

Monday, December 2nd, 1940.

THREE O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by the Rev. *T. H. McAllister*.

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. *Pattullo*, the House proceeded to the Orders of the Day, "Introduction of Bills."

The following Bills were introduced, read a first time, and *Ordered* to be read a second time at the next sitting:—

On the motion of Mr. *E. E. Winch*—Bill (No. 41) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Health Act.'"

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. *Pattullo* (in the absence of Mrs. *Smith*)—Bill (No. 47) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Commodities Minimum Loss Act.'"

On the motion of Mr. *Cameron*—Bill (No. 49) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Dentistry Act.'"

By leave of the House, on the motion of Mrs. *Jamieson*, notice of the introduction of a Bill (No. 42) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Parents' Maintenance Act'" was withdrawn and *Ordered* dropped from the Order Paper.

Bill (No. 7) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Trade Licences Act'" was considered as amended, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 13) intituled "An Act respecting Poultry and Poultry Products" was again committed, progress reported, Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 9) intituled "An Act relating to the Nanaimo Civic Arena" was committed, reported complete with amendments, to be considered as amended at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 18) intituled "An Act to provide for Change of Name" was committed, progress reported, Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 25) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Mortgagors' and Purchasers' Relief Act, 1934'" was committed, reported complete with amendments, to be considered as amended at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 27) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Land Registry Act'" was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 28) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Fire Marshal Act'" was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 2) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Land Act'" was committed, progress reported, Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 23) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Game Act'" was committed, progress reported, Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 20) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Public Schools Act'" was committed, progress reported, Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 33) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Police and Prisons Regulation Act'" was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 34) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Village Municipalities Act'" was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 43) intituled "An Act respecting the Grading of Wool" was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 44) intituled "An Act respecting the Grading of Hogs" was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 40) intituled "An Act respecting the Superannuation of certain Persons employed in the Administration of the University Endowment Lands and of the Members of the University Endowment Lands Fire Department" was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the motion for the second reading of Bill (No. 35) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Municipal Elections Act.'"

Bill read a second time, and *Ordered* to be committed at the next sitting.

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the motion for the second reading of Bill (No. 36) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Municipal Act.'"

Bill read a second time, and *Ordered* to be committed at the next sitting.

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the motion for the second reading of Bill (No. 15) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Public Utilities Act.'"

Bill read a second time, and *Ordered* to be committed at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 10) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Apprenticeship Act'" was read a second time, and *Ordered* to be committed at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 3) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Fraser River (New Westminster) Bridge Act'" was read a second time, and *Ordered* to be committed at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 46) intituled "An Act to authorize the Refunding of certain Indebtedness of The Corporation of the District of Burnaby" was read a second time, and *Ordered* to be committed at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 50) intituled "An Act to provide for the Distribution of the Estate of Albert Edward Tulk, deceased" was committed, reported complete with amendments, to be considered as amended at the next sitting.

Mr. Perry presented the Sixth Report of the Select Standing Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills, as follows:—

REPORT No. 6.

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE ROOM,

November 20th, 1940.

MR. SPEAKER:

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

That the preamble to Bill (No. 52) intituled "An Act to amend 'The First Narrows Bridge Company, Limited, Act'" has been proved, and the Bill ordered to be reported with amendments.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

H. G. PERRY, *Chairman.*

By leave of the House, the report was read and received.

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

E. W. HAMBER,

Lieutenant-Governor.

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

Government House,

December 2nd, 1940.

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

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

Resolved, That the Committee rise and report to the House, recommending the introduction of a Bill (No. 68) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Medical Act,'" a draft of which is annexed to this Resolution.

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

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

E. W. HAMBER,
Lieutenant-Governor.

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

Government House,
December 2nd, 1940.

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

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

Resolved, That the Committee rise and report to the House, recommending the introduction of a Bill (No. 71) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Fisheries Act,'" a draft of which is annexed to this Resolution.

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

The Hon. Mr. *Weir* presented the following papers:—

Annual Report of the Health Insurance Commission and Financial Statement for the Year ended December 31st, 1939.

Annual Report of the Provincial Board of Health for the Year ended December 31st, 1939.

Annual Report of the Medical Inspection of Schools for the Year ended June 30th, 1939.

The Hon. Mr. *Weir* presented a Return in reply to the following questions standing on the Order Paper in the name of Mr. *E. E. Winch*:—

1. Do the terms of engagement of members of the staff of (a) Provincial mental hospitals and (b) other Provincial institutions include an annual increase in salary until a set maximum is reached?

2. (a) If yes, was this annual increase provided for in the 1940-41 and 1941-42 Estimates; and (b) if no, why?

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

1. What is the average cost per mile of putting down the yellow traffic mark on the Trans-Canada Highway?

2. How many miles of roads were marked by the Department during the past year?

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

"1. First application, \$31; renewal, \$24.60, using yellow lacquer paint. First application, \$46; renewal, \$40, using reflectorized paint. These costs are for the Lower Fraser Valley area where the majority of this work is carried out.

"2. 243.32 miles in the Lower Fraser Valley area."

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

1. What is the present monthly salary paid to each of the Public Utilities Commissioners?
2. What is the present total of all monthly salaries paid by the Public Utilities Commission?
3. What is the amount of each salary paid and for what work is such salary paid?
4. For what work or services are such salaries paid by the said Commission in connection with office-work, appraisal-work, motor-carrier work, or any other work under the jurisdiction of the Commission?
5. What is the total of monthly salaries paid at the present time to the Commissioners on the Coal and Petroleum Commission?
6. What is the total of monthly salaries paid to all employees of the Coal and Petroleum Commission?

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

- " 1. Chairman, \$833.33; two commissioners at \$625 each.
- " 2. \$8,566.90, less \$1,915 refunded by appraised company; balance, \$6,651.90.
- " 3. Public Utilities Commission, head office, Victoria: One chief engineer at \$750 (engaged on appraisal-work); one technical adviser at \$41.67; one secretary at \$200; one assistant to secretary at \$100; one statistician at \$175; one office supervisor at \$50; one clerk and book-keeper at \$110; one clerk-stenographer at \$100; one filing clerk at \$75; one stenographer at \$75; one stenographer at \$65. Staff engaged on appraisal-work: Three senior assistants to chief engineer at \$275 (\$825); one junior assistant to chief engineer at \$125; one statistician at \$140; one stenographer at \$75. Motor Carrier Branch: One superintendent of motor carriers, \$350; one assistant superintendent of motor carriers, \$210; one accountant, \$175; one secretary to superintendent of motor carriers, \$125; one chief clerk, \$150; one clerk, \$125; one clerk, \$85; one licence clerk, \$75; one voucher clerk, \$70; one junior clerk, \$65; one rates examiner, \$200; one assistant to rates examiner, \$100; one stenographer, \$85; one cashier, \$80; one stenographer, \$75; one machine operator, \$70; one stenographer, \$70; five stenographers at \$65 (\$325); one office boy, \$50; two inspectors of motor carriers at \$175 (\$350); one inspector of motor carriers, \$166.90; one inspector of motor carriers, \$155; three inspectors of motor carriers at \$140 (\$420).
- " 4. See answer to No. 3.
- " 5. None.
- " 6. \$775."

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

1. What was the arrears in sinking fund requirements in the \$43,148,292 of securities included in the gross debt of the Province as securities sold for roads and bridges?
2. What is the total amount of sinking fund set aside to date in respect of said securities?
3. How much was set aside in respect of said securities for the sinking fund in the years 1933-34, 1934-35, 1935-36, 1936-37, 1937-38, 1938-39, 1939-40?

