

Friday, 11th November, 1921.

TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by Mr. Speaker.

The House proceeded to the Orders of the Day.

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

W. C. NICHOL,  
*Lieutenant-Governor.*

The Lieutenant-Governor transmits herewith—

Estimates of sums required for the service of the Province for the fiscal year ending 31st March, 1923;

Schedule A. Sums granted to His Majesty to make good certain Sums expended for the Public Service for the period ended 31st March, 1921, and to indemnify the several Officers and Persons for making such Expenditures;

and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

*Government House,*  
*November 10th, 1921.*

*Ordered,* That the said Message, and the Estimates accompanying the same, be referred to the Committee of Supply.

Order for Committee of Supply called.

The Hon. the Minister of Finance moved, seconded by the Hon. the Premier, "That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair."

A debate arose, which was, on the motion of Mr. W. A. McKenzie, adjourned to Monday next.

The Report on Bill (No. 12) intituled "An Act respecting the Lands of the Southern Okanagan Irrigation Project" was adopted.

Bill read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 15) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Co-operative Associations Act'" was committed.

Reported complete without amendment.

Report adopted.

Third reading at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 18) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Highway Act'" was committed.

Reported complete without amendment.

Report adopted.

Third reading at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 24) intituled "An Act to make Uniform the Law respecting the Sale of Goods in Bulk" was committed.

Progress reported.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 22) intituled "An Act respecting Fires and Fire-escapes" was read a second time, and *Ordered* to the committed at the next sitting.

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

W. C. NICHOL,  
*Lieutenant-Governor.*

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

*Government House,*

*November 10th, 1921.*

*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. 25) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Apiaries Act,'" a draft of which is annexed to this Resolution.

Resolution and Bill reported.

Bill introduced and read a first time.

Second reading at the next sitting.

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

1. Has any agreement been arrived at between the Government and one Henry J. Landahl, either on behalf of himself or the Coast Range Steel, Limited, dealing with the establishment of a steel industry in this Province?

2. If so, what is the nature of such agreement?

3. Will the Government table a copy of the agreement?

4. How much money has been advanced by the Government to the Coast Range Steel, Limited?

5. Was the Premier in receipt of a letter, under date of July 30th, 1921, from Thomas Summerson & Sons, Limited, of Darlington, England, dealing with the suggestions made to this company by said Landahl?

6. If so, what were the particulars of said letter?

7. Will the Government table a copy of said letter?

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

"1. With Henry J. Landahl, no; with Coast Range Steel, Limited, yes.

"2 and 3. Copy of agreement returned to House on February 24th last and is printed in Journals.

"4. None. Attached copies of Orders in Council cover money payments.

"5. Yes.

"6. Not considered advisable to publish contents of letter without consent of parties interested.

"7. Answered by No. 6."

(1994.) COPY OF MINUTE, NOVEMBER 12TH, 1920. APPROVED.

That during three years past the Resident Engineers, under the provisions of the "Mineral Survey and Development Act," have carried on investigations and made surveys in order to determine the available tonnage of iron ores suitable for the manufacture of iron and steel and the accessibility of such deposits to transportation, and have made reports thereon to the undersigned.

That it is desirable, in order to satisfy intending investors, that further examination of such iron-deposits should be made by eminent engineers, and such reports verified.

And to recommend that, pursuant to the provisions of the "Mineral Survey and Development Act," C. P. Williams, J.P., M.Sc., and Francis Percy, M.E., be employed as Engineers to assist in carrying out the provisions of the said Act in respect of the mineral survey of the Province, and thereon to furnish all data and reports obtainable in relation to the potentialities and resources available for the development of the iron and steel industry in the Province; and that the Minister of Mines be authorized to expend therein, out of the moneys appropriated by the Legislature for the purposes of the said Act, an amount not exceeding the sum of \$10,000.

That the remuneration to be paid the said C. P. Williams and Francis Percy for their services shall be hereafter fixed by the Lieutenant-Governor in Council.

Dated the 12th day of November, A.D. 1920.

WM. SLOAN,  
*Minister of Mines.*

Approved the 12th day of November, A.D. 1920.

JOHN OLIVER,  
*Presiding Member of the Executive Council.*

(2000.) COPY OF MINUTE, NOVEMBER 15TH, 1920. APPROVED.

And to recommend that under authority of Order in Council No. 1994 of 1920, and for the purpose of carrying out the provisions of said Order in Council, an advance in the sum of \$7,000 be made to Mr. C. P. Williams, therein mentioned, on account of professional services, employment of assistants, disbursements, and expenses.

Dated this 13th day of November, A.D. 1920.

WM. SLOAN,  
*Minister of Mines.*

Approved this 15th day of November, A.D. 1920.

JOHN OLIVER,  
*Presiding Member of the Executive Council.*

(2096.) COPY OF MINUTE, DECEMBER 27TH, 1920. APPROVED.

And to recommend that under authority of Order in Council No. 1994 of 1920, and for the purpose of carrying out the provisions of said Order in Council, a further advance in the sum of \$3,000 be made to Mr. C. P. Williams, therein mentioned, on account of professional services, employment of assistants, disbursements, and expenses.

Dated this 20th day of December, A.D. 1920.

WM. SLOAN,  
*Minister of Mines.*

Approved this 27th day of December, A.D. 1920.

JOHN OLIVER,  
*Presiding Member of the Executive Council.*

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

1. Was \$5,000 paid to W. R. Arnold, of the Dominion Trust Company, for right-of-way of the Pacific Great Eastern Railway Company through Lot 588, New Westminster District?
2. Was the said W. R. Arnold owner of this property; and, if not, who was responsible for the payment of \$5,000 to him, if such payment was made?
3. Was there an action in the Courts over this matter; and, if so, by whom was it brought and with what result, and who acted as solicitors for the Pacific Great Eastern Railway Company?
4. What fees (if any) were paid said solicitors in this action?
5. If \$5,000 was paid Arnold, has any part of same been recovered by the Pacific Great Eastern Railway Company, and from whom?
6. Did the Pacific Great Eastern Railway Company purchase the Comer and Borland Farms at Williams Lake?
7. Who acted as solicitors for the Railway Company in the transfer of title to these lands?
8. What amount was paid said solicitors in above matter?

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

- "1. Yes.
- "2. No. Messrs. Bowser, Reid & Walbridge, solicitors for the Pacific Great Eastern Railway Company.
- "3. Yes. By Messrs. Hayes, Cherry & Oxley. Judgment for \$5,000 against the railway company. Messrs. Bowser, Reid & Walbridge.
- "4. \$853.
- "5. \$500 recovered from the liquidator of the Dominion Trust Company.
- "6. Yes.
- "7. Messrs. Bowser, Reid & Walbridge.
- "8. \$1,000."

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

1. What was the actual total cost of Civil Government salaries for the fiscal years 1910-11, 1915-16, and 1920-21 respectively?

2. What, generally, are the reasons for such decrease or increase in Civil Government salaries between the years 1915-16 and 1920-21?

3. What is the ratio of these salaries: (a) To revenue collected; (b) to expenditure, in each of the above years?

4. How do the Civil Government salaries paid in British Columbia compare with the salaries paid in Alberta, Saskatchewan, and Manitoba?

5. What Government services have we in British Columbia that is not given in these other Provinces?

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

"1 and 3. Owing to the form in which the Public Accounts were kept in 1910-11 it is impossible to give the exact total cost of Civil Government salaries for that year, as in many instances a lump sum is entered covering salaries and expenses. Where such entries occur about two-thirds of the amount has been assumed to be salaries and one-third expenses.

	1910-11.	1915-16.	1920-21.
Salaries .....	\$1,126,848	\$ 2,175,712	\$ 2,800,992
Collected revenue .....	9,970,815	5,568,558	14,529,264
Ratio of salaries to collected revenue .....	11.3%	39%	19.2%
Expenditure .....	\$8,392,273	\$10,083,504	\$19,626,680
Ratio of salaries to expenditure .....	13.42%	21.6%	14.27%

"2. Increase in scale of salaries necessary to be paid on account of increased cost of living, new branches opened, and doubling of work in established branches caused an increase in pay-roll greater than could be offset by economies effected by securing greater efficiency.

"4. As follows:—

	British Columbia, P. Accts., 1920-21.	Alberta, Estimates, 1920.	Saskatche- wan, Estimates, 1920-21.	Manitoba, Estimates, 1920.
Salaries .....	\$ 2,800,992	\$ 2,350,352	\$ 2,045,907	\$1,876,185
Collected revenue .....	14,529,264	7,041,366	6,717,902	5,520,204
Ratio of salaries to collected revenue .....	19.2%	33.3%	30.4%	33.9%
Expenditure .....	\$19,626,680	\$13,908,485	\$12,087,534	\$8,132,103
Ratio of salaries to expenditure	14.27%	16.8%	16.9%	23%

"5. Expended for salaries:—

	British Columbia, P. Accts., 1920-21.	Alberta, Estimates, 1920.	Saskatche- wan, Estimates, 1920-21.	Manitoba, Estimates, 1920.
Government Agencies .....	\$353,155	\$ 47,400	<i>Nil.</i>	<i>Nil.</i>
Fisheries Department .....	9,172	<i>Nil.</i>	<i>Nil.</i>	<i>Nil.</i>
Lands Department .....	438,715	32,700	\$20,500	<i>Nil.</i>
Mines Department .....	60,028	20,150	600	<i>Nil.</i>
	\$861,070	\$100,250	\$21,100	<i>Nil.</i> "

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

1. Did the Land Settlement Board purchase fruit-trees for the settlers at Camp Lister?

2. If so, how many, from what parties were they purchased, and how many from each?

3. What was the price paid per tree (specifying variety and number of each variety)?

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

"1. Yes.

"2. (a) 11,716 trees; (b) B.C. Nurseries, 4,601 trees; (c) Layritz Nurseries, 7,115 trees.

"3. 10,936 apples at 61¼ and 61½ cents; 30 crabs at 61¼ cents; 186 pears at 64 and 61¼ cents; 362 cherries at \$1; and 202 plums at 72 cents."

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

1. How many Advisory Committees have been appointed by the Mothers' Pensions Board throughout the Province?
2. Where are these committees located and what are the names of the members of these committees?
3. What remuneration is paid the committees?
4. What allowance is made for expenses of members of committees?
5. What position does Mrs. Spofford occupy with the Mothers' Pensions Board?
6. What salary or allowance per diem is given to Mrs. Spofford?
7. What travelling expenses (if any) have been paid Mrs. Spofford?

The Hon. Mr. Farris replied as follows:—

"1. Seventeen.

"2. Vancouver: Mrs. Judge MacGill, Mrs. Robert McNair, Mrs. J. A. Clark, Mrs. Joseph Sheasgreen, Mrs. J. C. Kemp, Judge Shaw, Mrs. Barbour. Victoria: Mrs. C. E. Spofford, Mrs. Stewart, Mrs. Robert Dinsdale. Nanaimo: Mrs. G. B. Brown, Mrs. Margaret Neave, Mrs. Maude Woodcock. New Westminster: Mrs. Christina Forrester, Mrs. Helen Smith, Mrs. Maud Dorgan. Revelstoke: Mrs. J. B. Ward, Mrs. W. J. Dickey. Fernie: Mrs. Lorne Workman, Mrs. Annie Duthie, Mrs. Lillian Bell Lawe. Cranbrook: Mrs. Gertrude Miles, Mrs. Verna Constantine, Mrs. Louisa Roberts. Nelson: Mrs. Elesa McCulloch, Mrs. Annie Rutherford. Rossland: Mrs. Margaret York, Mrs. Isabel Stephens, Mrs. Sarah Pitt. Trail: Mrs. Jessie Walker, Mrs. Teresa Martin. Penticton: Mayor Chambers, Albert H. Huntley, Mrs. Agnes Smith, Mrs. Maud Burtch, Mrs. Veila McGregor. Vernon: Mrs. Mary Knight, Mrs. Elsie Richards. Armstrong: Mrs. Frances Groves, Mrs. Jennie Ball, Mrs. Susie Ingles. Kelowna: Mrs. Mary Cameron, Miss Minnie Reekie, Mrs. Jennie McDonald. Kamloops: Mrs. D. B. Johnstone, Mrs. Costely, Mrs. Waye. Salmon Arm: Mrs. Helen McGuire. Ladner: Mrs. Florence A. Cullis, Mrs. McDiarmid, Mrs. Fisher.

