
<i>Pearson,</i>	<i>Paterson,</i>	<i>Campbell,</i>	<i>Smith, Mrs.</i>
<i>McDonald, A.,</i>	<i>Farris,</i>	<i>Ramsay,</i>	<i>Barrow,</i>
<i>Jackson,</i>	<i>Hart,</i>	<i>Henniger,</i>	<i>Sutherland,</i>
<i>Jones,</i>	<i>Oliver,</i>	<i>Kerwin,</i>	<i>Pattullo,</i>
<i>Yorston,</i>	<i>Manson,</i>	<i>Buckham,</i>	<i>MacLean.</i>

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the second reading of Bill (No. 49) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Night Employment of Women Act.'"

Second reading negatived on the following division:—

YEAS—12.

Messieurs

<i>Hanes.</i>	<i>Uphill,</i>	<i>Schofield,</i>	<i>Clearihue,</i>
<i>Neclunds,</i>	<i>Waulinger,</i>	<i>Mcenzies,</i>	<i>McKenzie, W. A.,</i>
<i>Guthrie,</i>	<i>Esling,</i>	<i>Burde,</i>	<i>Perry.</i>

NAYS—25.

Messieurs

<i>Catherwood,</i>	<i>MacDonald, K. C.,</i>	<i>Sloan,</i>	<i>Whiteside,</i>
<i>McDonald, A.,</i>	<i>Paterson,</i>	<i>Campbell,</i>	<i>Smith, Mrs.</i>
<i>Duncan,</i>	<i>Farris,</i>	<i>Ramsay,</i>	<i>Barrow,</i>
<i>Jackson,</i>	<i>Hart,</i>	<i>Henniger,</i>	<i>Sutherland,</i>
<i>Hunter,</i>	<i>Oliver,</i>	<i>Kerwin,</i>	<i>Pattullo,</i>
<i>Jones,</i>	<i>Manson,</i>	<i>Buckham,</i>	<i>MacLean.</i>
<i>Yorston,</i>			

Bill (No. 58) intituled "An Act to incorporate the Greater Victoria Water District" was read a second time.

To be committed at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 54) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Adoption Act'" was committed.

Progress reported.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 36) intituled "An Act to consolidate and amend the 'Public Schools Act'" was again committed.

Progress reported.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

The House again resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

15. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$16,020 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, District Agriculturists, etc., to 31st March, 1924.

16. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$18,450 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Veterinary Branch, to 31st March, 1924.

17. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$13,640 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Poultry Branch, to 31st March, 1924.

18. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$13,780 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Soil and Crop Branch, to 31st March, 1924.

19. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$11,850 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Dairy Branch, to 31st March, 1924.

21. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$6,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Automobiles and accessories, etc., to 31st March, 1924.

22. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$35,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Agricultural fairs, etc., to 31st March, 1924.
23. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$9,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Farmers' Institutes, to 31st March, 1924.
24. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$7,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Women's Institutes, etc., to 31st March, 1924.
25. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$500 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, British Columbia Bee-keepers' Associations, to 31st March, 1924.
26. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$2,500 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, British Columbia Dairymen's Association, to 31st March, 1924.
27. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$250 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, British Columbia Entomological Society, to 31st March, 1924.
28. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$3,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, British Columbia Fruit-growers' Association, to 31st March, 1924.
29. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, British Columbia Goat-breeders' Association, to 31st March, 1924.
30. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,500 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, British Columbia Poultry Association, to 31st March, 1924.
31. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$2,500 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, British Columbia Stock-breeders' Association, to 31st March, 1924.
32. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,250 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, British Columbia Wool-growers' Associations, to 31st March, 1924.
33. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$5,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, United Seed-growers, Limited (\$2,500 to be refunded by Dominion Government), to 31st March, 1924.
34. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$2,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Departmental exhibits, to 31st March, 1924.
35. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$250 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Compensation *re* foul-brood in bees, to 31st March, 1924.
36. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Control of noxious weeds and destruction of pests, etc., to March 31st, 1924.
37. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$250 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Western Canada Live Stock Union, to 31st March, 1924.
38. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Incidentals and contingencies, to 31st March, 1924.
39. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$20,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Grants to settlers in aid of purchase of stumping-powder, to 31st March, 1924.
40. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$2,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Exhibit for B.C. House in London—labour, material, etc., to 31st March, 1924.
42. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$23,500 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Services hitherto paid from Dominion Government grant under "Agricultural Instruction Act": (a) Seed Fair, etc., \$500; (b) Horticultural demonstrations and competitions, etc., \$1,000; (c) Egg-laying Contest—labour, supplies, etc., \$1,750; (d) Dairying and cow-testing, \$9,000; (e) Bee-keeping, \$5,000; (f) Boys' and Girls' Clubs, \$1,250; (g) Agricultural Journal and publications, \$5,000, to 31st March, 1924.