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

" 1, 2, and 3. As most of the borrowings referred to are part of composite issues, the lengthy and intricate calculations involved prevent the answering of the questions before the closing of this Session."

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

1. What was the total assessment of the Nanaimo Assessment District for the years 1936, 1937, 1938, and 1939?
2. What was the total assessment of the Cowichan Assessment District for the years 1936, 1937, 1938, and 1939?

The Hon. Mr. *Hart* (Minister of Finance) replied as follows:—

- " 1. \$14,445,748; \$14,565,895; \$14,847,090; \$14,755,899.
- " 2. \$7,384,979; \$7,640,532; \$7,448,757; \$7,338,954 "

Mr. *E. E. Winch* asked the Hon. the Provincial Secretary the following question:—

How many mentally ill or mentally defective patients under the care of the Government are boarded out to private homes?

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

“None.”

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

What amount of money has been spent on roads and trails from Vedder Crossing to Chilliwack Lake in the Chilliwack riding during the years 1937, 1938, and 1939?

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

“1937–38, \$199.40. 1938–39, \$599.82 by the Department; in addition, work valued at approximately \$500 was carried out by the Vedder Logging Company, consisting of improvements in lieu of compensation for damage caused by their operations. 1939–40, \$1,385.33.”

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

And then the House adjourned at 5.30 p.m.

Monday, December 2nd, 1940.

HALF-PAST EIGHT O'CLOCK P.M.

Order for Committee of Supply called.

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

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

3. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$3,500 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Premier's Office to 31st March, 1941.

24A. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$21,811.84 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Special Grants in Aid of Exhibitions, to 31st March, 1941.

50. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$5,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Education, Correspondence Schools, to 31st March, 1941.

52. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$3,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Education, Inspection of Schools, to 31st March, 1941.

55. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$23,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Education, Salary Grants, to 31st March, 1941.

56. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$20,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Education, Erection of New Buildings, Maintenance and Repairs of School Buildings, Special Aid to School Districts, and Desks for Rural Schools, etc., to 31st March, 1941.

59. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$5,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Education, Conveying Children to Central Schools, to 31st March, 1941.

83A. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$6,010.24 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Finance, “Dyking Assessments Adjustment Act, 1905,” to 31st March, 1941.

86. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Labour, General Office, to 31st March, 1941.

87. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$200 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Labour, Factories Inspection, to 31st March, 1941.

114. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Mines, Minister's Office, to 31st March, 1941.

121. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$50,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Mines, Oil Exploration in the Peace River Area, to 31st March, 1941.

129. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,385 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Libraries, to 31st March, 1941.

130. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,405 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Provincial Museum, to 31st March, 1941.

132. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$5,646.68 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Administration of "Superannuation Act" and "Teachers' Pensions Act," to 31st March, 1941.

140. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$500 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Health and Welfare Services, to 31st March, 1941.

145. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$20,147.50 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Child Welfare Branch (including Administration of "Infants Act"), to 31st March, 1941.

145A. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$10 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Refugee Children, to 31st March, 1941.

146. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$20,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Hospitals, to 31st March, 1941.

147. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$10 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Provincial Board of Health, Office of the Secretary, to 31st March, 1941.

149. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$6,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Vital Statistics Division, to 31st March, 1941.

150. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$8,300 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Division of Tuberculosis Control, to 31st March, 1941.

154. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Industrial Schools, to 31st March, 1941.

157. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$400 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Special Health and Welfare Services, to 31st March, 1941.

165. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$337,500 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Public Works, Roads, Bridges, Ferries, Wharves, etc., to 31st March, 1941.

165A. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$84,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Public Works, Flood Damage, Squamish, Bridge River, Zeballos, Cariboo Highway, etc., to 31st March, 1941.

165B. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$56,100 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Public Works, Bridges, to 31st March, 1941.

178. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$8,500 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Trade and Industry, Bureau of Trade Extension, to 31st March, 1941.

Schedule A. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$229,277.51 be granted to His Majesty to make good certain sums expended for the public service for the period ended March 31st, 1940, and to indemnify the several officers and persons for making such expenditures.

178. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$750 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Recoverable Expenditure, "Soldiers' Land Act, 1918"—Houses, South Vancouver, to 31st March, 1942.

25. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Attorney-General's Office, to 31st March, 1941.

26. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$750 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, General Office, to 31st March, 1941.

28. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$4,215 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Securities Branch, to 31st March, 1941.

34. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$550 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Land Registry Offices, to 31st March, 1941.

36. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$95,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Provincial Police, to 31st March, 1941.

37. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$6,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, County Gaols, to 31st March, 1941.

39. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$17,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Administration of Justice, to 31st March, 1941.

126. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$23,750 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Municipal Affairs to 31st March, 1942.

2. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$131,810 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Legislation to 31st March, 1942.

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

The following Bills were introduced, read a first time, and *Ordered* to be read a second time at the next sitting:—

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. *Gray*—Bill (No. 69) intituled “An Act to amend the ‘Vancouver and Districts Joint Sewerage and Drainage Act.’”

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. *Gray*—Bill (No. 64) intituled “An Act to amend the ‘Greater Vancouver Water District Act.’”

The following Bills were read a second time, and *Ordered* to be committed at the next sitting:—

Bill (No. 45) intituled “An Act to provide for the Reinstatement of certain Mineral Claims situate at Nicola.”

Bill (No. 65) intituled “An Act to amend the ‘Parents’ Maintenance Act.’”

Bill (No. 67) intituled “An Act to amend the ‘Poll Tax Act.’”

Bill (No. 63) intituled “An Act to provide for the Custody of Security required to be furnished by Law.”

Bill (No. 61) intituled “An Act to amend the ‘Motor-vehicle Act.’”

Bill (No. 62) intituled “An Act respecting Persons who fail to register under the National Registration Regulations or who fail to comply with other Statutory Provisions.”

Bill (No. 71) intituled “An Act to amend the ‘Fisheries Act.’”

On the motion for the second reading of Bill (No. 68) intituled “An Act to amend the ‘Medical Act’” a debate arose, which was, on the motion of Mr. *H. E. Winch*, adjourned to the next sitting.

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the motion for the second reading of Bill (No. 22) intituled “An Act to amend the ‘Workmen’s Compensation Act.’”

The debate continued.

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

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the motion for the second reading of Bill (No. 39) intituled “An Act to amend the ‘Health Act.’”

Bill read a second time, and *Ordered* to be committed at the next sitting.

By leave of the House, on the motion of Mr. *E. E. Winch*, the Order for the second reading of Bill (No. 31) intituled “An Act to amend the ‘Marriage Act’” was discharged and the Bill *Ordered* dropped from the Order Paper.

By leave of the House, on the motion of Mr. *E. E. Winch*, the Order for the second reading of Bill (No. 41) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Health Act'" was discharged and the Bill *Ordered* dropped from the Order Paper.

Bill (No. 47) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Commodities Minimum Loss Act'" was read a second time, and *Ordered* to be committed at the next sitting.

On the motion for the second reading of Bill (No. 49) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Dentistry Act'" a debate arose.

The motion was negatived.

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

E. W. HAMBER,
Lieutenant-Governor.

The Lieutenant-Governor transmits herewith a Bill intituled "An Act to authorize the Refunding of certain Indebtedness of the District of Coquitlam," and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,
December 2nd, 1940.

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

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

Resolved, That the Committee rise and report to the House, recommending the introduction of a Bill (No. 72) intituled "An Act to authorize the Refunding of certain Indebtedness of the District of Coquitlam," a draft of which is annexed to this Resolution.

Resolution and Bill reported.

Report adopted.

Bill introduced and read a first time.