"3. Not any.

"4. Any legitimate travelling expenses incurred in the performance of their duties as members of the Board.

"5. Chairman, Victoria Advisory Board.

"6. Not any.

"7. Not any."

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

1. When did the "Mothers' Pensions Act" come into effect?
2. What is the number of beneficiaries (mothers and widows) and the amount paid each month since the Act came into existence?
3. Has it been decided to reduce the monthly grants; if so, when?
4. How many mothers have had their monthly grants cancelled or reduced (if any)?
5. What number of children (if any) have been affected by the cancellation or reduction of monthly grants under the Act?

The Hon. Mr. Farris replied as follows:—

"1. July 1st, 1920.

"2. 1,019 beneficiaries. July, 1920, \$13,618; August, \$22,654; September, \$25,884; October, \$29,094; November, \$32,131.50; December, \$35,094; January, 1921, \$36,636; February, \$38,726.50; March, \$39,401.50; April, \$40,204; May, \$40,656.50; June, \$41,211.50; July, \$41,544; August, \$39,666.50; September, \$39,964; October, \$39,559; total, \$556,045.

"3. Yes, where there is a change in the circumstances of the pensioner.

"4. 173 cancelled and 71 reduced.

"5. 346 under cancelled and 87 under reduced."

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

1. On whose recommendation was William Frazer appointed Liquor Vendor at Ladysmith?
2. Did any returned soldiers make application for the job?
3. If so, their names?

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

“1. The Liquor Control Board submitted the name of William Fraser to the Lieutenant-Governor in Council for approval as Government Liquor Vendor at Ladysmith. This was done after due inquiries had been made concerning Fraser's fitness for the position.

“2. Not until appointment was made.

“3. R. D. Mitchell, John Jones, and W. W. Southern.”

*Resolved*, That the House, at its rising, do stand adjourned until 2 o'clock p.m. on Monday next.

And then the House adjourned at 4.50 p.m.

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Monday, 14th November, 1921.

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TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by Mr. Speaker.

Mr. *Jackson* presented the Third and Fourth Reports from the Private Bills Committee, as follows:—

REPORT No. 3.

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE ROOM,  
November 14th, 1921.

MR. SPEAKER:

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

That the preamble of Bill (No. 51) intituled “An Act to revise and consolidate the ‘Vancouver Incorporation Act’” has been proved and the Bill ordered to be reported with amendments.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

M. B. JACKSON, *Chairman*.

The report was received.

The Rules were suspended and the report adopted.

*Ordered*, That Bill (No. 51) intituled “An Act to revise and consolidate the ‘Vancouver Incorporation Act’” be read a second time at the next sitting.

REPORT No. 4.

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE ROOM,  
November 14th, 1921.

MR. SPEAKER:

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

Your Committee recommends that the Rules be suspended and that the time for receiving reports be extended from November 16th, 1921, to November 23rd, 1921.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

M. B. JACKSON, *Chairman*.

The report was received.

The Rules were suspended and the report adopted.

On the motion of Mr. *I. A. Mackenzie*, Bill (No. 30) intituled “An Act to amend the ‘Mechanics’ Lien Act’” was introduced, read a first time, and *Ordered* to be read a second time at the next sitting.

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

That whereas serious charges have been made on the floor of the House by the Honourable Member for Prince George against Dr. Baker as Chairman of the Game Board and the conduct of the Game Department:

And whereas it is openly alleged that grave malpractices have been carried on by Dr. Baker as Chairman of the Game Board in the administering of the "Game Act":

And whereas it is further openly alleged that grave malpractices have also been carried on by the said Dr. Baker as Director of the British Columbia Pictorial and Educational Picture Service:

And whereas it is advisable and necessary to inquire into the truth or otherwise of such allegations:

We therefore Resolve, That a Select Committee, consisting of Messrs. *Clearihue*, *Perry*, *Paterson*, *Kergin*, *Hanes*, *Bowser*, and the mover, be appointed to inquire into the truth or otherwise of any alleged (or that may be alleged before or to the Committee) malpractices by the Chairman or others in connection with the operation of the "Game Act" or the "Moving Pictures Act" since the date of the first appointment of the said Baker to either of said positions; and that the said Committee have power to compel the assistance of persons and the examination of such persons under oath or affirmation, and to enforce the production of all books, letters, papers, documents, telegraph or telephone messages, or any other evidence material to the inquiry; and that no communication, oral or written, shall be kept from the Committee, whether the same shall be claimed to be confidential or personal or otherwise, and that the Committee report their findings and the evidence to the House.

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

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

That the true copies of all contracts and revisions thereof between the Pacific Great Eastern Railway Company and the Northern Construction Company, as tabled by the Premier, in connection with the construction of the railway be printed forthwith and distributed to the Members of this House.

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

Mr. *Hanes* moved, seconded by Mr. *I. A. Mackenzie*,—

That an Order of the House be granted for a Return showing how many: (1) Returned soldiers, with their names, rank, and regiment or unit; (2) and persons not returned soldiers, with their names, were in the employ of the Government Liquor Control Board as: (a) Employees; (b) as Vendors; (c) as Inspectors; (d) as Accountants; (e) any other official capacity, on the 31st day of October, 1921.

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

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

By the Hon. Mr. *Farris*—Bill (No. 26) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Plans Cancellation Act.'"

By the Hon. Mr. *Farris*—Bill (No. 27) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Attachment of Debts Act.'"

By the Hon. Mr. *Farris*—Bill (No. 28) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Execution Act.'"

By the Hon. Mr. *Barrow*—Bill (No. 29) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Goat-breeders' Protection Act.'"

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the motion "That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair" for the purpose of going into Committee of Supply.

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

Bill (No. 15) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Co-operative Associations Act'" was read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 18) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Highway Act'" was read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 16) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Placer-mining Act'" was again committed. Reported complete without amendment.  
Report adopted.  
Third reading at the next sitting.

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

1. Has the Provincial Gaol building in the town of Bella Coola been moved from its original location during 1920-21?
2. If so, what distance was this building moved, and what was the reason for this move?
3. Who was the person who recommended moving this building?
4. Were any tenders invited for this work, giving the name of each, also price?
5. What is the total cost charged to this work?
6. Who were the persons employed and amounts paid each?

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

- "1. Yes.
- "2. Moved three blocks for the reason that the freshets were doing considerable damage to the grounds and threatening to entirely destroy the building.
- "3. District Engineer.
- "4. Yes. Gallienne, \$1,250; Gordon, \$950.
- "5. \$1,215.04.
- "6. T. A. Livelton, \$123; C. Charlton, \$58.50; R. Findlay, \$22.50; P. Gadsen, \$69.75; J. Morrison, \$45; G. Laws, \$87.75; J. Schafer, \$49.50; C. Lord, \$96.75; E. Gordon and team, \$247; A. Sangstad, \$4.50; W. Hill, \$12.50; C. Christensen and team, \$9; O. Fosbah and team, \$2.25; A. Svisdahl, \$132; H. Limos, \$104.50; Iver Westino, \$50; P. Gadsen, \$24."

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

1. What has been the total expenditure on roads and bridges respectively, with totals for each year, from March 31st, 1911, to September 30th, 1921?
2. What is the total amount spent on roads and bridges for the years 1911 to 1917, and the total also for the years 1917 to 1921; with average yearly expenditure for each period respectively?
3. Do the answers to questions 1 and 2 include all moneys obtained through authority of the "British Columbia Highway Loan Acts" and "Canada Highways Act" in addition to the appropriations made by the Legislature?

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

"1. Total expenditure on roads for fiscal years 1911-12 to 1921-22 (to September 30th), inclusive, \$24,810,963.29; total expenditure for bridges the same period, \$5,734,872.67. Totals each year: Roads, 1911-12, \$2,888,326.16; 1912-13, \$4,011,733.27; 1913-14, \$4,145,619.76; 1914-15, \$1,767,261.87; 1915-16, \$1,424,450.13; 1916-17, \$1,443,474.34; 1917-18, \$932,329.40; 1918-19, \$1,004,461.32; 1919-20, \$2,103,530.85; 1920-21, \$3,020,996.21; 1921-22 (to September 30th), \$2,068,779.98. Bridges, 1911-12, \$853,719.92; 1912-13, \$605,168.03; 1913-14, \$956,839.91; 1914-15, \$475,455.12; 1915-16, \$408,795.25; 1916-17, \$496,964.02; 1917-18, \$237,212.64; 1918-19, \$415,969.45; 1919-20, \$512,809.04; 1920-21, \$561,621.76; 1921-22 (to September 30th), \$210,317.53.

"2. 1911-12 to 1916-17, inclusive, \$19,477,807.78; 1917-18 to 1921-22 (to September 30th), inclusive, \$10,968,028.18. Average for first period, \$3,246,301.30; average for second period, \$2,013,605.64.

"3. The expenditure ending 1920-21 is exclusive of amount contributed under "Canada Highway Act"; 1921-22 includes expenditure under "Canada Highway Act"; the latter amount will be determined when the fiscal year closes."



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

1. What was the amount expended on roads in the fiscal years of 1917, 1918, 1919, 1920, and 1921 in the Bella Coola Valley?
2. What amount has been expended extending the Bella Coola Wagon-road of this valley during the above years?
3. What amount has been expended on bridges in Bella Coola Valley during above years?
4. What are the names of places where bridges are located?
5. Has any relocation of roads taken place in this district; if so, where: (a) Giving particulars of place; (b) giving name of person doing surveying on this new road; (c) the total cost of relocation; (d) cost of new road built?

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

"1. 1917-18, \$6,804.24; 1918-19, \$1,913.31; 1919-20, \$3,377.36; 1920-21, \$8,501.89; 1921-22 (to date), \$2,844.56.

"2. No money spent in extending road.

"3. 1917-18, \$5,685.21; 1918-19, \$16,011.06; 1919-20, \$4,063.25; 1920-21, \$479.39; 1921-22 (to date), \$117.65.

"4. Clayton; Canoe Crossing; Cokeley; Dry Gulch; 4-Mile; Hagensborg; Nygaard; Necleetsconnay; Nootsatsum; Saloomt; Saloomt Crossing; Slough; Snootchlers; Sangstaad; Swede Creek; Thorsen's.

"5. Yes. (a) Between Mile 28 and Mile 30 and Mile 34 to Mile 34.7; (b) no instrumental survey made, cruised out by District Engineer; (c) only incidental expenses of District Engineer and General Foreman; (d) \$9,400."

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

1. The number of settlers placed on each land settlement area to date?
2. The number placed this year in each area?
3. The acreage settled upon in each area?
4. The acreage sold in each area?
5. The average price per acre sold?
6. The total expenses incurred, including salary, in maintaining the office in Vanderhoof this year?

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

"1. Area 1, 31; Area 2, 46; Area 4, 15; Area 5, 41; Area 6, 5; Area 7, 1; Area 8, 0; Area 9, 4; Area 10, 12; Area 11, 1; Area 12, 1; Area 13, 0; Area 14, 0.

"2. Area 1, 1; Area 2, 9; Area 4, 5; Area 5, 14; Area 6, 3; Area 7, 1; Area 8, 0; Area 9, 4; Area 10, 5; Area 11, 1; Area 12, 1; Area 13, 0; Area 14, 0.

