

Wednesday, 4th April, 1888.

TWO O'CLOCK, P. M.

Prayers by the Rev. *J. Reid, D.D.*

Mr. Speaker gave the following decision on the point of order raised on the motion of Colonel *Baker* to suspend the Standing Rules and Orders on the 28th March last:—

The question left for my decision is—Whether upon the consideration of a notice of motion for the suspension of the Standing Orders, of which due notice has been given, a single member of the House has the power of defeating the motion by objecting to its passage.

By Rule 31, a motion may be made by unanimous consent of the House, without previous notice.

By Rule 67, except in cases of urgent and pressing necessity, no motion may be made to dispense with any Standing Order relative to Private Bills without due notice.

By Rule 30, two days' notice of motion is required.

May, 8th edition, pp. 290 & 291. All questions before the House are decided by the majority of votes.

If a motion be made to suspend the Standing Orders, or any other purpose, without notice, any single member can successfully object to its passage, as the consent of the House must be unanimous. When motion before the House, after due notice, either for the suspension of the Standing Orders or for any other purpose, the majority of votes in the House governs, and no single member can by objection defeat the motion.

On the motion of Mr. *Grant*, seconded by the Hon. Mr. *Humphreys*, 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, papers, and correspondence connected with the claim of Messrs. *Kinapple & Morris* for payment of the amount due to them as engineers of the Dry Dock, and with respect to the claim of Mr. *Wm. Bennett* for payment of the salary due to him as engineer of the Dry Dock in this Province.

Mr. Speaker gave his reserved decision on the objections taken to the introduction of Bill (No. 47) intituled "An Act respecting the sale of Intoxicating Liquors, and the issue of Licences therefor," the Bill not having been first recommended by Message from His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor:—

The questions left for my decision are—

1st. Whether the Bill intituled "An Act respecting the sale of Intoxicating Liquors, and the issue of Licences therefor," has been properly introduced by the Message from His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor? and

2nd. Is this a tax Bill?

The Lieutenant-Governor's Message is as follows:—

"The Lieutenant-Governor transmits to the Legislative Assembly a Bill respecting the sale of intoxicating liquors, and the issue of licences therefor, and consents to the same being introduced for the consideration of the Legislative Assembly.

"*Government House, 21st March, 1888.*"

In the introduction of Bills affecting liquors the practice of the House has not been uniform. I find on referring to the Journals of the House for the year 1875, that the "Licence Amendment Act, 1875," which created additional licences, was introduced to the House by the Honourable Attorney-General, Mr. *Walkem*, without Message, nor did it originate in Committee of the Whole.

In the Journals of the year 1876 I find that the "Licence Amendment Act, 1876," (No. 11) creating new licences was originated in Committee of the Whole without a Message; the motion to go into Committee being moved by the Honourable *T. B. Humphreys*, seconded by the Honourable *F. G. Vernon*.

And also in the same Journals, a Bill to further amend the "Licences Ordinance, 1867," also creating a new licence, was originated in Committee of the Whole without a Message; the motion to go into Committee being moved by Mr. *Mara*, a private member, seconded by the Honourable *F. G. Vernon*.

In the Journals of 1879 I find the "Licences Amendment Ordinance, 1879," which creates additional licences, was brought down by Message from the Lieutenant-Governor. This is the first and only instance of the kind that I can find where this practice has been adopted.

In *May's Parliamentary Practice*, 8th edition, pages 489 and 490, Bills for the regulation of public houses, refreshment houses, and beer houses, or to amend the licensing laws, have been required to originate in a Committee as Bills affecting a particular trade.

Section 40 of the Rules and Orders of this House is as follows:—

"No Bill relating to trade, or the alteration of the laws concerning trade, is to be brought into the House until the proposition shall have been first considered in a Committee of the Whole House, and agreed unto by the House."

Section 92 of the British North America Act reads as follows:—

"In the Province the Legislature may exclusively make laws in relation to matters coming within the classes of subjects next hereinafter enumerated:—

"Sub-sec. 2. Direct taxation within the Province in order to the raising of a revenue for Provincial purposes.

"Sub-sec. 9. Shop, saloon, tavern, auctioneer, and other licences, in order to the raising of a revenue for Provincial, local, or municipal purposes."

The distinction between taxes and licences is here recognized. A tax is a compulsory payment, and the payment for a licence is a permissive or optional payment.

I am of opinion that this is not a Tax Bill, but is a Bill affecting a particular branch of trade, and if the Bill did not go further than the mere regulation of the amount to be paid for a licence, or limiting the number of licences to be issued, I should decide that the Bill could have been originated in Committee of the Whole without a Message from the Lieutenant-Governor; but this Bill goes much further, and (section 4) gives the Lieutenant-Governor in Council power to appoint Licence Commissioners and Inspectors, at such remuneration as he shall think fit, and in section 49, sub-section 2, gives the Lieutenant-Governor in Council power to apply the licence fund for the payment of the salary and expenses of the Commissioners and Inspectors and for the expenses of the office of the Board, or otherwise in carrying the provisions of the law into effect, &c.

This is an appropriation of part of the public revenue (section 92, sub-section 9, B. N. A. Act, licences form part of public revenue), and by section 54 of the British North America Act it is provided that the House shall not adopt or pass any vote, resolution, address, or Bill for the appropriation of any part of the public revenue, &c., to any purpose that has not been first recommended by a Message from the Lieutenant-Governor, &c.

This being an Act which contemplates the appropriation of part of the public revenue must be recommended by a Message of the Lieutenant-Governor. This has not been done, and I must, therefore, rule that the Bill has not been properly introduced.

Pursuant to Order, Bill (No. 39) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Game Protection Act, 1887,'" was read a second time and committed.

Upon Mr. Speaker resuming the Chair, Mr. *Grant*, Chairman of the Committee, reported the Bill complete with amendments.

Report *Ordered* to be considered on Friday next.

Pursuant to Order, the Report on Bill (No. 21) intituled "An Act to amend the Law relating to the Liens of Mechanics and others," was considered.

On the motion of Mr. *Bole*, clause 13 was amended by inserting after the words "under it," in the second line, the following:—"but the workmen shall have a prior claim to the extent of one month's wages, or so much thereof as may be due them."

Mr. *Bole* moved—That the Report be adopted.

Mr. *Higgins* moved in amendment, to leave out all the words after the word "That" and add—"the Bill be committed to the Select Committee to which Bills Nos. 13, 41 and 42 were referred on the 23rd March last."

The amendment was carried on the following division:—

YEAS:

Messieurs

<i>Cowan,</i>	<i>Higgins,</i>	<i>John,</i>	<i>Thomson,</i>
<i>Mason,</i>	<i>Baker,</i>	<i>Duck,</i>	<i>Anderson—11.</i>
<i>Orr,</i>	<i>Allen,</i>	<i>Turner,</i>	

NAYS:

Messieurs

<i>Humphreys,</i>	<i>Bole,</i>	<i>Robson,</i>	<i>McLeese—6.</i>
<i>Ladner,</i>	<i>Beaven,</i>		

Pursuant to Order, Bill (No. 26) intituled "An Act to Incorporate the Crow's Nest and Kootenay Lake Railway Company," was considered.