Second reading at the next sitting.

The Hon. Mr. *Weir* presented a Return of Regulations of the Provincial Board of Health respecting Barber Shops, Schools, and Colleges.

Resolved, That the House, at its rising, do stand adjourned until 2.30 o'clock p.m. to-morrow.

And then the House adjourned at 10.43 p.m.

Tuesday, December 3rd, 1940.

HALF-PAST TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by the Rev. Canon *Pierce*.

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. *Pattullo*, the House proceeded to the Orders of the Day, "Public Bills and Orders."

Bill (No. 9) intituled "An Act relating to the Nanaimo Civic Arena" was read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 25) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Mortgagors' and Purchasers' Relief Act, 1934'" was read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 13) intituled "An Act respecting Poultry and Poultry Products" was again committed, reported complete with amendments, to be considered as amended at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 18) intituled "An Act to provide for Change of Name" was again committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 2) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Land Act'" was again committed, reported complete with amendments, to be considered as amended at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 23) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Game Act'" was again committed, reported complete with amendments, to be considered as amended at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 20) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Public Schools Act'" was again committed, reported complete with amendments, to be considered as amended at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 29) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Water Act'" was committed, reported complete with amendments, to be considered as amended at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 35) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Municipal Elections Act'" was committed, progress reported, Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 36) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Municipal Act'" was committed, reported complete with amendments, to be considered as amended at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 15) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Public Utilities Act'" was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 10) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Apprenticeship Act'" was committed, reported complete with amendments, to be considered as amended at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 3) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Fraser River (New Westminster) Bridge Act'" was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 45) intituled "An Act to provide for the Reinstatement of certain Mineral Claims situate at Nicola" was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 65) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Parents' Maintenance Act'" was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 67) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Poll Tax Act'" was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 63) intituled "An Act to provide for the Custody of Security required to be furnished by Law" was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 61) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Motor-vehicle Act'" was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 62) intituled "An Act respecting Persons who fail to register under the National Registration Regulations or who fail to comply with other Statutory Provisions" was committed, progress reported, Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 71) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Fisheries Act'" was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

Order for Committee of Supply called.

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

That the Resolutions from the Committee of Supply on the 26th, 27th, 28th, and 29th days of November and on the 2nd day of December be received and read a first time.

That the Resolutions be now read a second time and taken as read.

That the Resolutions be now read a third time, taken as read, and agreed to.

Order for Committee of Ways and Means called.

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

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

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

Resolved, That towards making good the Supply granted to His Majesty the following sums be granted out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund of the Province of British Columbia:—

\$229,277.51 for the fiscal year ended March 31st, 1940.

814,941.26 for the fiscal year ending March 31st, 1941.

29,947,207.33 for the fiscal year ending March 31st, 1942.

\$30,991,426.10

The Committee rose and reported the Resolution.

Resolution considered forthwith and adopted.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

The Hon. the Minister of Finance presented Bill (No. 70) intituled "An Act for granting certain Sums of Money for the Public Service of the Province of British Columbia."

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

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

Resolved, That the Committee rise and report to the House, recommending the introduction of a Bill (No. 70) intituled "An Act for granting certain Sums of Money for the Public Service of the Province of British Columbia," a draft of which is annexed to this Resolution.

Resolution and Bill reported.

Report adopted.

Bill introduced and read a first time.

By leave of the House, Bill read a second time and committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the motion for the second reading of Bill (No. 37) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Forest Act.'"

Bill read a second time, and *Ordered* to be committed at the next sitting.

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the motion for the second reading of Bill (No. 68) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Medical Act.'"

Bill read a second time, and *Ordered* to be committed at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 69) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Vancouver and Districts Joint Sewerage and Drainage Act'" was read a second time, and *Ordered* to be committed at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 64) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Greater Vancouver Water District Act'" was read a second time, and *Ordered* to be committed at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 72) intituled "An Act to authorize the Refunding of certain Indebtedness of the District of Coquitlam" was read a second time, and *Ordered* to be committed at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 50) intituled "An Act to provide for the Distribution of the Estate of Albert Edward Tulk, Deceased" was considered as amended, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 51) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Vancouver Incorporation Act, 1921'" was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

The Hon. Mr. *Weir* presented the Annual Report of the Business done in pursuance of the "Municipal Superannuation Act" for the Year ended March 31st, 1940.

Mr. *Maitland* asked the Hon. the Minister of Trade and Industry the following questions:—

1. Were the assets of Peerless Brick & Tile Co., Ltd., vested in the Crown sold to the Victoria Brick & Tile Co., Ltd.?
2. If so, what was the price paid for the same?
3. What was the total amount loaned by the Department to the Peerless Brick & Tile Co., Ltd.?
4. How much of said loan was repaid?

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

"1. No; but several pieces of old machinery were sold to the Victoria Brick & Tile Company, Limited, for \$600.

"2. Answered by No. 1.

"3. Plant sold under agreement of sale to Peerless Brick & Tile Company for \$46,519.87.

"4. \$4,904.48."

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

1. Is the Minister of Public Works an officer or shareholder in the Big Bend Cedar Pole Company, Ltd.?
2. If so, what position does he hold with that company?
3. If the Minister is not now an officer or shareholder, was he an officer or shareholder at any time?
4. If so, when?

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

"1, 2, 3, and 4. See official records in office of Registrar of Companies."

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

What is the total cost of the work done on the Prince Rupert Highway east of Usk since 1933?

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

"\$443,350.63; between Usk and Burns Lake."

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

1. Are any companies or individuals in the Province failing to comply with section 2 of the "Semi-monthly Payment of Wages Act"?
2. If yes, have proceedings been instituted in such cases?
3. If not, why not?

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

"1. In some cases, yes.

"2. Yes; in 1940, to date, twenty-seven infractions have been tried in the Courts and in twenty-seven cases convictions have resulted; fines imposed amount to \$950 and arrears of wages to the amount of \$4,822.13 have been ordered paid by the Courts. Records for previous years appear in Annual Reports of the Department of Labour.

"3. Answered by No. 2."

Mr. *Guthrie* asked the Hon. the Minister of Finance the following question:—

What was the amount, if any, outstanding in respect to personal property tax at December 31st, 1939?

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

"Personal property is assessable for school purposes only; the school tax is levied on the combined assessed value of real and personal property and local records do not show the relative proportion of the tax levy."

Mr. *Guthrie* asked the Hon. the Minister of Labour the following question:—

How many workmen have found employment through the Employment Office in Nanaimo during the years 1935, 1936, 1937, 1938, and 1939?

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

“See Department of Labour Reports, 1935, page K 83; 1936, page T 81; 1937, page S 91; 1938, page P 126; 1939, page G 118.”

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

And then the House adjourned at 5.05 p.m.

Tuesday, December 3rd, 1940.

HALF-PAST EIGHT O'CLOCK P.M.

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. *Pattullo*, the House proceeded to the Orders of the Day, “Motions and Adjourned Debates on Motions.”

By leave of the House, on the motion of Mr. *Maitland* (in the absence of Mr. *Bruhn*), the following notice of motion standing on the Order Paper in the name of Mr. *Bruhn* was withdrawn:—

Whereas Canada is at war:

And whereas the Trans-Canada Highway is of vital importance to our war efforts and also to the facilitation of transportation within the Province of tourists, civilians, and for other purposes:

And whereas the Trans-Canada Highway was not constructed for military purposes, the bridges being of too light construction and the road in many places too narrow, and therefore should be immediately properly constructed and reconstructed to stand up to such military traffic:

And whereas the strengthening of our defence is solely a National responsibility:

Therefore be it Resolved, That this Legislature urge the Federal Government to take over the entire construction, reconstruction, and future maintenance of the Trans-Canada Highway throughout the Province of British Columbia as a National responsibility and undertaking.