"3. See answer to question No. 4. Each settler is allowed twelve months in which to establish his residence on the property purchased.

"4. Area 1, 4,590; Area 2, 7,332; Area 4, 2,527; Area 5, 6,704; Area 6, 605; Area 7, 160; Area 8, 0; Area 9, 793; Area 10, 1,873; Area 11, 160; Area 12, 160; Area 13, 0; Area 14, 0.

"5. \$6.35.

"6. \$943.21."

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

1. Have Colonel Latta, J. A. McDonald, and D. Munro been in the employ of the Land Settlement Board during 1921?
2. If so, what salary has each drawn monthly since January 1st, 1921?
3. Are they still employed by the Land Settlement Board?
4. Has J. A. McDonald been carrying on an insurance business in Nanaimo during 1921?

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

"1. Yes.

"2. As to Colonel Latta and D. D. Munro, \$225; as to J. A. Macdonald, \$225 up to September 30th, 1921.

"3. Yes, as to Colonel Latta and D. D. Munro.

"4. No information."

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

1. How long does it ordinarily take for men who work on roads to receive their pay?
2. How long does it take to pay men who work on the roads in the Comox District?
3. If longer than in other districts, what is the reason?

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

"1. From two to ten days; depends greatly on the distance the work the men may be engaged on is from the district administrative quarters.

"2. Answer to No. 1 applies to all districts in the Province.

"3. Occasionally there may be a longer delay, but this would be entirely due to circumstances that are unforeseen and unavoidable."

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

1. Has the work of ditching undertaken by the Government last year in the Municipality of Matsqui been completed?

2. If so, what is the total cost?

3. If not completed, what is the total estimated cost?

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

"1. The Department of Agriculture has not undertaken work of ditching in the Municipality of Matsqui.

"2 and 3. Answered by No. 1."

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

1. Has any money been set aside for the purposes of cruising and valuating Crown timber lands?

2. If so, how much has been set aside for this purpose?

3. How much acreage has been cruised to date?

4. How much has been spent for this purpose to date?

5. How many men have been employed in this work, giving particulars in each case?

6. What experience have these men had previously in cruising timber?

7. Why was this work not done by the Forestry Department?

8. What further amount of money does the Department expect to spend in this work?

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

"1. Yes; for reassessment of Crown-granted timber lands.

"2. \$35,000.

"3. 220,000 acres.

"4. \$23,734.09.

"5. One special timber assessor, five cruisers, five compass-men, five packers, one cook, and one clerk.

"6. All have had several years' experience in cruising timber in this Province.

"7. Was informed on inquiry at the Forestry Department that they had no men available for this class of work.

"8. No estimate has been made."

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

1. Was any succession duty paid to the Government on account of the estate of one Reid, in his lifetime of Parksville, and who died within the last two years?

2. If so, what amount?

3. Has the succession duty been repaid to any relative of said Reid?

4. If so, to whom, what amount, and when paid?

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

"1. One Peter W. Reid, of Parksville, died in 1917, and succession duty was paid on account of his estate.

"2. \$2,302.85.

"3. No.

"4. Answered by No. 3."

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

1. Have any repairs been made on the Squamish Wharf since the Government took over the Pacific Great Eastern Railway?
2. If so, what do these repairs consist of?
3. How much money has been spent to date on the upkeep and repairs of Squamish Wharf since the Government took it over?

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

- "1. Yes.
- "2. Maintenance and reconstruction.
- "3. \$49,089.83 to September 30th, 1921."

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

1. How many consents have been given by the Attorney-General to the granting of licences by the Dominion Government in the Province covering bonded liquor warehouses and or excise bonded warehouses?
2. In connection with what firms, corporations, or persons have the same been given?
3. The dates of said consents in each case?
4. The city, town, or place where the same are situate in each case?
5. The names of the agents through whom the same were granted in each case?

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

- "1. Twenty.
  - "2, 3, 4, and 5. Name, place, date, and agent, as follows:—
- R. P. Rithet & Co., Ltd., Victoria, January 25th, 1921; no agent.
  - J. G. Brooks, Ltd., Vancouver, February 8th, 1921; G. S. Wismer.
  - Calgary Export Co., Ltd., Vancouver, February 8th, 1921; G. S. Wismer.
  - Northern Liquor Co., Ltd., Prince Rupert, February 15th, 1921; no agent.
  - Pither & Leiser, Ltd., Victoria, February 15th, 1921; no agent.
  - Nanaimo Export Co., Ltd., Nanaimo, February 16th, 1921; C. H. Beevor-Potts.
  - Dominion Trading Co., Ltd., Vancouver, February 23rd, 1921; no agent.
  - Lloyd & Son, Ltd., Vancouver, March 1st, 1921; Mackenzie & Boyd.
  - Pacific Coast Storage Co., Ltd., Vancouver, March 7th, 1921; no agent.
  - A. L. McLennan, Vancouver, March 22nd, 1921; G. S. Wismer.
  - Pacific Cartage Co., Ltd., Prince Rupert, April 1st, 1921; no agent.
  - National Importers, Ltd., Vancouver, April 1st, 1921; Wismer & McGeer.
  - Anderson & Morgan, Vancouver, April 18th, 1921; no agent.
  - Prince Rupert Warehousing Co., Prince Rupert, April 27th, 1921; Williams, Manson & Gonzales.
  - Fernie Liquor Exporters, Ltd., Fernie, April 27th, 1921; no agent.
  - Western Canada Liquor Co., Ltd., Vancouver, May 26th, 1921; Alex. Henderson.
  - Great West Wine Co., Vancouver, June 11th, 1921; Craig & Parkes.
  - Davis Liquor Company, Vancouver, July 5th, 1921; G. S. Wismer.
  - Crawford Storage & Distributing Co., Ltd., Vancouver, July 15th, 1921; no agent.
  - Nat Bell Liquors, Ltd., Vancouver, July 21st, 1921; Taylor, Mayers, Stockton & Smith."

Mr. W. A. *McKenzie* asked the Hon. the Premier the following questions:—

1. Did the Department of Industries grant a loan to the Stettler Cigar Company, Ltd., of Vancouver?
2. If so, when, and for what amount?
3. Is said loan in arrears on account of either principal or interest?
4. Did the said firm in May last dismiss a number of cigar-makers and replace them with girl-labour at less than the minimum wage?
5. If so, has the Government taken any action in this matter?
6. Has this company been manufacturing their cigars outside of British Columbia?
7. If so, what action does the Government propose to take in the matter?
8. Was there a clause in the agreement granting the loan specifying that the cigars were to be manufactured in British Columbia?
9. Will the Government table a copy of the agreement; and, if so, when?

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

"1. Yes.

"2. July 13th, 1920; \$25,000.

"3. No.

"4. The Department is advised that the men employed by this company went on strike when machinery was installed. Women were employed. No information as to wages paid.

"5. The Department is advised that the company was prosecuted for violation of the 'Minimum Wage Act,' and the cases were dismissed.

"6. The Department is advised that during the period of change to machinery, and while new employees were trained, the company had cigars manufactured in Ontario to make up their orders. The company have now 130 employees and are rapidly reaching an output to equal orders. They expect to be able to discontinue manufacturing outside the Province in about one month.

"7. The Departmental Solicitor has the matter of enforcing the agreement in hand.

"8. No.

"9. Yes. Copy of agreement filed as a Return."

*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 5.35 p.m.

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## Monday, 14th November, 1921.

HALF-PAST EIGHT O'CLOCK P.M.

The House proceeded to the Orders of the Day.

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the motion "That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair" for the purpose of going into Committee of Supply.

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

Bill (No. 16) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Placer-mining Act'" was read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 17) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Mineral Act'" was again committed.

Reported complete with amendments.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 24) intituled "An Act to make Uniform the Law respecting the Sale of Goods in Bulk" was again committed.

Reported complete with amendments.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 22) intituled "An Act respecting Fires and Fire-escapes" was committed.

Progress reported.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 51) intituled "An Act to revise and consolidate the 'Vancouver Incorporation Act'" was read a second time, and *Ordered* to be committed at the next sitting.

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

And then the House adjourned at 10.05 p.m.

Tuesday, 15th November, 1921.

TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by Mr. Speaker.

The House proceeded to the Orders of the Day.

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the motion "That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair" for the purpose of going into Committee of Supply.

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

The Report on Bill (No. 24) intituled "An Act respecting the Sale of Goods in Bulk" was adopted.

Bill read a third time and passed.

The Report on Bill (No. 17) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Mineral Act'" was adopted.

Bill read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 22) intituled "An Act respecting Fires and Fire-escapes'" was again committed. Progress reported.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

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

Bill (No. 27) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Attachment of Debts Act.'"

Bill (No. 28) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Execution Act.'"

Bill (No. 23) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Legal Professions Act.'"

Bill (No. 30) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Mechanics' Lien Act.'"

Bill (No. 51) intituled "An Act to revise and consolidate the 'Vancouver Incorporation Act'" was committed.

Progress reported.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

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

What is the approximate cost during the past thirty years to the Government of keeping the Chilliwack River from going down the Luck-a-Kluck Channel?

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

"Expended on Vedder River protection from 1906-07 to date, \$43,884.59. No record of any expenditure prior to 1906-07."

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

1. What was the total amount of fund spent by the Public Works Department through Road Foreman Richard Bice at Cape Scott District from February 1st last to October 1st?

2. Has any portion of this amount been granted or used for the purposes of the owners of the Cape Scott Dyke, either in the way of building, repairing, or reconstructing the said dyke?

3. What portion of the total amount spent has been devoted to the construction and repairs of roads and trails under the said foreman?

4. Has any portion of the fund set aside for road purposes been diverted and used in connection with the building or repairing of the said dyke?

5. Has any portion of the work done on the said dyke been charged against the road-work account?

6. Have any of the men employed on road-building under Foreman Bice been shifted over to work on the said dyke?

7. If so, to what extent?

8. Is the building of said dyke a private undertaking?

9. Was Road Foreman Bice acting as road foreman and also the foreman on the building of the said dyke, and the secretary connected with said dyke-work?

10. If not, under whose superintendence has the money granted by the Government in aid of the said dyke been expended?

11. To what person or persons has the money spent by the Government been paid, and what amount to each person?

12. To what persons has the money spent on roads and trails under Foreman Bice during the above-mentioned period been paid, and how much to each?

13. What is the total amount granted by the Government towards the building or repairing of said dyke?

14. How many settlers did the said dyke benefit, and what are their names?

15. What is the total amount expended for road purposes in the Stanby and Cache Creek Districts from February 1st to October 1st?

16. Is Theodore Dykes acting as road foreman during that period in this district?

17. To what persons has this amount been paid, and how much to each person?

The Hon. Dr. King replied as follows:—

"1. \$2,744.79.

"2. Yes.

"3. \$444.51.

"4. Yes.

"5. Yes.

"6. Yes.

"7. \$2,300.28.

"8. No. The Government contributed to the cost of repairing the dyke on the understanding that the top of dyke would be recognized as a public thoroughfare.

"9. Bice was foreman on road and dyke, and secretary *pro tem*.

"10. Answered by No. 9.

"11. P. Anderson, \$84; R. Bice, including team, \$404.56; G. Carson, \$117.69; L. Clark, \$166.70; D. Dykes, \$92.75; E. Dykes, \$10.94; J. Donaldson, \$35.88; F. Dickens, \$14.44; H. Hankin, \$132.56; C. Hansen, \$84; K. Hansen, \$189.44; H. Lane, \$24.50; D. Lagan, \$142.19; C. Peterson, \$41.57; J. J. Skinner, \$184.86; D. Smith, \$92.31; A. Spencer, \$268.63; C. Wadey, \$20.56; Chas. Wadey, \$10.06; T. Wadey, \$81.38; W. R. Wager, \$76.57; H. Wiedmaier, \$39.38.

