Friday, 13th March, 1891.

Two o'clock, P. M.

The Petition from John Miller and others, residents of Lillooet District (re residence of resident Physician), was read and received.

Mr. Martin presented the Nineteenth Report from the Select Standing Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills, as follows:—

13th March, 1891.

MR. SPEAKER:

Your Committee on Private Bills and Standing Orders beg leave to report that they have considered the following Bill, viz.:—"An Act to incorporate the Okanagan Land and Development Company, Limited," found the preamble proved, and agreed to report the Bill with amendments.

GEO. B. MARTIN, Chairman.

The Report was received and adopted.

The Honourable Mr. Davie asked leave to introduce a Bill (No. 72) intituled "An Act to amend the 'County Court Act.'"

Leave granted.

Bill introduced and read a first time.

Ordered to be read a second time on Monday next.

The Honourable Mr. Davie asked leave to introduce a Bill (No. 73) intituled "An Act to further amend the 'Legal Professions Act.'"

Leave granted.

Bill introduced and read a first time.

Ordered to be read a second time on Monday next.

 $Mr.\ Smith$ presented the following Report from the Select Standing Committee on Mining:—

13th March, 1891.

MR. SPEAKER:

Your Select Standing Committee on Mining have the honour to report that they have carefully considered the Bill referred to them by the House, intituled "An Act relating to Placer Mines. The Committee have made some amendments. The Bill with the amendments made by the Committee is herewith submitted for the consideration of the House.

A. W. SMITH, Chairman.

The Report was received.

Ordered, That Bill (No. 68) intituled "An Act relating to Placer Mines," be placed on the Orders of the Day for second reading on Monday next.

Mr. Martin moved, seconded by the Hon. Mr. Turner,—

That whereas the line of the C.P.R. from *Port Moody* to *Savona* was constructed by the Dominion Government;

And whereas portions of that line passing through Crown lands are at present unfenced, in consequence of which during the winter months cattle and horses have been destroyed by the trains;

And whereas the destruction of this stock is a serious loss to the settlers along the line; Be it therefore Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Honour the

Be it therefore Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Honour the Lieutenant Governor in Council, praying that he will be pleased to urge upon the Dominion Government the necessity of introducing such legislation as will result in the construction of good and sufficient fences and crossings, with cattle-guards, to remedy the evils complained of.

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

Bill (No. 57) intituled "An Act respecting Land Surveyors," was again committed, with Mr. Stoddart in the Chair.

The Committee reported the Bill complete with amendments.

Report Ordered to be considered on Monday next,

Bill (No. 60) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Railway Aid Act, 1890," was committed, with Mr. Nason in the Chair.

The Committee reported the Bill complete without amendment.

Report adopted.

Bill read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 13) intituled "An Act relating to Gold and other Minerals, excepting Coal," was read a second time.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair at 6 o'clock, p. m.

HALF-PAST SEVEN O'CLOCK, P. M.

Bill Ordered to be committed on Monday next.

The Hon. Mr. Davie moved—That Bill (No. 70) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Supreme Court Act," be read a second time now.

A debate arose, which was adjourned until Monday next.

The Hon. Mr. Turner moved—That Bill (No. 66) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Assessment Act,'" be read a second time now.

Mr. Semlin moved in amendment, seconded by Mr. McKenzie,—

That the Bill be not now read a second time but be returned to the Government, with the request that the Government eliminate from the same all clauses reducing the assessment on Railways.

The amendment was Resolved in the negative on the following division:—

YEAS:

Messieurs

Milne-3.

McKenzie, NAYS:

Messieurs

Sword,	Forster,	Eberts,	Turner,
Kitchen,	Baker,	Stoddart,	Martin,
Cotton,	Robson,	Hall,	Croft,
Kellie,	Davie,	Nason,	Hunter,
Smith,	Vernon,	Pooley,	Rogers—21.
Rangana			

Brown.

Bill read a second time.

Semlin,

Ordered to be committed at the next sitting of the House.

Bill (No. 33) intituled "An Act respecting the Public Schools," was again committed, with Mr. Keith in the Chair.

The Committee reported the Bill complete with amendments.

Report Ordered to be considered at the next sitting of the House.

Bill (No. 40) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Land Act,'" was again considered in Committee of the Whole, with Mr. Kitchen in the Chair.

The House continued to sit after midnight.

The Committee reported progress and asked leave to sit again.

Leave granted for the next sitting of the House.

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

And then the House adjourned at 12:59 a.m. Saturday, 14th March.

Wednesday, 18th March, 1891.

18TH MARCH.

Two o'clock, P. M.

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Prayers by the Rev. P. McF. McLeod.

Mr. Martin presented the Twentieth Report from the Select Standing Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills, as follows:—

18th March, 1891.

MR. SPEAKER:

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Your Committee on Private Bills and Standing Orders beg leave to report that from pressure of business they have been unable to finish their work in connection with "An Act to incorporate the British Columbia Dyking and Improvement Company," and suggest that the time be extended for seven days to allow your Committee to report on this Bill.

GEO. B. MARTIN, Chairman.

The Report was received and adopted.

The Standing Rules and Orders were suspended, and it was then *Ordered* that the time limited for the said Committee to report Bills to the House be extended for seven days, to enable the said Committee to report on Bill intituled "An Act to incorporate the British Columbia Dyking and Improvement Company."

Mr. Anderson presented a Report, also a Minority Report, from the Select Committee appointed to enquire into all the circumstances connected with the attack made by a number of persons upon the funeral procession of the late *Ellis Roberts*, of *Wellington*, on the 4th March, instant. (See Appendix.)

The Reports were received and Ordered to be printed.

Mr. Brown asked leave to introduce a Bill (No. 74) intituled "An Act to further amend the 'Provincial Voters' Act."

Leave granted.

Bill introduced and read a first time.

Ordered to be read a second time on Friday next.

Mr. Cotton asked leave to introduce a Bill (No. 75) intituled "An Act to provide for the establishment of Free Libraries."

Leave granted.

Bill introduced and read a first time.

Ordered to be read a second time on Monday next.

Bill (No. 59) intituled "An Act to amend the 'British Columbia Railway Act,'" was committed, with Mr. Croft in the Chair.

The Committee reported the Bill complete with amendments.

Report Ordered to be considered to-morrow.

Bill (No. 45) intituled "An Act to incorporate the Nicola Valley Railway Company," was committed, with Mr. Stoddart in the Chair.

The Committee reported the Bill complete with amendments.

Report Ordered to be considered to-morrow.

Bill (No. 28) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Ashcroft and Cariboo Railway Company Act, 1890,'" was committed, with Mr. Kellie in the Chair.

The Committee reported progress and asked leave to sit again.

Leave granted for this evening.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair at 6 o'clock, p. m.

HALF-PAST SEVEN O'CLOCK, P. M.

The House again went into Committee of the Whole on Bill (No. 28) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Asheroft and Cariboo Railway Company Act, 1890," with Mr. Kellie in the Chair.

The Committee reported the Bill complete with amendments.

Report Ordered to be considered to-morrow.

Bill (No. 21) intituled "An Act to amend the 'New Westminster and Burrard Inlet Telephone Company's Incorporation Act, 1886." was committed, with Mr. Semlin in the Chair.

The Committee reported the Bill complete without amendment.

Report Ordered to be considered on Monday next.

Bill (No. 37) intituled "An Act to incorporate the Burrard Inlet Railway and Ferry Company," was committed, with Mr. Milne in the Chair.

The Committee reported the Bill complete with amendments.

Report Ordered to be considered on Friday next.

Bill (No. 43) intituled "An Act to incorporate the Kootenay Lake Telephone Company Limited," was committed, with Mr. McKenzie in the Chair.

The Committee reported the Bill complete without amendment.

Report Ordered to be considered to-morrow.

Bill (No. 29) intituled "An Act to incorporate the Vernon and Nelson Telephone Company," was committed, with Mr. Brown in the Chair.

The Committee reported the Bill complete without amendment.

Report Ordered to be considered to-morrow.

Bill (No. 65) intituled "An Act to amend the 'University Act, 1890,'" was read a second time.

Ordered to be committed to-morrow.

Bill (No. 31) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Vancouver Incorporation Act, 1886,' and amendments thereto" was read a second time.

Ordered to be committed on Monday next.

Bill (No. 44) intituled "An Act to incorporate the Nanaimo Electric Tramway Company, Limited," was read a second time.

Ordered to be committed to-morrow.

Bill (No. 48) intituled "An Act to incorporate the Upper Columbia Navigation and Tramway Company, Limited," was read a second time.

Ordered to be committed to-morrow.

Bill (No. 47) intituled "An Act for the better observance of the Lord's Day, commonly called Sunday," was read a second time.

Ordered to be committed to-morrow.

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

And then the House adjourned at 11:35 o'clock, p. m.

Thursday, 19th March, 1891.

Two o'clock, P. M.

Prayers by the Rev. P. McF. McLeod.

Bill (No. 68) intituled "An Act relating to Placer Mines," was read a second time. Ordered to be committed to-morrow.

Smith, Brown, Baker, Robson, Davie,

The Report on Bill (No. 57) intituled "An Act respecting Land Surveyors," was considered.

Mr. Sword moved, seconded by Mr. Kitchen,—To insert the following sub-section to section 9:—

"Provided that any person may apply to the Board of Examiners as candidates for admission as a Provincial Land Surveyor, and that on his proving to the satisfaction of the Board his having had twelve months' field practice as a surveyor, and passing the examination as to his qualification satisfactorily to the Board, and producing satisfactory evidence of his sobriety and probity, and payment of the regular admission fees, he shall be entitled to a certificate as Provincial Land Surveyor."

YEAS:

The motion was negatived.

The Report was adopted on the following division:-

	Messieurs	
Vernon,	Nason,	Hunter,
Eberts,	Pooley,	Rogers,
Stoddart,	Turner,	Anderson,
Booth,	Croft,	$Fletcher_18$
Hall,		
,	NAYS:	

Messieurs

Semlin,	Sword,	Cotton,	Milne,
McKenzie,	Kitchen,	Kellie,	Beaven—8.

Bill read a third time and passed

The Report on Bill (No. 33) intituled "An Act respecting the Public Schools," was considered.

Mr. Beaven moved to strike out section 22 and insert:

"22. The public school trustees of each of the school districts of Victoria, Vancouver, New Westminster and Nanaimo shall be nominated and elected at the same time and place, and in the same manner and by the same persons only, as the Mayors of the above-mentioned cities are nominated and elected, and in each of the cities above-mentioned the persons qualified and entitled to vote for the Mayor shall be entitled to vote for public school trustees."

The motion was negatived on the following division:—

		YEAS:	
		Messieurs	
Semlin,	Kitchen,	Beaven,	Forster,
McKenzie,	Cotton,	Brown,	Keith10.
Sword,	Milne,		
		NAYS:	
		Messieurs	
Smith,	Stoddart,	Pooley,	Hunter,
Baker,	Booth,	Turner,	Rogers,
Robson,	Hall,	Martin,	Anderson,
Davie,	Nason,	Croft,	Fletcher 17.
Eberts,			

The Hon. Mr. Robson moved to strike out section 28 and substitute therefor the following: "28. In case of neglect or omission by the City Council at any time to appoint a sufficient number of trustees under the provisions of this Act within fourteen days of the time when such trustees ought to have been appointed, or if such trustees having been appointed by the Council, or any of them, shall neglect or refuse to act as trustees, then it shall be lawful for the Lieutenant-Governor in Council from time to time to appoint so many persons as may be necessary to fill up the vacancies caused by such failure of appointment, or neglect, or refusal to act, and such persons so lastly appointed by the Lieutenant-Governor in Council shall hold

office until other trustees are appointed by the Council and act as such, and shall have the same powers and authorities as if appointed by the Council.'

The motion was carried on the following division:—

$\mathbf{Y}_{\mathrm{EAS}}$:

		Messieurs	
Sword,	Davie,	Hall,	Croft,
Smith,	Vernon,	Nason,	Hunter,
Forster,	Eberts,	Pooley,	Rogers,
Baker,	Stoddart,	Turner,	Fletcher,
Robson,	Booth,	Martin,	Anderson-20.
		NAYS:	
		Messieurs	
Semlin,	Kitchen,	Milne,	Brown,
McKenzie,	Cotton,	Beaven,	Keith—8.

Mr. Milne moved to amend section 56 by striking out all the words after "character" on the second line.

The motion was negatived.

Mr. Milne moved to amend section 61 by inserting in line two after the word "Treasury" the word "monthly."

The motion was negatived. Report adopted as amended.

Bill Ordered to be read a third time to-morrow.

The adjourned debate on the second reading of Bill (No. 35) intituled "An Act to amend 'An Act to provide for the Collection of a Tax on Persons," was resumed.

Bill read a second time.

Ordered to be committed to-morrow.

The adjourned debate on the second reading of Bill (No. 70) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Supreme Court Act,'" was resumed.

Bill read a second time.

Ordered to be committed to-morrow.

Bill (No. 13) intituled "An Act relating to Gold and other Minerals, excepting Coal," was considered in Committee of the Whole, with Mr. Forster in the Chair.

The Committee reported progress and asked leave to sit again.

Leave granted for to-morrow.