By leave of the House, the following notice of motion standing on the Order Paper in the name of Mr. *Shepherd* was withdrawn:—

That Chapter VIII., section 68 (1), of the Standing Orders of the Legislative Assembly be amended to read as follows:—

“At the commencement of each Session a Special Committee consisting of five members shall be appointed, whose duty it shall be to prepare and report, with all convenient speed, lists of members to compose the following Select Standing Committees of the House:—

“1. On Standing Orders and Private Bills.

“2. On Public Accounts and Printing.

“3. On Railways.

“4. On Mining.

“5. On Agriculture.

“6. On Municipal Matters.

“7. On Forestry and Fisheries.

“8. On Labour and Social Welfare.

“9. On Public Utilities.”

Mr. *Maitland* moved, seconded by Mr. *Eyres*,—

That a Return be made by the Hon. the Attorney-General of all correspondence, reports, or requests in relation to one Joe Celona, between the Dominion and Provincial Governments and the Department of Justice.

A debate arose.

The motion was negatived.

Mr. *H. E. Winch* moved, seconded by Mr. *E. E. Winch*,—

That a Select Committee of this House, representative of all political parties, be appointed to examine the provisions of the "Workmen's Compensation Act" and the regulations and interpretations made thereunder, and to inquire into the administration thereof and generally to investigate the effects and results of the operation of the said Act:

And it is further Resolved, That the Select Committee do have power to call for books, papers, and persons, and to make recommendations, and that it do report its findings and recommendations to the House.

A debate arose.

By leave of the House, the motion was withdrawn.

Mr. *H. E. Winch* moved, seconded by Mr. *E. E. Winch*,—

Whereas health is a matter of the greatest importance in the public mind:

And whereas in British Columbia there are to be found some of the greatest facilities, as yet undeveloped and unused, for the alleviation of suffering and pain:

Therefore be it Resolved, That a Select Committee of this House be appointed to investigate the possibilities of development of natural health restorative resources of British Columbia; and to hear any representations that may be made relative to the resources, their possibilities, and their development:

And be it further Resolved, That the Select Committee do have power to make recommendations, and do report its findings and recommendations to this House:

And be it still further Resolved, That the Select Committee be composed of Messrs. *Kenney, Perry, Tupper, Murray, Eyres*, and *H. E. Winch*.

A debate arose.

By leave of the House, the motion was withdrawn.

Mr. *Maitland* moved, seconded by Mr. *Eyres*,—

That a Return be made by the Hon. the Provincial Secretary of all correspondence, documents, and reports in relation to school teachers' activities, and reports thereon which resulted in a regulation making school teachers take the oath of allegiance in British Columbia being passed.

A debate arose.

The motion was negatived.

Mrs. *Smith* presented the following Report of the Select Standing Committee on Printing:—

REPORT.

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE ROOM,

December 3rd, 1940.

MR. SPEAKER:

Your Select Standing Committee on Printing begs leave to report as follows:—

That the documents set out in the letters of the Minister of Finance, Minister of Public Works, Minister of Lands, Provincial Secretary, Civil Service Commission, and Department of Education and referred to this Committee for report pending disposal under "The Public Documents Disposal Act" in so far as they comply with the ten-year retention period of the Act be referred to the Provincial Archivist for retention or disposal.

The Committee further recommends:—

That in order to facilitate the effective operation of the "Public Documents Disposal Act," chapter 233, your Committee is of opinion that a regulation should be drawn up, under section 4 of the said Act, to the following effect:—

That the Select Standing Committee of the House on Printing be empowered to order the delivery to the Provincial Archivist of any documents mentioned in the descriptive lists submitted to the said Committee which he may request be given into his custody.

And further, that a special committee be set up, consisting of the Deputy Provincial Secretary, Provincial Librarian, and Provincial Archivist, to make a further study of the whole question of document disposal or destruction, to report to this Committee at the next Session of the Legislature.

Recommended that whereas the value of departmental reports is enhanced by the information being available at the earliest possible date; and whereas particular attention is drawn to the Department of Health Report, the latest available covering the period ended December 31st, 1938; the Medical Inspection of Schools Report, latest period covered ended June 30th, 1939; and Police Department Report, latest period covered ended December 31st, 1939:

Therefore be it Resolved, That attention of all Departments be drawn to the desirability of their annual reports being released as early as possible.

HELEN D. SMITH, *Chairman.*

The report was read and received.

Mr. *Strait* presented the First Report of the Special Committee on "Provincial Elections Act," as follows:—

REPORT No. 1.

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE ROOM,

December 3rd, 1940.

MR. SPEAKER:

Your Special Committee on "Provincial Elections Act" begs leave to report as follows:—

Your Special Committee has met on four different occasions and has discussed various amendments to the "Elections Act" and recommends the adoption of certain amendments which will be presented for your consideration during this present Session of the Legislature.

W. T. STRAITH, *Chairman.*

The report was read and received.

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

E. W. HAMBER,

Lieutenant-Governor.

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

Government House,

December 3rd, 1940.

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

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

Resolved, That the Committee rise and report to the House, recommending the introduction of a Bill (No. 76) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Succession Duty Act,'" a draft of which is annexed to this Resolution.

Resolution and Bill reported.

Report adopted.

Bill introduced and read a first time.

Second reading at the next sitting.

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

E. W. HAMBER,
Lieutenant-Governor.

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

Government House,
December 3rd, 1940.

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

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

Resolved, That the Committee rise and report to the House, recommending the introduction of a Bill (No. 48) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Coal-mines Regulation Act,'" a draft of which is annexed to this Resolution.

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

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

E. W. HAMBER,
Lieutenant-Governor.

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

Government House,
December 3rd, 1940.

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

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

Resolved, That the Committee rise and report to the House, recommending the introduction of a Bill (No. 74) intituled "An Act respecting Teachers' Pensions," a draft of which is annexed to this Resolution.

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

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

E. W. HAMBER,
Lieutenant-Governor.

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

Government House,
December 3rd, 1940.

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

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

Resolved, That the Committee rise and report to the House, recommending the introduction of a Bill (No. 73) intituled "An Act relating to Mental Hospitals," a draft of which is annexed to this Resolution.

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

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

E. W. HAMBER,
Lieutenant-Governor.

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

Government House,
December 3rd, 1940.

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

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

Resolved, That the Committee rise and report to the House, recommending the introduction of a Bill (No. 75) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Provincial Elections Act,'" a draft of which is annexed to this Resolution.

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

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

E. W. HAMBER,
Lieutenant-Governor.

The Lieutenant-Governor transmits herewith a Bill intituled "An Act to provide for Special Assistance in the Cost of Education," and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,
December 3rd, 1940.

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

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

Resolved, That the Committee rise and report to the House, recommending the introduction of a Bill (No. 77) intituled "An Act to provide for Special Assistance in the Cost of Education," a draft of which is annexed to this Resolution.

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

Resolved, That the House, at its rising, do stand adjourned until 2:30 o'clock p.m. to-morrow.

And then the House adjourned at 11.01 p.m.

Wednesday, December 4th, 1940.

HALF-PAST TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by the Rev. A. Bischlager.