"12. R. Bice, \$92.62; L. Clark, \$35.01; J. Donaldson, \$1.31; T. Frederickson, \$21; H. Hankin, \$11.38; K. Hansen, \$16.63; N. Jensen, \$57.75; H. Lane, \$7; C. Peterson, \$12.69; D. Smith, \$9.19; C. Wadey, \$64.60; Chas. Wadey, \$73.50; T. Wadey, \$11.82; W. R. Wager, \$7; H. Wiedmaier, \$13.01.

"13. \$2,500.

"14. Petition for the construction of the dykes as a development district represented in the aggregate more than 50 per centum of the amount of the total assessment against the said lands as appears by the last revised Provincial assessment roll; petitioners' names are P. Anderson, K. Hansen, Mary Colton, J. J. Skinner, and Richard R. Bice.

"15. \$608.57.

"16. E. Dykes was road foreman.

"17. W. Burge, \$10.50; E. Dykes, \$236.25; D. Dykes, \$139.13; E. Nocken, \$120.75; J. Vick, \$101.94."

Mr. Estling asked the Hon. the Minister of Railways the following question:—

How much money is available at this date, either in hand or on authority to borrow, for construction-work on the Pacific Great Eastern Railway?

The Hon. Mr. Oliver replied as follows:—

"\$1,104,362.17."

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

(a.) Chinese: (1.) The number of Chinese students attending the public schools in British Columbia. (2.) How many of these students were born in the Province of British Columbia? (3.) How many of these students were children of non-resident parents? (4.) How much money was paid by these students per annum for their tuition? (5.) What was the cost to the Province and municipality for each such student? (6.) What length of time do these students usually attend school?

(b.) Japanese: (1.) The number of Japanese students attending the public schools in British Columbia. (2.) How many of these students were born in the Province of British Columbia? (3.) How many of these students were children of non-resident parents? (4.) How much money was paid by these students per annum for their tuition? (5.) What was the cost to the Province and municipality for each such student? (6.) What length of time do these students usually attend school?

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

“(a) and (b). The ‘Schools Act’ makes provision for the education of all children between 6 and 16 years, inclusive, irrespective of their nationality. The returns sent to the Education Office from the various schools do not call for a statement of the nationality of the children. Consequently there are no data in the Department showing the number of Chinese or Japanese children attending the public schools.”

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

1. Have any men been relieved lately in Vancouver in connection with liquor stores or the liquor warehouses?

2. If so, what is the reason for these dismissals?

3. What are the names of these people?

4. What were their former occupations?

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

“1. Yes.

“2. Reduction of staff in the interest of economy.

“3. A. MacKenzie, James Sutherland, William Ross, J. Owen, J. Johnson, F. R. Paul, A. K. Murray, William Neilson, Thos. Lawrie, William Matthews, D. McKenzie, and G. Barrett.

“4. No information.”

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

1. Regarding each of the four proposed routes for a road between the Coast and the Interior of the Province as a part of a Trans-Provincial Highway, the following information is requested, in connection with every survey made, segregated under the name of each route respectively: (a) Name of the Engineer actually in charge of the location survey on the ground; (b) time actually spent by the Engineer on the ground, date of completion, and the cost of the survey; (c) distance in miles to be constructed and also to be reconstructed; (d) standard adopted on location, as to width of roadway and whether cross-sections were taken; (e) maximum elevation of the summit; (f) estimated cost of construction; (g) nature of maintenance? (h) national benefits; (i) period during which the route will be open each year?

2. In connection with the “Harrison Lake-Pemberton-Lillooet” route, has consideration been taken of the possible abandonment of the Pacific Great Eastern Railway from Squamish to Clinton and the consequent use of a portion of the railway-grade for highway purposes?

3. If the answer to question 2 is “yes,” what is the amount by which the estimated cost of construction by this route should be reduced?

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

“1. (1.) *Fraser Canyon Route*.—(a.) Name of Engineer of location survey: Fred. J. Dawson, B.C.L.S., D.S. (b.) Time spent by Engineer on ground, May to December, 1919 (7 months); date of completion, December 2nd, 1919; cost of survey, \$19,558.16 (in 1919), inclusive of surveys for railway crossings. (c.) Distance in miles to be constructed, 46; to be reconstructed, 48. (d.) Standard width of roadway adopted, etc.: 16-foot maximum cross-section

taken. (e.) Maximum elevation of summit, 1,250 feet. (f.) Estimated cost of construction: \$1,129,302 for 94 miles with steel bridges (includes cost of overhead crossings). (g.) Nature of maintenance: Through rock-work maintenance is not likely to be heavy. Where slides prevail maintenance will be heavy, due to presence of railways. (h.) National benefits: Being in Dominion Railway Belt, might be considered favourably by Federal authorities; owing to proximity to railways, would have military advantages. Road would also serve as feeder to railway. (i.) Period open annually, probably 9 months.

"(2.) *Hope-Princeton Route (Cleveland Route).*—(a.) Name of Engineer of location survey: F. W. Glover in 1919 (F. J. Dawson went over route September 5th, 1919, 1 month). (b.) Time spent by Engineer on ground, April to November, 1911 (7 months); date of completion, November, 1911; cost of survey, \$13,137.53 (Cleveland, 1910-11), \$675.50 (Dawson in 1919). (c.) Distance in miles to be constructed, 73; to be reconstructed (Cleveland survey). (According to Dawson, in addition to 73 miles to construct there are 9 miles to reconstruct.) (d.) Standard width of roadway adopted, etc.: Cleveland survey, 1911-12, no sections taken by Cleveland. Sections taken by F. J. Dawson, 1919; standard 16-foot road-bed. (e.) Maximum elevation of summit, 4,486 feet. (f.) Estimated cost of construction: \$307,120, being Engineer Cleveland's estimate in December, 1911, for 93 miles, ordinary timber bridges and culverts. Engineer Gwyer's estimate in February, 1920, for 84 miles construction, \$892,522. (g.) Nature of maintenance: Owing to many steep side-hills and heavy snowfalls maintenance will be heavy. (h.) National benefits: Important nationally only as (1) a Trans-Provincial Highway; (2) as a potential tourist-ground for shooting, fishing, etc. (i.) Period open annually, probably 6 months.

"(3.) *Hope-Princeton (via Deudney Pass).*—(a.) Name of Engineer of location survey: No location survey made. Reconnaissance survey made by (1) H. L. Hayne and (2) W. K. Gwyer; (1) April, 1920, and (2) September, 1920 and 1921. (b.) Time spent by Engineer on ground, no location survey made; date of completion, still in hand; cost of survey, \$456.87, H. L. Hayne; Gwyer's survey still in hand. (c.) Distance in miles to be constructed, 8; to be reconstructed, 60 (of which 25 miles to be widened from 6 feet to 12 feet). (d.) Standard width of roadway adopted, etc.: No location survey made. Estimate made by Gwyer for road-bed, 10 to 12 feet wide. No sections taken. (e.) Maximum elevation of summit, 5,810 feet. (f.) Estimated cost of construction: \$500,000, being Engineer Gwyer's estimate for 68 miles of 10- to 12-foot road-bed on maximum grade of 12 per cent. (Mr. Hayne's estimate, May 2nd, 1921, for reconstruction of 24 miles of road (12 feet) on 8 per cent. grade from Hope end was \$244,918.) (g.) Nature of maintenance: Where slides prevail maintenance will be very heavy. (h.) National benefits: Important nationally as (1) a Trans-Provincial Highway; (2) as potential tourist-grounds for shooting, fishing, etc. (i.) Period open annually, probably 6 months.

"(4.) *Harrison Lake (Pemberton-Lillooet Route).*—(a.) Name of Engineer of location survey: No location survey made. Reconnaissance survey made by G. H. Richardson, October, 1921. (b.) Time spent by Engineer on ground, no location survey made; date of completion, October, 1921; cost of survey, \$604.77. (c.) Distance in miles to be constructed, 94.25; to be reconstructed, 66.25. (d.) Standard width of roadway adopted, etc.: 16-foot road-bed (maximum). No sections taken. (e.) Maximum elevation of summit, approximately 1,700 feet. (f.) Estimated cost of construction: Construction, \$2,038,510; reconstruction, \$301,085; total, \$2,339,595; for 16-foot road-bed with 14-foot gravel surface on grades up to 7 per cent., with short pieces of 12 to 15 per cent. where necessary. (g.) Nature of maintenance: Heavy maintenance along the lake-shores, due to rock-slides. (h.) National benefits: Of no particular national importance, as the route is away from the centre of population and the natural line of travel. (i.) Period open annually, probably 9 months.

"2. No.

"3. Answered by No. 2."

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

1. What was the total expense of the special train taken by the Members of Parliament from Squamish to the end of steel and back?

2. What was the revenue received from the sale of tickets on this trip?

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

"1. \$2,589.96.

"2. Passenger fares, \$1,381.10; freight, \$950.35; total, \$2,331.45."



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

1. Has the contract entered into in August, 1918, between the Government and the Northern Construction Company for the construction of the Pacific Great Eastern from Mile 183 to Mile 225 been completed?

2. What was the original estimated total cost based on the unit prices and the estimated measurements submitted by the Northern Construction Company in their proposal dated August 5th, 1921?

3. What was the Government Engineer's original estimated total cost of the 42 miles awarded the Northern Construction Company from Mile 183 to Mile 225?

4. What were the various quantities as computed in the final measurements which made up the total cost of the 42 miles?

5. What was the total cost of the 42 miles between Mile 183 and Mile 225?

6. Was all work done by the day?

7. What was the rate of wages paid for ordinary labour?

8. Was any of the work sublet?

9. What rate of wage is being paid ordinary labour to-day on the Pacific Great Eastern?

10. What sum did the Northern Construction receive as its fee of 5½ per cent. for the work from Mile 183 to Mile 225?

11. What is the Chief Engineer's estimate of the number of yards of material and the total cost of constructing the Pacific Great Eastern from Mile 225 to Quesnel?

12. What is the Chief Engineer's estimate of the number of yards of material and the total cost of constructing the Pacific Great Eastern from Quesnel to Prince George?

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

"1. All estimates are simply progress estimates. No final estimate in favour of Northern Construction Company has been passed by Chief Engineer's office for this particular mileage or for any other section of the line. Final quantities on all the work between Mile 183 and Mile 365 are now being prepared by the Resident, Division, and Assistant Engineers.

"2. The original estimated total cost, using the Northern Construction Company's bid and the estimated quantities submitted to that company on the proposal form, amounted to \$320,825.07.

"3. \$313,404.

"4. Answered by No. 1.

"5. Answered by No. 1.

"6. No.

"7. 40 cents per hour in September, 1918.

"8. None of the work was sublet, but a few stationmen were put on some small sections.

"9. 40 cents per hour, September, 1921.

"10. Percentage paid is based on the unit prices on the entire work and not on any particular section.

"11. Answered by No. 1.

"12. Answered by No. 1."

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

1. Of the sum of \$712.28 representing claims paid to Edgett & Co. included in item 418 in Statement of Pacific Great Eastern to June 30th, 1921, was any portion of the claims making up the aforesaid sum refused by the predecessor of the present General Manager?

2. Does the aforesaid sum include all payments made by the Pacific Great Eastern Railway to Edgett & Co. since the Government took over the railway?

3. If not, what are the separate claims made by and paid to Edgett & Co. in addition to those included under item 418 in statement referred to?

4. What is the date of each separate claim and were any or all of them refused by present General Manager's immediate predecessor?

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

"1. Yes.

"2. No.

"3. \$18 and \$262.

"4. March 20th, 1920; December 21st, 1920, No."