Mr. Speaker gave the following decision:-

I am asked by the Hon. the Attorney-General if clause 17 of Bill (No. 50) intituled "An Act to incorporate the Liverpool and Canoe Pass Railway Company," is in order.

The clause referred to proposes to exempt the railway and appurtenances, and the capital stock of the Company, from Municipal and Provincial taxation for a period of seven years.

I am of opinion that the clause conflicts with section 54 of "The British North America Act, 1867," and with Rule 85 of the Rules and Orders of this House. If the provisions of that section and that rule are followed, the section must either be brought down by Message from the Lieutenant-Governor, or be reported from the Committee of the Whole.

In support of this ruling I refer the House to the Journals of this House, Session 1880, page 31, where the assent of the Crown to certain Private Bills that asked for right of way through Crown lands and water rights only, was deemed necessary before the Bills passed to a third reading. If that procedure was necessary in that case, how much more necessary is it in this case?

D. W. Higgins, Speaker.

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

And then the House adjourned at 5:55 o'clock, p. m.

Friday, 20th March, 1891.

Two o'clock, P. M.

Prayers by the Rev. P. McF. McLeod.

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

Mr. Cotton presented a Petition from Alex. Stenhouse and others, residents of Squamish Valley (re construction of a waggon road).

Mr. Beaven asked leave to introduce a Bill (No. 76) intituled "An Act to incorporate Benevolent and other Societies."

Leave granted.

Bill introduced and read a first time.

Ordered to be read a second time on Wednesday next.

Mr. Kellie asked leave to introduce a Bill (No. 77) intituled "An Act respecting the incorporation of Railway, Tramway, Telephone, and Telegraph Companies."

Leave granted.

Bill introduced and read a first time.

Ordered to be read a second time on Monday next.

On the motion of Colonel Baker, seconded by Mr. Kellie, it was Resolved,—

Whereas the population of East and West Kootenay is now very considerable, and is increasing rapidly by reason of the development of the vast mineral and timber resources of the districts;

And whereas there are already towns at *Donald*, *Golden*, *Revelstoke*, and *Nelson*, and outlying settlements and mining camps at *Windermere*, *Fort Steele*, *Cranbrook*, *St. Eugene's Mission*, *Hot Springs Camp*, *Hendryx Camp*, *Illicillewaet*, and *Big Bend*, and towns will shortly spring up at the majority of these places;

And whereas the areas of the Kootenay Districts exceed that of the whole of England; And whereas in consequence of the foregoing facts the judicial work is already great, and

is likely to be considerably increased in the near future;

Therefore be it enacted, that an humble Address be presented to His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor praying him to move the Dominion Government to appoint a County Court Judge for the districts of East and West Kootenay.

On the motion of Mr. Brown, seconded by Mr. Smith, it was Resolved,—

That the correspondence between the Department of Lands and Works and the Bishop of New Westminster, relative to a certain reserve in Suburban Block XII., New Westminster City, be referred to a Select Committee consisting of Messrs. Hunter, Croft, McKenzie, Cotton, and the mover, with power to send for persons or papers, and to report the evidence to this House.

Mr. Brown asked leave to introduce a Bill (No. 78) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Suitors' Fund Act, 1890.'"

Leave granted.

Bill introduced and read a first time.

Ordered to be read a second time on Monday next.

On the motion of the Honourable Mr. Turner, seconded by the Honourable Mr. Robson, it was Resolved,—

That this House will on Monday next, the 23rd inst., resolve itself into Committee of Ways and Means for raising the Supply to be granted to Her Majesty.

Bill (No. 66) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Assessment Act,'" was committed, with Mr. Martin in the Chair.

The Committee reported progress and asked leave to sit again.

Leave granted for Monday next.

And then the House adjourned at 5:55 o clock, p. m.

Monday, 23rd March, 1891.

Two o'clock P M

Prayers by the Rev. J. H. White.

The Petition from Alex. Stenhouse and others, residents of Squamish Valley (re construction of a waggon road), was ruled out of order.

On the motion of Mr. Milne, seconded by Mr. Beaven, it was Resolved,—

That a respectful Address be presented to His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, requesting him to cause to be sent down to this House copies of all correspondence respecting the opening of a toll trail from the boundary line of Alaska, at a point north of Lynn Canal known as the White Pass, to Tacho Lake, lying at the head waters of the Yukon River, in British Columbia.

Mr. Smith asked leave to introduce a Bill (No. 79) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Game Protection Amendment Act, 1890.'"

Leave granted.

Bill introduced and read a first time.

Ordered to be read a second time on Wednesday next.

Mr. Keith asked leave to introduce a Bill (No. 80) intituled "An Act relating to Industrial and Provident Societies."

Leave granted.

Bill introduced and read a first time.

Ordered to be read a second time on Wednesday next.

The Hon. Mr. Davie asked leave to introduce a Bill (No. 81) intituled "An Act to confirm the sale of the Site of the Royal Hospital, with the buildings thereon."

Leave granted.

Bill introduced and read a first time.

Ordered to be read a second time on Wednesday next.

On the motion of Mr. Beaven, seconded by Mr. Semlin, it was Resolved,—

That a respectful Address be presented to His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, requesting him to cause to be sent down to this House a copy of the report or ballot paper account made by each Provincial Returning Officer in the year 1890, to the Registrar of the Supreme Court, under section 125 of the "Election Regultion Act," and amendment.

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

Bill (No. 71) intituled "An Act to further amend the 'Jurors' Act,'" was read a second time.

Ordered to be committed to-morrow.

Bill (No. 33) intituled "An Act respecting the Public Schools," was read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 13) intituled "An Act relating to Gold and other Minerals, excepting Coal," was again committed, with Mr. Forster in the Chair.

The Committee reported progress and asked leave to sit again.

Leave granted for this evening.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair at 6 o'clock, p. m.

HALF-PAST SEVEN O'CLOCK, P. M.

Bill (No. 68) intituled "An Act relating to Placer Mines," was committed, with Mr. Cotton in the Chair.

The Committee reported the Bill complete with amendments.

Report Ordered to be considered to-morrow.

Bill (No. 35) intituled "An Act to amend 'An Act to provide for the Collection of a Tax on Persons," was committed, with Mr. McKenzie in the Chair.

The Committee reported the Bill complete without amendment.

Report Ordered to be considered to-morrow.

Bill (No. 70) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Supreme Court Act,'" was committed, with Mr. Stoddart in the Chair.

The Committee reported progress and asked leave to sit again.

Leave granted for the next sitting of the House.

And then the House adjourned at 11:40 o'clock, p. m.

Tuesday, 24th March, 1891.

Two o'clock, P. M.

Mr. Martin presented the Twenty-first Report from the Select Standing Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills, as follows:—

24th March, 1891.

MR. SPEAKER:

Your Committee on Private Bills and Standing Orders beg leave to report that they have considered the following Bill, viz., "An Act to incorporate the British Columbia Dyking and Improvement Company," and found it necessary to amend the preamble by striking out certain Townships mentioned therein, which are not affected by the Bill as reported; and they now beg to report the preamble proved as amended, and submit the Bill with amendments.

GEO. B. MARTIN, Chairman.

The Report was received and adopted.

Bill (No. 40) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Land Act," was again considered in Committee of the Whole, with Mr. Kitchen in the Chair.

The Committee reported the Bill complete with amendments.

Report Ordered to be considered to-morrow.

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

Mr. Speaker left the Chair at 6 o'clock, p. m.

HALF-PAST SEVEN OCLOCK, P. M.

Mr. Speaker gave the following decision:—

I am asked to rule as to the admisibility of an amendment in Committee of the Whole by the Hon. Member for Yale (Mr. Semlin) to clause 4 of Bill (No. 66) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Assessment Act.'"

This Bill was reported to the House from the Committee of the Whole.

Clause 4 exempts from taxation certain portions of the works of a railway company.

The amendment proposes to strike out certain of the exemptions. It is claimed by the Hon. the Premier that the amendment is out of order, for the reason that in diminishing the number of exemptions it aims to increase the burden of taxation.

May, page 564 (9th edition), says:—"If a schedule of duties has been reported from a Committee, and agreed to by the House, the Committee on the Bill cannot increase such duties, nor add any articles not previously voted * * * * * But where exemptions from duty are repealed, and the duty therefore increased, a Preliminary Committee is necessary, before the Committee on the Bill can agree to such a provision."

I, therefore, rule that the amendment is not in order.

D. W. Higgins, Speaker.

Bill (No. 66) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Assessment Act,'" was again committed, with Mr. Martin in the Chair.

The Committee reported the Bill complete with amendments.

Report Ordered to be considered on Thursday next.

And then the House adjourned at 10:25 o'clock, p. m.

Wednesday, 25th March, 1891.

Two o'clock, P. M.

Prayers by the Rev. J. H. White.

Bill (No. 50) intituled "An Act to incorporate the Liverpool and Canoe Pass Railway Company," was read a second time.

Ordered to be committed on Wednesday next.

Bill (No. 49) intituled "An Act to incorporate the Vancouver and Lulu Island Railway Company," was read a second time.

Ordered to be committed on Wednesday next.

Bill (No. 52) intituled "An Act to incorporate the Vancouver and Lulu Island Electrical Railway and Improvement Company," was read a second time.

Ordered to be committed on Wednesday next.

Bill (No. 56) intituled "An Act to incorporate the Hot Springs and Goat River Tramway Company," was read a second time.

Ordered to be committed to-morrow.

Bill (No. 55) intituled "An Act to incorporate the Nicola, Kamloops, and Similkameen Railway Company," was read a second time.

Ordered to be committed to-morrow.

Bill (No. 54) intituled "An Act to incorporate the Vancouver, Northern, Peace River, and Alaska Railway and Navigation Company," was read a second time.

Ordered to be committed on Wednesday next.

Upon the Order for the third reading of Bill (No. 32) intituled "An Act to incorporate

the Chilliwhack Railway Company," being called,

Mr. Beaven moved—That the Order for the third reading of the Bill be discharged and the Bill re-committed, for the purpose of amending section 19, by striking out in lines 5 and 6 the words "whatever the distance may be."

The motion was negatived.

Bill read a third time and passed.

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

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Bill (No. 34) intituled "An Act to prohibit the sale or gift of Tobacco to Minors in certain cases," was read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 63) intituled "An Act to consolidate and amend the Municipal Acts," was read a second time.

Ordered to be committed on Tuesday next.

Bill (No. 53) intituled "An Act respecting damages done to stock," was again considered in Committee of the Whole, with Mr. Hall in the Chair.

The Committee reported the Bill complete with amendments.

Report Ordered to be considered on Tuesday next.

The Report on Bill (No. 36) intituled "Act to amend the 'Vancouver Water-works Act, 1886," was considered.

Mr. Cotton moved, seconded by Mr. Kitchen,—

To amend section 13 by striking out the word "that" in the fourth line and inserting in lieu thereof the words, "if in the opinion of the said corporation."

The motion was carried.

Report as amended adopted.

Ordered to be read a third time on Tuesday next.

Bill (No. 51) intituled "An Act to incorporate the Toad Mountain and Nelson Tramway Company," was read a second time.

Ordered to be committed on Tuesday next.

Bill (No. 64) intituled "An Act to enable the Okanagan Land and Development Company, Limited Liability, to construct Telephone Lines and Tramways in the towns of Enderby and Vernon," was read a second time.

Ordered to be committed on Tuesday next.

The Report on Bill (No. 59) intituled "An Act to amend the British Columbia Railway Act," was adopted.

Ordered to be read a third time on Tuesday next.

The Report on Bill (No. 45) intituled "An Act to incorporate the Nicola Valley Railway Company," was considered.

Mr. Beaven moved to insert the following as section 26:—

Sec. 26. This Act is passed upon the express understanding that no Chinese, either directly or indirectly, shall be employed in, or about, or concerning any work or services authorized by this Act or required by the Company to be done or performed. In the event of any Chinese being employed by the Company, the Company shall be liable, upon summary conviction before any two Justices of the Peace or functionary having the power of two Justices of the Peace, upon the oath or affirmation of one or more credible witness or witnesses, to a penalty not exceeding twenty-five dollars, or less than ten dollars, for every Chinese employed; and in default of immediate payment of the penalty, the same may be levied by distress and sale of the goods and chattels of the Company. And in the event of any Chinese being employed by any of the Company's contractors or sub-contractors contrary to the provisions of this Act, then any such contractor or sub-contractor shall be liable, upon summary conviction as aforesaid, to a penalty not exceeding twenty-five dollars, nor less than ten dollars, for every Chinese employed; and in case of default in immediate payment of such last-mentioned penalty, the same may be recovered by distress and sale of the goods and chattels of the offender; and in default of sufficient distress, the offender may be committed to any gaol or place of confinement situate within the territorial jurisdiction of the convicting Justices, and there imprisoned for any term not exceeding thirty days; and any director or officer of the Company who causes or procures any Chinese to be employed, contrary to the provisions of this Act, or permits or connives at such employment, shall be liable, upon summary conviction as aforesaid, to the like penalties as hereinbefore in this section provided, recoverable in manner secondly hereinbefore mentioned.

The motion was negatived on the following division:—

YEAS:

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W	essieurs

Semlin. Milne.

Beaven,

Stoddart-4.