Bill (No. 13) intituled "An Act respecting Poultry and Poultry Products" was considered as amended, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 2) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Land Act'" was considered as amended, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 23) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Game Act'" was considered as amended, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 20) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Public Schools Act'" was considered as amended, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 29) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Water Act'" was considered as amended, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 36) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Municipal Act'" was considered as amended, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 10) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Apprenticeship Act'" was considered as amended, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 35) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Municipal Elections Act'" was again committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 62) intituled "An Act respecting Persons who fail to register under the National Registration Regulations or who fail to comply with other Statutory Provisions" was again committed, reported complete with amendments, to be considered as amended at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 46) intituled "An Act to authorize the Refunding of certain Indebtedness of The Corporation of the District of Burnaby" was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 37) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Forest Act'" was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 69) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Vancouver and Districts Joint Sewerage and Drainage Act'" was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 64) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Greater Vancouver Water District Act'" was committed, reported complete with amendments, to be considered as amended at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 72) intituled "An Act to authorize the Refunding of certain Indebtedness of the District of Coquitlam" was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

The following Bills were read a second time, and *Ordered* to be committed at the next sitting:—

Bill (No. 76) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Succession Duty Act.'"

Bill (No. 48) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Coal-mines Regulation Act.'"

Bill (No. 75) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Provincial Elections Act.'"

Bill (No. 74) intituled "An Act respecting Teachers' Pensions."

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

Resolved, That the Committee rise and report to the House, recommending the introduction of a Bill (No. 79) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Provincial Home for the Aged Act,'" a draft of which is annexed to this Resolution.

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

The Hon. Mr. *Weir* presented the Report of the Public Library Commission, 1938-39.

The Hon. Mr. *Wismer* presented a Return in reply to the following questions standing on the Order Paper in the name of Mr. *Maitland*:—

1. What counsel fees were paid for the spring assize in Vancouver for the years 1928, 1929, 1930, 1931, 1932, 1933, 1934, 1935, 1936, 1937, 1938, and 1939?
2. What counsel fees were paid for the fall assize in Vancouver for the years 1928, 1929, 1930, 1931, 1932, 1933, 1934, 1935, 1936, 1937, 1938, and 1939?

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

1. How many club licences have been granted since November 14th, 1938?
2. To whom were the said licences granted, and on what dates?
3. What are the addresses of the clubs to which licences have been granted as aforesaid?

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

"1. Eight.

"2 and 3. July 14th, 1939, Capilano Golf and Country Club, West Vancouver, B.C.; September 8th, 1939, Army and Navy Veterans in Canada, Unit No. 100, 2211 Kingsway, Vancouver, B.C.; December 18th, 1939, Army and Navy Veterans in Canada, Unit No. 12, 1001 Wharf Street, Victoria, B.C.; May 13th, 1940, Bowen Island Bowling Club, Bowen Island, B.C.; May 21st, 1940, Army and Navy Veterans in Canada, 663 Front Street, New Westminster, B.C.; June 5th, 1940, Fraternal Order of Eagles, 751 View Street, Victoria, B.C.; July 12th, 1940, Qualicum Beach Golf Club, Qualicum Beach, B.C.; October 11th, 1940, Nanaimo Golf Links, Limited, Wakesiah Road, Nanaimo, B.C."

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

1. Have any loans been made by the Department of Industries since June 31st, 1937?
2. If yes, to whom were they made, for what purpose, and for what amount in each case?

The Hon. Mr. *Asselstine* (Minister of Trade and Industry) replied as follows:—

"1. No; but a bank guarantee was made on September 28th, 1937.

"2. Nicola Pine Mills (1937), Limited; to assist the subject company in carrying on operations and thereby relieving the serious unemployment situation in and adjacent to the City of Merritt; amount, \$15,000; this guaranteed loan was repaid in full on April 30th, 1940."

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

And then the House adjourned at 4.55 p.m.

Wednesday, December 4th, 1940.

HALF-PAST EIGHT O'CLOCK P.M.

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. *Pattullo*, the House proceeded to the Orders of the Day, "Introduction of Bills."

Mr. *Guthrie* asked leave to introduce a Bill intituled "An Act to amend 'An Act to provide for the Payment of an Allowance to Frederick Arthur Pauline.'"

Objection was taken.

Question proposed—"Shall leave be granted?"

Resolved in the negative.

Notice of the introduction of the Bill was accordingly *Ordered* dropped from the Order Paper.

Bill (No. 62) intituled "An Act respecting Persons who fail to register under the National Registration Regulations or who fail to comply with other Statutory Provisions" was considered as amended, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 64) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Greater Vancouver Water District Act'" was considered as amended, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 68) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Medical Act'" was committed, progress reported, Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 76) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Succession Duty Act'" was committed, reported complete with amendments, to be considered as amended at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 48) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Coal-mines Regulation Act'" was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 75) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Provincial Elections Act'" was committed, reported complete with amendments, to be considered as amended at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 77) intituled "An Act to provide for Special Assistance in the Cost of Education" was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 74) intituled "An Act respecting Teachers' Pensions" was committed, progress reported, Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 73) intituled "An Act relating to Mental Hospitals" was read a second time, and *Ordered* to be committed at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 78) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Trustee Act'" was read a second time, and *Ordered* to be committed at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 79) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Provincial Home for the Aged Act'" was read a second time, and *Ordered* to be committed at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 39) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Health Act'" was committed, reported complete with amendments, to be considered as amended at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 47) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Commodities Minimum Loss Act'" was committed, reported complete with amendments, to be considered as amended at the next sitting.

By leave of the House, on the motion of Mr. *E. E. Winch*, the Order for the second reading of Bill (No. 32) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Mental Hospitals Act'" was discharged and the Bill *Ordered* dropped from the Order Paper.

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

E. W. HAMBER,
Lieutenant-Governor.

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

Government House,
December 4th, 1940.

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

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

Resolved, That the Committee rise and report to the House, recommending the introduction of a Bill (No. 80) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Municipal Superannuation Act,'" a draft of which is annexed to this Resolution.

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

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

E. W. HAMBER,
Lieutenant-Governor.

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

Government House,
December 4th, 1940.

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

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

Resolved, That the Committee rise and report to the House, recommending the introduction of a Bill (No. 81) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Summary Convictions Act,'" a draft of which is annexed to this Resolution.

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

The House continued to sit after midnight.

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 5TH.

Mr. *Kenney* presented a report of the Select Standing Committee on Public Accounts, as follows:—

REPORT.

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE ROOM,
December 4th, 1940.

MR. SPEAKER:

Your Select Standing Committee on Public Accounts begs leave to report as follows:—

We have examined the Public Accounts as submitted to this Committee; we have held four sessions and inquired into various matters pertaining to these accounts.

Information has been sought and given in respect of same.

Your Committee commends the policy of the Purchasing Agent in stipulating that British Columbia products shall be supplied wherever possible in filling Government requisitions.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

The report was read and received.

E. T. KENNEY, *Chairman.*

The Hon. Mr. *Weir* presented a Return in reply to the following questions standing on the Order Paper in the name of Mr. *Eyres*:—

1. Were any increases of salary to Civil Servants authorized by Order in Council since the last meeting of the Legislature?
2. If yes, on what date or dates were such increases granted?
3. What was the amount of increase given in each case?
4. What respective positions are held by the Civil Servants to whom said increases were given?
5. Were any of the said increases made retroactive?
6. If yes, to what dates?

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

1. What school books or school text-books or teachers' manuals originate and are imported from the United States, and in what quantities?
2. What is the cost of same?
3. Which are supplied by the Department and what are their costs?

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

"1. Of the total number of text-books and teachers' manuals prescribed for use in Grades I. to XII., inclusive, the following three were imported from the United States in 1940: 'Contes et Récits,' 'Foods and Home Making,' and 'Textile Fabrics.' These are commonly used in Great Britain. The numbers of copies purchased were, respectively, 1,750, 750, and 50, and the total cost was \$2,825.50.