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

1. What is the total revenue collected by the Province from that portion of the Prince Rupert Electoral District bounded on the south by latitude 51, on the east by the Cascade range of mountains, on the north by the south shore of the Skeena River, and on the west by Hecate Street, for the year 1920: (a) From timber and pulp leases; (b) from timber licences; (c) from stumpage; (d) from scaling fees and royalties?

2. What is the total tax collected from all sources, including salmon-canneries, cold-storage plants, pulp and paper mills?

3. What is the total property-tax paid by the Surf Inlet Mining Company, also tax on output of minerals from mines?

4. What amounts are due the Province on: (a) Personal taxes; (b) timber; (c) mines, for the year 1920 and the present year in above district?

5. What is the amount of delinquents, giving the amount due the Province from each?

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

"1. As boundaries given do not conform to boundaries of the assessment district, cannot give the figures.

"2. Answered by No. 1.

"3. Mineral-tax, \$25,864.55. Not liable for land or personal-property taxes.

"4. Answered by No. 1.

"5. Answered by No. 1."

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

And then the House adjourned at 5.33 p.m.

Wednesday, 16th November, 1921.

TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by Mr. Speaker.

The House proceeded to the Orders of the Day.

Bill (No. 51) intituled "An Act to revise and consolidate the 'Vancouver Incorporation Act'" was again committed.

Progress reported.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

Mr. *Clearihue*, for Mr. *Jackson*, presented the Fifth Report from the Private Bills Committee, as follows:—

REPORT No. 5.

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE ROOM,  
November 16th, 1921.

MR. SPEAKER:

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

That the preamble of Bill (No. 53) intituled "An Act in Relief of the City of Greenwood" has been proved, and the Bill ordered to be reported with amendments.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

M. B. JACKSON, *Chairman*.

*Per* J. B. C.

The report was received.

The Rules were suspended and the report adopted.

The Hon. Mr. *Barrow* presented a Return of contracts between the Government or Land Settlement Board and the contractors of the Sumas Lake reclamation scheme.

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

And then the House adjourned at 4.45 p.m.

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Thursday, 17th November, 1921.

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TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by Mr. Speaker.

Mr. *Jackson* presented the Sixth Report from the Private Bills Committee, as follows:—

REPORT No. 6.

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE ROOM,  
November 17th, 1921.

MR. SPEAKER:

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

That the preamble of the undermentioned Bill has not been proved.

Bill (No. 52) intituled "An Act incorporating the Municipality of Stave River."

All of which is respectfully submitted.

M. B. JACKSON, *Chairman*.

The report was received.

The Rules were suspended and the report adopted.

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the motion moved by Mr. *Esling* on 14th instant, as follows:—

That the true copies of all contracts and revisions thereof between the Pacific Great Eastern Railway Company and the Northern Construction Company, as tabled by the Premier, in connection with the construction of the railway be printed forthwith and distributed to the Members of this House.

Motion agreed to.

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the motion moved by Mr. *Hanes* on 14th instant, as follows:—

That an Order of the House be granted for a Return showing how many: (1) Returned soldiers, with their names, rank, and regiment or unit; (2) and persons not returned soldiers, with their names, were in the employ of the Government Liquor Control Board as: (a) Employees; (b) as Vendors; (c) as Inspectors; (d) as Accountants; (e) any other official capacity, on the 31st day of October, 1921.

Motion agreed to.

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. *Pattullo*, Bill (No. 31) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Ditches and Watercourses Act'" was introduced, read a first time, and *Ordered* to be read a second time at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 23) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Legal Professions Act'" was committed. Progress reported.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 30) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Mechanics' Lien Act'" was committed.  
 Progress reported.  
 Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the second reading of Bill (No. 8) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Hours of Work Act.'"

On the motion of Mr. *Whiteside*, the debate was adjourned to Monday next.

On the second reading of Bill (No. 7) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Night Employment of Women Act'" a debate arose, which was, on the motion of the Hon. the Premier, adjourned to the next sitting.

On the second reading of Bill (No. 9) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Employment of Children Act'" a debate arose, which was, on the motion of the Hon. the Premier, adjourned to the next sitting.

On the second reading of Bill (No. 10) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Maternity Protection Act'" a debate arose, which was, on the motion of Mr. *Burde*, adjourned to the next sitting.

The Hon. Mr. *Barrow* presented a further Return in reference to the Sumas Lake reclamation scheme for the half-year ending September 30th, 1921.

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the motion "That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair" for the purpose of going into Committee of Supply.

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

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

1. Did either Mr. or Mrs. McMillan undertake to give the Government a title to the land at Cobble Hill upon which the historic well was drilled two years ago?
2. Has title been received? If yes, when; if not, why not?
3. Have any other persons other than the McMillan family made use of the water from this well? If yes, what are their names?

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

- "1. Yes.
- "2. No. It has not been considered advisable to incur the expense necessary to make survey.
- "3. Understand not."

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

1. What is the revenue derived from grazing fees in Lillooet and Cariboo Districts respectively for the year 1921?
2. What is the nature of range improvements and the cost in each of above districts for said year?

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

"1. Lillooet Land District, \$4,249.73; Cariboo Land District, \$2,281.41; total, \$6,531.14. The above are collections for the period January 1st, 1921, to November 15th, 1921. The figures given are very approximately correct for each land district. They are collected for the Cariboo Grazing District, which embraces the Lillooet and Cariboo Land Districts. There is no definite dividing line on the range.

"2. Grasshopper-control (Cariboo), \$328.22; Big Basin Stock-trail (Lillooet), \$259.50; experimental seeding on Alberta Lake Burn (Lillooet), \$28.95; dangerous mud-hole fenced near 141-Mile, cost figures not yet received. Other improvements awaiting recommendations from Lillooet Stock-raisers' Association, as requested by resolution of September 23rd, 1921. Total cost improvements, Cariboo, 1921, \$328.22; total known cost improvements, Lillooet, 1921, \$288.45."

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

1. On what basis does the Provincial Government assist the operation and maintenance of public and high schools respectively in cities of the Province?
2. What is the amount of the Government grant for the operation and maintenance of public and high schools respectively in cities, figured on the basis of "per pupil per year," and what is the total amount granted for such purposes for the fiscal year ending March 31st, 1921?
3. What is the adopted policy of the Government in respect to assistance towards the building of schools in cities respectively (if divided into different classes), and what is the total amount of such assistance granted for the fiscal year ending March 31st, 1921?

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

"1. (a) A grant of \$460 per annum is made by the Provincial Government towards the salary of every teacher employed in the public and high schools of cities of the first class (i.e., cities with an average daily school attendance of over 1,000); (b) a grant of \$520 per teacher in the case of cities of the second class (i.e., cities with an average daily attendance between 250 and 1,000); (c) a grant of \$565 per teacher in the case of cities of the third class; (d) the Government also contributes 50 per cent. of cost of equipment required for commercial, technical, household science, and manual-training classes; (e) the Government also pays part of salaries of night-school instructors, the grant ranging from two-fifths in the case of first-class cities to four-fifths in the case of third-class cities.

"2. Government assistance towards the operation and maintenance of both high and public schools is based upon the number of teachers employed, not upon the number of pupils attending. Worked out on the latter basis, Government assistance for the school-year which ended June 30th, 1921, was \$13.65 per pupil per annum. Total amount granted by Government to cities for fiscal year ending March 31st, 1921, \$610,803.55.

"3. The policy of the Government is to contribute one-third of cost of erection of school buildings in the case of cities of the second and third class. Total amount of Government assistance to cities for school buildings for fiscal year ending March 31st, 1921, was \$172,047.45."

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

1. What sum of money was advanced by the Government to the Hon. T. D. Pattullo, Minister of Lands, on his recent trip to Europe?
2. Did F. C. Wade, Agent-General, with his daughter, accompany the Minister of Lands on his trip to Norway and Sweden?
3. If so, who paid the expenses of F. C. Wade and daughter and what was the amount?

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

"1. \$4,000. All expenses to be accounted for.

"2. No information in Department.

"3. Answered by No. 2."

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

1. How much money has been borrowed from the Dominion Government under the "Better Housing Act," and at what rate of interest?
2. How much has been loaned by the Provincial Government to the municipalities of the Province?
3. What municipalities have received loans, and the amounts in each case?
4. What rate of interest does the Provincial Government charge the municipalities?
5. What rate of interest do the municipalities charge the soldier benefiting under this Act?

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

"1. \$1,701,500 at 5 per cent.

"2. \$1,692,950. The balance of \$8,550 is covered by agreements in respect of South Vancouver, Kamloops, and Salmon Arm.

"3. Burnaby, \$35,000; Cumberland, \$6,000; Courtenay, \$35,000; Cranbrook, \$15,000; Duncan, \$3,500; Esquimalt, \$25,000; Fernie, \$12,000; Kamloops, \$75,000; Kelowna, \$32,300; Langley, \$10,500; Matsqui, \$2,000; Nanaimo, \$54,000; Nelson, \$12,000; New Westminster, \$85,000; North Vancouver City, \$84,200; North Vancouver District, \$86,500; Oak Bay, \$30,950; Penticton,

\$23,000; Point Grey, \$94,000; Port Alberni, \$16,000; Port Coquitlam, \$16,800; Prince George, \$74,000; Prince Rupert, \$125,000; Saanich, \$59,000; Salmon Arm City, \$3,500; South Vancouver, \$106,000; Trail, \$27,000; Vancouver, \$300,000; Vernon, \$27,200; Victoria, \$180,000; West Vancouver, \$37,500; total, \$1,692,950.

"4. 5 per cent.

"5. 5½ per cent. The ½ per cent. for administrative purposes."

*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 5.46 p.m.

Thursday, 17th November, 1921.

HALF-PAST EIGHT O'CLOCK P.M.

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the motion moved by Mr. *Pooley* on 14th instant, as follows:—

That whereas serious charges have been made on the floor of the House by the Honourable Member for Prince George against Dr. Baker as Chairman of the Game Board and the conduct of the Game Department:

And whereas it is openly alleged that grave malpractices have been carried on by Dr. Baker as Chairman of the Game Board in the administering of the "Game Act":

And whereas it is further openly alleged that grave malpractices have also been carried on by the said Dr. Baker as Director of the British Columbia Pictorial and Educational Picture Service:

And whereas it is advisable and necessary to inquire into the truth or otherwise of such allegations:

We therefore Resolve, That a Select Committee, consisting of Messrs. *Clearihue*, *Perry*, *Paterson*, *Kergin*, *Hanes*, *Bowser*, and the mover, be appointed to inquire into the truth or otherwise of any alleged (or that may be alleged before or to the Committee) malpractices by the Chairman or others in connection with the operation of the "Game Act" or the "Moving Pictures Act" since the date of the first appointment of the said Baker to either of said positions; and that the said Committee have power to compel the assistance of persons and the examination of such persons under oath or affirmation, and to enforce the production of all books, letters, papers, documents, telegraph or telephone messages, or any other evidence material to the inquiry; and that no communication, oral or written, shall be kept from the Committee, whether the same shall be claimed to be confidential or personal or otherwise, and that the Committee report their findings and the evidence to the House.

The Hon. the Attorney-General moved in amendment, seconded by the Hon. the Premier,—

That all the words of the Resolution after the word "Resolve" be struck out, and the words following be substituted therefor: "That a humble Address be presented to His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, praying that he will cause an inquiry under the provisions of the 'Public Inquiries Act' into the alleged wrongdoing recited in the preamble hereto against Dr. Baker as Chairman of the Game Conservation Board and the conduct of the Game Department, and more particularly as to the charges preferred by the Honourable Member for Esquimalt."

The House continued to sit after midnight.

FRIDAY, 18TH NOVEMBER.

Question proposed—" Shall the words proposed to be struck out stand part of the question?" and *Resolved* in the negative on the following division:—

YEAS—20.