NAYS: Messieurs

Sword, Eberts, Smith, Booth, Baker, Hall, Robson, Nason,

Pooley, Turner, Martin, Croft,

Hunter, Rogers, Anderson, Fletcher—17.

Vernon, Report adopted.

Bill Ordered to be read a third time on Tuesday next.

The Report on Bill (No. 28) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Ashcroft and Cariboo Railway Company Act, 1890," was considered.

Mr. Beaven moved to insert as a new clause (the same Chinese clause as moved on the Report on Bill No. 45).

The motion was negatived on the following division:--

$\mathbf{Y}_{ ext{EAS}}$:

Semlin, Grant, Messieurs Milne,

Beaven-4.

NAYS: Messieurs

Kitchen, Stoddart,
Smith, Booth,
Baker, Hall,
Robson, Nason,
Eberts.

Pooley, Turner, Martin, Croft, Hunter, Rogers, Anderson, Fletcher—17.

Mr. Rogers moved to insert the following section, as section 1:—

"1. Section 2 of the said Act is hereby amended by inserting after the word 'Ashcroft,' in the third line thereof, the words 'or some other convenient and practicable point between Ashcroft and Kamloops.'"

The motion was negatived.

Report adopted.

Ordered to be read a third time on Tuesday next.

The Report on Bill (No. 43) intituled "An Act to incorporate the Kootenay Lake Telephone Company, Limited," was considered.

Mr. Beaven moved to add (the same Chinese clause as was moved on the Report on Bills Nos. 45 and 28, this day) as a new clause.

The motion was negatived on the following division:—

YEAS:

Messieurs

Semlin, McKenzie, Grant, Milne,

 $Beaven, \\ Forster,$

Keith—7.

NAYS: Messieurs

Sword, Stoddart,
Kitchen, Booth,
Kellie, Hall,
Smith, Nason,
Eberts,

Pooley, Turner, Martin, Croft,

Hunter, Rogers, Anderson, Fletcher—17.

Report adopted.

Ordered to be read a third time on Tuesday next.

The Report on Bill (No. 29) intituled "An Act to incorporate the Vernon and Nelson Telephone Company," was considered.

Mr. Beaven moved to add (the same Chinese clause as was moved on the Report on Bills Nos. 45, 28, and 43, this day), as a new clause.

The motion was negatived on the following division:—

		LEAS.	
		Messieurs	
Semlin,	Cotton,	Beaven,	Keith— 6 .
McKenzie,	Milne,		
		NAYS:	
		${f Messieurs}$	
Sword,	Robson,	Hall,	Hunter,
Kitchen,	Eberts,	Turner,	Rogers,
Kellie,	Stoddart,	Martin	Anderson,
Smith,	Booth,	Croft,	$Fletcher_17.$
Brown		,	

Report adopted.

Ordered to be read a third time on Tuesday next.

Bill (No. 65) intituled "An Act to amend the 'University Act, 1890," was committed, with Mr. Semlin in the Chair.

The Committee reported progress and asked leave to sit again.

Ordered, That leave be granted for to-night.

The Honourable Mr. Turner presented to Mr. Speaker a Message from His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, signed by His Honour.

The said Message was read by Mr. Speaker, and is as follows:-

The Lieutenant-Governor transmits to the Legislative Assembly Estimates of sums required for the service of the Province of British Columbia for the fiscal year ending 30th June, 1892; also the Supplementary Estimates for the year ending 30th June, 1891; and, in accordance with the provisions of the "British North America Act, 1867," he recommends these Estimates to the Legislative Assembly.

HUGH NELSON.

Government House,

25th March, 1891.

Ordered, That the said Message, together with the Estimates and Supplementary Estimates accompanying the same, be referred to the Committee of Supply on Tuesday next.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair at 6 o'clock, p. m.

HALF-PAST SEVEN O'CLOCK, P. M.

Lieutenant-Governor.

Bill (No. 65) intituled "An Act to amend the 'University Act, 1890,'" was again committed, with Mr. Semlin in the Chair.

The Committee reported the Bill complete with amendments.

Report Ordered to be considered on Tuesday next.

Bill (No. 44) intituled "An Act to incorporate the Nanaimo Electric Tramway Company, Limited," was committed, with Mr. Kitchen in the Chair.

The Committee reported the Bill complete without amendment.

Report Ordered to be considered on Tuesday next.

The Hon. Mr. Davie asked leave to introduce a Bill (No. 82) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Constitution Act.'"

Leave granted.

Bill introduced and read a first time.

Ordered to be read a second time on Tuesday next.

The Hon. Mr. Davie asked leave to introduce a Bill (No. 83) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Civil Service Act.'"

Leave granted.

Bill introduced and read a first time.

Ordered to be read a second time on Tuesday next.

Bill (No. 48) intituled "An Act to incorporate 'The Upper Columbia Navigation and Tramway Company," was committed, with Mr. Hall in the Chair.

The Committee reported the Bill complete without amendment.

Report Ordered to be considered on Tuesday next.

Bill (No. 58) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Graveyard Act," was committed, with Mr. Croft in the Chair.

The Committee reported the Bill complete with amendments.

Report Ordered to be considered on Tuesday next.

Mr. Hunter moved—That Bill (No. 14) intituled "An Act for the protection of certain Animals, Birds, and Fishes," be read a second time now.

Mr. Hall moved in amendment—To leave out the word "now" and insert "this day six

months."

The amendment was carried on the following division:—

		${ m Yeas}$: Messieurs	
Sword,	Baker,	Hall,	Turner,
Kitchen,	Davie,	Nason,	Croft,
Beaven, Smith,	$egin{aligned} Vernon, \ Booth, \end{aligned}$	Pooley,	Rogers-14.
		Nays: Messieurs	
Semlin,	Kellie,	Brown,	Stoddart,
McKenzie, Cotton,	Milne,	Eberts,	$Hunter_9.$

The Report on Bill (No. 37) intituled "An Act to incorporate the Burrard Inlet Railway and Ferry Company," was considered.

Mr. Beaven moved to add (the Chinese clause same as moved this day on the Report on:

Bills Nos. 45, 28, 43, and 29), as a new clause.

The amendment was negatived on the following division:-

		YEAS: Messieurs	
$McKenzie, \\ Cotton,$	Milne,	Beaven,	Stoddart-5.
		$\mathbf{N}_{\mathbf{AYS}}$: $\mathbf{M}_{\mathbf{essieurs}}$	
Sword,	Baker,	Booth,	Turner,
Kitchen,	Davie,	Hall,	Hunter,
Kellie,	Vernon,	Nason,	Rogers,
Smith, Brown.	Eberts,	Pooley,	Fletcher—17.

Report adopted.

Bill Ordered to be read a third time on Tuesday next.

Bill (No. 75) intituled "An Act to provide for the establishment of Free Libraries," was read a second time.

Ordered to be committed on Tuesday next.

The Report on Bill (No. 21) intituled "An Act to amend the New Westminster and Burrard Inlet Telephone Company," was adopted.

Ordered to be read a third time on Tuesday next.

And then the House adjourned at 11 o'clock p. m.

Tuesday, 31st March, 1891.

Two o'clock, P. M.

The following Petitions were presented and laid on the table:

By Mr. Sword, from Richard Curnow and eighteen others, residents of Nicola Valley and Spence's Bridge, (re Nicola, Kamloops, and Similkameen Railway)

By Mr. Sword, from W. A. Scott and others, residents of Nicola Valley, (re Nicola, Kamloops, and Similkameen Railway).

On the motion of Mr. Beaven, seconded by Mr. Milne, it was Resolved,—

That a respectful Address be presented to His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, requesting him to cause to be sent down to this House copies of all Orders in Council and correspondence between the Dominion and Provincial Governments with reference to the disallowance or otherwise of the Statutes of 1890.

Mr. Milne asked the Hon. the Provincial Secretary the following question:

Is it the duty of the Provincial Government or of the Esquimalt and Nanaimo Railway Company to define the boundary line between the land granted to the Company on Vancouver Island and the settlement of Alberni?

The Honourable Mr. Robson replied as follows:

"The work of deliniating the boundaries of the Railway Belt is being carried on by the Government; one-half of the cost to be paid by the Government, the other half by the Railway Company."

Mr. Anderson asked the Honourable the Provincial Secretary the following question:—

Is it the intention of the Government at this Session of the Legislature to aid and encourage the extension of the Esquimalt and Nanaimo Railway from Wellington to the north of Vancouver Island?

The Honourable Mr. Robson replied as follows:-

"The Government would gladly encourage, in any proper way, the extension of said Railway; but, as yet, no proposition has been submitted."

Mr. Grant presented a Petition from W. P. Sayward and others, for leave to introduce a Petition for a Private Bill to incorporate the Victoria and North American Railway Company.

The Petition was read and received, and Ordered to be referred to the Select Standing Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills.

Upon the Order of the Day being read for the House to resolve itself into Committee of Supply,

The Honourable Mr. Turner moved, seconded by the Honourable Mr. Robson,—

"That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair."

Resolved, That the Speaker do now leave the Chair.

The House then went into Committee of Supply, with Mr. Martin in the Chair.

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

1. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$89,878.55 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Debt, Interest, to 30th June, 1892.

2. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$46,053 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the

expenses of Public Debt, Sinking Fund, to 30th June, 1892.

3. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$400 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Debt, Premium and Exchange, to 30th June, 1892.

4. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$1,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the

expenses of Public Debt, Discount and Commission, to 30th June, 1892.

5. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$1,500 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Civil Government (Salaries), Lieutenant-Governor's Office, to 30th June, 1892.

- 6. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$20,950 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Civil Government (Salaries), Provincial Secretary's Department, to 30th June, 1892.
- 7. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$11,040 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Civil Government (Salaries), Treasury Department, to 30th June, 1892.
- 8. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$17,340 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Civil Government (Salaries), Lands and Works Department, to 30th June, 1892.
- 9. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$7,560 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Civil Government (Salaries), Attorney-General's Department, to 30th June, 1892.
- 10. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$22,800 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Civil Government (Salaries), Land Registry Offices, to 30th June, 1892.
- 11. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$2,600 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Civil Government (Salaries), Legislation, to 30th June, 1892.
- 12. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$625 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Civil Government (Salaries), Registration of Voters, to 30th June, 1892.
- 13. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$12,160 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Civil Government (Salaries), Asylum for the Insane, to 30th June, 1892.
- 14. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$6,820 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Civil Government (Salaries), Revenue Services, to 30th June, 1892.
- 15. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$4,200 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Civil Government (Salaries), Assay Offices and Reduction Works, to 30th June, 1892
- 16. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$2,700 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Civil Government (Salaries), Provincial Timber Inspectors, to 30th June, 1892.
- 17. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$1,320 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Civil Government (Salaries), Provincial Museum, to 30th June, 1892.
- 18. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$4,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Civil Government (Salaries), Temporary Departmental Assistance, to 30th June, 1892
- 19. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$13,380 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Administration of Justice (Salaries), Supreme and County Courts, to 30th June, 1892.
- 20. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$2,500 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Administration of Justice (Salaries), Sheriffs, to 30th June, 1892.
- 21. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$2,300 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Administration of Justice (Salaries), Stipendiary Magistrates, to 30th June, 1892.
- 22. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$3,480 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Administration of Justice (Salaries), Superintendence of Police and Gaols, to 30th June, 1892.
- 23. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$1,080 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Administration of Justice (Salaries), Juvenile Reformatory, Victoria, to 30th June, 1892.
- 24. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$6,760 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Administration of Justice (Salaries), Police and Gaols, Victoria, to 30th June, 1892.
- 25. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$840 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Administration of Justice (Salaries), Police and Gaols, Esquimalt, to 30th June, 1892.
- 26. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$9,472 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Administration of Justice (Salaries), Police and Gaols, New Westminster, to 30th June, 1892.
- 27. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$840 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Administration of Justice (Salaries), Police and Gaols, New Westminster District, to 30th June, 1892.
- 28. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$6,240 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Administration of Justice (Salaries), Police and Gaols, East Kootenay District, to 30th June, 1892.

- 29. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$6,300 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Administration of Justice (Salaries), Police and Gaols, West Kootenay, to 30th June, 1892.
- 30. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$6,784 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Administration of Justice (Salaries), Police and Gaols, Cariboo District, to 30th June, 1892.
- 31. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$4,800 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Administration of Justice (Salaries), Police and Gaols, Cassiar District, to 30th June, 1892.
- 32. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$2,280 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Administration of Justice (Salaries), Police and Gaols, Yale and Ashcroft, to 30th June 1892.
- 33. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$4,980 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Administration of Justice (Salaries), Police and Gaols, Kamloops, to 30th June, 1892.
- 34. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$2,760 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Administration of Justice (Salaries), Police and Gaols, Okanagan, to 30th June, 1892.
- 35. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$2,160 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Administration of Justice (Salaries), Police and Gaols, Similkameen and Osoyoos, to 30th June, 1892.
- 36. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$7,260 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Administration of Justice (Salaries), Police and Gaols, Nanaimo, to 30th June, 1892.
- 37. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$2,640 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Administration of Justice (Salaries), Police and Gaols, Cowichan District, to 30th June, 1892.
- 38. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$2,640 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Administration of Justice (Salaries), Police and Gaols, Comox, to 30th June, 1892.
- 39. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$2,700 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Administration of Justice (Salaries), Police and Gaols, Lillooet District, to 30th June, 1892.
- 39A. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$1,500 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Administration of Justice (Salaries), Inspector of Animals (Contagious Diseases Act), to 30th June, 1892.
- 40. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$19,800 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Legislation, Indemnity to Members, to 30th June, 1892.
- 41. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$3,500 be granted to Her Majesty to defray
- the expenses of Legislation, Mileage, to 30th June, 1892.