"2. Answered by No. 1.

"3. None of the three imported books are provided free by the Department."

Resolved, That the House, at its rising, do stand adjourned until 2.30 o'clock p.m. to-day.

And then the House adjourned at 12.05 a.m.

Thursday, December 5th, 1940.

HALF-PAST TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by Mr. Speaker.

Bill (No. 39) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Health Act'" was considered as amended, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 47) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Commodities Minimum Loss Act'" was considered as amended, read a third time and passed.

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the motion for the second reading of Bill (No. 22) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Workmen's Compensation Act.'"

By leave of the House, on the motion of Mr. *Uphill*, the Order for the second reading of the Bill was discharged and the Bill *Ordered* dropped from the Order Paper.

Bill (No. 76) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Succession Duty Act'" was considered as amended, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 75) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Provincial Elections Act'" was considered as amended, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 68) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Medical Act'" was again committed, reported complete with amendments, to be considered as amended at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 74) intituled "An Act respecting Teachers' Pensions" was again committed, reported complete with amendments, to be considered as amended at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 73) intituled "An Act relating to Mental Hospitals" was committed, reported complete with amendments, to be considered as amended at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 78) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Trustee Act'" was committed, reported complete with amendments, to be considered as amended at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 79) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Provincial Home for the Aged Act'" was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

By leave of the House, on the motion of the Hon. Mr. *Weir*, the Order for the second reading of Bill (No. 80) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Municipal Superannuation Act'" was discharged and the Bill *Ordered* dropped from the Order Paper.

Bill (No. 81) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Summary Convictions Act'" was read a second time and, by leave of the House, committed forthwith, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

Mr. *Maitland* moved, seconded by Mr. *Anscomb*,—

That a Return be made of all reports to the Government showing progress, developments, findings, or results to date of the oil-drilling being done by the Government in the Peace River country.

A debate arose.

The House divided.

The motion was negatived on the following division:—

YEAS—12.

Messieurs

<i>Guthrie</i>	<i>Jamieson, Mrs.</i>	<i>Eyres</i>	<i>Paton</i>
<i>Cameron</i>	<i>Winch, E. E.</i>	<i>Steeves, Mrs.</i>	<i>Maitland</i>
<i>Shepherd</i>	<i>Finland</i>	<i>Winch, H. E.</i>	<i>Anscomb</i>

NAYS—28.

Messieurs

<i>McGeer</i>	<i>Putnam</i>	<i>MacDonald</i>	<i>Strachan</i>
<i>McGrath</i>	<i>Kenney</i>	<i>Hart</i>	<i>Connelly</i>
<i>Braden</i>	<i>Burns</i>	<i>Pattullo</i>	<i>Tupper</i>
<i>King</i>	<i>Carson</i>	<i>Wismer</i>	<i>Leary</i>
<i>Bull</i>	<i>Gillis</i>	<i>Weir</i>	<i>Asselstine</i>
<i>LeBourdais</i>	<i>Smith, Mrs.</i>	<i>Johnston</i>	<i>Pearson</i>
<i>Uphill</i>	<i>Perry</i>	<i>Henniger</i>	<i>Gray</i>

PAIRS:

Messieurs

<i>Forester</i>	<i>Bruhn</i>
<i>Straith</i>	<i>Hunter</i>
<i>Murray</i>	<i>Macintosh</i>

By leave of the House, the following notice of motion standing on the Order Paper in the name of Mr. *H. E. Winch* was withdrawn:—

That the Select Standing Committee on Public Accounts be instructed to inquire into the purchase of supplies for use in Government institutions, with particular reference to the quantities of British Columbia products and the ratio of same to the total purchases of such, or similar, goods.

By leave of the House, the following notice of motion standing on the Order Paper in the name of Mr. *Perry* was withdrawn:—

That Report No. 6 of the Select Standing Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills be adopted.

On the motion of Mr. *H. E. Winch*, seconded by Mr. *Cameron*, it was *Resolved*,—

Whereas good roads are an asset to the Province and essential for the full utilization and development of its resources:

And whereas there is great difference of opinion as to the best method of handling road development and administration:

And whereas it is in the best interest of the Province to have the most efficient form of control and administration:

And whereas united support behind road policy is greatly to be desired:

Therefore be it *Resolved*, That the House resolve itself into Committee of the Whole to discuss the entire situation relative to British Columbia roads.

Pursuant to such Resolution, the House accordingly resolved itself into the Committee of the Whole.

The Committee rose without report.

Mr. *Putnam* presented the First Report of the Select Standing Committee on Agriculture, as follows:—

REPORT NO. 1.

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE ROOM,

December 5th, 1940.

MR. SPEAKER:

Your Select Standing Committee on Agriculture begs leave to report as follows:—

Your Committee, authorized by Resolution of the Legislative Assembly, dated November 4th, 1940, "to call members of the British Columbia Production Committee, the British Columbia Fertilizer and Agricultural Poisons Board, the British Columbia Feed Standards Board, and the Provincial Seed Board with a view to securing information on matters affecting the agricultural welfare of the Province, and to report its findings to this House," held five sittings.

The Agricultural Production Committee, appointed by the Honourable the Minister of Agriculture in September, 1939, presented statements covering its diversified activities over a twelve-month period. In addition to stimulating agricultural endeavour, this Committee has undertaken extension programmes definitely beneficial to Canada and the Empire during the present crisis. Of particular interest is the arrangement made for the conservation of hides and pelts taken by hunters and ordinarily destroyed. The present programme provides for tanning of hides and pelts by farmers' organizations and donation of the product to patriotic organizations for war purposes.

The Agricultural Production Committee has conducted correspondence and investigations that have culminated in the naming by the Honourable the Minister of Agriculture of an Advisory Committee on Medicinal Plants and Herbs. Cascara and other native and introduced species deserve and are receiving particular attention with a view to the establishment of a new industry long overdue in British Columbia.

The possibility of developing fibre-flax production and a concomitant linen industry in this Province was outlined by the Agricultural Production Committee, which has assembled comprehensive data regarding fibre-flax varieties, suitable soil areas, proper cultural methods, economical processing, requisite machinery, and skilled labour for the fabricating of thread, cloth, twine, and fish-nets.

The British Columbia Fertilizer and Agricultural Poisons Board this year recommended the reduction of fertilizer mixes from twenty-seven, as formerly approved, to fifteen mixes now legally offered for sale within the Province. This Committee early in the year prepared a booklet, "Fertilizer Recommendations," of which more than 10,000 have already been distributed to farmers and gardeners.

The British Columbia Feed Standards Board reported to your Committee that its recommendations published in 1935 had been revised and reissued, and that this publication in improved form is available for distribution. This Board has also endorsed the recommendations contained in the revised bulletin, "Practical Poultry Feeding," now in the hands of the King's Printer.

The Provincial Seed Board informed your Committee on two important developments in the seed industry of British Columbia, which were:—

1. The co-operative arrangement entered into between the British Columbia Department of Agriculture and the Agronomy Department of the University of British Columbia whereby elite foundation seed of cereals and legumes and foundation tubers of certified seed-potatoes are being grown under careful supervision at the University Farm, Point Grey. The product of these foundation seed-plots is distributed through the Provincial Department of Agriculture to competent farmers in selected districts for multiplication and general dissemination within the Province.

2. Of paramount importance is the achievement recorded this year in the development of the vegetable seed industry in British Columbia. The European conflict, which has eliminated competition that formerly made local vegetable seed production a hazardous venture in this country, now makes it imperative that Canadian vegetable seed supplies be produced within the Dominion. British Columbia is admirably suited to undertake the responsibility to fill the Canadian demand and the Seed Board reports that advantage has already been taken of the situation by growers who are producing practically all needed vegetable seed varieties in considerable quantities of certified and registered grades.