On the motion of Mr. *Beaven*, seconded by Mr. *Grant*, clause 26 was struck out and the following substituted therefor:—

26. The provisions of the Railway Act, 49 Victoria, chapter 109 of the Revised Statutes of Canada, so far as such provisions are within the Legislative authority of this Assembly, and are applicable to the undertaking, and are not inconsistent with or contrary to the provisions of this Act, shall apply to the said railway, and shall be read with and form part of this Act; but the following expressions wherever appearing in the said Railway Act, 49 Victoria, chapter 109 of the Revised Statutes of Canada, shall, in the construction and for the purpose of this Act, have the several meanings hereby assigned to them, that is to say:—

The expression "Canada Gazette" shall mean the British Columbia Gazette:

The expressions "Superior Court," "Exchequer Court of Canada," shall mean the Supreme Court of British Columbia:

And the expressions "Clerks of the Peace," "the Minister of Railways and Canals," "the Minister," "Deputy," "the Deputy of the Minister of Railways and Canals," shall each mean the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works of this Province:

"Governor," and "Governor in Council" shall both mean the Lieutenant-Governor in Council:

"The Parliament of Canada" shall mean the Legislative Assembly of British Columbia:

"Minister of Finance and Receiver-General" shall mean the Minister of Finance and Agriculture of this Province:

The "Attorney-General of Canada" shall mean the Attorney-General of British Columbia:

"Registry Offices" shall mean the Land Registry Office at Victoria:

"Department" shall mean the Lands and Works Department at Victoria:

"Clerk of the Court" shall mean the Registrar of the Supreme Court for the Victoria Judicial District.

On the motion of Mr. *Beaven*, seconded by Mr. *Grant*, clause 24 was struck out and the following substituted therefor:—

"24. The Company shall commence the construction of the work on or before two years, and shall complete and equip the same on or before five years from the passing of this Act; time being declared material and of the essence of the contract under which this Act is passed."

On the motion of Mr. *Beaven*, seconded by Mr. *Grant*, the following was added to the Bill as clause 27:—

"27. The powers conferred by sections 58 to 82, both inclusive, of the said 'Railway Act, 49 Victoria, chapter 109, of the Revised Statutes of Canada,' upon the Railway Committee shall be and are hereby conferred upon and be exercisable by the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works of this Province."

The further consideration of the Report was adjourned to the next sitting of the House.

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.

Thursday, 5th April, 1888.

TWO O'CLOCK, P. M.

Prayers by the Rev. *J. Reid, D.D.*

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

By Mr. *Bole* from *Edward Gold* and *Louis Gold* (re claim to land in *New Westminster District*).

By Mr. *Anderson* from Rev. *W.H. Gregory* and others, residents of *Saanich* (re liquor traffic).

By Mr. *Croft* from *Henry Kingham* and others, residents of *Chemainus* and *Salt Spring Island* (re liquor traffic).

By Mr. *Anderson* from *John Drout* (re supply of flour to Provincial Gaol).

Colonel *Baker* presented the Ninth Report from the Select Standing Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills, reporting the preamble proved of a Bill intituled "An Act to amend the 'City of Victoria Official Map Act, 1880.'"

The Report was read and received.

Mr. *Cowan* presented the Second Report from the Select Standing Committee on Mines. The Report was read and received, and *Ordered* to be printed.

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

That the Standing Rules and Orders of the House be suspended, in order that the prayer of the Petition presented by *Samuel Greer* may be heard, and that leave be granted him to present a Petition for a Private Bill.

Mr. *Bole* presented a Petition from *Samuel Greer* for leave to introduce a Private Bill (relief of *Samuel Greer*).

Laid on the table.

The House proceeded to the Orders of the Day.

Pursuant to Order, the Report on Bill (No. 35) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Coal Mines Regulation Act, 1877,'" was considered.

The Hon. Mr. *Humphreys* moved, seconded by Mr. *Beaven*, to insert the following as a new clause:—

"Section 3 of the 'Coal Mines Regulation Act, 1877,' is hereby amended by adding at the end thereof the words 'And no Chinese shall be allowed to work underground in any 'mine to which this Act applies.'"

The motion was resolved in the negative upon the following division:—

YEAS:

Messieurs

Semlin,
Grant,
Humphreys

Ladner,
Cowan,

Beaven,
Orr,

Thomson,
McLeese—9.

NAYS:

Messieurs

Mason,
Bole,
Higgins
Baker,

Robson,
Davie, T.,
Vernon,
Allen,

Fry,
John,
Duck,
Dunsmuir,

Turner,
Martin,
Croft,
Anderson—16.

Report adopted.

Bill read a third time and passed.

Pursuant to Order, the Report on Bill (No. 28) intituled "An Act to Incorporate the Harrison Hot Springs Tramway Company, Limited," was considered.

Report adopted.

Bill read a third time and passed.

Pursuant to Order, the Report on Bill (No. 30) intituled "An Act to enable the Esquimalt and Nanaimo Railway Company to construct a branch line to Beecher Bay," was considered and adopted.

Bill read a third time and passed.

Pursuant to Order, the Report on Bill (No. 26) intituled "An Act to Incorporate the Crow's Nest and Kootenay Lake Railway Company," was further considered and adopted.

Bill read a third time and passed.

Pursuant to Order, the Report on Bill (No. 39) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Game Protection Act, 1887,'" was considered.

Report adopted.

Bill read a third time and passed.

Pursuant to Order, Bill (No. 40) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Land Act, 1884,'" 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 5:50 o'clock, p. m.

Friday, 6th April, 1888.

TWO O'CLOCK, P. M.

Prayers by the Rev. J. Reid, D.D.

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

From Rev. W. H. Gregory and others, residents of *Saanich* (*re* liquor traffic).

From Henry Kingham and others, residents of *Chemainus* and *Salt Spring Island* (*re* liquor traffic).

From John Drout (*re* supply of flour to Provincial Gaol).

The Petition from Edward Gold and Louis Gould (*re* claim to land in *New Westminster District*) was ruled out of order, the same not being addressed to the House and not being signed by the Petitioners.

The Petition from Samuel Greer for leave to introduce a Private Bill (relief of *Samuel Greer*), was ruled out of order.

Mr. Bole stated he wished to appeal from the decision to the House.

Mr. Speaker stated he would give a written decision, upon which the appeal could be taken.

Colonel Baker presented the Tenth Report from the Select Standing Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills, reporting the preamble proved of a Bill intituled "An Act for the relief of the settlers and owners of land upon Matsqui Prairie."

The Report was received and *Ordered* to be printed, and is as follows:—

Mr Speaker:

Your Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills have the honour to report the preamble proved of a Bill intituled "An Act for the relief of the settlers and owners of land upon Matsqui Prairie," and they have added to the Bill sections 4 and 5, for the following reasons:—

That your Committee having taken the evidence of the Petioners for and against the Bill are of opinion that although the settlers have undoubtedly suffered great hardship through the lands not having been effectually dyked, yet on the other hand many interests are involved in the Sumas Dyking Company, and your Committee consider the said Company should be given the opportunity of fulfilling the terms of the "Sumas Dyking Act, 1878," and "Sumas Dyking Amendment Act, 1883."

You Committee therefore recommend the adoption of sections 4 and 5 of the Bill intituled "An Act for the relief of the settlers and owners of land upon Matsqui Prairie."

JAMES BAKER,
Chairman.

Mr. Anderson presented a Report from the Select Committee to which was referred the Bills relating to Mechanics' Liens and Workmen's Wages, reporting a Bill intituled "An Act for the protection of Workmen's Wages," and a Bill intituled "An Act to amend the law relating to the Liens of Mechanics and others."