Messieurs

<i>Hanes,</i>	<i>Pearson,</i>	<i>Duncan,</i>	<i>McKenzie, W. A.,</i>
<i>Neclands,</i>	<i>McDonald, A.,</i>	<i>Burde,</i>	<i>Jones,</i>
<i>Guthrie,</i>	<i>Esling,</i>	<i>Hunter,</i>	<i>Bowser,</i>
<i>McRae,</i>	<i>Schofield,</i>	<i>Hinchliffe,</i>	<i>Perry,</i>
<i>Cotherwood,</i>	<i>Pooley,</i>	<i>Lister,</i>	<i>Whiteside,</i>

NAYS—22.

Messieurs

<i>Menzies,</i>	<i>Sutherland,</i>	<i>Henniger,</i>	<i>Mrs. Smith,</i>
<i>Clearihue,</i>	<i>King,</i>	<i>Kergin,</i>	<i>Barrow,</i>
<i>Paterson,</i>	<i>Oliver,</i>	<i>Mackenzie, I. A.,</i>	<i>Hart,</i>
<i>Yorston,</i>	<i>Farris,</i>	<i>Pauline,</i>	<i>Pattullo,</i>
<i>MacDonald, K. C.,</i>	<i>Sloan,</i>	<i>Buckham,</i>	<i>MacLean,</i>
<i>Anderson,</i>	<i>Ramsay,</i>		

Question proposed—" Shall the words proposed to be added stand part of the question?" and *Resolved* in the affirmative on the same division.

The Resolution as amended was carried on the same division.

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

And then the House adjourned at 12.20 a.m.

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Friday, 18th November, 1921.

TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by Mr. Speaker.

On the motion of Mr. *Clearihue*, Bill (No. 32) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Trustee Act'" was introduced, read a first time, and *Ordered* to be read a second time at the next sitting.

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

That an Order of the House be granted for a Return of all specifications, plans, tenders, and contracts with respect to the construction of the new Court-house at Prince Rupert.

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the motion "That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair" for the purpose of going into Committee of Supply.

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

On the Order for the Adjourned Committee of the Whole to consider the question of unemployment within British Columbia being called,

The Hon. the Premier moved, seconded by the Hon. the Attorney-General, and it was *Resolved*, That the Order be discharged.

Bill (No. 51) intituled "An Act to revise and consolidate the 'Vancouver Incorporation Act'" was again committed.

Progress reported.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

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

1. On what dates were notices sent from the Department, in each case, to the road officials of Cariboo, Lillooet, Dewdney, Delta, and Esquimalt Districts regarding the cut of 75 cents a day in roadmen's wages?
2. Did said order direct that said cut was to come into effect on April 1st, 1921?
3. If not April 1st, on what date?
4. Were similar orders sent out to any other districts; if yes, what districts?

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

- "1. March 23rd, 1921, to all engineering districts; amount of cut was 75 cents.
- "2. Yes.
- "3. Answered by No. 2.
- "4. Yes, all engineering districts."

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

1. Did the Pacific Great Eastern require a bond from the Northern Construction Company for the faithful performance of the contract for building north from Squamish?
2. If so, what was the amount of such bond?
3. Who are the sureties?

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

"1, 2, and 3. No bond was required or given, as the conditions of the contract render a bond unnecessary."

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

1. What amount of money was received from motor licences during 1920?
2. What amount of money was received from motor licences in 1921 up to October 1st?
3. What sum was set aside for a Reserve Account under "Motor-vehicle Act"?
4. Have any moneys been used from Highway Account, "Motor-vehicle Act," for payment of interest on capital accounts borrowed for roads; if so, the amount?
5. Have any sums from Highway Account, "Motor-vehicle Act," been used for any other purpose; if so, for what purpose?
6. What is the amount now at the credit of the Highway Account of the "Motor-vehicle Act"?

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

- "1. \$503,901.30 from July 1st, date Act became effective.
- "2. \$151,133.52.
- "3. No provision in the Act for Reserve Fund.
- "4. \$150,647.59.
- "5. Main highways and settlement roads, 1920-21, \$297,857.47; 1921-22, approximately \$480,000. Administration of 'Motor-vehicle Act,' 1920-21, \$24,376.14; and 1921-22, \$8,261.74.
- "6. None. The above figures show that the motor-vehicle licence receipts do not amount to sufficient to take care of expenditures which the provisions of the Act permit."

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

1. Was Arch Bremner employed as Road Foreman during 1920 at or near Salmo, in Trail Riding?
2. If so, on what roads?
3. If so, give details of pay-rolls, showing men and teams employed and amount each drew monthly?

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

- "1. Yes.
- "2. The following roads, including bridges: Boundary Lake; Salmon River: Dundee Mines; Emerald Mine; Erie Townsite; Free Silver-Yellowstone; H.B. Cut-off; Lost Cabin; Lost Lake-Mollie Mine; Nelson-Waneta; Salmo Townsite; Salmon River; Wolf Creek; Yellowstone; Ymir-Wilcot.



"3. Fiscal year 1920-21, as follows:—

"*April*.—Bremner, A., 25 days at \$5.25, \$131.25; Bremner, J. B., 2 days at \$4.75, \$9.50; Clubine, 1 day at \$4.25; Hansen, J. C., 9 days at \$4.25, \$38.25; Meserall, C., 2½ days at \$4.25, \$10.62; McArthur, E. C., 1 day at \$4.25; Payant, J., 17 days at \$4.25, \$72.25; Stewart, W., 10 days at \$4.25, \$42.50; Wells, C., 20 days at \$4.50, \$90; Wilde, W., Jr., 3 days at \$4.25, \$12.75. Teams: Bremner, A., 10 days at \$9, \$90; Salisbury, W. R., 7 days at \$9, \$63; 1½ days at \$16; Wild, W., 4 days at \$9, \$36.

"*May*.—Bremner, A., 22½ days at \$5.25, \$118.12; Bremner, J., 6 days at \$4.75, \$28.50; Bull, G., 12 days at \$4.25, \$51; Desharnais, P., 19 days at \$4.75, \$90.25; Graham, J., 16½ days at \$4.75, \$78.37; Hansen, J. C., 3 days at \$4.25, \$12.75; McNeil, A., 19½ days at \$4.25, \$82.87; Payant, J., 21½ days at \$4.25, \$91.37; Sergerie, G., 5½ days at \$4.25, \$23.37; Srach, M., 5 days at \$4.25, \$21.25; Talbot, F., 5 days at \$4.25, \$21.25; Wells, C., 23 days at \$4.50, \$103.50; Wilber, F., 23 days at \$4.25, \$97.75; Wilde, W., Jr., 7 days at \$4.25, \$29.75. Teams: Bremner, A., 6 days at \$16, \$96; 17½ days at \$9, \$157.50; Payant, J. Jr., 1 day at \$16.

"*June*.—Anderson, F., 3 days at \$4.50, \$13.50; Bell, A. C., 2½ days at \$4.50, \$11.25; Bell, J. P., 2½ days at \$5, \$12.50; Bell, L. A., 2½ days at \$4.50, \$11.25; Bremner, A., 21½ days at \$5.50, \$118.25; Bowen, T., 10½ days at \$4.50, \$47.25; Campbell, J., 2 days at \$4.50, \$9; Hansen, J. C., 1 day at \$4.50; McIntosh, C., 12 days at \$4.50, \$54; McLeod, J., 2½ days at \$4.50, \$11.25; McNeil, A., 13 days at \$4.50, \$58.50; Payant, J., 11½ days at \$4.50, \$51.75; Payant, P., 11 days at \$4.50, \$49.50; Sergersie, G., 2 days at \$4.50, \$9; Skinner, A., 9 days at \$4.50, \$40.50; Smith, F., 13 days at \$4.50, \$58.50; Smith, J., 11 days at \$4.50, \$49.50; Wells, C., 24 days at \$4.75, \$113.99; Wilde, W., Jr., 12 days at \$4.50, \$54. Teams: Bell, J. P., Jr., 2½ days at \$10, \$25; Bremner, A., 24½ days at \$10, \$245.

"*July*.—Anderson, F., 20½ days at \$4.50, \$92.25; Bremner, A., 23½ days at \$5.50, \$129.25; Bowen, T., 21 days at \$4.50, \$94.50; Desharnais, P., 1 day at \$5; Meserall, C., 3½ days at \$4.50, \$15.75; McLeod, J., 19 days at \$4.50, \$85.50; Payant, F., 16½ days at \$4.50, \$74.25; Payant, G., 1 day at \$4.50; Payant, J., 24 days at \$4.50, \$108; Smith, F., 5 days at \$5, \$25; Smith, G., 3 days at \$4.50, \$13.50; Smith, J., 21 days at \$4.50, \$94.50; Wells, C., 25½ days at \$4.75, \$121.12; Wilde, W., Jr., 2½ days at \$4.50, \$11.25. Teams: Bremner, A., 20½ days at \$10, \$205; 4 days at \$16, \$64.

"*August*.—Bremner, A., 17 days at \$5.50, \$93.50; Benson, J. C., 6 days at \$4.50, \$27; Bowen, T., 12 days at \$4.50, \$54; Desharnais, P., 1 day at \$5; Eastwood, J. W., 6 days at \$4.50, \$27; McArthur, E. E., 1 day at \$5; Payant, F., 17 days at \$4.50, \$76.50; Payant, J., 18 days at \$4.50, \$81; Wells, C., 18 days at \$4.75, \$85.50; Wilbur, F., 10 days at \$4.50, \$45. Teams: Bremner, A., 17 days at \$10, \$170.

"*September*.—Andon, W., 15 days at \$4.50, \$67.50; Bowen, T., 20 days at \$4.50, \$90; Bremner, A., 23½ days at \$5.50, \$129.25; Bremner, J. B., 1½ days at \$4.50, \$6.75; Buston, W., 6½ days at \$5, \$32.50; Campbell, A., 2 days at \$5, \$10; Eastwood, J. W., 4 days at \$4.50, \$18; Evans, J., 6½ days at \$4.50, \$29.25; Hay, R., 18 days at \$5, \$90; Hansen, J. C., 1½ days at \$4.50, \$6.75; Krestenson, A., 1½ days at \$4.50, \$6.75; Meserall, C., 2 days at \$4.50, \$9; Payant, F., 22½ days at \$4.50, \$101.25; Payant, J., 4 days at \$4.50, \$18; Robinson, C., 1 day at \$5; Stewart, W., 20 days at \$4.50, \$90; Thrum, R., 2 days at \$5, \$10; Wells, C., 26 days at \$4.75, \$123.50. Teams: Bremner, A., 9 days at \$10, \$90; 17 days at \$16, \$272; Wilde, W., 1½ days at \$10, \$15.

"*October*.—Bremner, A., 24 days at \$5.50, \$132; Buston, W., 7½ days at \$5, \$37.50; Campbell, J. H., 2½ days at \$5, \$12.50; Elliott, J., 14 days at \$4.50, \$63; Evans, J., ½ day at \$4.50, \$2.25; Ewing, D. C., 4 days at \$4.50, \$18; Flay, R., 8 days at \$5, \$40; Payant, F., 9½ days at \$4.50, \$42.75; Smith, F., 25 days at \$4.50, \$112.50; Waldbeser, J., 12 days at \$4.50, \$54; Wells, C., 21 days at \$4.75, \$99.75; Wild, W., 8 days at \$5, \$40; Wilbur, F., 3½ days at \$4.50, \$15.75. Teams: Bremner, A., 13 days at \$10, \$130; 7 days at \$16, \$112; Coslin, F., 3 days at \$10, \$30.

"*November*.—Bremner, A., 3 days at \$5.50, \$16.50; Davis, G., 5 days at \$5, \$25; Hansen, J. C., 3½ days at \$4.50, \$15.75. Teams: Bremner, A., 1 day at \$10.