The Committee reported the Resolutions.
Report to be considered at the next sitting.
Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

Resolved, That the House, at its rising, do stand adjourned until 2 o'clock p.m. to-morrow.

And then the House adjourned at 11.55 p.m.

Friday, 1st December, 1922.

TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by Mr. Speaker.

Mr. *Neelands* presented a petition from E. B. Perry and others, praying that favourable consideration be given to a Bill being introduced by the chiropractors of this Province.

The Rules were suspended and the petition was received.

On the motion of Mr. *Neelands*, the petition was referred to the Select Committee appointed to consider Bill (No. 28) intituled "An Act respecting Chiropractic."

The Hon. Mr. *Manson* moved, seconded by the Hon. Mr. *Oliver*,—

Whereas a plebiscite was taken in the Province of British Columbia in October, 1920, on the following question:—

WHICH DO YOU PREFER?

(1.) The present "Prohibition Act"?

or

(2.) An Act to provide for Government Control and Sale in Sealed Packages of Spirituous and Malt Liquors?

And whereas the vote was strongly in favour of Government Control and Sale:

And whereas as a result of the said plebiscite there was passed by the Legislature of this Province the "Government Liquor Act":

And whereas eighteen months of administration under that Act has demonstrated the necessity for the prohibition of the importation of liquor into this Province by other than the Provincial Government in order to accomplish the effective working of the said Act:

And whereas Federal legislation to that end was sought at the meeting of the Federal Parliament in the spring of 1922, and the said proposed legislation met with the unanimous approval of the House of Commons, but was defeated in the Senate at the close of its Session when many Senators were not present:

And whereas it is desirable that this Province again seek the enactment of the proposed legislation:

Therefore be it Resolved, That the Federal Parliament be requested at its next sittings to enact legislation providing for the prohibition of the importation of intoxicating liquor into British Columbia for use therein except by the Provincial Government; such legislation to be for the purpose of supplementing and giving effect to the aforementioned "Government Liquor Act" and to be contingent upon and to exist only during its continuance.

And be it further Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, praying that he will cause a copy of the Preamble and Resolution hereinbefore set out to be transmitted to the Hon. the Secretary of State at Ottawa.

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

The Hon. Mr. *Oliver* moved, seconded by the Hon. Mr. *Manson*,—

That on Monday next and all following days of the Session there shall be three distinct sittings in each day, one from 10.30 a.m. to 1 p.m., one from 2.30 p.m. to 6 p.m., and the other from 8 p.m. until adjournment, unless otherwise ordered.

A debate arose, the House divided, and the motion was carried on the following division:—

YEAS—27.

Messieurs

<i>Hanes,</i>	<i>Perry,</i>	<i>Oliver,</i>	<i>Whiteside,</i>
<i>Neelands,</i>	<i>Yorston,</i>	<i>Manson,</i>	<i>Smith, Mrs.</i>
<i>Guthrie,</i>	<i>MacDonald, K. C.,</i>	<i>Sloan,</i>	<i>Barrow,</i>
<i>Menzies,</i>	<i>Anderson,</i>	<i>Campbell,</i>	<i>Sutherland,</i>
<i>Burdé,</i>	<i>Paterson,</i>	<i>Henniger,</i>	<i>Pattullo,</i>
<i>Clearihue,</i>	<i>Farris,</i>	<i>Kergin,</i>	<i>MacLean,</i>
<i>Jackson,</i>	<i>Hart,</i>	<i>Buckham,</i>	

NAYS—15.

Messieurs

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

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

That an Order of the House be granted for a Return of the file of the Supervisor of Enforcement under the "Government Liquor Act" containing all reports, correspondence, and documents in connection with the report or reports, charges or statements regarding Mr. F. G. Dawson, of Prince Rupert.

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

On the motion of Mr. *Farris*, Bill (No. 63) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Woodman's Lien for Wages Act'" was introduced, read a first time, and *Ordered* to be read a second time at the next sitting.