The Report was received.

The Hon. *Mr. Humphreys* presented a Report from the Select Committee appointed to enquire into the method of the administration of Intestate Estates.

The Report was withdrawn.

The House proceeded to the Orders of the Day.

Pursuant to Order, the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole on Bill (No. 40) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Land Act, 1884.'"

Upon *Mr. Speaker* resuming the Chair, *Mr. Higgins*, Chairman of the Committee, reported progress and asked leave to sit again.

Ordered, That leave be granted for Tuesday next.

Mr. Ladner presented a Report from the Select Committee appointed to enquire into the claims of *Rev. Geo. Ditcham* to certain lands in *Coal Harbour*.

The Report was read and referred back to the Committee for amendment.

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:—

HUGH NELSON.

The Lieutenant-Governor transmits to the Legislative Assembly Estimates of sums required for the service of the Province of British Columbia for the year ending 30th June, 1889; and, in accordance with the provisions of the "British North America Act, 1867," he recommends these Estimates to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,
6th April, 1888.

Ordered, That the Message, together with the Estimates accompanying the same, be referred to the Committee of Supply.

The Honourable *Mr. Robson* asked leave to introduce a Bill (No. 53) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Vancouver Incorporation Act, 1886.'"

Leave granted.

Bill introduced and read a first time.

Ordered to be read a second time on Monday next.

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

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

Monday, 9th April, 1888.

TWO O'CLOCK, P. M.

Prayers by the Rev. *J. Reid, D.D.*

Colonel *Baker* presented the Eleventh Report from the Select Standing Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills, reporting the preamble proved of a Bill intituled "An Act relating to the Corporation of the City of New Westminster."

The Report was read and received.

Mr. *Ladner* presented a Report from the Select Committee appointed to enquire into the claims of Rev. *Geo. Ditcham* to certain land in the vicinity of *Coal Harbour*.

The Report was read and received, and *Ordered* to be printed.

The Honourable Mr. *Robson* presented, by command of His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, a Return to an Address for copies of all Orders in Council, papers and correspondence connected with the claim of Messrs. *Kinipple & Morris* for payment of the amount due to them as Engineers of the Dry Dock, and with respect to the claim of Mr. *Wm. Bennett* for payment of the salary due to him as Engineer of the Dry Dock in this Province.

The House proceeded to the Orders of the Day.

Pursuant to Order, the House Resolved itself into a Committee of Supply.

(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, 1889.

2. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$40,053 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Debt, Sinking Fund, to 30th June, 1889.

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, 1889.

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, 1889.

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, 1889.

6. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$16,370 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Civil Government (Salaries), Provincial Secretary and Minister of Mines, to 30th June, 1889.

7. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$8,520 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Civil Government (Salaries), Treasury, to 30th June, 1889.

8. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$11,220 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Civil Government (Salaries), Lands and Works Department, to 30th June, 1889.

9. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$6,120 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Civil Government (Salaries), Attorney-General's Department, to 30th June, 1889.

10. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$9,345 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Civil Government (Salaries), Land Registry Offices, to 30th June, 1889.

11. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,650 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Civil Government (Salaries), Legislation, to 30th June, 1889.

12. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$525 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Civil Government (Salaries), Registration of Voters, to 30th June, 1889.

13. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$9,400 be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the expenses of Civil Government (Salaries), Asylum for the Insane, to 30th June, 1889.

14. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$4,620 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Civil Government (Salaries), Revenue Services, to 30th June, 1889.

15. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$2,700 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Civil Government (Salaries), Assay Offices, to 30th June, 1889.

16. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,500 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Civil Government (Salaries), Forrestry Inspector, to 30th June, 1889.

17. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,500 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Civil Government (Salaries), Temporary Departmental Assistance, to 30th June, 1889.

18. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$7,180 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Administration of Justice (Salaries), Supreme Court, to 30th June, 1889.

19. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,980 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Administration of Justice (Salaries), County Court, to 30th June, 1889.

20. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$2,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Administration of Justice (Salaries), Sheriffs, to 30th June, 1889.

21. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$3,300 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Administration of Justice (Salaries), Stipendiary Magistrates, to 30th June, 1889.

22. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$2,520 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Administration of Justice (Salaries), Superintendence of Police and Gaols, to 30th June, 1889.

23. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$6,880 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Administration of Justice (Salaries), Police and Gaols, Victoria, to 30th June, 1889.

24. *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, 1889.

25. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$7,432 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Administration of Justice (Salaries), Police and Gaols, New Westminster City, to 30th June, 1889.

26. *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, 1889.

27. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$10,240 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Administration of Justice (Salaries), Police and Gaols, Kootenay District, to 30th June, 1889.

28. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$5,284 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Administration of Justice (Salaries), Police and Gaols, Cariboo District, to 30th June, 1889.

29. *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, Cassiar District, to 30th June, 1889.

30. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$2,040 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Administration of Justice (Salaries), Police and Gaols, Lytton and Ashcroft, to 30th June, 1889.

31. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$3,180 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Administration of Justice (Salaries), Police and Gaols, Kamloops, to 30th June, 1889.

32. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$2,460 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Administration of Justice (Salaries), Police and Gaols, Okanagan, to 30th June, 1889.

33. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$4,400 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Administration of Justice (Salaries), Police and Gaols, Similkameen and Osoyoos, to 30th June, 1889.

34. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$6,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Administration of Justice (Salaries), Police and Gaols, Nanaimo, to 30th June, 1889.

35. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,440 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Administration of Justice (Salaries), Police and Gaols, Cowichan District, to 30th June, 1889.

36. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$720 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Administration of Justice (Salaries), Police and Gaols, Comox, to 30th June, 1889.

Upon Mr. Speaker resuming the Chair, Mr. *Higgins*, 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 at the next sitting of the House.

Resolved, That the House will, at its next sitting, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

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.

Tuesday, 10th April, 1888.

TWO O'CLOCK, P. M.

Prayers by the Rev. *J. Reid, D.D.*

Mr. *Martin* presented a Report from the Select Committee appointed to enquire into the procedure which governs the office of Sheriff, and the remuneration of that office.

The Report was received and *Ordered* to be printed.

Mr. Speaker gave the following decision with reference to the Petition from *Samuel Greer* for leave to introduce a Private Bill (relief of *Samuel Greer*), which was ruled out of order on the 6th inst. :—

The Petition of *Samuel Greer* alleges a claim to part of Lot 526, Group 1, *New Westminster District*, and alleges that under an agreement dated the 13th day of February, 1886, between the Government of British Columbia and the Canadian Pacific Railway Company, the Government issued a Crown grant of said Lot 526, Group 1, in favour of *Donald A. Smith* and *Richard B. Angus*;

And alleges continuous occupation of the said land from the month of June, 1884;

And prays that the House will be pleased to grant leave for the introduction of a Bill for his relief, and to enable him to obtain a Crown grant of the said piece of land.

The only ground upon which the Petitioner could ask for a Crown grant, would be on the assumption that the fee of the land was in the Crown; and it is laid down in *May* (8th edition, folio 566) that no Petition to the Commons praying directly, or indirectly, for the relinquishing of any claim of the Crown will be received unless the same be recommended by the Crown.

The Petition implies the relinquishment of any claim the Crown might have in the lands, and as the same has not been recommended by the Crown I must rule it out of order.

Mr. *Bole* appealed from the decision to the House.