 42. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$500 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Legislation, Registration of Voters and Revision of Voters' Lists, to 30th
- June, 1892.
 43. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$1,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Legislation, Expenses of Elections, to 30th June, 1892.
- 44. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$2,500 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Legislation, Contingent Fund, to 30th June, 1892.
- 45. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$1,200 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Legislation, Journals and Statutes Binding, to 30th June, 1892.
- 46. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$5,900 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Printing Office, Victoria, to 30th June, 1892.
- 47. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$1,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Assay Offices, to 30th June, 1892.
- 48. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$1,500 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Provincial Museum, to 30th June, 1892.
- 49. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$11,500 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Asylum for the Insane, to 30th June, 1892.
- 50. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$8,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Hospitals and Charities, Hospital, Victoria, to 30th June, 1892.

- 51. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$3,400 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Hospitals and Charities, Hospital, New Westminster, to 30th June, 1892.
- 52. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$4,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Hospitals and Charities, Hospital, Cariboo, to 30th June, 1892.
- 53. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$4,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Hospitals and Charities, Hospital, Nanaimo, to 30th June, 1892.
 - 54. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$3,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the
- expenses of Hospitals and Charities, Hospital, Kamloops, to 30th June, 1892. 55. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$5,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Hospitals and Charities, Hospital, Vancouver, to 30th June, 1892.
 - 56. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$2,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the
- expenses of Hospitals and Charities, Hospital, Donald, to 30th June, 1892.
- 57. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$500 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Hospitals and Charities, Hospital Allowance, Fort Simpson, to 30th June, 1892.
- 58. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$1,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Hospitals and Charities, Refuge Home, Victoria, to 30th June, 1892.
- 59. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$1,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Hospitals and Charities, in aid of destitute poor and sick, to 30th June, 1892.
- 60. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$1,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Hospitals and Charities, in aid of Resident Physician, Clinton, to 30th June, 1892.
- 61. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$500 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Hospitals and Charities, in aid of Resident Physician at Nicola, to 30th June, 1892.
- 62. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$300 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Hospitals and Charities, in aid of Resident Physician at Okanagan, to 30th June, 1892
- 63. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$300 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Hospitals and Charities, in aid of Resident Physician at Alberni, to 30th June, 1892.
- 64. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$600 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Hospitals and Charities, in aid of Resident Physician, lower part of Cariboo District, to 30th June, 1892.
- 65. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$500 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Hospitals and Charities, in aid of Resident Physician at Fort Steele, to 30th June, 1892.
- 65A. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$300 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Hospitals and Charities, in aid of Resident Physician at Comox, to 30th June, 1892.
- 66. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$10,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Administration of Justices (other than Salaries), Summoning and Paying Jurors and Witnesses, to 30th June, 1892.
- 67. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$4,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Administration of Justice (other than Salaries), Prosecution and Interpreters, to 30th June, 1892.
- 68. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$1,500 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Administration of Justice (other than Salaries), Expenses of Inquests, to 30th June, 1892.
- 69. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$500 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Administration of Justice (other than Salaries), Criminal Punishments, to 30th June, 1892.
- 70. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$1,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Administration of Justice (other than Salaries), Rewards, to 30th June, 1892.
- 71. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$15,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Administration of Justice (other than Salaries), Keep of Prisoners, to 30th June, 1892.
- 72. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$1,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Administration of Justice (other than Salaries), Rents, to 30th June, 1892.
- 73. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$6,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Administration of Justice (other than Salaries), Special Constables, to 30th June, 1892.

74. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$6,500 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Administration of Justice (other than Salaries), Transport of Constables and Prisoners, to 30th June, 1892.

75. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$1,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Administration of Justice (other than Salaries), Miscellaneous, to 30th June, 1892.

Upon Mr. Speaker resuming the Chair, Mr. Martin, Chairman of the Committee, reported that the Committee had come to several Resolutions, and asked leave to sit again.

Ordered, That the Report be received on Thursday next.

Resolved, That the House will, on Thursday next, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

Bill (No. 70) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Supreme Court Act,'" was again committed, with Mr. Stoddart in the Chair.

The Committee reported the Bill complete without amendment.

Report Ordered to be considered to-morrow.

Bill (No. 71) intituled "An Act to further amend the 'Jurors' Act,'" was committed, with Mr. McKenzie in the Chair.

The Committee reported the Bill complete with amendments.

Beport Ordered to be considered to-morrow.

Mr. Croft presented a Petition from Francis Bourchier and others, for leave to present a Petition for a Private Bill to incorporate a Company (re Railway from Nanaimo to Northern end of Vancouver Island).

The Petition was read and received, and Ordered to be referred to the Select Standing

Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills.

Bill (No. 81) intituled "An Act to confirm the sale of the Royal Hospital, with the buildings thereon," was read a second time.

Ordered to be committed to-morrow.

The Order for the consideration of Bill (No. 35) intituled "An Act to amend 'An Act to provide for the Collection of a Tax on Persons," was discharged and the Bill re-committed, with Mr. Hunter in the Chair.

The Committee reported progress and asked leave to sit again.

Leave granted for to-morrow.

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

And then the House adjourned at 5:59 o'clock, p. m.

Wednesday, 1st April, 1891.

Two o'clock, P. M.

Prayers by the Rev. W. D. Barber.

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

The following Petitions were read and received and Ordered to be printed:

From Richard Curnow and eighteen others, residents of Nicola Valley and Spence's Bridge, (re Nicola, Kamloops, and Similkameen Railway).

From W. A. Scott and others, residents of Nicola Valley, (re Nicola, Kamloops; and Similkameen Railway).

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1ST APRIL

Bill (No. 31) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Vancouver Incorporation Act, 1886,' and amendments thereto" was committed, with Mr. Keith in the Chair.

The Committee reported progress and asked leave to sit again.

Leave granted for the next sitting of the House.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair at 6 o'clock, p. m.

HALF-PAST SEVEN OCLOCK, P. M.

Bill No. (78) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Suitors' Fund Act, 1890," was read a second time.

Ordered to be committed to-morrow.

Bill No. (76) intituled "An Act to Incorporate Benevolent and other Societies," was read a second time.

Ordered to be committed to-morrow.

Mr. Smith moved—That Bill No. (79) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Game Protection Amendment Act, 1890,' "be read a second time now.

Mr. Hall moved in amendment to leave out the word "now" and add "this day six months."

The amendment was negatived.

Bill read a second time.

Ordered to be committed to-morrow.

Bill (No. 22) intituled "An Act to incorporate the British Columbia Dyking and Improvement Company," was read a second time.

Ordered to be committed to-morrow.

Bill (No. 80) intituled "An Act relating to Industrial and Provident Societies," was read a second time.

Ordered to be committed to-morrow...

Bill (No. 36) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Vancouver Water Works Act, 1886," was read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 28) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Ashcroft and Cariboo Railway Company Act, 1890," was read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 43) intituled "An Act to incorporate the Kootenay Lake Telephone Company, Limited," was read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 29) intituled "An Act to incorporate the Vernon and Nelson Telephone Company," was read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 37) intituled "An Act to incorporate the Burrard Inlet Railway and Ferry Company," was read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 21) "An Act to amend the New Westminster and Burrard Inlet Telephone Company's Incorporation Act, 1886," was read a third and passed.

The Report on Bill (No. 65) intituled "An Act to amend the British Columbia University Act, 1890," was considered.

Mr. Beaven moved to amend section 13 by adding:—

"No religious test shall be required of any professor, tutor, lecturer, teacher, student, officer or servant of the University, nor shall religious observances, according to the forms of any particular religious denomination or otherwise, be imposed on them or any of them."

The amendment was carried.

Report, as amended, adopted.

Ordered to be read a third time to-morrow.

Bill (No. 45) intituled "An Act to incorporate the Nicola Valley Railway Company," was read a third time and passed.

The Report on Bill (No. 44) intituled "An Act to incorporate the Nanaimo Electric Tramway Company, Limited," was considered and adopted.

Ordered to be read a third time to-morrow.

The Report on Bill (No. 48) intituled "An Act to incorporate the Upper Columbia Navigation and Tramway Company," was considered.

Mr. Beaven moved to insert the usual Chinese clauses.

The motion was negatived.

Report adopted.

Bill Ordered to be read a third time to-morrow.

Bill (No. 56) intituled "An Act to incorporate the Hot Springs and Goat River Tramway Company," was committed, with Mr. Cotton in the Chair.

The Committee reported the Bill complete without amendment.

Report Ordered to be considered to-morrow.

Bill (No. 63) intituled "An Act to consolidate and amend the Municipal Acts," was committed, with Mr. Hall in the Chair.

The Committee reported progress and asked leave to sit again.

Leave granted for the next sitting of the House.

And then the House adjourned at 11:30 o'clock, p. m.

Thursday, 2nd April, 1891.

Prayers by the Rev. W. D. Barber.

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

By Mr. Kitchen, from Walter J. Walker, E. M. Wiltshire, and others, land owners on the Serpentine River, (opposing clause in Municipal Bill legalizing certain by-laws of Surrey Municipality relative to dyking).

By Mr. Brown, from W. A. Handcock and 276 others, ratepayers of the City of New Westminster (supporting the passing of the "New Westminster Enabling Act," No. 12).

Mr. Martin presented the Twenty-second Report from the Select Standing Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills, as follows:—

April 2nd, 1891.

Two o'clock, P. M.

MR. SPEAKER:

Your Select Committee beg leave to report: That under and by virtue of the resolution in that behalf your Committee, after the fourteen days' notice set out in the resolution had been duly given to all parties, met and heard a large volume of evidence (which is returned with this report) on the matters dealt with in this Bill (No. 12) intituled "An Act respecting the Corporation of New Westminster," hereunto attached.

Your Committee find that the Council of the said City during the year 1889 deliberately exceeded the powers granted to it under the Act known as the "New Westminster Act, 1888,"

and amendments thereto.

Your Committee are of opinion that the said Act so submitted for inspection and report should not be passed in its present form, but should be so amended that while giving the ratepayers of New Westminster an opportunity of legalizing the past large expenditure of moneys, care should be taken that proper safeguards should be inserted to prevent any further illegal outlay on the works mentioned in the Bill; but in no case do we report or recommend that the Corporation of New Westminster should be empowered to carry on private electric lighting.

We further think from the evidence adduced that Bill (No. 12) should have been introduced as a Private Bill, with all the formalities and precautions attendant on that class of Bills.

GEO. B. MARTIN, Chairman.

The Report was received and Ordered to be printed.

Mr. Martin presented the Twenty-third Report from the Select Standing Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills, as follows:—

2nd April, 1891.

MR. SPEAKER:

Your Committee on Private Bills and Standing Orders beg leave to report that they have considered the Petitions of the North American Railway Company and of Francis Bourchier and others, and find that the Standing Orders have not been complied with, but respectfully recommend the suspension of the Standing Orders to allow the Bills to be admitted, as they both are of public utility.

Geo. B. Martin, Chairman.

The Report was received and adopted.

The Standing Rules and Orders were suspended, and the following Petition was presented and received:—

By Mr. Grant, from W. P. Sayward and others, for a Private Bill to incorporate the Victoria and North American Railway Company."

All Standing Rules and Orders were suspended.

Mr. Grant then asked leave to introduce a Private Bill (No. 84) intituled "An Act to incorporate the Victoria and North American Railway Company."

Leave granted.

Bill introduced and read a first time.

Ordered to be referred to the Select Standing Committee on Railways.

The Standing Rules and Orders were suspended.

The Honourable Mr. Davie then asked leave to introduce a Bill (No. 85) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Act respecting the union of certain Methodist Churches in Canada."

Leave granted.

Bill introduced and read a first time.

Ordered to be read a second time on Monday next.

The Honourable Mr. Davie asked leave to introduce a Bill (No. 86) intituled "An Act for the Protection of Cattle."

Leave granted.

Bill introduced and read a first time.

Ordered to be read a second time on Monday next.

The Honourable Mr. Davie asked leave to introduce a Bill (No. 87) intituled "An Act to amend the 'British Columbia Railway Act.'"

Leave granted.

Bill introduced and read a first time.

Ordered to be read a second time on Monday next.

On the motion of Mr. Cotton, seconded by Mr. Beaven, it was Resolved,—

Whereas it is desirable that trade and commerce between the Dominion of Canada and the Hawaiian Islands and Australia should be fostered and developed;

And whereas the Government of the Dominion of Canada have, by their policy, shewn an ever-ready desire to promote and extend trade relations that must enure to the benefit of the Dominion;

And whereas at present there exists no regular line of steamers connecting Canada, the Hawaiian Islands, and Australia, and there is every reason to believe that a large and productive trade would be the outcome of the establishment of such a line, and great benefits would thereby be secured to the commerce of Canada;

And whereas in order to induce the establishment of such a line, and to ensure the employment of first-class steamers thereon, it is necessary that some aid by way of an annual

subsidy should be granted;

Be it therefore resolved, That a respectful Address be presented to His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor praying him to move the Government of the Dominion of Canada to grant such aid as will lead to the establishment and carrying on of an adequate steamship service between Canada and the Hawaiian Islands and Australia.