Senior officials of the Provincial Department of Agriculture were also heard on matters relating to horticulture and animal production, transportation and marketing problems, and your Committee was informed that under the Federal-Provincial brood-sow distribution policy approximately 1,000 brood-sows and sires were placed with farmers during the year. Department statistics show the hog population has this year been increased more than 70 per cent. over that of 1939.

Your Committee was impressed with the comprehensive information presented by the members of the Agricultural Production Committee and by the members of the several Boards appearing at the sittings. Your Committee feels that its deliberations during the present Legislative Session have been unusually instructive and informative. There is every indication that the Agricultural Production Committee, the several Agricultural Boards, and the Provincial Department of Agriculture as a group are seized with the seriousness of the present world situation and the ever-increasing need for vigilance and diligence in maintaining agricultural efficiency throughout the Province.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

FRANK PUTNAM, *Chairman.*

The report was read and received.

Mr. Putnam presented the Second Report of the Select Standing Committee on Agriculture, as follows:—

REPORT No. 2.

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE ROOM,

December 5th, 1940.

MR. SPEAKER:

Your Select Standing Committee on Agriculture begs leave to report as follows:—

Your Select Standing Committee on Agriculture, further authorized by the Resolution of the Legislative Assembly, dated November 4th, to consider such matters affecting the agricultural industry as may be laid before it by the Advisory Board of Farmers' Institutes, held one sitting with the Farmers' Institutes Advisory Board in attendance. A total of nine resolutions were presented by the Board dealing with the following matters:—

- (a.) Natural products marketing.
- (b.) School taxation system.
- (c.) Delinquent tax payment policy.
- (d.) Transportation rate on export eggs.
- (e.) Agricultural land clearing policy.
- (f.) Predatory animal bounties.
- (g.) Provincial Government farms.
- (h.) Reduced car licences.
- (i.) Revision of fishing regulations.

Resolutions (a) and (c) were entirely appreciative of the Minister of Agriculture's efforts and of Government policy. Resolutions (b), (d), (e), and (g) dealt with revenue

and expenditure and have been referred to the responsible Departments for attention. The subject-matter of resolution (d) was thoroughly canvassed and it has been ascertained that the Department of Trade and Industry has capably represented the problem of export egg restrictions to Federal and shipping authorities. It is reported to the Committee that during the present fall season approximately 20,000 cases of British Columbia eggs have been removed from storage and shipped to Great Britain.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

FRANK PUTNAM, *Chairman.*

The report was read and received.

Mr. *Paton* asked the Hon. the Minister of Finance the following question:—

What amount in revenue was received for the year ended March 31st, 1940, from the 1-per-cent. tax?

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

“\$2,088,823.99.”

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

1. How much in income taxes was collected from citizens of Rossland during the last income tax year?

2. How much in amusement taxes was collected from the City of Rossland during the year ended March 31st, 1940?

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

“1. Income tax not classified by districts.

“2. \$1,003.26.”

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

1. Was any money borrowed by the Province between October 31st, 1940, and November 18th, 1940?

2. If yes, (a) from whom was the money borrowed, (b) for what purpose, (c) what price was received for the loan or loans, and (d) what amount at present remains unexpended of such loans?

3. What is the rate of interest on each loan?

4. When and where are the loans repayable?

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

“1, 2, 3, and 4. A syndicate has been granted an option to sell Province of British Columbia 4-per-cent. debentures, maturing November 1st, 1950, payable as to principal and interest in Canadian funds in Victoria, Vancouver, Winnipeg, Toronto, Montreal, Halifax, or St. John. The option is still in force.”

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

1. What is the total amount borrowed for roads and bridges and charged to Capital Expenditure since 1919?

2. When was the first loan taken out?

3. How much was borrowed in each year to date?

4. What is the total amount paid in interest and sinking fund in these loans?

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

“1. To March 31st, 1940, \$49,314,359.72.

“2. May 31st, 1919.

“3. 1919-20, \$750,000; 1920-21, \$1,350,000; 1921-22, \$2,505,111.27; 1922-23, \$1,400,477.10; 1923-24, \$1,988,230.10; 1924-25, \$1,303,512; 1925-26, \$2,584,860; 1926-27, \$2,214,896; 1927-28, \$3,805,325.28; 1928-29, \$3,890,384.46; 1929-30, \$6,567,134.42; 1930-31, \$8,296,599.65; 1931-32, \$4,170,832.74; 1932-33, \$471,065.44; 1933-34, *nil*; 1934-35, *nil*; 1935-36, \$1,000,000; 1936-37, \$2,000,000; 1937-38, \$2,527,970.52; 1938-39, \$1,554,599.29; 1939-40, \$933,361.45.

“4. On debt as at March 31st, 1940, \$2,466,876.53.”

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

1. What was the total cost of the inquiry under the "Securities Frauds Prevention Act" into the Gold Peak Zeballos Mining Company?
2. How was such cost made up?

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

"1. \$2,413.14.

"2. Investigator's fees and expenses, \$1,732.85; services of accountant, \$307.70; stenographic services, \$369; miscellaneous expenses, \$3.50."

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

And then the House adjourned at 5.47 p.m.

Thursday, December 5th, 1940.

HALF-PAST EIGHT O'CLOCK P.M.

Bill (No. 68) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Medical Act'" was considered as amended, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 74) intituled "An Act respecting Teachers' Pensions" was considered as amended, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 73) intituled "An Act relating to Mental Hospitals" was considered as amended, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 78) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Trustee Act'" was considered as amended, read a third time and passed.

By leave of the House, on the motion of the Hon. Mr. *Wismer*, Bill (No. 82) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Motor-vehicle Act'" was introduced, read a first time, read a second time, committed forthwith, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

By leave of the House, the following notice of motion standing on the Order Paper in the name of Mr. *Eyres* was withdrawn:—

Whereas increased hardships are being felt by the consumers of grain and grain products in this Province because of the increased costs resulting from the unjust domestic freight-rate charges:

And whereas more equitable distribution of freight charges would appear beneficial to the interests of the consumers of this Province:

Therefore be it Resolved, That the Select Standing Committee on Agriculture be instructed to investigate the present situation regarding freight on grain and grain products.

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

1. What is the total amount in premiums paid by the Government for fire, theft, fidelity, and public liability insurance during each of the years 1937, 1938, 1939, and 1940?
2. What is the total amount in claims that have been paid in respect of such insurance during each of the years 1937, 1938, 1939, and 1940?

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

"A three-year insurance policy for \$2,500,000 in connection with the Fraser River (New Westminster) Bridge was originally bought in 1938; this policy was cancelled in 1940 by a new five-year policy for a like amount. The coverage, in addition to various risks, includes sabotage.

"1. \$18,331.02; \$52,956.96; \$23,241.87; \$55,148.44.

"2. \$997.50; \$4,496.76; \$2,732.16; \$8,760.25."

Resolved, That the House, at its rising, do stand adjourned until 10.45 o'clock a.m. to-morrow.

And then the House adjourned at 8.58 p.m.

Friday, December 6th, 1940.

FIFTEEN MINUTES TO 11 O'CLOCK A.M.

Prayers by the Rev. F. Pike.

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

E. W. HAMBER,
Lieutenant-Governor.

The Lieutenant-Governor returns herewith Bill (No. 72) intituled "An Act to authorize the Refunding of certain Indebtedness of the District of Coquitlam" with amendments, enclosed herewith, and recommends the amendments to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,
December 6th, 1940.