The question being proposed—"Shall the Chair be sustained," the House divided, and the names being called for they were taken down as follows:—

YEAS:

Messieurs

<i>Semlin,</i>	<i>Beaven,</i>	<i>Davie, T.</i>	<i>Dunsmuir,</i>
<i>Grant,</i>	<i>Higgins,</i>	<i>Vernon,</i>	<i>Croft,</i>
<i>Humphreys,</i>	<i>Baker,</i>	<i>Duck,</i>	<i>McLeese—14.</i>
<i>Mason,</i>	<i>Robson,</i>		

NAYS:

Messieurs

<i>Ladner,</i>	<i>Allen,</i>	<i>Martin,</i>	<i>Anderson—6.</i>
<i>Bole,</i>	<i>John,</i>		

So the Chair was sustained.

The Hon. Mr. *Robson* presented a Return to an Order of the House for copies of all the tenders invited and received, and the contract awarded, for the binding of the Journals and Sessional Papers, and other departmental work of a similar character, for the years 1886 and 1887.

Bills (No. 21) intituled "An Act to amend the law relating to the Liens of Mechanics and others," and (No. 42) intituled "An Act for the protection of Workmen's Wages," reported by Select Committee, were *Ordered* to be placed upon the Orders for second reading to-morrow.

Mr. *Grant* moved, seconded by Mr. *Beaven*,—

Whereas the Statutes provide that no part of the revenue shall be paid out of the Treasury except in pursuance of Warrants under the hand of His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor;

And whereas it has been shown to the House, through the Select Standing Committee on Public Accounts, that on 16th April, 11th and 20th of June last sums of money were paid out of the Treasury without the above authority, and in the absence, also, of Legislative authority;

Be it therefore resolved, That this House condemns the Government for ignoring Statutory enactments which are provided for the safeguard of the public funds, and considers the conduct of the Government in this matter both irregular and illegal.

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

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

Whereas, although we hail with satisfaction as an important step in the right direction the stationing of "C" Battery of Artillery in British Columbia, yet very much remains to be done before the defences of the coast and ports of the Province can be considered to be in a state to resist hostile attack;

Therefore be it resolved, that an humble Address be presented to His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, requesting that representations be made to the Dominion Government to take steps towards developing and placing on a better footing, both as regards the number, arms, equipment, enrolment, and pay of the active and reserve militia of this Province—

1st—By providing modern artillery and arms of precision with suitable equipment and ammunition for the existing militia force.

2nd—By the enrolment of new corps at *Vancouver*, *Nanaimo*, the *New Westminster*, *Yale*, and *Kootenay Districts*, and such other districts as may be deemed advisable.

3rd—By making all proper and necessary provisions for enrolling and organizing the reserve militia of the Province, and the division of the Province into regimental and other districts for that purpose.

4th—By providing better and more suitable drill-sheds for exercising and training corps, and, also, by providing suitable magazines and depôts for the safe storage of arms and ammunition.

5th—By causing such surveys to be made by competent officers as will clearly indicate the best system of fortifying *New Westminster*, *Nanaimo*, and *Vancouver*, and such other points as may be considered of strategical importance.

6th—By taking steps to carry into practical effect the recommendations of the officers making such surveys, by constructing the proposed fortifications and placing suitable armament therein.

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. *Humphreys*, seconded by Mr. *Bole*, it was *Resolved*,—

That an Order of the House be granted for a return of all intestate estates that have been settled, or that are in process of settlement, from the date of the last return, 12th January, 1885.

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

That a Select Committee be appointed to enquire into and report upon the claims of *Louis* and *E. Gold* to certain land in *New Westminster District*; such Committee to consist of Messrs. *Anderson*, *Allen*, *Croft*, *Thomson* and the mover, with power to call for persons, books, and papers.

Mr. *Bole* asked leave to introduce a Bill (No. 55) intituled "An Act to amend the law relating to the sale or use of Poisons."

Leave granted.

Bill introduced and read a first time.

Ordered to be read a second time to-morrow.

Pursuant to Order, the Resolutions 1 to 36, both inclusive, adopted in Committee of Supply on Monday, the 9th instant, were reported and received.

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

Upon the Order of the Day being read for the House to resolve itself into Committee of Supply, and the question proposed—"That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair,"—

Mr. *McLeese* moved in amendment, seconded by Mr. *Ladner*,—

That all the words after "That" to the end of the question be left out, and the following words inserted in lieu thereof:—"this House considers that the Government have been remiss in not protecting the interests of the miners who desire to carry on their avocations upon the lands set apart for Indian Reserves."

A debate arose.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair at 6 o'clock.

HALF-PAST SEVEN, P.M.

The debate was resumed.

Question proposed, "Shall the words proposed to be struck out stand part of the question," the House divided, and the names being called for they were taken down as follows:—

YEAS:

Messieurs

<i>Cowan,</i>	<i>Vernon,</i>	<i>Duck,</i>	<i>Martin,</i>
<i>Higgins,</i>	<i>Allen,</i>	<i>Dunsmuir,</i>	<i>Croft,</i>
<i>Robson,</i>	<i>John,</i>	<i>Turner,</i>	<i>Anderson—13.</i>
<i>Davie, T.</i>			

NAYS:

Messieurs

<i>Semlin,</i>	<i>Humphreys,</i>	<i>Beaven,</i>	<i>McLeese--7.</i>
<i>Grant,</i>	<i>Ladner,</i>	<i>Orr,</i>	

So it passed in the affirmative.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

(IN THE COMMITTEE).

37. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$4,200 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Administration of Justice (Salaries), Police and Gaols, Lillooet District, to 30th June, 1889.

38. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$10,800 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Legislation, Indemnity to Members, to 30th June, 1889.

39. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$3,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Legislation, Mileage, to 30th June, 1889.

40. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$50 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Legislation, Registration of Voters, to 30th June, 1889.

41. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$500 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Legislation, Expenses of Elections, to 30th June, 1889.

42. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$450 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Legislation, Contingent Fund, to 30th June, 1889.

43. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Legislation, Journals and Statutes Binding, to 30th June, 1889.

44. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$2,800 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Institutions (Maintenance) Printing Office, Victoria, to 30th June, 1889.

45. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$500 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Institutions (Maintenance), Assay Offices, to 30th June, 1889.

46. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$7,450 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Institutions (Maintenance), Asylum for the Insane, New Westminster, to 30th June, 1889.

47. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$5,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Hospitals and Charities, Hospital, Victoria, to 30th June, 1889.

48. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$3,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Hospitals and Charities, Hospital, New Westminster, to 30th June, 1889.