"*December*.—Bremner, A., 2 days at \$5.50, \$11; Bositti, J., 1 day at \$4.50; Wells, C., 2 days at \$4.50, \$9. Teams: Bremner, A., 1 day at \$10.

"*January*.—Bremner, A., 8½ days at \$5.50, \$46.75; Feeney, B., 1 day at \$4.50; Flay, R., 10½ days at \$5, \$52.50; Fraser, J., 1 day at \$4.50; Houkedahl, E., 4 days at \$4.50, \$18;

McDonald, A., 4 days at \$4.50, \$18; Payant, F., 1 day at \$4.50; Wells, C., 7 days at \$4.50, \$31.50. Teams: Bremner, A., 10½ days at \$10, \$105.

"*February*.—Bremner, A., 4 days at \$5.50, \$22; Rossetti, J., 1 day at \$4.50; Wells, C., 1 day at \$4.50.

"*March*.—Bowen, T., 9 days at \$4.50, \$40.50; Bremner, A., 25 days at \$5.50, \$137.50; Bremner, J. B., 14 days at \$5, \$70; 5 days at \$4.50, \$22.50; Flay, R., 8½ days at \$5, \$42.50; Hansen, J. C., 4½ days at \$4.50, \$20.25; Rossetti, J., 7½ days at \$4.50, \$33.75; Wells, C., 10½ days at \$4.50, \$47.25. Teams: Bremner, A., 15 days at \$10, \$150."

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

Was any permission given or understanding arrived at whereby the children of Doukhobors in this Province are only required to attend public schools from the ages of 6 years to 12 years?

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

"Not to my knowledge."

*Resolved*, That the House, at its rising, do stand adjourned until 10 o'clock a.m. to-morrow.

And then the House adjourned at 5.20 p.m.

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## Saturday, 19th November, 1921.

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TEN O'CLOCK A.M.

Prayers by Mr. Speaker.

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the motion "That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair" for the purpose of going into Committee of Supply.

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

Mr. Speaker reported to the House that he had received the resignation of *M. A. Macdonald*, Esq., K.C., fifth Member representing the Electoral District of Vancouver City, dated 17th October, 1921.

Mr. Speaker reported to the House that he had received the resignation of *W. O. Rose*, Esq., M.D., Member representing the Electoral District of Nelson, dated 4th November, 1921.

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

W. C. NICHOL,

*Lieutenant-Governor.*

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

*Government House,*

*November 2nd, 1921.*

*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. 21) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Boilers Inspection Act,'" a draft of which is annexed to this Resolution.

Resolution and Bill reported.

Bill introduced and read a first time.

Second reading at the next sitting.

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

W. C. NICHOL,  
*Lieutenant-Governor.*

The Lieutenant-Governor transmits herewith a Bill intituled "An Act to amend certain Acts authorizing Provincial Loans," and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

*Government House,*  
*November 19th, 1921.*

*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. 2) intituled "An Act to amend certain Acts authorizing Provincial Loans," a draft of which is annexed to this Resolution.

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

Bill (No. 22) intituled "An Act respecting Fires and Fire-escapes" was again committed.  
Progress reported.  
Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 27) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Attachment of Debts Act'" was committed.  
Progress reported.  
Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 28) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Execution Act'" was committed.  
Reported complete without amendment.  
Report adopted.  
Bill read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 25) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Apiaries Act'" was read a second time, and *Ordered* to be committed at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 26) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Plans Cancellation Act'" was read a second time and committed.  
Reported complete without amendment.  
Report adopted.  
Third reading at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 29) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Goat-breeders' Protection Act'" was read a second time and committed.  
Reported complete without amendment.  
Report adopted.  
Third reading at the next sitting.

On the second reading of Bill (No. 31) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Ditches and Watercourses Act'" a debate arose, which was, on the motion of Mr. *Bowser*, adjourned to the next sitting.

On the second reading of Bill (No. 11) intituled "An Act to prohibit the Erection of Advertising Hoardings" a debate arose, which was, on the motion of Mr. *Guthrie*, adjourned to the next sitting.

Bill (No. 32) intituled "An Act to amend the Trustee Act'" was read a second time, and *Ordered* to be committed at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 51) intituled "An Act to revise and consolidate the 'Vancouver Incorporation Act'" was again committed.

Progress reported.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

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

1. Was Mr. McArthur appointed Game Warden for district including Roberts Creek?

2. Was position advertised so local returned soldiers around Roberts Creek could apply for position?

3. If not, why?

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

"1. Yes.

"2 and 3. Appointment was made from those who applied for the position, and the one with the most experience for the work required was appointed."

*Resolved*, That the House, at its rising, do stand adjourned until 2 o'clock p.m. on Monday next.

And then the House adjourned at 12.35 p.m.

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## Monday, 21st November, 1921.

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TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by Mr. Speaker.

The Hon. the Premier informed the House that he had received the resignation of the Hon. Mrs. *M. E. Smith* from the Executive Council, and had reported the fact to His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor.

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the motion "That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair" for the purpose of going into Committee of Supply.

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

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

W. C. NICHOL,  
*Lieutenant-Governor.*

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

*Government House,*  
*November 19th, 1921.*

*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. 33) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Forest Act,'" a draft of which is annexed to this Resolution.

Resolution and Bill reported.

Bill introduced and read a first time.

Second reading at the next sitting.

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

By the Hon. Mr. *Farris*—Bill (No. 35) intituled “An Act to amend the ‘Counties Definition Act.’”

By the Hon. Mr. *Farris*—Bill (No. 36) intituled “An Act to amend the ‘Sheriffs Act.’”

By the Hon. Mr. *Hart*—Bill (No. 34) intituled “An Act to amend the ‘Vancouver and Districts Joint Sewerage and Drainage Act.’”

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the second reading of Bill (No. 31) intituled “An Act to amend the ‘Ditches and Watercourses Act.’”

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

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

1. Were tenders called for concrete-lining a portion of main irrigation-ditch in the Southern Okanagan Project?
2. Were tenders to be submitted at a price per yard?
3. How many tenders were received?
4. Who tendered, and what was the amount of each tender?
5. Did specifications require that tender should be accompanied by a certified cheque?
6. If so, what was amount of deposit required?
7. To whom was the contract awarded?
8. Did successful tenderer complete the work? If not, did he forfeit his deposit; if not, why not?
9. Did specifications call for all gravel to be screened?
10. Was the work of concrete-lining of main ditch carried on during the season of 1921; if so, by whom, and what has it cost per yard?
11. Has all gravel used in this work been screened?

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

- “1. Yes.
- “2. Yes.
- “3. Six.
- “4. Robertson & Partners, \$16.50; A. E. Griffin, \$17.50; Forsyth & Co., \$36; Donald Keith, \$19.50; T. R. Nickson Construction Co., \$14.87; and A. Pradolini, \$14. Cement to be supplied by Government.
- “5. Yes.
- “6. \$3,000.
- “7. A. Pradolini.
- “8. No. No, but all plant and equipment placed on the ground by the contractor, except a concrete-mixer, were forfeited to the Government.
- “9. No.
- “10. Yes. Project Engineer, under the same specifications on which tenders were called; \$13.05.
- “11. No.”

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

1. How many boys were in the Boys' School at Essondale on November 1st?
2. How many officials on that date were attached to the school?
3. What are the names of the officials, their positions and salaries in each case?

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

- “1. 69.
- “2. 24.
- “3. D. B. Brankin, Superintendent, \$150; Mrs. M. Brankin, Matron, \$50; A. Partridge, Stenographer and Book-keeper, \$75; Miss C. B. Jennings, cleans Administration Building, Hospital Ward, and is relief to Second Cook, \$50; Miss A. Holland, Supervisor and Nurse, \$65; Miss E. Templeton, Chief Assistant Supervisor; R. Hughes, Chief Attendant and Store-keeper

(Attendant, 6 a.m. to 3 p.m.), \$75; W. M. McGaw, Attendant, 2 p.m. to 11 p.m., \$75; Mrs. H. Terhune, Supervisor, \$50; Mrs. S. Hoover, Assistant Supervisor, \$50; B. C. Dinsmore, Morning Attendant, 6 a.m. to 3 p.m., with charge of fire apparatus, \$75; R. G. Allen, Attendant, 2 p.m. to 11 p.m., \$75; Miss D. Moore, Cook, \$75; Miss K. Wittrick, Assistant Cook and Dining-room Supervisor, \$60; F. E. Anfield, School-teacher, \$85; J. W. H. Hamilton, Junior School-teacher, \$75; J. Jamieson, Shoemaker, \$85; J. Henderson, Tailor, \$100; N. C. Ayling, Manual-training Instructor, Carpenter, and Bandmaster, \$85; E. J. C. Shaw, Farmer, \$85; I. Fumerton, Teamster, \$60; J. C. Wilson, Engineer, \$75; Wm. Marshall, Nightwatchman, \$75; Wm. Scott, Attendant for outdoor work and acting as relief, \$95."

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

1. Have any Government funds been expended on the Snowstorm group of mineral claims during the year 1921?
2. If yes, how much?
3. Under what votes of the Legislature were the said moneys expended?
4. What amount of work has been done during this year on the said claims, and of what does it consist?
5. Has Stuart Henderson or his associates expended any of their own moneys in development-work during 1920 or 1921? If yes, how much?
6. Has the Government got title to the said claims yet?

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

- "1. Yes.
- "2. \$795.82.
- "3. Vote 206, 1920-21; Vote 205, 1921-22.
- "4. Work closed down January 19th, 1921, and consisted of preparatory work for drilling.
- "5. No information.
- "6. The Government lien and bonus charges are a first and paramount charge against the property under subsection (c) of section 11 of the 'Mineral Survey and Development Act.'"

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

1. How many patients have been discharged from Tranquille Sanatorium since that institution was taken over by the Provincial Government?
2. How many of these were discharged as cured?
3. How many as arrested cases?
4. How many as incurable cases?
5. Does the Government take any precautions to prevent arrested cases so discharged from again becoming active?
6. If so, what precautions?
7. Does the Government take any precautions to prevent incurable cases so discharged from becoming active sources of infection to others?
8. If so, what are the precautions?

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

- "1. 136.
- "2, 3, and 4. Apparent arrests: October, 1; September, 2; August, 3; July, 2; June, 2; May, 3; April, 2; total, 16.
- "Quiescent: October, 5; September, 2; August, 6; July, 5; June, 10; May, 9; April, 9; total, 46.
- "Improved: October, 3; September, 1; August, 5; July, 3; June, 13; May, 10; April, 8; total, 43.
- "Unimproved: October, 2; September, 0; August, 2; July, 1; June, 3; May, 6; April, 6; total, 20.
- "Died: October, 2; September, 1; August, 0; July, 0; June, 2; May, 2; April, 1; total, 11.
- "5. and 6. The patient, the patient's friends, and the family physician are notified of patient's condition on discharge, and the routine of living which he should follow.
- "7 and 8. Instructions given as above, but appropriate to the patient's condition."

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

1. Of the 11,716 fruit-trees purchased by the Land Settlement Board for the settlers on the Creston Settlement Area, how many were sold to settlers and planted on their respective lots last spring?

2. Is it the intention of the Board to sell the remainder (if any) to the settlers at the price they cost last year, or at the price they could be purchased for this year?

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

"1. 11,716 fruit-trees sold to settlers; 6,209 fruit-trees planted on their respective lots.

"2. Answered by No. 1."

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

1. What is the object of the survey party at Pavillion Ferry?

2. What is the cost of said survey to date?

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

"1. Locating a possible grade for ferry approaches; said location can be used in case a bridge is constructed at a future date.

"2. Estimated to cost \$950."