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

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

76. Resolved. That a sum not exceeding \$7,780 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Education, Education Office, to 30th June, 1892.

77. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$27,480 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the

expenses of Education, Victoria City District, to 30th June, 1892.

78. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$6,720 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Education, Victoria District, to 30th June, 1892.

79. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$4,080 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the

expenses of Education, Esquimalt District, to 30th June, 1892.

80. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$6,120 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Education, Cowichan District, to 30th June, 1892.

81. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$3,040 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the

expenses of Education, The Islands District, to 30th June, 1892.

82. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$9,060 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Education, Nanaimo City District, to 30th June, 1892.

83. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$12,160 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the

expenses of Education, Nanaimo District, to 30th June, 1892.

84. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$1,160 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Education, Alberni District, to 30th June, 1892.

85. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$5,300 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Education, Comox District, to 30th June, 1892.

86. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$14,040 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Education, New Westminster City District, to 30th June, 1892.

87. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$22,260 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Education, Vancouver City District, to 30th June, 1892.

88 Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$33,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the

expenses of Education, New Westminster District, to 30th June, 1892. 89. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$18,020 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the

expenses of Education, Yale District, to 30th June, 1892.

- 90. Resolved. That a sum not exceeding \$760 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Education, West Kootenay District, to 30th June, 1892.
- 91. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$1,520 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Education, East Kootenay District, to 30th June, 1892.

92. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$3,800 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the

expenses of Education, Lillooet District, to 30th June, 1892.

93. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$3,180 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Education, Cariboo District, to 30th June, 1892. 94. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$1,520 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the

expenses of Education, Cassiar District, to 30th June, 1892.

95. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$300 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Transport, Charges on Remittances, to 30th June, 1892.

96. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$4,500 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Transport, Travelling Expenses of Officers on duty, to 30th June, 1892.

97. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$200 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Transport, Keep of Horses, to 30th June, 1892.

98. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$48.50 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the

expenses of Rent, Government House, Victoria, to 30th June, 1892.

99. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$12,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Collection of Revenue, Commission, Courts of Appeal, Travelling Expenses, Miscellaneous, &c., to 30th June, 1892.

100. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$1,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Works (Works and Buildings), Repairs to Government Buildings, Victoria, to 30th June, 1892.

101. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$2,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Works (Works and Buildings), Repairs to Government Buildings, New

Westminster, to 30th June, 1892.

102. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$400 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Works (Works and Buildings), Repairs to Government Buildings, Nanaimo, to 30th June, 1892.

103. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$500 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Works (Works and Buildings), Repairs to Government Buildings, Yale

District, to 30th June, 1892.

- 104. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$300 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Works (Works and Buildings), Repairs to Government Buildings, Lillooet District, to 30th June, 1892.
- 105. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$200 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Works (Works and Buildings), Repairs to Government Buildings, Cariboo District, to 30th June, 1892.
- 106. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$500 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Works (Works and Buildings), Repairs to Government Buildings, East Kootenay District, to 30th June, 1892.
- 107. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$500 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Works (Works and Buildings), Repairs to Government Buildings, West Kootenay District, to 30th June, 1892.

108. Resolved, that a sum not exceeding \$1,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Works (Works and Buildings), Asylum for the Insane (sundry requirements), to 30th June, 1892.

109. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$500 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Works (Works and Buildings), Hospital, Cariboo (repairs and furniture), to 30th June, 1892.

110. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$2,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Works (Works and Buildings), Court House, Vancouver (repairs, &c., &c.,) to 30th June, 1892.

111. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$3,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Works (Works and Buildings), Court House, Cowichan, to 30th June, 1892.

112. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$1,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Works (Works and Buildings), Court House, Ashcroft, to 30th June, 1892.

113. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$800 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Works (Works and Buildings), Court House, Lillooet, to 30th June, 1892.

- 114. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$1,500 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Works (Works and Buildings), Court House, Comox, to 30th June, 1892.
- 115. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$500 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Works (Works and Buildings), Court House, Donald (furniture, fencing, &c.), to 30th June, 1892.

116. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$1,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Works (Works and Buildings), Gaol, Donald, to 30th June, 1892.

117. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$1,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Works (Works and Buildings), Gaol, Nelson, to 30th June, 1892.

118. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$1,200 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Works (Works and Buildings), Gaol, Fort Simpson, to 30th June, 1892.

- 119. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$800 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Works (Works and Buildings), Lock-up, Ainsworth, \$500; site, \$300, to 30th June, 1892.
- 120. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$400 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Works (Works and Buildings), Lock-up, Telegraph Creek, to 30th June, 1892.
- 121. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$500 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Works (Works and Buildings), Lock-up, Wellington, to 30th June, 1892.

122. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$2,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Works (Works and Buildings), Furniture for Government Offices, to 30th June, 1892.

123. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$1,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Works (Works and Buildings), Improvement of Government Reserves, to

30th June, 1892.

- 124. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$3,500 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Works (Works and Buildings), Insurance of Government Buildings, to 30th June, 1892.
- 125. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$350 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Works (Works and Buildings), Public School, Victoria (new steam boiler), to 30th June, 1892.

126. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$17,500 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Works (Works and Buildings), Public School, New Westminster

(construction), to 30th June, 1892.

127. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$2,500 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Works (Works and Buildings), Public School, Northfield (construction), to 30th June, 1892.

128. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$1,500 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Works (Works and Buildings), Public School, Moodyville (construction),

to 30th June, 1892.

129. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$1,500 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Works (Works and Buildings), Public School, Brownsville (construction), to 30th June, 1892.

130. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$1,500 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Works (Works and Buildings), Public School, North Comox (construction),

to 30th June, 1892.

- 131. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$1,500 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Works (Works and Buildings), Public School, Duncan's (construction), to 30th June, 1892.
- 132. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$700 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Works (Works and Buildings), Public School, East Langley (construction), to 30th June, 1892.
- 133. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$700 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Works (Works and Buildings), Public School, Sooke (construction), to 30th June, 1892.
- 134. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$700 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Works (Works and Buildings), Public School, Sumas (construction), to 30th June, 1892.
- 135. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$700 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Works (Works and Buildings), Public School, Salmon Arm (construction), to 30th June, 1892.
- 136. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$700 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Works (Works and Buildings), Public School, Lansdowne (construction), to 30th June, 1892.
- 137. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$700 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Works (Works and Buildings), Public School, Similkameen (construction), to 30th June, 1892.
- 138. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$700 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Works (Works and Buildings), Public School, Kettle River (construction), to 30th June, 1892.
- 139. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$700 be granted to Her Maiesty to defray the expenses of Public Works (Works and Buildings), Public School, Dunach (construction), to 30th June, 1892.
- 140. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$700 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Works (Works and Buildings), Public School, Surrey Centre (construction), to 30th June, 1892.
- 141. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$700 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Works (Works and Buildings), Public School, Junction (construction), to 30th June, 1892.

142. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$700 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Works (Works and Buildings), Public School, Hornby (construction), to 30th June, 1892.

143. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$700 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Works (Works and Buildings), Public School, Parksville (construction), to

30th June, 1892.

144. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$700 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Works (Works and Buildings), Public School, Nanoose (construction), to 30th June, 1892.

- 145. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$700 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Works (Works and Buildings), Public School, Southfield (construction), to

30th June, 1892.

146. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$700 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Works (Works and Buildings), Public School, North Oyster (construction), to 30th June, 1892.

147. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$700 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Works (Works and Buildings), Public School, Chemainus Landing (con-

struction), to 30th June, 1892.

148. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$700 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Works (Works and Buildings), Public School, Port Simpson (construction), to 30th June, 1892.

149. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$700 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Works (Works and Buildings), Public School, Gordon Head (construction),

to 30th June, 1892.

- 150. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$700 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Works (Works and Buildings), Public School, Abbotsford (construction), to 30th June, 1892.
- 151. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$700 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Works (Works and Buildings), Public School, South Aldergrove (construction), to 30th June, 1892.
- 152. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$250 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Works (Works and Buildings), Public School, Barkerville (furniture), to 30th June, 1892.
- 153. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$800 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Works (Works and Buildings), Public School, Kamloops (purchase of site), to 30th June, 1892.
- 154. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$5,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Works (Works and Buildings), Public Schools throughout the Province (furniture, repairs, &c.), to 30th June, 1892.

155. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$3,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Works (Works and Buildings), Boring Artesian Wells, to 30th June, 1892.

- 156. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$900 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Works (Works and Buildings), lowering Somenos Lake, to 30th June, 1892.
- 157. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$400 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Works (Works and Buildings), Purchase of lot adjoining Gaol site, Kamloops, to 30th June, 1892.
- 158. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$200 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Works (Works and Buildings), Improvement to Ganges Harbour, Wharf, to 30th June. 1892.
- 159. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$500 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Works (Government House, Victoria), Repairs to Building, to 30th June, 1892.
- 160. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$500 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Works (Government House, Victoria), Furniture, to 30th June, 1892.
- 161. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$700 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Works (Government House, Victoria), Fuel and Light, to 30th June, 1892.
- 162. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$200 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Works (Government House, Victoria), Water, to 30th June, 1892.

- 163. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$200 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Works (Government House, Victoria), Improving Grounds, to 30th June, 1892.
- 164. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$250 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Works (Government House, Victoria), Fencing, to 30th June, 1892.
- 165. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$600 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Works (Government House, Victoria), Gardener, to 30th June, 1892.
- 166. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$50 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Works (Government House, Victoria), Miscellaneous, to 30th June, 1892.
- 167. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$11,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Works (Roads, Streets, Bridges, and Wharves), Victoria District, to 30th June, 1892.
- 168. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$3,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Works (Roads, Streets, Bridges, and Wharves), Lake Hill Road, Victoria District, to 30th June, 1892.
- 169. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$7,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Works (Roads, Streets, Bridges, and Wharves), Esquimalt District, to 30th June, 1892.
- 170. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$12,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Works (Roads, Streets, Bridges, and Wharves), Cowichan District, to 30th June, 1892.
- 171. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$4,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Works (Roads, Streets, Bridges, and Wharves), Islands District, to 30th June, 1892.
- 172. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$10,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Works (Roads, Streets, Bridges, and Wharves), Nanaimo District, to 30th June, 1892.
- 173. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$5,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Works (Roads, Streets, Bridges, and Wharves), Alberni District, to 30th June, 1892.
- 174. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$15,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Works (Roads, Streets, Bridges, and Wharves), Comox District, to 30th June, 1892.
- 175. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$30,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Works (Roads, Streets, Bridges, and Wharves), New Westminster District, to 30th June, 1892.
- 176. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$20,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Works (Roads, Streets, Bridges, and Wharves), Yale District, to 30th June, 1892.
- 177. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$7,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Works (Roads, Streets, Bridges, and Wharves), Lillooet District, to 30th June, 1892.
- 178. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$6,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Works (Roads, Streets, Bridges, and Wharves), Cariboo District, to 30th June, 1892.
- 179. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$6,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Works (Roads, Streets, Bridges, and Wharves), Cassiar District, to 30th June, 1892.
- 180. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$18,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Works (Roads, Streets, Bridges, and Wharves), East Kootenay District to 30th June 1892
- trict, to 30th June, 1892.

 181. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$28,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Works (Roads, Streets, Bridges, and Wharves), West Kootenay District, to 30th June, 1892.
- 182. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$25,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Works (Roads, Streets, Bridges, and Wharves), Main Trunk Road, to 30th June, 1892.
- 183. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$500 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Works (Roads, Streets, Bridges, and Wharves), Victoria and Nanaimo Trunk Road (Goldstream to Shawnigan), to 30th June, 1892.

184. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$2,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Works (Roads, Streets, Bridges, and Wharves), Nanaimo and Alberni Trunk Road, to 30th June, 1892.

Upon Mr. Speaker resuming the Chair, Mr. Martin, Chairman of the Committee, reported that the Committee had come to several Resolutions, and asked leave to sit again.

Ordered, That the Report be received on Friday next.

Resolved, That the House will again resolve itself into the said Committee to-night.

The Standing Rules and Orders were suspended, and it was then Resolved,—

That the Select Standing Committee on Railways be empowered to consider and report Bill (No. 84) intituled "An Act to incorporate the Victoria and North American Railway Company."

Mr. Speaker left the Chair at 6 o'clock, p. m.

HALF-PAST SEVEN O'CLOCK, P. M.

1891

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

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

185. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$2,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Works (Roads, Streets, Bridges, and Wharves), Ladner's to Hope Trunk Road, to 30th June, 1892.

186. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$7,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Works (Roads, Streets, Bridges, and Wharves), Municipalities throughout

the Province (seven, each \$1,000), to 30th June, 1892.

187. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$2,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Works (Roads, Streets, Bridges, and Wharves), Squamish Valley Road, to 30th June, 1892.

188. Resolved. That a sum not exceeding \$8,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Works (Roads, Streets, Bridges, and Wharves), Toad Mountain Mines

Road, to 30th June, 1892.

189. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$2,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Works (Roads, Streets, Bridges, and Wharves), Trail, Kettle River to Columbia River, to 30th June, 1892.

190. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$1,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Works (Roads, Streets, Bridges, and Wharves), Hat Creek and Marble

Canvon Road, to 30th June, 1892.

191. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$4,500 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Works (Roads, Streets, Bridges, and Wharves), Chilcotin Road (including \$500 to T. Hance for work done), to 30th June, 1892.

192. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$8,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Works (Roads, Streets, Bridges, and Wharves), Road to Forks of

Quesnelle, to 30th June, 1892.

193. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$4,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Works (Roads, Streets, Bridges, and Wharves), Victoria City, towards maintenance and improvement of Trunk Roads within the boundaries of recent extension of city limits, to 30th June, 1892.

195. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$9,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Works (Roads, Streets, Bridges, and Wharves), Bridge, Thompson River,

at Lytton, to 30th June, 1892.

196. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$20,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Works (Roads, Streets, Bridges, and Wharves), Bridge, Quesnellemouth, to 30th June, 1892.

197. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$3,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Works (Roads, Streets, Bridges, and Wharves), Bridge, Duncan's, to 30th

June, 1892.

198. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$2,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Works (Roads, Streets, Bridges, and Wharves), Bridge, Vedder Creek, to 30th June, 1892.

199. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$500 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Works (Roads, Streets, Bridges, and Wharves), Bridge, Maria Slough, to 30th June, 1892.

200. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$2,500 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Works (Roads, Streets, Bridges, and Wharves), Bridge, Chilcotin River (at

Hanceville), to 30th June, 1892.

201. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$2,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Works (Roads, Streets, Bridges, and Wharves), Bridges, Kettle River (two), to 30th June, 1892.

202. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$1,500 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Works (Roads, Streets, Bridges, and Wharves), Wharf at Comox (repairs),

to 30th June, 1892.

203. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$500 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Works (Roads, Streets, Bridges, and Wharves), Wharf, Fulford Harbour, to 30th June, 1892.

204. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$500 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Works (Roads, Streets, Bridges, and Wharves), Wharf, Galiano Island, to

30th June, 1892.

205. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$500 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Works (Roads, Streets, Bridges, and Wharves), Wharf, Salt Spring Island (north side), to 30th June, 1892.

206. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$500 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Works (Roads, Streets, Bridges, and Wharves), Wharf, Kuper Island, to

30th June, 1892.

207. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$500 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Works (Roads, Streets, Bridges, and Wharves), Wharf, Hornby Island (extension), to 30th June, 1892.

208. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$500 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Works (Roads, Streets, Bridges, and Wharves), Wharf, Denman Island

(repairs), to 30th June, 1892.

209. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$1,500 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Works (Roads, Streets, Bridges, and Wharves), Ferry at Soda Creek (improving), to 30th June, 1892.

210. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$300 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Works (Roads, Streets, Bridges, and Wharves), Soda Creek Ferry subsidy,

to 30th June, 1892.

211. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$500 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Works (Roads, Streets, Bridges, and Wharves), Chimney Creek Ferry subsidy, to 30th June, 1892.

212. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$500 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Works (Roads, Streets, Bridges, and Wharves), Fraser River Ferry

subsidy, near Canoe Creek, to 30th June, 1892.

213. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$300 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Works (Roads, Streets, Bridges, and Wharves), Thompson River Ferry subsidy, to 30th June, 1892.

214. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$200 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Works (Roads, Streets, Bridges, and Wharves), Big Bar Ferry subsidy, to

30th June, 1892.

215. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$30,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Works, Surveys throughout the Province, to 30th June, 1892.

216. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$5,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the

expenses of Miscellaneous, Advertising, to 30th June, 1892.

217. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$6,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Miscellaneous, Stationery, to 30th June, 1892.

218. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$3,500 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Miscellaneous, Postage, to 30th June, 1892.

219. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$2,500 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the

expenses of Miscellaneous, Telegrams, to 30th June, 1892.

220. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$3,500 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Miscellaneous, Fuel and Light, to 30th June, 1892.

- 221. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$500 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Miscellaneous, Library, Legislative and Departmental, to 30th June, 1892.
- 222. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$250 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Miscellaneous, Library, Attorney-General's Department, to 30th June, 1892.
- 223. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$2,500 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Miscellaneous, Refunds, to 30th June, 1892.
- 224. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$800 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Miscellaneous, Premiums on Guarantee Bonds, to 30th June, 1892.
- 225 Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$500 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the
- expenses of Miscellaneous, Fire Department, Victoria, to 30th June, 1892.

 226. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$500 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the
- expenses of Miscellaneous, Fire Department, Nanaimo, to 30th June, 1892.

 227. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$500 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Miscellaneous, Fire Department, New Westminster, to 30th June, 1892.
- 228. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$500 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the
- expenses of Miscellaneous, Fire Department, Vancouver, to 30th June, 1892.

 229. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$500 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the
- expenses of Miscellaneous, Fire Department, Barkerville, to 30th June, 1892.

 230. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$500 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Miscellaneous, Fire Department, Kamloops, to 30th June, 1892.
- 231. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$250 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Miscellaneous, Fire Department, Quesnelle, to 30th June, 1892.
- 232. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$500 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Miscellaneous, Reporting Judges' Decisions, to 30th June, 1892.
- 233. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$2,400 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Miscellaneous, Agricultural Societies, to 30th June, 1892.
- 234. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$1,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Miscellaneous, Fruit Growers' Association, to 30th June, 1892.
- 235. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$900 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Miscellaneous, Telephone Service, to 30th June, 1892.
- 236. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$1,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Miscellaneous, British Columbia Agricultural Association, in aid of an Exhibition, to 30th June, 1892.
- 237. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$1,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Miscellaneous, Royal Agricultural and Industrial Society of British Columbia, in aid of an Exhibition, to 30th June, 1892.
- 238. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$750 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Miscellaneous, Destruction of Wolves and Panthers in settled Districts throughout the Province, to 30th June, 1892.
- 239. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$600 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Miscellaneous, in aid of Militia, to 30th June, 1892.
- 240. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$500 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Miscellaneous, Provincial Rifle Team, expenses to Ottawa, to 30th June, 1892.
- 241. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$480 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Miscellaneous, Superannuation, monthly allowance to late messenger, D. Deasy, 12 months to 30th June, 1892, at \$40 per month.
- 242. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$1,200 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Miscellaneous, In aid of Communication to Remote Settlements, to 30th June, 1892.
- 243. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$500 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Miscellaneous, In aid of Hospital Building, Fort Simpson, to 30th June, 1892.
- 244. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$3,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Miscellaneous, not detailed, to 30th June, 1892.
- 245. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$5,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Miscellaneous, Provincial Exhibit at Imperial Institute, London (re-vote), to 30th June, 1892.
- 246. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$1,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Miscellaneous, Collecting and reporting on the Agricultural, Mining, and other Industries of the Province, to 30th June, 1892.

247. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$3,700 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the

expenses of Miscellaneous, Immigration, to 30th June, 1892.

6. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$500 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Civil Government (Salaries), Provincial Secretary's Department, to 30th June, 1891.

10. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$3,246 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Civil Government (Salaries), Land Registry Offices, to 30th June, 1891.

13. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$450 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Civil Government (Salaries), Asylum for the Insane, to 30th June, 1891.

14. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$810 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the

expenses of Civil Government (Salaries), Revenue Services, to 30th June, 1891.

- 18. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$2,500 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Civil Government (Salaries), Temporary Departmental Assistance, to 30th June, 1891.
- 19. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$445 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Administration of Justice (Salaries), Supreme and County Courts, to 30th June, 1891.
- 22. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$480 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Administration of Justice (Salaries), Superintendence of Police and Gaols, to 30th June, 1891.
- 26. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$310 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Administration of Justice (Salaries), Police and Gaols, New Westminster, to 30th June, 1891.
- 28. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$1,650 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Administration of Justice (Salaries), Police and Gaols, Kootenay District, to 30th June, 1891.
- 32. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$360 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Administration of Justice (Salaries), Police and Gaols, Kamloops, to 30th June, 1891
- 35. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$266 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Administration of Justice (Salaries), Police and Gaols, Nanaimo, to 30th June, 1891.
- 39. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$9,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Legislation, Indemnity to Members, to 30th June, 1891.

40. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$425 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the

expenses of Legislation, Mileage, to 30th June, 1891.

- 45. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$1,500 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Institutions (Maintenance), Printing Office, Victoria, to 30th June, 1891.
- 72. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$640 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Education, Cowichan District, to 30th June, 1891.
- 73. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$260 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Education, Nanaimo District, to 30th June, 1891.
- 75. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$830 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Education, New Westminster City District, to 30th June, 1891.
- 76. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$60 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the
- expenses of Education, Vancouver City District, to 30th June, 1891.

 77. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$150 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the
- expenses of Education, New Westminster District, to 30th June, 1891.

 78. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$210 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the
- expenses of Education, Hope-Yale District, to 30th June, 1891.
- 87. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$7,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Revenue Services, Commission, to 30th June, 1891.
- 91. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$100 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Works (Works and Buildings), Repairs to Government Buildings, Yale
- District, to 30th June, 1891.

 97. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$500 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Works (Works and Buildings), Asylum for the Insane (fencing, &c.), to 30th June, 1891.

- 99. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$28,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Works (Works and Buildings), Court House, New Westminster (construction), to 30th June, 1891.
- 101. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$1,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Works, (Works and Buildings), Court House, Victoria (repairs and furniture), to 30th June, 1891.
- 104. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$800 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Works (Works and Buildings), Furniture for Government Offices, to 30th June. 1891.
- 107. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$6,500 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Works (Works and Buildings), Public Schools, Vancouver (site, construction, and furniture), to 30th June, 1891.
- 108. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$670 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Works (Works and Buildings), Public Schools, Victoria (steam heating, furniture, &c.), to 30th June, 1891
- 109. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$3,775 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Works (Works and Buildings), Public Schools, New Westminster (site, construction, and furniture), to 30th June, 1891.
- 124. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$40 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Works (Works and Buildings), Public School, Sea Island (construction), to 30th June, 1891.
- 126b. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$700 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Works (Works and Buildings), Public School, East Wellington (addition to building), to 30th June, 1891.
- 126 E. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$3,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Works (Works and Buildings), Public School, Revelstoke (construction and furniture), to 30th June, 1891.
- 126F. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$700 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Works (Works and Buildings), Public School, Lulu Island (construction and furniture), to 30th June, 1891.
- 1266. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$1,500 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Works (Works and Buildings), Public School, Union Mines (construction and furniture), to 30th June, 1891.
- 126H. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$750 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Works (Works and Buildings), Public School, Anniedale (construction and furniture), to 30th June, 1891.
- 1261. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$800 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Works (Works and Buildings), Public School, Kamloops, purchase of site, to 30th June, 1891.
- 128A. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$200 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Works (Works and Buildings), Addition to building for Constable at Alert Bay, to 30th June, 1891.
- 128B. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$1,500 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Works (Works and Buildings), Hospital, Kamloops (repairs and alterations), to 30th June, 1891.
- 138. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$2,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Works (Roads, Streets, Bridges, and Wharves), Victoria District, to 30th June, 1891.
- 139. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$2,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Works (Roads, Streets, Bridges, and Wharves), Esquimalt District, to 30th June, 1891.
- 140. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$4,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Works (Roads, Streets, Bridges, and Wharves), Cowichan District, to 30th June, 1891.
- 141. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$300 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Works (Roads, Streets, Bridges, and Wharves), Salt Spring Island and Islands at Plumper Pass, to 30th June, 1891.
- 142. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$2,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Works (Roads, Streets, Bridges, and Wharves), Nanaimo District, to 30th June, 1891.

144. Resolved That a sum not exceeding \$3,500 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Works (Roads, Streets, Bridges, and Wharves), Comox District, to 30th June, 1891.

145. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$7,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Works (Roads, Streets, Bridges, and Wharves), New Westminster

District (including \$1,000, Trunk Road, Delta), to 30th June, 1891.

146. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$4,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Works (Roads, Streets, Bridges, and Wharves), Yale District, to 30th June, 1891.

147. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$2,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray expenses of Public Works (Roads, Streets, Bridges, and Wharves), Bridges, Spallumcheen and

Okanagan, to 30th June, 1891.

- 148. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$1,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Works (Roads, Streets, Bridges, and Wharves), Cariboo District, to 30th June, 1891.
- 149. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$1,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Works (Roads, Streets, Bridges and Wharves), Lillooet District, to 30th June. 1891.
- 151. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$2,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Works (Roads, Streets, Bridges, and Wharves), Kootenay District, to 30th June, 1891.
- 152. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$2,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Works (Roads, Streets, Bridges, and Wharves), Main Trunk Road, to 30th June, 1891.
- 155. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$500 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Works (Roads, Streets, Bridges and Wharves), Nanaimo and Alberni Trunk Road, to 30th June, 1891.
- 161. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$350 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Works (Roads, Streets, Bridges and Wharves), Road to Stump Lake Basin, Nicola, to 30th June, 1891.
- 164. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$400 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Works (Roads, Streets, Bridges and Wharves), Bridge, Osoyoos Lake, near Kruger's, to 30th June, 1891.
- 165. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$500 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Works (Roads, Streets, Bridges and Wharves), Bridges, Kettle River, (two), to 30th June, 1891.
- 167. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$160 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Works (Roads, Streets, Bridges and Wharves), Comox and Campbell River Road, to 30th June, 1891.
- 167a. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$2,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Works (Roads, Streets, Bridges and Wharves), Vancouver-North Arm Road, to 30th June, 1891.
- 167c. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$800 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Works (Roads, Streets, Bridges and Wharves), Wharf at Hornby Island,
- to 30th June, 1891.