Mr. *Bowser* moved, seconded by Mr. *Jones*.—

Whereas the Lieutenant-Governor in Council, by Orders in Council Nos. 245 and 275, approved the 28th day of May, 1902, and the 18th day of June, 1902, respectively, provided that no Chinese or Japanese should be employed in connection with any Government contracts, leases, or concessions:

And whereas, doubts having arisen as to the validity of the said Orders in Council, this Legislature did enact chapter 49 of the Statutes of 1921, validating and confirming said Orders in Council from the respective dates of their approval:

And whereas said chapter 49 was assented to by His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor on the 2nd day of April, 1921:

And whereas on the 31st day of March, 1922, said chapter 49 was disallowed by the Governor-General at Ottawa:

And whereas prior to the said disallowance the Supreme Court of Canada had declared said chapter 49 to be *ultra vires* of the Legislative Assembly of the Province of British Columbia:

And whereas no formal notification of the disallowance of the said chapter 49 has been presented to this Assembly:

And whereas it is a matter of the utmost importance to the Members of this Assembly that they should be formally notified at the earliest possible moment of the disallowance of any of the enactments of this Legislature:

Therefore be it Resolved, That this House is of the opinion that all documents and papers dealing with the disallowance by the Governor-General in Council of any Statutes passed by this House should be laid upon the table of this House during the first week of the next ensuing Session of the Legislature.

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

Pursuant to Order, the House again resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

3. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$15,180 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Premier's Office to 31st March, 1924.

66. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$6,488 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Supreme and County Courts, Official Stenographers, to 31st March, 1924.

68. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$14,140 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, County Gaol, Nelson, to 31st March, 1924.

69. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$130,160 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Oakalla Prison Farm, to 31st March, 1924.

70. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$29,350 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Girls' Industrial School, to 31st March, 1924.

71. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$43,386 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Administration of "Motor-vehicle Act," to 31st March, 1924.

72. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$30,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Summoning and paying witnesses, to 31st March, 1924.

73. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$25,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Grand and Petit Jurors (including drawing panels, etc.), to 31st March, 1924.

74. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$32,500 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Prosecutions and Interpreters, to 31st March, 1924.

75. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$6,500 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Expenses of inquests and inquiries, to 31st March, 1924.

76. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$2,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Rewards, to 31st March, 1924.

77. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$10,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Constitutional litigation and general law costs, to 31st March, 1924.

78. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$45,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Destruction of wolves, cougars, coyotes, owls, etc., and game protection, including salaries, equipment, travelling expenses, incidentals of office, and contingencies, to 31st March, 1924.

79. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$2,500 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Special surveys, to 31st March, 1924.

80. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$3,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Stipendiary Magistrates, to 31st March, 1924.

81. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,500 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Promotion of uniformity of Provincial legislation in Canada, to 31st March, 1924.

82. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$4,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, "Moving Pictures Act Amendment Act" (salaries and expenses), to 31st March, 1924.

83. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$4,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Revision of the Statutes: Legislative Counsel, etc., to 31st March, 1924.

84. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$10,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Incidentals and contingencies, to 31st March, 1924.

85. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$467,380 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Administration of "Mothers' Pensions Act," to 31st March, 1924.

88. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$112,760 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Education, Free Text-book Branch, to 31st March, 1924.

The Committee reported the Resolutions.
Report to be considered at the next sitting.
Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

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

1. Was power given the Minister of Lands, under the amendment to the "Forest Act" of 1920, to issue permits for the export from this Province of unmanufactured timber upon such terms and conditions as he saw fit?

2. If so, what was the authority for this, and what were the terms decided on by the Minister of Lands?

3. How many permits have been issued by the Minister of Lands for this purpose?

4. What was the amount of timber which the Minister allowed to be exported, giving particulars of the classes of timber exported?

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

"1. Power was conferred on the Lieutenant-Governor in Council by section 103b of the 'Forest Act,' as re-enacted by section 17 of the 'Forest Act Amendment Act, 1920.'

"2. By Orders in Council duly approved by the Lieutenant-Governor in Council. Upon payment of timber tax, which is \$2 per M. on No. 1 Grade, \$1.50 per M. on No. 2 Grade, and \$1 per M. on No. 3 Grade.

"3. 262.

"4. From April 1st, 1920, to date, 71,919,000 F.B.M., consisting of fir, cedar, spruce, hemlock, larch, pine, and balsam."

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

1. Has final settlement been made with the British Columbia Electric Railway Company, Limited, and the Government for the expenses which the company was put to in connection with the change in the rule of the road?

2. If so, what was the full amount paid to the company by the Government for this amount?

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

"1. No.

"2. \$195,812.01 paid to September 11th, 1922."

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

1. Did the Attorney-General write to the City Clerk at New Westminster this year, stating that he was cancelling all commissions of Justices of the Peace in this Province?

2. If so, what was the date of such letter?

3. Why was this cancellation not carried out?

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

"1 and 2. No. A letter was written to His Worship Mayor J. J. Johnston, of New Westminster, under date of September 12th, 1922, requesting further information as to the uses to which a commission as a Justice of the Peace would be put in the event of the appointment of the City Clerk as such, and at the same time drawing attention to the fact that a general revision of the list of Justices of the Peace was under way.

"3. Revision not yet completed."