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

1. Did the Department purchase a team of horses from Mr. Wm. Dicken, Fernie?

2. If yes, what was the purchase price?

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

"1. No.

"2. Answered by No. 1."

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

1. Did the Department purchase a stump-puller from Mr. Wm. Dicken, of Fernie?

2. If yes, what was the purchase price?

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

"1. No.

"2. Answered by No. 1."

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

1. What amount of money has been spent to date in sinking well to supply domestic water at Oliver, B.C.?

2. What is the depth of well?

3. Is it completed?

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

"1. \$3,394.77 for well for town supply. Sinking and testing for minimum supply of 300 gallons per minute cost \$675.10. Extraordinary high water of Lower Okanagan River this year caused well to be flooded and debris from camps above washed down. To avoid any danger of contamination well was cleaned out to original depth, and in case of possible repetition of the high water of this year timber lining was removed and concrete lining substituted, together with concrete pump foundations. Bottom of well 13 feet below ordinary high river-level and 7.8 feet below low river-level. Flood conditions and excessive pumping responsible for increased cost.

"2. 14 feet.

"3. Yes."

*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 5.37 p.m.

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## Monday, 21st November, 1921.

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HALF-PAST EIGHT O'CLOCK P.M.

The House proceeded to the Orders of the Day.

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the motion "That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair" for the purpose of going into Committee of Supply.

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

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

And then the House adjourned at 11.40 p.m.

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## Tuesday, 22nd November, 1921.

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TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by Mr. Speaker.

Mr. *Jackson* presented the Seventh Report from the Private Bills Committee, as follows:—

REPORT No. 7.

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE ROOM,

November 22nd, 1921.

MR. SPEAKER:

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

That the preamble of the undermentioned Bill has been proved, and the Bill ordered to be reported with amendments.

Bill (No. 50) intituled "An Act to incorporate the Institute of Chartered Accountants of British Columbia."

All of which is respectfully submitted.

M. B. JACKSON, *Chairman*.

The report was received.

The Rules were suspended and the report adopted.

The Hon. the Minister of Mines presented the Report of the Coal Commission, dated April 25th, 1921.

On the motion of Mr. *Uphill*, Bill (No. 39) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Workmen's Compensation Act'" was introduced, read a first time, and *Ordered* to be read a second time at the next sitting.

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the motion "That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair" for the purpose of going into Committee of Supply.

*Resolved*, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair.

(IN THE COMMITTEE OF SUPPLY.)

1. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$4,033,233.08 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Debt to 31st March, 1923.

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The Committee reported the Resolution.

Resolution to be considered at the next sitting.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 22) intituled "An Act respecting Fires and Fire-escapes" was again committed.

Progress reported.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.



Bill (No. 34) 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. 36) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Sheriffs Act'" was read a second time, and *Ordered* to be committed at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 35) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Counties Definition Act'" was read a second time, and *Ordered* to be committed at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 23) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Legal Professions Act'" was again committed. Reported complete with amendments. Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 31) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Ditches and Watercourses Act'" was committed.

Reported complete without amendment.

Report adopted.

Bill read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 2) intituled "An Act to amend certain Acts authorizing Provincial Loans" was read a second time, and *Ordered* to be committed at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 21) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Boilers Inspection Act'" was read a second time, and *Ordered* to be committed at the next sitting.

On the second reading of Bill (No. 33) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Forest Act'" a debate arose, which was, on the motion of Mr. *Bowser*, adjourned to the next sitting.

Bill (No. 32) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Trustee Act'" was committed.

Reported complete without amendment.

Report adopted.

Third reading at the next sitting.

The Hon. the Attorney-General presented the following corrected answers to questions asked by Mr. *Guthrie* as shown in Votes and Proceedings of the 11th instant:—

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

1. On whose recommendation was William Fraser appointed Liquor Vendor at Ladysmith?
2. Did any returned soldiers make application for the job?
3. If so, their names?

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

"1. The Liquor Control Board submitted the name of William Fraser to the Lieutenant-Governor in Council for approval as Government Liquor Vendor at Ladysmith. This was done after due inquiries had been made concerning Fraser's fitness for the position.

"2. Yes.

"3. R. D. Mitchell, John Jones, W. W. Southern, and F. H. Small."

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

1. What were the total receipts from liquor sales in the Government Liquor Stores in the Province of British Columbia from June 15th until October 31st, or up to such date as returns may be available?

2. What were the total receipts from the sale of liquor in the Government Liquor Stores in the City of Vancouver from June 15th to October 31st, 1921, or up to such date as returns may be available?

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

"1. \$2,954,516.28.

"2. \$1,413,104.05."

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

1. Who is the Liquor Vendor at Mission City?
2. Is he a returned soldier?
3. On whose recommendation was he appointed?
4. Was Sergeant Harry Atherton an applicant for this position?
5. Did the Department know whether he was a returned man or had gone to the Front twice and had been wounded?
6. Was Mr. Norris Winch an applicant for this position?
7. Did the Department know whether he was a returned man?
8. If a returned man not appointed, why not?

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

"1. John G. Michie.

"2. No.

"3. Liquor Control Board submitted name of John G. Michie to the Lieutenant-Governor in Council for approval as Government Liquor Vendor at Mission. This was done after due inquiries had been made as to Michie's fitness for the position.

"4. Yes.

"5. He so stated.

"6. Yes. Mr. Winch applied to the Board under date of July 14th, 1921; application received by the Board July 15th, 1921, for position of Vendor or Assistant.

"7. No. He stated to the Board that he had spent five years overseas.

"8. Answered by No. 3."

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

1. What was the total estimate approved by the Chief Engineer for the Pacific Great Eastern Railway for the month of November, 1920?
2. What was the total estimate approved for the year 1920?
3. How much of the total for the year was for: (a) Extras; (b) percentage of profits; (c) grading?

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

"1. \$591,701.85.

"2. \$4,260,200.41.

"3. (a) \$346,576.29; (b) \$155,292.55 or 3.64 per cent.; (c) \$2,466,100.32."

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

1. How many donkey-engines were purchased and shipped to Merville and used in connection with land-clearing operations on the soldiers' settlement?
2. What make of engines were used; from whom were they purchased; and what did each engine cost?
3. Were they new or second-hand engines when purchased?
4. What amount of money was spent on repairs to engines during the time of land-clearing operations?
5. Are the engines still at Merville; if not, what disposition has been made of them?
6. What other machinery was purchased in connection with this work; what was cost of same; and from whom was it purchased?

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

"1. Four purchased; one borrowed.

"2. Empire Yarder No. 183, Comox Logging Co., \$4,000; Washington Half-breed No. 1743, Imperial Munitions Board, \$4,500; Washington Roader No. 1328, H. Gray, \$3,266; Empire Roader No. 191, Public Works Department; Washington Half-breed No. 1387, Imperial Munitions Board, \$1,200.

"3. Second-hand.

"4. \$4,658.24.

"5. No. Empire Yarder, sold; Washington Half-breed, sold; Washington Roader, leased with option to purchase; Washington Half-breed, sold.

"6. Six Cleveland tractors at \$1,000 each, purchased from Pacific Tractor Company."

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

1. On what date did Mr. William Fraser make application for the job of Liquor Vendor at Ladysmith?
2. On what date did Mr. R. D. Mitchell make application for the job of Liquor Vendor at Ladysmith?
3. On what date did Mr. John Jones make application for the job of Liquor Vendor at Ladysmith?
4. On what date did Mr. W. W. Southern make application for the job of Liquor Vendor at Ladysmith?

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

- "1. April 19th, 1921. Received by the Board April 20th, 1921.
- "2. March 12th, 1921. Received by the Board March 15th, 1921.
- "3. July 30th, 1921. Received by the Board July 30th, 1921.
- "4. Letter to Premier dated August 1st, 1921, received August 2nd by Premier, and passed by him to the Liquor Control Board August 3rd, 1921."

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

1. Did Mr. F. H. Small apply for job as Liquor Vendor at Ladysmith?
2. If so, on what date?
3. Is said Mr. F. H. Small a returned soldier?
4. What special qualifications has Mr. William Frazer for the job of Liquor Vendor at Ladysmith, other than those possessed by F. H. Small and other returned soldiers who made application for said job?

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

- "1. Yes.
- "2. April 17th, 1921.
- "3. Yes.
- "4. Has all the qualifications necessary to fit him for the position he occupies."

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

1. Does the Government through the Liquor Board import any whisky, rum, or gin in barrels?
2. If yes, how much has been imported in each case?
3. Has all this liquor been sold at the same strength as that in which it was received here?
4. If any quantity has been broken down or reduced in strength, how much in each case?
5. To what strength has the same been reduced?
6. Who is in charge of this work?
7. Are the employees who attend to this breaking-down process (if any) under bonds? If yes, what bonds?
8. Who checks up their work?
9. Have any employees been found or suspected of breaking down any of said liquor for their own use?

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

- "1. Yes.
- "2. Vancouver Warehouse: Whisky, 2,080 gallons; rum, 2,627 gallons; gin, none. Victoria Warehouse: Whisky, 1,766.25 gallons; rum, 3,072.30 gallons; gin, none.
- "3. No.
- "4. Vancouver Warehouse: Whisky, 1,383 gallons reduced; rum, 394 gallons reduced; gin, none. Victoria Warehouse: Whisky, none reduced; rum, 71½ gallons reduced.
- "5. Vancouver Warehouse: Whisky, 1,383 gallons received 15 U.P., reduced to 22 U.P.; rum, 193 gallons received 35 O.P., reduced to proof; rum, 201 gallons received 35 O.P., reduced to 15 U.P. Victoria Warehouse: Whisky, none reduced; rum, 50½ gallons received 35 O.P., reduced to proof; rum, 21 gallons received 35 O.P., reduced to 15 U.P.

"6. Vancouver Warehouse: H. A. Urquhart, Manager, assisted by George Clarke, Blender, and Thomas Maxwell. Victoria Warehouse: Thomas H. Horne, Manager, assisted by A. S. Christie, Blender.

"7. Yes. H. A. Urquhart, \$10,000; T. H. Horne, \$10,000.

"8. Vancouver Warehouse: Manager personally supervises all work. Victoria Warehouse: Manager personally supervises all work.

"9. No. Vancouver Warehouse: Reducing process is carried on in a locked room, to which no one but the Manager and assistants have access. Victoria Warehouse: Reducing process is carried out in basement, to which no one but the Manager and assistant have access."

*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, 22nd November, 1921.

HALF-PAST EIGHT O'CLOCK P.M.

On the motion of Mr. *Duncan*, the following Bills were introduced, read a first time, and *Ordered to be read a second time at the next sitting*:—

Bill (No. 40) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Public Schools Act.'"

Bill (No. 41) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Game Act.'"

On the motion of Dr. *K. C. MacDonald*, seconded by Dr. *Sutherland*, it was *Resolved*,—

That the payment of double fees be not required from the promoters of Bill (No. 53) intituled "An Act in Relief of the City of Greenwood," and that the said Bill be placed on the Orders of the Day for second reading at the next sitting of the House.

The following Bills were read a third time and passed:—

Bill (No. 26) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Plans Cancellation Act.'"

Bill (No. 29) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Goat-breeders' Protection Act.'"

Bill (No. 32) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Trustee Act.'"

Bill (No. 51) intituled "An Act to revise and consolidate the 'Vancouver Incorporation Act'" was again committed.

Progress reported.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 2) intituled "An Act to amend certain Acts authorizing Provincial Loans" was committed.

Progress reported.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 36) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Sheriffs Act'" was committed.

Reported complete without amendment.

Report adopted.

Bill read a third time and passed.

In the absence of the Hon. the Minister of Public Works the Hon. the Premier presented the plans and specifications of the Prince Rupert Court-house.

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

And then the House adjourned at 11.14 p.m.