49. *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, 1889.
50. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$3,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Hospitals and Charities, Hospital, Nanaimo, to 30th June, 1889.
51. *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, 1889.
52. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$3,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Hospitals and Charities, Hospital, Vancouver, to 30th June, 1889.
53. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$250 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Hospitals and Charities, Hospital allowance, Cassiar, to 30th June, 1889.
54. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$750 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Hospitals and Charities, In aid of destitute poor and sick, to 30th June, 1889.
55. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$750 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Hospitals and Charities, In aid of Resident Physician at Clinton, to 30th June, 1889.
- 55A. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$2,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Hospitals and Charities, Convalescent Home, Victoria, to 30th June, 1889.
56. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$8,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Administration of Justice (other than Salaries), Summoning and paying Jurors and Witnesses to 30th June, 1889.
57. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$3,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Administration of Justice (other than Salaries), Prosecution and Interpreters, to 30th June, 1889.
58. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Administration of Justice (other than Salaries), Expenses of Inquests, to 30th June, 1889.
59. *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, 1889.
60. *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, 1889.
61. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$12,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Administration of Justice (other than Salaries), Keep of Prisoners, to 30th June, 1889.
62. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$800 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Administration of Justice (other than Salaries), Rents, to 30th June, 1889.
63. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$6,500 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Administration of Justice (other than Salaries), Special Constables, to 30th June, 1889.
64. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$6,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Administration of Justice (other than Salaries), Transport of Constables and Prisoners, to 30th June, 1889.
65. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,200 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Administration of Justice (other than Salaries), Miscellaneous, to 30th June, 1889.
66. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$4,840 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Education, Education Office, to 30th June, 1889.
67. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$19,040 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Education, Victoria City District, to 30th June, 1889.
68. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$6,080 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Education, Victoria District, to 30th June, 1889.
69. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$4,500 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Education, Esquimalt District, to 30th June, 1889.
70. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$7,100 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Education, Cowichan District, to 30th June, 1889.
71. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$12,700 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Education, Nanaimo District, to 30th June, 1889.
72. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$2,560 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Education, Comox District, to 30th June, 1889.

73. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$6,260 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Education, New Westminster City District, to 30th June, 1889.

74. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$24,080 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Education, New Westminster District, to 30th June, 1889.

75. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$15,975 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Education, Hope-Yale District, to 30th June, 1889.

76. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$3,800 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Education, Lillooet District, to 30th June, 1889.

77. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$3,180 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Education, Cariboo District, to 30th June, 1889.

78. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,520 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Education, Kootenay District, to 30th June, 1889.

79. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$300 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Transport, Freight on Remittances, to 30th June, 1889.

80. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$3,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Transport, Travelling Expenses of Officers on Duty, to 30th June, 1889.

81. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$200 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Transport, Keep of Horses, to 30th June, 1889.

82. *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, 1889.

83. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$7,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Revenue Services, Commission, Courts of Appeal, Travelling Expenses, Miscellaneous, &c., to 30th June, 1889.

Upon Mr. Speaker resuming the Chair, Mr. *Higgins*, 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 at the next sitting of the House.

Resolved, That the House will, at its next sitting, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

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

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

Wednesday, 11th April, 1888.

TWO O'CLOCK, P. M.

Prayers by the Rev. *J. Reid*, D.D.

Mr. *Duck* presented the Third Report from the Select Standing Committee on Public Accounts; also a Minority Report.

The Reports were read and received, and *Ordered* to be printed.

On the motion of Mr. *Allen*, seconded by Mr. *Martin*, it was *Resolved*,—

That the Members' room and the lunch room are for the use of Members and those invited by them.

Colonel *Baker* moved, seconded by Mr. *Anderson*,—

That this House do immediately resolve itself into Committee of the Whole to consider the petition of *Arthur Farwell* and others.

A debate arose, which was adjourned until Monday next.

The Hon. Mr. *Turner* asked leave to introduce a Bill (No. 56) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Bills of Sale Ordinance, 1870.'"

Leave granted.

Bill introduced and read a first time.

Ordered to be read a second time on Friday next.

On the motion of Mr. *Ladner*, seconded by Mr. *Orr*, it was *Resolved*,—

Whereas the boundary line between British Columbia and Alaska is likely to be defined at an early date;

And whereas that piece of land situated south of the 49th parallel of north latitude and known as *Point Roberts*, containing about four square miles of territory, is so isolated from the United States of North America that the only means of communication by land is through British Columbia;

And whereas during the summer months a great number of Indians and others congregate on that piece of land and cause great annoyance to the settlers in the vicinity of *Fraser mouth*, British Columbia;

Therefore, be it resolved, that His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor be respectfully requested to call the attention of the Dominion Government to the desirability of placing before the Commissioners to be appointed the advisability of acquiring the said *Point Roberts* land.

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

That in the opinion of this House each session thereof should not exceed fifty days, inclusive of holidays and Sundays.

On the motion of Mr. *Martin*, seconded by Mr. *Higgins*, it was *Resolved*,—

That the reports of the Committee on the squatters and applicants for land in the townsite of *Granville* be adopted.

The Order for the second reading of Bill (No. 21) intituled "An Act to amend the law relating to the Liens of Mechanics and others," was discharged, and the Bill referred to a Select Committee consisting of the Hon. *T. Davie* and Mr. *Bole*.

Mr. *Beaven* asked the Hon. the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works the following questions:—

What was the amount, and rate per day, paid to the following persons in the months of June or July, 1885, for work upon the *Kootenay Trail*:—*Matthew Herber*, *Charles Strope*, *Samuel Girvan*, and upon what days were they employed?

The Honourable Mr. *Vernon* replied as follows:—

"The men above-mentioned were employed on the *Kicking Horse-Columbia Lakes Trail* in June, 1885, as follows:—

"	Between 1st and 30th—	C. Stroep,	26 days @ \$3 $\frac{1}{2}$ day =	\$78.
"	"	M. Herber,	26 "	3 " 78.
"	"	S.T. Girvan,	18 "	3 " 54."

Pursuant to Order, Bill (No. 51) intituled "An Act to amend the 'City of Victoria Official Map Act, 1880,'" was read a second time and committed.

Upon Mr. Speaker resuming the Chair, Mr. *Martin*, Chairman of the Committee, reported the Bill complete without amendment.

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

Pursuant to Order, Bill (No. 52) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Municipalities, Act, 1881,' and amending Acts," was read a second time.

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

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.

Thursday, 12th April, 1888.

TWO O'CLOCK, P. M.

Prayers by the Rev. *J. Reid, D.D.*

Pursuant to Order, the Resolutions 37 to 83, both inclusive, adopted in Committee of Supply, and the question proposed—"That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair,"

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

Upon the Order of the Day being read for the House to resolve itself into Committee of Supply, and the question proposed—"That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair,"

The Hon. Mr. *Humphreys* moved in amendment, seconded by Mr. *McLeese*,—

That all the words after "That" to the end of the question be left out, and the following words added instead thereof:—"the House consider the Government were remiss in not complying with its expressed wish and desire that a bonus be offered for the successful raising of water by the artesian process, for irrigation, in quantities sufficient for agricultural purposes, "on the Mainland east of the Cascades."

A debate arose.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair at six o'clock.

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

Debate resumed.

Question proposed—"Shall the words proposed to be struck out stand part of the question," the House divided, and the names being called for they were taken down as follows:—

YEAS:

Messieurs

<i>Orr,</i>	<i>Davie, T.,</i>	<i>Dunsmuir,</i>	<i>Croft,</i>
<i>Higgins,</i>	<i>Vernon,</i>	<i>Turner,</i>	<i>Thompson,</i>
<i>Baker,</i>	<i>Allen,</i>	<i>Martin,</i>	<i>Anderson—14.</i>
<i>Robson,</i>	<i>Duck</i>		

NAYS:

Messieurs

<i>Semlin,</i>	<i>Grant,</i>	<i>Beaven,</i>	<i>McLeese—4.</i>
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So it passed in the affirmative.

The House accordingly resolved itself into a Committee of Supply.

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

84. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$3,500 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Works and Buildings, Repairs to Government Buildings, Victoria, to 30th June, 1889.

85. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$600 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Works and Buildings, Repairs to Government Buildings, New Westminster, to 30th June, 1889.

86. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$200 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Works and Buildings, Repairs to Government Buildings, Nanaimo, to 30th June, 1889.

87. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$500 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Works and Buildings, Repairs to Government Buildings, Yale District, to 30th June, 1889.

88. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$200 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Works and Buildings, Repairs to Government Buildings, Lillooet District, to 30th June, 1889.

89. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$100 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Works and Buildings, Repairs to Government Buildings, Cariboo District, to 30th June, 1889.

90. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$200 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Works and Buildings, Repairs to Government Buildings, Kootenay District, to 30th June, 1889.

91. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$200 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Works and Buildings, Repairs to Government Buildings, Cassiar District, to 30th June, 1889.

92. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Works and Buildings, Repairs to Asylum for the Insane, to 30th June, 1889.

93. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$400 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Works and Buildings, Repairs to Gaol at Victoria, to 30th June, 1889.

94. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Works and Buildings, Repairs to Gaol at New Westminster, to 30th June, 1889.

95. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$600 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Works and Buildings, Repairs to Gaol at Kamloops, to 30th June, 1889.

96. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$10,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Works and Buildings, Court House, New Westminster (construction), to 30th June, 1889.

97. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$350 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Works and Buildings, Lock-up at Moodyville, to 30th June, 1889.

98. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$400 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Works and Buildings, Lock-up at Alberni, to 30th June, 1889.

99. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$500 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Works and Buildings, Lock-up at Port Simpson, to 30th June, 1889.

100. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$5,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Works and Buildings, County Court House, Vancouver, to 30th June, 1889.

101. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$8,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Works and Buildings, Law Courts, Victoria (furniture, fittings, and fixtures), to 30th June, 1889.

102. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,850 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Works and Buildings, Court House, Nanaimo (furniture and fencing), to 30th June, 1889.

103. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$600 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Works and Buildings, Government Office, Fort Steele, Kootenay (construction), to 30th June, 1889.

104. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$400 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Works and Buildings, Government Office, Kootenay Lake, to 30th June, 1889.

105. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$500 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Works and Buildings, Lock-up at Rock Creek, to 30th June, 1889.

106. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$300 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Works and Buildings, Court House, Chemainus, to 30th June 1889.

107. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Works and Buildings, Furniture for Government Offices, to 30th June, 1889.

108. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$500 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Works and Buildings, Improvement of Government Reserves, to 30th June, 1889.

109. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$3,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Works and Buildings, Insurance of Government Buildings, to 30th June, 1889.

110. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$4,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Works and Buildings, Public Schools, Vancouver (construction and furniture), to 30th June, 1889.

111. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$4,300 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Works and Buildings, Public Schools, Victoria (construction and furniture), to 30th June, 1889.

112. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$600 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Works and Buildings, Public School, Aldergrove (construction and furniture), (re-vote), to 30th June, 1889.

113. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Works and Buildings, Public School, Donald (construction and furniture), (re-vote), to 30th June, 1889.

114. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$700 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Works and Buildings, Public School, Grand Prairie (construction and furniture), to 30th June, 1889.

115. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$2,500 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Works and Buildings, Public School, New Westminster (construction and furniture), to 30th June, 1889.

116. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$700 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Works and Buildings, Public School, Sapperton (construction and furniture), to 30th June, 1889.

117. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$2,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Works and Buildings, Public School, Victoria West (construction and furniture), (including site), to 30th June, 1889.

118. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$700 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Works and Buildings, Public School, Delta (construction and furniture), to 30th June, 1889.

119. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$700 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Works and Buildings, Public School, Haney (construction and furniture), to 30th June, 1889.

120. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$700 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Works and Buildings, Public School, Enderby (construction and furniture), to 30th June, 1889.

121. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$700 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Works and Buildings, Public School, English (construction and furniture), to 30th June, 1889.

122. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$600 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Works and Buildings, Public School, Rocky Point (construction and furniture), to 30th June, 1889.

123. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$600 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Works and Buildings, Public School, East Sooke (construction and furniture), to 30th June, 1889.

124. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$700 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Works and Buildings, Public School, Round Prairie (construction and furniture), to 30th June, 1889.

125. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$600 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Works and Buildings, Public School, Quesnelle (construction and furniture), to 30th June, 1889.

126. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Works and Buildings, Public School, Victoria (general repairs of buildings, &c.), to 30th June, 1889.

127. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$250 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Works and Buildings, Public School, Chemainus (general repairs of buildings, &c.), to 30th June, 1889.

128. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$225 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Works and Buildings, Public School, Hope (general repairs of buildings, &c.), to 30th June, 1889.

129. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,500 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Works and Buildings, Public School, throughout the Province (sundry repairs, &c.), to 30th June, 1889.

130. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$500 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Works and Buildings, improving outlet to Quamichan Lake, to 30th June, 1889.

131. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$3,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Works and Buildings, boring for Artesian Wells, to 30th June, 1889.

132. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,500 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Government House, Victoria, Repairs to Building, to 30th June, 1889.

133. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Government House, Victoria, Furniture, to 30th June, 1889.

134. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$500 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Government House, Victoria, Fencing, to 30th June, 1889.

135. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$200 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Government House, Victoria, Water, to 30th June, 1889.

136. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$800 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Government House, Victoria, Fuel and Light, to the 30th June, 1889.

137. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$200 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Government House, Victoria, Improving Grounds, to 30th June, 1889.

138. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$600 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Government House, Victoria, Gardener, 12 months @ \$50, to 30th June, 1889.

139. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$50 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Government House, Victoria, Miscellaneous, to 30th June, 1889.

140. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$7,500 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Roads, Streets, Bridges, and Wharves, Victoria District, to 30th June, 1889.

141. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$5,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Roads, Streets, Bridges, and Wharves, Esquimalt District, to 30th June, 1889.

142. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$6,500 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Roads, Streets, Bridges, and Wharves, Cowichan District, to 30th June, 1889.

143. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,500 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Roads, Streets, Bridges, and Wharves, Salt Spring Island and Islands at Plumper Pass, to 30th June, 1889.

144. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$7,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Roads, Streets, Bridges, and Wharves, Nanaimo District, to 30th June, 1889.

145. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$2,500 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Roads, Streets, Bridges, and Wharves, Alberni, to 30th June, 1889.

146. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$3,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Roads, Streets, Bridges, and Wharves, Comox District, to 30th June, 1889.

147. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$12,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Roads, Streets, Bridges, and Wharves, New Westminster District, to 30th June, 1889.

148. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$18,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Roads, Streets, Bridges, and Wharves, Yale District, to 30th June, 1889.

149. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$5,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Roads, Streets, Bridges, and Wharves, Lillooet District, to 30th June, 1889.

150. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$8,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Roads, Streets, Bridges, and Wharves, Cariboo District, to 30th June, 1889.

151. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$800 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Roads, Streets, Bridges, and Wharves, Cassiar District, to 30th June, 1889.

152. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$15,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Roads, Streets, Bridges, and Wharves, Kootenay District, to 30th June, 1889.

153. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$16,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Roads, Streets, Bridges, and Wharves, Main Trunk Road, to 30th June, 1889.

154. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$3,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Roads, Streets, Bridges, and Wharves, Victoria and Esquimalt Trunk Road, including Indian Reserve Road, to 30th June, 1889.

155. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Roads, Streets, Bridges, and Wharves, Victoria and Nanaimo Trunk Road, to 30th June, 1889.

156. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Roads, Streets, Bridges, and Wharves, Nanaimo and Alberni Trunk Road, to 30th June, 1889.

157. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$3,500 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Roads, Streets, Bridges, and Wharves, New Westminster and Vancouver Trunk Road, to 30th June, 1889.

158. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,500 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Roads, Streets, Bridges, and Wharves, North Arm and Vancouver Road, to 30th June, 1889.

159. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,500 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Roads, Streets, Bridges, and Wharves, Harrison Hot Springs Road, to 30th June, 1889.

160. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,500 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Roads, Streets, Bridges, and Wharves, Trunk Road, New Westminster to Hope, to 30th June, 1889.

161. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$2,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Roads, Streets, Bridges, and Wharves, Kayoosh Creek Road, to 30th June, 1889.

162. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$2,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Roads, Streets, Bridges, and Wharves, Rock Creek Road, to 30th June, 1889.

163. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$2,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Roads, Streets, Bridges, and Wharves, Illecillewaet Road, to 30th June, 1889.

164. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Roads, Streets, Bridges, and Wharves, Saanich Main Road, to 30th June, 1889.

165. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$10,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Roads, Streets, Bridges, and Wharves, In aid of bridges on North Arm of Fraser River, to 30th June, 1889.

166. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$17,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Roads, Streets, Bridges, and Wharves, Fraser River Bridge, near Lillooet (re-vote), to 30th June, 1889.

167. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$6,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Roads, Streets, Bridges, and Wharves, Municipalities in New Westminster District, to 30th June, 1889.

168. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Roads, Streets, Bridges, and Wharves, Cowichan Municipality, to 30th June, 1889.

169. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$300 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Roads, Streets, Bridges, and Wharves, Soda Creek Ferry subsidy, to 30th June, 1889.

170. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$3,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Surveys throughout the Province, to 30th June, 1889.

171. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$2,500 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Miscellaneous, Advertising, to 30th June, 1889.

172. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$3,700 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Miscellaneous, Stationary, to 30th June, 1889.

173. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$2,500 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Miscellaneous, Postage, to 30th June, 1889.

174. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,500 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Miscellaneous, Telegrams, to 30th June, 1889.

175. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$2,500 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Miscellaneous, Fuel and Light, to 30th June, 1889.

176. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$350 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Miscellaneous, Library, Legislative and Departmental, to 30th June, 1889.

177. *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, 1889.

178. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Miscellaneous, Refunds, to 30th June, 1889.

179. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$300 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Miscellaneous, Premium on Guarantee Bonds, to 30th June, 1889.

180. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$500 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Miscellaneous, Fire Department, Nanaimo, to 30th June, 1889.

181. *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, 1889.

182. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$500 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Miscellaneous, Fire Department, Vancouver, to 30th June, 1889.

183. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$500 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Miscellaneous, Fire Department, Barkerville, to 30th June, 1889.

184. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$500 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Miscellaneous, Fire Department, Kamloops, to 30th June, 1889.

185. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$250 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Miscellaneous, Fire Department, Quesnelle, to 30th June, 1889.

186. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$250 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Miscellaneous, Reporting Judges' Decisions, to 30th June, 1889.

187. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Miscellaneous, Agricultural Societies, to 30th June, 1889.

188. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$700 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Miscellaneous, Telephone Service, to 30th June, 1889.

189. *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 a Provincial Exhibition, to 30th June, 1889.

190. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$2,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Miscellaneous, Consolidated Statutes, Printing and Binding (completion), to 30th June, 1889.

191. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$2,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Miscellaneous, In aid of Prospecting and Explorations, to 30th June, 1889.

192. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$150 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, 1889.

193. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$2,500 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Miscellaneous, Museum, to 30th June, 1889.

194. *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, 1889.

195. *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, to 30th June, 1889, at \$40 per month.

196. *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, 1889.

197. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$20,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Miscellaneous, Grant to Building Fund of Jubilee Hospital (re-vote), to 30th June, 1889.

198. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$3,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Miscellaneous, not detailed, to 30th June, 1889.

199. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$3,700 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Immigration, to 30th June, 1889.

Upon Mr. Speaker resuming the Chair, Mr. *Higgins*, 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 at the next sitting of the House.

Resolved, That the House will, at its next sitting, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

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

And then the House adjourned at 11:05 o'clock, p. m.

Friday, 13th April, 1888.

TWO O'CLOCK, P. M.

Prayers by the Rev. *J. Reid*, D.D

Mr. *Higgins* presented a Report from the Select Committee appointed to enquire into the condition and working of the *Victoria Gaol*.

The Report was read and received, and *Ordered* to be printed.

Mr. *Higgins* asked the Hon. the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works the following questions:—

Has your attention been called to the last clause of the report of the Select Committee on "Claims to *Granville* Townsite," and if so, is it the intention of the Government to re-survey the lands comprised in the Crown grants to the Canadian Pacific Railway Co., referred to in said clause?

The Honourable Mr. *Vernon* replied as follows:—

"The boundaries of the blocks of land referred to in the Agreement between the Government and the Canadian Pacific Railway Company, dated 23rd February, 1885, as delineated upon the plan which is annexed to and forms part of said Agreement, are absolutely determined by fixed lines, which cannot be altered by any re-survey."

Mr. *Allen* asked the Hon. the Leader of the Government the following question:—

Is it the intention of the Government to take any steps in regard to Squatters' rights in the townsite of *Granville*?

The Honourable Mr. *Robson* replied as follows:—

"Yes. Negotiations are pending, and the Government expect to be in a position to make a definite statement to the House respecting the matter in the course of a day or two."

The Honourable Mr. *Robson* 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.

The Lieutenant-Governor transmits herewith a Bill intituled "An Act granting to the Esquimalt and Nanaimo Railway Company certain lands for right of way and terminal purposes for Beecher Bay Branch," and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,
13th April, 1888.

The Honourable Mr. *Robson* 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.

The Lieutenant-Governor transmits herewith a Bill intituled "An Act respecting a grant of land for right of way and terminal purposes to the Crow's Nest and Kootenay Lake Railway Company, British Columbia," and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,
13th April, 1888.

On the motion of the Honourable Mr. *Robson*, seconded by the Honourable *T. Davie*, the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole for the purpose of considering the Message of His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor transmitting a Bill intituled "An Act granting to the Esquimalt and Nanaimo Railway Company certain lands for right of way and terminal purposes for Beecher Bay Branch."

Upon Mr. Speaker resuming the Chair, Mr. *Ladner*, Chairman of the Committee, reported progress and asked leave to sit again.

Ordered, That leave be granted for the next sitting of the House.

On the motion of the Honourable Mr. *Robson*, seconded by the Honourable *T. Davie*, it was *Resolved*,—

That the House will, at its next sitting, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole for the purpose of taking into consideration the Message of His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor transmitting a Bill intituled "An Act respecting a grant of land for right of way and terminal purposes to the Crow's Nest and Kootenay Lake Railway Company, British Columbia."

On the motion of Mr. *Bole*, seconded by Mr. *Orr*, it was *Resolved*,—

That a Select Committee be appointed to enquire into the claims of *Samuel Greer* to certain land in the vicinity of *English Bay* and report thereon to the House; said Committee to consist of Messrs. *Thomson*, *Allen*, *Duck*, *Ladner*, and *Bole*, with power to call for persons, books, and papers.