 168. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$4,500 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Works (Roads, Streets, Bridges and Wharves), Bridge, North Arm, Fraser River (completion), to 30th June, 1891.

1758. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$1,500 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Works (Roads, Streets, Bridges and Wharves), Bridge, Parson's Bridge, to 30th June, 1891.

178. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$1,500 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Miscellaneous, Stationery, to the 30th June, 1891.

185. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$500 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Miscellaneous, Premium on Guarantee Bonds, to 30th June, 1891.

193. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$200 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the

expenses of Miscellaneous, Agricultural Societies, to 30th June, 1891.

202. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$6,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Miscellaneous, Copying Records for Registry Office, Vancouver, to 30th June, 1891.

204A. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$2,900 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Miscellaneous, Compensation for improvements on Section 98, Esquimalt District, to 30th June, 1891.

204B. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$360 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Miscellaneous, Gratuity to the wife of the late H. H. Wootton, to 30th June,

1891.

204c. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$2,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray

the expenses of Miscellaneous, Commission revising Mining Laws, to 30th June, 1891.

204b. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$785.20 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Miscellaneous, Robert Dexter—Settlement of claim for services as foreman in 1878-79 in connection with Reed Bros. & Co.'s contract on Cofferdam Works, Esquimalt, to 30th June, 1891.

Upon Mr. Speaker resuming the Chair, Mr. Martin, the Chairman of the Committee, reported that the Committee had come to several Resolutions and asked leave to sit again.

Ordered, That the Report be considered at the next sitting of the House.

Resolved, That the House will, on Friday next, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Hon. Mr. Davie presented a Report from the Select Committee appointed to enquire into the circumstances under which local partners were admitted by F. B. McNamee & Co., in the contract for the construction of the Graving Dock, &c.

The Report was received and Ordered to be printed. (See Appendix).

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

The Honourable Mr. Davie presented to Mr. Speaker a Message from His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, signed by His Honour.

The said Message was read by Mr. Speaker, and is as follows:-

The Lieutenant-Governor transmits herewith a Bill intituled "An Act to prevent the spread of Contagious Diseases among Horses and other Domestic Animals," and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

HUGH NELSON.

Government House, 2nd April, 1891.

Committee of the Whole to-morrow.

Ordered, That the said Message, and the Bill accompanying the same, be referred to a

And then the House adjourned at 10:30 o'clock, p. m.

Friday, 3rd April, 1891.

Two o'clock, P. M.

Lieutenant-Governor.

Prayers by the Rev. W. D. Barber.

The following Petitions were read and received and Ordered to be printed.

From Walter J. Walker, E. M. Wiltshire, and others, land owners on the Serpentine River (opposing legislation legalizing certain by-laws of Surrey Municipality relative to dyking).

From W. A. Handcock and 276 others, ratepayers of the City of New Westminster (supporting the passing of the "New Westminster Enabling Act," No. 12).

Mr. Brown presented a Petition from J. B. Montgomery and others (female franchise). Laid on the table.

Mr. Kitchen asked leave to introduce a Bill (No. 89) intituled "An Act to declare valid certain By-laws passed by the Municipal Council of the Municipality of Surrey."

Leave granted.

Bill introduced and read a first time.

Ordered to be read a second time on Monday next.

Colonel Baker presented the following Report:—

3rd April, 1891.

MR. SPEAKER:

Your Select Committee appointed to examine the lease made by the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works, in 1886, with Mr. W. A. Baillie-Grohman and others, relative to the reclamation and colonization of certain lands in Kootenay, and to ascertain whether the condition of said lease has been fully carried out on the part of the Kootenay Syndicate, Limited, and the said W. A. Baillie-Grohman; such Committee to have power to send for papers and documents, &c., and to report to the House, have the honour to report the evidence obtained and request that it may be printed.

James Baker, Chairman.

The Report was received and adopted. (See Appendix).

Pursuant to Order, Resolutions 1 to 247, both inclusive, for the year ending 30th June, 1892, and numbers 6, 10, 13, 14, 18, 19, 22, 26, 28, 32, 35, 39, 40, 45, 72, 73, 75, 76, 77, 78, 87, 91, 97, 99, 101, 104, 107, 108, 109, 124, 126p, 126p, 126p, 126p, 126p, 126h, 126h, 126h, 128a, 128p, 138, 139, 140, 141, 142, 144, 145, 146, 147, 148, 149, 151, 152, 155, 161, 164, 165, 167, 167a, 167c, 168, 175p, 178, 185, 193, 202, 204a, 204b, 204c, 204p, for the year ending 30th June, 1891, adopted in Committee of Supply on 31st March and 2nd April, were reported and received.

The Resolutions were read a first time, read a second time, taken as read, and agreed to.

The Report on Bill (No. 66) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Assessment Act,'" was considered.

Mr. Kitchen moved-

To insert after the word "amended," on the first line of section 2, the following words:—"by inserting the following after the word 'acre,' in line 3: 'when such land has not been alienated from the Crown for more than four years, or improvements to the extent of five dollars per acre when the land has been alienated from the Crown for more than four years;' and by inserting after the word 'acre,' on line 5, the following words: 'when such land has not been alienated from the Crown for more than four years, or improvements to the extent of two dollars and fifty cents per acre when the land has been alienated from the Crown for more than four years.'"

The motion was negatived.

Mr. Hall moved the following amendment:-

To add after the word "acres," on the last line of section 2 thereof, the words "except where the lands adjoining such improved lands are suitable only for pastoral purposes, and where the business of farming and stock-raising are jointly operated, in which case the value of the improvements shall apply towards exempting from the wild land tax such adjoining pastoral lands."

The motion was carried on the following division:-

YEAS:

Messieurs

Kellie,	Eberts,	Pooley,	Hunter,
Smith,	Stoddart,	Turner,	Rogers,
Baker,	Booth,	Martin,	Anderson,
Robson,	Hall,	Croft,	$Fletcher_18$
Davie,	Nason,		

NAYS:

Messieurs

Semlin, McKenzie, Sword, Kitchen, Cotton, Beaven, Brown-7.

The Honourable Mr. Turner moved to strike out all the words after "thereof" on line 6, section 5, to the end of line 7.

Carried.

Mr. Kitchen moved to amend section 3 by striking out all the words in line five, after the figure "2," down to end of section, and by inserting as a new section the following:—
"Sub-section (6) of section 3 of the 'Assessment Act' is hereby repealed."

Carried.

Mr. Sword moved to add to section 8 the words "And the amount of mortgages assessed on any property shall be deducted from the assessed value of such property."

The motion was negatived.

Mr. Kitchen moved to add the following as a new clause:—

"14. It shall be the duty of all assessors in assessing real property to assess the value of land separately from all improvements thereon, and to state in separate columns the assessed value of the land, and of the improvements, and for the purposes of this section "land" shall mean the land itself with all things therein and thereunder, and all trees indigenous to the soil or underwood growing upon the land, and all mines (other than gold mines), minerals (other than gold), quarries, and fossils in and under the land, except mines belonging to Her Majesty; and "improvements" shall mean all buildings, structures, or other things erected upon or affixed to the land, or improvements made to the land, and all machinery or other things affixed to any building on the land so as to form in law part of the realty."

The motion was withdrawn.

The Report, as amended, was adopted.

Ordered to be read a third time on Monday next.

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

On the motion of Colonel Baker, seconded by Mr. Keith, it was Resolved,-

That the Resolution passed by the House yesterday to the effect—"That the Standing Orders be suspended in order to permit the Select Standing Committee on Railways to sit tomorrow to consider a Bill intituled 'An Act to incorporate the Victoria and North American Railway Company,'" be entered on the Votes and Proceedings of the House.

The Report on Bill (No. 70) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Supreme Court Act," was considered.

Ordered to be read a third time on Monday next.

Bill (No. 35) intituled "An Act to amend 'An Act to provide for the Collection of a Tax on Persons,'" was again committed, with Mr. McKenzie in the Chair.

The Committee reported the Bill complete with amendments.

Report Ordered to be considered on Monday next.

The Honourable Mr. Davie presented to Mr. Speaker three Messages from His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, signed by His Honour.

The said Messages were read by Mr. Speaker, and are as follows:—

The Lieutenant-Governor transmits herewith a Bill intituled "An Act to recompense the Members of the Mining Commission," and in accordance with the provisions contained in section 54 of "The British North America Act, 1867," he recommends the Bill to the Legislative Assembly.

HUGH NELSON.

Lieutenant-Governor.

Government House, 3rd April, 1891.

The Lieutenant-Governor transmits herewith a Bill intituled "An Act to authorize the creation and issue of Inscribed Stock, and for other purposes," and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

HUGH NELSON.

Government House. 3rd April, 1891. Lieutenant-Governor.

The Lieutenant-Governor transmits herewith a Bill intituled "An Act to provide Seven Hundred Thousand Pounds for consolidating the Public Debt, and for other purposes," and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

> HUGH NELSON, Lieutenant-Governor.

Government House, 3rd April, 1891.

Ordered, That the said Messages and the Bills accompanying the same, be referred to a Committee of the Whole on Tuesday next.

And then the House adjourned at 5:50 o'clock, p. m.

Monday, 6th April, 1891.

Two o'clock, p. m.

Prayers by the Rev. M. L. Rugg.

The Petition from J. B. Montgomery and others (female franchise), was read and received.

Mr. Speaker gave the following decision, re Bill (No. 89):—

Upon a point raised by the Hon. the Leader of the Opposition, I rule that Bill (No. 89) intituled "An Act to declare valid certain By-Laws passed by the Municipal Council of the Municipality of Surrey," cannot be considered as a Public Bill. Rule 50 of our Rules and Orders expressly lays it down that Bills "for doing any matter or thing which in its operation would affect the rights or property of other parties, or relate to any particular class of the community, or for making any amendment of a like nature to any former Act," can only be introduced as a Private Bill, and after the publication of the usual notices.

The Bill in question aims to indemnify the Municipal Council of the Municipality of Surrey for having exceeded the powers conferred by the "Municipal Act, 1889." May, page 768, 9th edition, says that Bills for "enlarging or altering the powers of charters and corporations" are Private Bills of the first class. And on page 745, same edition, says, that whether a Bill "be for the interest of an individual, a public company or corporation, a parish, a city or county, or other locality, it is equally distinguished from a measure of public policy in which the whole community are interested."

I rule that the Order for the second reading of said Bill cannot be moved.

D. W. HIGGINS,

Speaker.

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

Colonel Baker presented the Twelfth Report from the Select Standing Committee on Railways, as follows:-

6th April, 1891.

MR. SPEAKER:

Your Select Standing Committee on Railways has the honour to report the preamble proved of an Act intituled "An Act to incorporate the Victoria and North American Railway Company," and the Bill complete without amendments.

The Esquimalt and Nanaimo Railway Company appeared, by Counsel, before your Committee and opposed the Preamble of the Bill, on the grounds that the usual notices requisite

for the introduction of a Private Bill had not been complied with.

After hearing Counsel for the promoters of the Bill, and also the Counsel in opposition, the question was put to your Committee "That the Preamble has been proved," and was carried unanimously.

James Baker, Chairman.

The Report was received.

Bill (No. 13) intituled "An Act relating to Gold and other Minerals, excepting Coal," was again committed, with Mr. Forster in the Chair.

The Committee reported progress and asked leave to sit again.

Ordered, That leave be granted for to-morrow.

The Honourable Mr. Robson presented, by command of His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, the following Returns:—

Copies of all correspondence respecting the opening of a toll trail from the boundary line of Alaska, at a point north of Lynn Canal known as the White Pass, to Tacho Lake, lying at the head waters of the Yukon River, in British Columbia.

Re correspondence between the Dominion and Provincial Governments with reference to the disallowance, or otherwise, of the Statutes of 1890.

Copy of the report or ballot paper account made by each Provincial Returning Officer in the year 1890, to the Registrar of the Supreme Court, under section 125 of the "Election Regulation Act," and amendment.

The Returns were Ordered to be printed.

Mr. Semlin presented a Petition from John Clapperton and others, residents of Nicola Valley, (re Nicola, Kamloops, and Similkameen Railway).

Laid on the table.

Bill (No. 66) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Assessment Act,'" was read a third time and passed.

And then the House adjourned at 5:55 o'clock, p. m.

Tuesday, 7th April, 1891.

Two o'clock, P. M.

Prayers by the Rev. M. L. Rugg.

The Petition from John Clapperton and others, residents of Nicola Valley, (re Nicola, Kamloops, and Similkameen Railway), was received and Ordered to be printed.

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

Bill (No. 81) intituled "An Act to confirm the sale of the Royal Hospital, with the buildings thereon," was committed, with Mr. Booth in the Chair.

The Committee reported the Bill complete without amendment.

Report adopted.