(ENCLOSURE.)

Subsection (1) of section 16: To amend by striking out the word "City" in the fifth line thereof, and substituting therefor the word "District."

Subsection (2) of section 16: To amend by striking out the word "District" in the fifth line thereof, and substituting therefor the word "City."

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

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

Resolved, That the Committee rise and report to the House, recommending the introduction of the proposed amendments to Bill (No. 72) intituled "An Act to authorize the Refunding of certain Indebtedness of the District of Coquitlam," a draft of which is annexed to the Message from His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor.

Resolution and amendments reported.

Amendments introduced and read a first and second time.

Ordered, That the amendments and the Bill (No. 72) intituled "An Act to authorize the Refunding of certain Indebtedness of the District of Coquitlam" be referred to the Committee of the Whole forthwith.

The Committee rose and reported the Bill complete with amendments.

By leave of the House, Bill considered as amended, read a third time and passed.

FIVE MINUTES PAST ELEVEN O'CLOCK A.M.

His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor having entered the House, and being seated in the chair,—

William H. Langley, Esquire, the Clerk of the House, read the titles to the following Bills:—

(No. 1) An Act to amend the "Weekly Half-holiday Act."

(No. 2) An Act to amend the "Land Act."

- (No. 3) An Act to amend the "Fraser River (New Westminster) Bridge Act."
- (No. 4) An Act to amend the "Dyking Assessments Adjustment Act, 1905."
- (No. 5) An Act to amend the "Sumas Drainage, Dyking, and Development District Act."
- (No. 6) An Act to amend the "Department of Municipal Affairs Act."
- (No. 7) An Act to amend the "Trade Licences Act."
- (No. 9) An Act relating to the Nanaimo Civic Arena.
- (No. 10) An Act to amend the "Apprenticeship Act."
- (No. 11) An Act to amend the "Evidence Act."
- (No. 12) An Act to amend the "Legal Professions Act."
- (No. 13) An Act respecting Poultry and Poultry Products.
- (No. 15) An Act to amend the "Public Utilities Act."
- (No. 16) An Act to amend the "Public Libraries Act."
- (No. 17) An Act to amend the "Fruit, Vegetables, and Honey Grades Act."
- (No. 18) An Act to provide for Change of Name.
- (No. 20) An Act to amend the "Public Schools Act."
- (No. 21) An Act to amend the "Municipal Superannuation Act."
- (No. 23) An Act to amend the "Game Act."
- (No. 24) An Act to amend the "Provincial Coat of Arms Act."
- (No. 25) An Act to amend the "Mortgagors' and Purchasers' Relief Act, 1934."
- (No. 26) An Act to amend the "Vancouver Enabling Act, 1935."
- (No. 27) An Act to amend the "Land Registry Act."
- (No. 28) An Act to amend the "Fire Marshal Act."
- (No. 29) An Act to amend the "Water Act."
- (No. 33) An Act to amend the "Police and Prisons Regulation Act."
- (No. 34) An Act to amend the "Village Municipalities Act."
- (No. 35) An Act to amend the "Municipal Elections Act."
- (No. 36) An Act to amend the "Municipal Act."
- (No. 37) An Act to amend the "Forest Act."
- (No. 39) An Act to amend the "Health Act."
- (No. 40) An Act respecting the Superannuation of certain Persons employed in the Administration of the University Endowment Lands and of the Members of the University Endowment Lands Fire Department.
- (No. 43) An Act respecting the Grading of Wool.
- (No. 44) An Act respecting the Grading of Hogs.
- (No. 45) An Act to provide for the Reinstatement of certain Mineral Claims situate at Nicola.
- (No. 46) An Act to authorize the Refunding of certain Indebtedness of The Corporation of the District of Burnaby.
- (No. 47) An Act to amend the "Commodities Minimum Loss Act."
- (No. 48) An Act to amend the "Coal-mines Regulation Act."
- (No. 50) An Act to provide for the Distribution of the Estate of Albert Edward Tulk, Deceased.
- (No. 51) An Act to amend the "Vancouver Incorporation Act, 1921."
- (No. 61) An Act to amend the "Motor-vehicle Act."
- (No. 62) An Act respecting Persons who fail to register under the National Registration Regulations or who fail to comply with other Statutory Provisions.
- (No. 63) An Act to provide for the Custody of Security required to be furnished by Law.
- (No. 64) An Act to amend the "Greater Vancouver Water District Act."
- (No. 65) An Act to amend the "Parents' Maintenance Act."
- (No. 67) An Act to amend the "Poll Tax Act."
- (No. 68) An Act to amend the "Medical Act."
- (No. 69) An Act to amend the "Vancouver and Districts Joint Sewerage and Drainage Act."
- (No. 71) An Act to amend the "Fisheries Act."
- (No. 72) An Act to authorize the Refunding of certain Indebtedness of the District of Coquitlam.
- (No. 73) An Act relating to Mental Hospitals.

- (No. 74) An Act respecting Teachers' Pensions.
 (No. 75) An Act to amend the "Provincial Elections Act."
 (No. 76) An Act to amend the "Succession Duty Act."
 (No. 77) An Act to provide for Special Assistance in the Cost of Education.
 (No. 78) An Act to amend the "Trustee Act."
 (No. 79) An Act to amend the "Provincial Home for the Aged Act."
 (No. 81) An Act to amend the "Summary Convictions Act."
 (No. 82) An Act to amend the "Motor-vehicle Act."

His Honour was pleased, in His Majesty's name, to give assent to the said Bills.

The said assent was announced by the Clerk of the House in the following words:—
 "In His Majesty's name, His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor doth assent to these Bills."

Then Mr. Speaker addressed His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor as follows:—

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR HONOUR:

We, His Majesty's most dutiful and loyal subjects, the Legislative Assembly of the Province of British Columbia, in Session assembled, approach Your Honour at the close of our labours with sentiments of unfeigned devotion and loyalty to His Majesty's person and Government and humbly beg to present for Your Honour's acceptance Bill (No. 70) intituled "An Act for granting certain Sums of Money for the Public Service of the Province of British Columbia."

To this Bill the Clerk of the House, by His Honour's command, did thereupon say:—

"In His Majesty's name, His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor doth thank His Majesty's loyal subjects, accept their benevolence, and assent to this Bill."

Then His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor was pleased to deliver the following gracious Speech:—

Mr. Speaker and Members of the Legislative Assembly:

In closing this, the Fifth Session of the Nineteenth Parliament, I desire to express appreciation of the attention which you have given to the numerous matters submitted for your consideration.

It is gratifying that the financial position of the Province has continued to improve, and that the budget for the current year is completely balanced, including cost of unemployment relief and sinking funds.

The "Teachers' Pensions Act" will be appreciated by the teaching profession and will place the fund under the Act in actuarially sound position.

"Special Assistance to the Cost of Education Act" will be welcomed by the municipalities and various school districts, and is a step in the direction of relief of taxation upon land for educational purposes.

These and other measures should be of public benefit.

I thank you for the supplies so generously granted for the public service.

It is the hope of all of us that before another year shall have passed, the Empire and Allies and all assisting shall have vanquished the enemy so that peace may again prevail.

In relieving you of your labours, I trust that the blessing of Divine Providence may accompany you to your respective homes.

The Hon. Mr. Weir, Provincial Secretary, then said:—

Mr. Speaker and Members of the Legislative Assembly:

It is His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor's will and pleasure that the Legislative Assembly be prorogued until it shall please His Honour to summon the same for dispatch of business, and this Provincial Legislative Assembly is hereby prorogued accordingly.

N. W. WHITTAKER, *Speaker.*

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