Pursuant to Order, the Resolutions 84 to 199, both inclusive, adopted in Committee of Supply on Thursday, the 12th instant, were reported and received.

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

Pursuant to Order, Bill (No. 46) intituled "An Act to assess, levy and collect Taxes on Property and Income," was considered in Committee of the Whole.

Upon Mr. Speaker resuming the Chair, Mr. *Semlin*, Chairman of the Committee, reported progress and asked leave to sit again.

Ordered, That leave be granted for to-night at 7:30.

Pursuant to Order, Bill (No. 25) intituled "An Act to Incorporate the City of New Westminster," was read a second time and committed.

Upon Mr. Speaker resuming the Chair, Colonel *Baker*, Chairman of the Committee, reported progress and asked leave to sit again.

Ordered, That leave be granted for to-morrow.

On the motion of Mr. *Bole*, the Bill was referred to a Select Committee consisting of Messrs. *Allen*, *Baker*, *Thomson*, *John*, and *Bole*, with power to report to the House.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair at six o'clock.

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

According to Order, Bill (No. 46) intituled "An Act to assess, levy and collect Taxes on Property and Income," was again considered in Committee of the Whole.

Upon Mr. Speaker resuming the Chair, Mr. *Semlin*, Chairman of the Committee, reported progress and asked leave to sit again.

Ordered, That leave be granted for the next sitting of the House.

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

And then the House adjourned at 10:40 p. m.

Monday, 16th April, 1888.

TWO O'CLOCK, P. M.

On the motion of *Allen*, seconded by Mr. *Thomson*, it was *Resolved*,—

That whereas the Assay Office in *Victoria* is closed;

Be it resolved, That in the opinion of this House it is desirable to appoint an efficient officer to act as Assayer, and that the appointment be made without delay.

On the motion of Mr. *Allen*, seconded by Mr. *Anderson*, it was *Resolved*,—

That an humble Address be presented to His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, praying that His Honour will be pleased to send down to this House copies of all warrants, vouchers, papers, and documents connected with payments of \$1,000 on the 16th November, 1880, and \$2,500 on the 5th April, 1881, to the Hon. Mr. *DeCosmos*, or of any other sums paid at any other time to the said Mr. *DeCosmos* by the Government, in relation to his disbursements or services as Special Agent of the Province, together with all Orders in Council in relation to the same matters.

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

That an Order of the House be granted for a return of the exploration report upon the *Yukon Country* by Captain *William Moore*.

Mr. *McLeese* asked the Hon. the Minister of Mines the following question:—

When do the Government intend to publish notices that the mining ground claimed by the *Quesnelle Dam Co.*, on the South Fork *Quesnelle River*, is open for location to free miners?

The Honourable Mr. *Robson* replied as follows:—

“The ground is not and cannot be declared open until the proceedings prescribed by the Act (section 5) shall have been taken.”

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

Is it the intention of the Government to establish a school at *Lac La Hache* this coming summer?

The Honourable Mr. *Robson* replied as follows:—

“No. Returns obtained by the Superintendent of Education show that the number of children of school age is insufficient to justify the establishment of a school at present.”

Pursuant to Order, the House again went into Committee of the Whole on Bill (No. 46) intituled “An Act to assess, levy and collect Taxes on Property and Income.”

Upon Mr. Speaker resuming the Chair, Mr. *Semlin*, Chairman of the Committee, reported the Bill complete with amendments.

Report *Ordered* to be considered on Wednesday next.

The Order for the second reading of Bill (No. 49) intituled “An Act to abolish priority among Execution Creditors,” was discharged.

Pursuant to Order, Bill (No. 50) intituled “An Act to amend the ‘Companies Act, 1878,’” was read a second time and committed.

Upon Mr. Speaker resuming the Chair, Mr. *McLeese*, Chairman of the Committee, reported the Bill complete with amendments.

Report *Ordered* to be considered to-morrow.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair at six o’clock.

HALF-PAST SEVEN O’CLOCK, P. M.

Pursuant to Order, Bill (No. 45) intituled “An Act to amend the ‘Public School Act, 1885,’” was read a second time upon the following division:—

YEAS:

Messieurs

<i>Cowan,</i>	<i>Davie, T.,</i>	<i>Duck,</i>	<i>Croft,</i>
<i>Higgins,</i>	<i>Vernon,</i>	<i>Turner,</i>	<i>Thomson,</i>
<i>Baker,</i>	<i>Allen,</i>	<i>Martin,</i>	<i>Anderson—13.</i>
<i>Robson,</i>			

NAYS:

Messieurs

<i>Semlin,</i>	<i>Ladner,</i>	<i>Orr,</i>	<i>McLeese—6.</i>
<i>Grant,</i>	<i>Beaven,</i>		

Ordered to be committed to-morrow.

According to Order, Bill (No. 43) intituled “An Act to amend the ‘Licences Ordinance, 1867,’” was again considered in Committee of the Whole.

Upon Mr. Speaker resuming the Chair, Mr. *Croft*, Chairman of 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.

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

Tuesday, 17th April, 1888.

TWO O'CLOCK, P. M.

Prayers by the Rev. *D. Fraser*.

Mr. *Anderson* presented a Petition from *John Stevens*.
Laid on the table.

Pursuant to Order, Bill (No. 44) intituled "An Act respecting Recognizances," was read a second time and committed.

Upon Mr. Speaker resuming the Chair, Mr. *Allen*, Chairman of the Committee, reported the Bill complete with amendments.

Report *Ordered* to be considered to-morrow.

The Report on Bill (No. 17) intituled "An Act respecting the changing of the name of Incorporated Companies," was considered and adopted.

Bill read a third time and passed.

The Report on Bill (No. 31) intituled "An Act to amend 'An Act respecting Absconding Debtors,'" was considered and adopted.

Bill read a third time and passed.

The Order for the second reading of Bill (No. 14) intituled "An Act to repeal the 'Small Debts Act, 1886,'" was discharged.

Mr. *Bole* moved—That Bill (No. 48) intituled "An Act for the better observance of the Lord's Day, commonly called Sunday," be read a second time now.

The House divided, and the question was resolved in the negative on the following division:—

YEAS:

Messieurs

<i>Semlin,</i>	<i>Bole,</i>	<i>John,</i>	<i>Anderson—6.</i>
<i>Ladner,</i>	<i>Robson</i>		

NAYS:

Messieurs

<i>Grant,</i>	<i>Orr,</i>	<i>Allen,</i>	<i>Martin,</i>
<i>Cowan,</i>	<i>Higgins,</i>	<i>Duck,</i>	<i>Thomson,</i>
<i>Mason,</i>	<i>Baker,</i>	<i>Dunsmuir,</i>	<i>McLeese—15.</i>
<i>Beaven,</i>	<i>Davie, T.,</i>	<i>Turner,</i>	

Pursuant to Order, the House again went into Committee of the Whole on Bill (No. 40) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Land Act, 1884.'"

Upon Mr. Speaker resuming the Chair, Mr. *Higgins*, Chairman of the Committee, reported progress and asked leave to sit again.

Ordered, That leave be granted for 7:30 p. m. to-day.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair at 6 o'clock.

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

According to Order, Bill (No. 40) intituled "An Act to amend the "Land Act, 1884,'" was again considered in Committee of the Whole.

Upon Mr. Speaker resuming the Chair, Mr. *Higgins*, Chairman of the Committee, reported progress and asked leave to sit again.

Ordered, That leave be 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 10:15 o'clock, p. m.