Bill read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 13) intituled "An Act relating to Gold and other Minerals, excepting Coal," was again considered in Committee of the Whole, with Mr. Forster in the Chair.

The Committee reported the Bill complete with amendments.

Report Ordered to be considered to-morrow.

Pursuant to Order, the House went into Committee of the Whole, with Mr. *Hunter* in the Chair, to consider the Message of His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor of the 2nd April, enclosing "An Act to prevent the spread of Contagious Diseases among horses and other domestic animals."

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

On the motion of the Honourable Mr. Davie, seconded by the Honourable Mr. Turner it was Resolved,-

That a Bill intituled "An Act to prevent the spread of Contagious Diseases among horses and other domestic animals," be reported to the House.

That the Committee rise and report the Resolution to the House.

The Committee reported the Resolution and the Bill.

Report received and adopted.

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. Davie, Bill (No. 88) intituled "An Act to prevent the spread of Contagious Diseases among Horses and and other domestic animals," was then read a first time.

Ordered to be read a second time to-morrow.

Bill (No. 70) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Supreme Court Act,'" was read a third time and passed.

Pursuant to Order, the House resolved itself into Committee of the Whole, with Mr. Croft in the Chair, to consider the Message of His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor of the 6th April, instant, enclosing "An Act to recompense the Members of the Mining Commission."

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

On the motion of the Honourable Mr. Davie, seconded by the Honourable Mr. Turner, it was Resolved,-

That the Bill intituled "An Act to recompense the members of the Mining Commission," be reported to the House.

That the Committee rise and report the Resolution.

The Committee reported the Resolution and the Bill. Report received.

The Report was adopted on the following division:—

YEAS:

		Messieurs	
$Smith, \ Keith,$	$Eberts, \\ Stoddart,$	$Pooley, \ Turner,$	$Hunter,\ Rogers,$
$Baker, \ Davie,$	$Booth, \\ Hall,$	$Martin, \ Croft,$	Anderson, Fletcher— 18.
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On the motion of the Hon. Mr. Davie, Bill (No. 90) intituled "An Act to recompense the members of the Mining Commission," was then read a first time.

Ordered to be read a second time to-morrow.

The Honourable Mr. Davie presented to Mr. Speaker a Message from His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, signed by His Honour.

The said Message was read by Mr. Speaker, and is as follows:—

HUGH NELSON.

Lieutenant-Governor.

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

Government House,

7th April, 1891.

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

Pursuant to Order, the House went into Committee of the Whole, with Mr. Anderson in the Chair, to consider the Message of His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, of the 3rd April, instant, enclosing "An Act to authorize the creation and issue of Inscribed Stock, and for other purposes."

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

On the motion of the Honourable Mr. Turner, seconded by the Honourable Mr. Davie, it was Resolved,—

That the Committee report to the House a Bill intituled "An Act to authorize the creation and issue of Inscribed Stock, and for other purposes."

That the Committee rise and report the Resolution.

The Committee reported the Resolution and the Bill. Report received and adopted.

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. Turner, Bill (No. 91) intituled "An Act to authorize the creation and issue of Inscribed Stock, and for other purposes," was then read a first time. Ordered to be read a second time to-morrow.

Pursuant to Order, the House went into Committee of the Whole, with Mr. Sword in the Chair, to consider the Message of His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor of the 3rd April, instant, enclosing a Bill intituled "An Act to provide Seven Hundred Thousand Pounds for consolidating the Public Debt, and for other purposes."

(IN THE COMMITTEE).

On the motion of the Honourable Mr. Turner, seconded by the Honourable Mr. Davie, it was Resolved,—

That a Bill intituled "An Act to provide Seven Hundred Thousand Pounds for consolidating the Public Debt and for other purposes," be reported to the House.

That the Committee rise and report the Resolution.

The Committee reported the Resolution and the Bill.

Report received and adopted.

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. *Turner*, Bill (No. 92) intituled "An Act to provide Seven Hundred Thousand Pounds for consolidating the Public Debt, and for other purposes," was then read a first time.

Ordered to be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order for the consideration of the Report on Bill (No. 40) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Land Act,'" was discharged, and the Bill re-committed, with Mr. Kitchen in the Chair.

The Committee reported progress and asked leave to sit again.

Leave granted for 7:30 p.m. to-night.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair at 6 o'clock, p. m.

HALF-PAST SEVEN O'CLOCK, P. M.

The House again went into Committee of the Whole on Bill (No. 40) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Land Act,'" with Mr. *Kitchen* in the Chair.

The Committee reported the Bill complete with amendments.

Report Ordered to be considered to-morrow.

The Report on Bill (No. 68) intituled "An Act relating to Placer Mines," was considered and adopted.

Bill read a third time and passed.

The Report on Bill (No. 35) intituled "An Act to amend 'An Act to provide for the Collection of a Tax on Persons,'" was considered and adopted.

Bill read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 86) intituled "An Act for the protection of Cattle," was read a second time. Ordered to be committed to-morrow.

Bill (No. 87) intituled "An Act to amend the 'British Columbia Railway Act," was read a second time.

Ordered to be committed to-morrow.

Bill (No. 85) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Act respecting the union of certain Methodist Churches in Canada,'" was read a second time.

Ordered to be committed to-morrow.

Bill (No. 51) intituled "An Act to incorporate the Toad Mountain and Nelson Tramway Company," was committed, with Mr. Stoddart in the Chair.

The Committee reported progress and asked leave to sit again.

Leave granted for to-morrow.

Bill (No. 64) intituled "An Act to enable the Okanagan Land and Development Company, Limited Liability, to construct Telephone Lines and Tramways in the towns of Enderby and Vernon," was committed, with Mr. Keith in the Chair.

The Committee reported the Bill complete with amendments.

Report Ordered to be considered to-morrow.

And then the House adjourned at 11:35 o'clock, p. m.

Wednesday, 8th April, 1891.

Two o'clock, P. M.

Prayers by the Rev. M. L. Rugg.

Mr. Martin presented a Petition from Colbert Bloies, C. Dunbar, and others, settlers on lands in the railway belt, (re survey of said lands).

Laid on the table.

Mr. Sword presented a Report from the Select Committee appointed to examine and report on the answer given on 25th February last, by the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works to section (c) of the question of Mr. Sword, and also to ascertain whether lands applied for under section 29 of the "Land Act" are placed on the assessment roll when such application is made.

The Report was received and Ordered to be printed. (See Appendix.)

On the motion of Mr. Kellie, seconded by Mr. Keith, it was Resolved,—

That a respectful Address be presented to His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, requesting him to cause to be placed before the House copies of all correspondence, Orders in Council, and other papers, that have passed between this Government and the Dominion Government, or any other persons, concerning the refusal by the Dominion Government to issue Crown grants for mineral claims in the "Twenty-mile Belt" in this Province, because of alleged defects in the surveys of such claims, or any other causes relating thereto.

Bill (No. 75) intituled "An Act to provide for the establishment of Free Libraries," was committed, with Mr. Kellie in the Chair.

The Committee reported the Bill complete with amendments

Report Ordered to be considered to-morrow.

The Order for the second reading of Bill (No. 69) intituled "An Act respecting the creation of Advisory Boards in Mining Districts," was discharged.

Bill (No. 50) intituled "An Act to incorporate the Liverpool and Canoe Pass Railway Company," was committed, with Mr. Smith in the Chair.

The Bill was reported complete with amendments.

Report Ordered to be considered to-morrow.

Bill (No. 49) intituled "An Act to incorporate the Vancouver and Lulu Island Railway Company," was committed, with Mr. McKenzie in the Chair.

The Committee reported the Bill complete with amendments.

Report Ordered to be considered to-morrow.

Bill (No. 52) intituled "An Act to incorporate the Vancouver and Lulu Island Electrical Railway and Improvement Company," was committed, with Mr. Nason in the Chair.

The Committee reported the Bill complete with amendments.

Report Ordered to be considered to-morrow.

Bill (No. 54) intituled "An Act to incorporate the Vancouver, Northern, Peace River, and Alaska Railway and Navigation Company," was committed, with Mr. Rogers in the Chair.

The Committee reported progress and asked leave to sit again.

Ordered, That leave be granted for to-night.

Mr. Speaker gave the following decision, re Bill (No. 12) intituled "An Act respecting the Corporation of New Westminster":—

The Hon. Member for New Westminster City has asked me to rule as to the *status* of Bill No. 12, intituled "An Act respecting the Corporation of New Westminster." This Bill was introduced as a Public Bill. It passed the first and second readings, and went to Committee of the Whole on February 4th.

On motion—

"It was Resolved,—That the Committee rise, report progress, ask leave to sit again, and recommend to the House that the Bill be referred to a Select Committee consisting of the Members forming the Private Bills Committee, with instructions to give fourteen days' notice, by advertisement in the New Westminster papers, so as to afford private parties (if any) affected by the Bill an opportunity to appear before the Committee, and with power to hear evidence and to report to the House.

"The Committee reported the Resolution.

"Report considered forthwith, adopted, and agreed to."

On the 2nd April the Private Bills Committee, sitting as a Select Committee, reported,

inter alia, that the Bill should have been introduced as a Private Bill.

The circumstances attendant upon the introduction of the Bill are peculiar, and, I think, unprecedented in the practice of this House. I find that the notices required by the Standing Orders in the matter of Private Bills were published; but that pending the presentation of the customary petition it was arranged that the measure should come in as a Public Bill. It is in order to amend or define a Private Bill by a Public Bill. (See Mr. Speaker Pooley's ruling in the Journals of this House, page 22, Session of 1887, where it is held that the Sumas Dyking Act, a Private Bill, could be amended by a Public Bill, and it was done accordingly.)

Bill No. 12 aims to indemnify the Corporation of the City of New Westminster for having, as is alleged, exceeded the powers conferred by the City Charter. Under ordinary circumstances I think that Rule No. 48 would have offered an insurmountable barrier to the bringing forward of the Bill as a public measure. But the circumstances attending its introduction and the proceedings in the House and Committee, anterior to its reference to a Select Committee, were of an extraordinary character. It was read a first and second time and committed as a Public Bill. Then it was removed from Committee of the Whole and sent to a Select Committee for report. The report of that Committee shows that public as well as private interests are seriously affected by the measure. The Select Committee has advised that the Bill should have been treated as a Private Bill. If that course should be taken, it can scarcely come again before the House during the present Session; and deep and lasting injury might be inflicted on all parties—the public, perhaps, being the greatest sufferer.

I have been greatly perplexed in considering the various points involved, and have had extreme difficulty in making a ruling. There is a class of local Bills in the British House of Commons, quasi private, known as hybrid Bills. They are generally Bills for carrying out national works, or relating to Crown property, or other public works, in which the Government is concerned; or they sometimes deal with matters affecting the Metropolis.

Bill No. 12 is local in its character. The Petition required in the case of Private Bills was waived by the House when it admitted and read the Bill twice as a Public Bill, and considered it in Committee of the Whole. The resolution reported from Committee of the Whole to refer to a Select Committee casts no doubt on the *status* of the Bill, and it is only when the

Select Committee has reported that doubt is felt

Taking into consideration all the circumstances,—the fact that the required notices were published; that the Bill came in as a public measure; that it has been read twice and referred to Committee of the Whole as such; that the public have had ample opportunity to be heard for and against it; and that both public and private interests are involved, I am of opinion that the Bill should be regarded as a hybrid, and that the order for Committee of the Whole is in order.

D. W. Higgins, Speaker.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair at 6 o'clock, p. m.

HALF-PAST SEVEN O'CLOCK, P. M.

The House again went into Committee of the Whole on Bill (No. 54) intituled "An Act to incorporate the Vancouver, Northern, Peace River, and Alaska Railway and Navigation Company," with Mr. Rogers in the Chair.

The Committee reported the Bill complete with amendments.

Report Ordered to be considered to-morrow.

Pursuant to Order, Mr. Keith moved that Bill (No. 67) intituled "An Act to further amend the 'Coal Mines Regulation Act,'" be read a second time now.

A debate arose, which was adjourned until Friday next.

Bill (No. 44) intituled "An Act to incorporate the Nanaimo Electric Tramway Company, Limited," was read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 48) intituled "An Act to incorporate the Upper Columbia Navigation and Tramway Company," was read a third time and passed.

The Report on Bill (No. 56) intituled "An Act to incorporate the Hot Springs and Goat River Tramway Company," was considered.

Mr. Beaven moved to insert the usual "Chinese clauses" to the Bill.

The motion was negatived.

Report adopted.

Ordered to be read a third time to-morrow.

Upon the Order for the third reading of Bill (No. 65) intituled "An Act to amend the 'University Act, 1890," being called, Colonel Baker moved to insert after "University," in the last line—

"but section 5 of such Act shall be amended by striking out 'the passing of this Act,' in the third line, and inserting 'the 31st December, 1891'; and section 6 of such Act shall be amended by striking out all the words after 'office,' in the second line, up to and including 'more' in such line, and inserting 'until the 31st December, 1891, and no longer.'"

Carried

Bill read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 31) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Vancouver Incorporation Act, 1886,' and amendments thereto," was again committed, with Mr. Keith in the Chair.

The Committee reported progress and asked leave to sit again to-day.

The House continued to sit after midnight.

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

And then the House adjourned at 12:10 o'clock, a. m.