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

1. What amount for fuel, light, and rent is paid for the office of the County Court Judge in Prince George?

2. What amount for fuel, light, and rent is paid for the Labour Office in Prince George?

3. What amount for fuel, light, and rent is paid for the Liquor Store in Prince George?

4. Have requests been made for a Land Registry District for Fort George District?

5. Is it your intention to create a Land Registry District for Fort George District?

6. Are prisoners kept at South Fort George for nearly six months?
7. What number of cells are in the gaol at South Fort George?
8. What is the size of gaol-room containing said cells?
9. Is a Court-house being erected in Prince Rupert?
10. Will suitable buildings be erected in Prince George to include decent accommodation for Court-room, gaol, and staff?
11. What was the highest number of prisoners kept in the gaol at South Fort George during any night in October last?
12. Has said gaol been condemned by grand juries at Prince George as unsanitary and dangerous in case of fire?
13. In what building are assizes held in Prince George, and rent charged for same?
14. Is it the intention of your Department to provide better accommodation for police officials, Court officials, and prisoners in Prince George, and in the immediate future?

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

- "1. \$15 per month.
- "2. \$12 per month.
- "3. Rent, \$100 per month; coal, \$12.50 per ton; wood, \$7 per cord; light, \$2 per 100 kw. less 30 per cent.
- "4. Yes.
- "5. Yes, when proper vault and building accommodation available.
- "6. Yes, if there is no overcrowding thereby, this being a common gaol.
- "7. Twelve double steel cells.
- "8. 65 feet 3 inches by 15 feet 10 inches.
- "9. Yes.
- "10. The matter is now under consideration by the various departments requiring accommodation.
- "11. Twelve.
- "12. Yes. In 1919 the grand jury condemned the gaol building as unsanitary and certain improvements were made in the sanitary arrangements. On October 31st of this year the grand jury reported on the dangerous conditions of the cells with regard to fire.
- "13. City Hall; \$25 per day.
- "14. This matter is under consideration in connection with proposed new Government buildings at Prince George."

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

1. Does the Government pay for the private telephones in the homes of the different Ministers and their Secretaries?
2. If so, what does this amount to each month?
3. What was the authority for this allowance?

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

- "1. Yes.
- "2. \$37.90.
- "3. It has always been the general policy of the Government to allow telephones in the residences of the Ministers and their Secretaries."

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

1. Was there a by-election in Cranbrook during the month of August last?
2. If so, on what date was it held?
3. Was John Stewart, Inspector of Factories, present in the Cranbrook Riding at any time during the by-election?
4. If so, was he on official business, and what length of time was he there?
5. What was the amount of his expenses during his visit to Cranbrook, and what was the amount paid by the Department for that trip?
6. Did the Department also pay his salary during his stay at Cranbrook?

The Hon. Mr. *Manson* (Minister of Labour) replied as follows:—

- "1. Yes.
- "2. August 15th,
- "3. Was in Cranbrook Riding on August 8th to 11th and on morning of August 13th.
- "4. Yes, four and a half days, including Sunday.
- "5. \$22.50. \$149.30, which includes inspections and accident investigations in the Electoral Ridings of Cranbrook, Fernie, Nelson, Columbia, and Revelstoke.
- "6. Yes."

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

- 1. Is one J. Stewart Inspector of Factories?
- 2. If so, when was he appointed and what is his salary?
- 3. Did he during the month of February last visit Revelstoke?
- 4. If so, was he on official business, and how long did he remain there?
- 5. Did he charge up the expenses of the Revelstoke trip during the by-election of the Minister of Public Works to the Department?
- 6. If so, what was the amount he charged for expenses?
- 7. Was he in receipt of a salary during this visit to Revelstoke?

The Hon. Mr. *Manson* (Minister of Labour) replied as follows:—

- "1. Yes.
- "2. June 9th, 1917. \$2,700 per annum. (Started at \$190 per month.)
- "3. Yes.
- "4. Yes; February 4th to 10th, six days, including Saturday afternoon and Sunday.
- "5. No record of any trip during Revelstoke by-election and no expenses paid for that period.
- "6. Answered by No. 5.
- "7. Was in receipt of full salary during February. Applied for and was granted annual leave of absence with pay from February 20th to March 5th."

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

What amount for fuel, light, and rent is paid for the Land Settlement Board Office in Prince George?

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

"Rent, \$20 per month; current prices from time to time for firewood and illuminating-oil."

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

- 1. What amount for fuel, light, and rent is paid for the Forestry Office in Prince George?
- 2. How many are employed in said office?

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

- "1. For year ending March 31st, 1922: Fuel, \$140.36; light, \$54.13; rent, \$480.
- "2. Four."

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

And then the House adjourned at 5.55 p.m.