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THREE O'CLOCK P.M.

This being the first day of the fourth meeting of the Fourteenth Parliament or Legislative Assembly of the Province of British Columbia, for the dispatch of business, pursuant to a Proclamation of His Honour Sir Frank Stillman Barnard, Lieutenant-Governor of the Province, dated the 13th day of December, 1919.

Colonel His Honour the Honourable Edward Gawler Prior, Lieutenant-Governor of the Province, having entered the House, took his seat on the Throne, and was pleased to deliver the following gracious Speech:—

Mr. Speaker and Members of the Legislative Assembly:

I welcome you to the fourth Session of the Fourteenth Parliament of the Province of British Columbia.

Since last Session the peace negotiations which then were in progress have resulted in the signing of a Treaty of Peace, which I earnestly hope will be maintained.

During the year last past Canada has been honoured by a visit from His Royal Highness the Prince of Wales, who was received most joyfully by the citizens of all classes, and who, by the kindliness and affability of his conduct, endeared himself to all with whom he came in contact. I feel sure that this visit will strengthen and maintain the solidarity of the Empire which the late war so amply demonstrated.

Since last Session Their Excellencies the Governor-General and the Duchess of Devonshire revisited the Province, and I feel sure that every such visit gratifies the loyal subjects of His Majesty and enures to the benefit of the people as a whole.

The visit of Admiral and Lady Jellicoe, with the officers and crew of the flagship "New Zealand," was the source of much gratification, and I sincerely hope that future developments may prove that the visit of the distinguished Admiral has not been without substantial and beneficial results.

A visit of the Secretary of the Navy of the United States of America was welcomed and received as a courteous and friendly act tendered by the United States to the people of the Empire of Great Britain.

I am pleased to advise you that the financial credit of the Province continues to improve, as reflected in the loans during the present fiscal year. This has been brought about through the

financial policy of my Government, the basis of which is to keep current expenditure within revenue and to borrow only on capital account. The increased efficiency of the Department of Finance is resulting in a more equitable distribution of the burden of taxation and a more rigid collection of revenue.

The timber industry has experienced a prosperous year and the outlook for the ensuing year is most promising. Conservation in perpetuity of this asset is of the most vital importance, and you will be asked for special appropriations for this work.

The careful consideration which has been given to the irrigation problems in the Dry Belt is having most beneficial results. The thorough safeguarding of the whole irrigation situation cannot be overestimated, and a further measure to facilitate the solution of the complicated questions which exist with respect to many irrigation projects will be submitted for your consideration.

As compared with each of the two preceding years, more than double the number of preemption records have been issued, with fewer abandonments and cancellations.

Applications for industrial sites also have shown considerable increase. This progress in settlement and industrial activity renders necessary additional appropriations for surveys, which it is intended shall be made in the British Columbia Southern and Columbia and Western blocks.

Advantage has been taken of the terms of the "Better Housing Act" to the extent of a million and a quarter dollars, which is being used exclusively to provide homes for returned soldiers.

A definite system of administration, under the "Grazing Act" passed last Session, has been established, and will make for effective production and the encouragement of the stock-raising industry.

The past year has witnessed the commencement of an extensive programme for the construction and improvement of a comprehensive system of trunk highways, the emergency appropriation for public-works purposes made last year being used for this purpose with a view to providing employment and carrying on development works of a productive character.

Necessary repairs have been effected on roads, trails, and bridges throughout the Province, returned soldier labour being utilized in this employment wherever locally available.

An amendment to the "Highway Act" will be submitted for your consideration, providing for the classification of roads and apportionment of expenditure thereon.

With a view to facilitating placer-mining, and to further encourage those now, or likely to become, engaged in this industry, you will be asked to consider some changes in the "Placer-mining Act."

You will be asked to decide upon the advisability of placing a reserve on iron ores within certain limited sections of the Province.

It is proposed also to further extend the period under the "Iron Bounties Act."

To further protect investors, amendments to the "Mineral Survey and Development Act" will be submitted.

A Bill will be introduced to consolidate existing legislation relative to the regulation of creameries and dairies.

To further safeguard the public against danger from bovine tuberculosis, amendments to the "Contagious Diseases (Animals) Act" will be submitted.

Colonization-work has been carried on, through the operations of the Land Settlement Board, under the provisions of the "Land Settlement and Development Act." This work will be continued, particularly in large undeveloped areas of the Interior. Amendments to this Act will be brought down to facilitate the further operations of the Board.

Legislation will be submitted providing for the establishment of a school for subnormal boys.

A Bill providing for the legal adoption of children will be placed before you.

Amendments to the "Public Schools Act" will be submitted, providing for the education of children whose parents live under communal conditions.

The construction of the Canadian National Railway terminals at Port Mann, New Westminster, Vancouver, and Victoria has been in progress during the year. About fifty-two miles of steel has been laid on the Vancouver Island portion of the Canadian National Railway, and satisfactory progress has been made with construction of the Canadian National Railway branch line from Kamloops to Kelowna.

Construction of the Pacific Great Eastern Railway northward from Clinton has been prosecuted vigorously, and an agreement has been entered into for the completion of this railway to Fort George during the present year.

My Government has made representations through the Commissioner of Fisheries of this Province, looking to the preservation of the salmon industry in British Columbia.

Amendments to the "Prohibition Act" will be submitted, further regulating and limiting the issuance of prescriptions under this Act.

The "Land Registry Act" will be redrafted in form and submitted to you.

Amendments to the "Game Act" will be placed before you.

Amendments to the "Motor-vehicles Act" for the purposes of facilitating the enforcement of the same will be submitted for your consideration.

Amendments to the "Workmen's Compensation Act" increasing allowances to widows and children of deceased workmen will be introduced.

The Public Accounts for the past fiscal year will be placed before you.

Estimates for the ensuing year, prepared with due regard to economy, will be submitted for your consideration.

I now leave you to your deliberations, feeling confident that you will discharge worthily the duties and responsibilities of the Session.

His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor was then pleased to retire.

Prayers by the Rev. Dr. W. L. Clay.

Mr. Speaker reported that, to prevent mistakes, he had obtained a copy of His Honour's Speech.

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. Oliver, seconded by the Hon. Dr. King, it was Resolved,-

That the Speech of His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor be taken into consideration on Monday next.

Ordered, That the Votes and Proceedings of this House be printed, being first perused by Mr. Speaker, and that he do appoint the printing thereof, and that no person but such as he shall appoint do presume to print the same.

Ordered, That the Select Standing Committees of this House, for the present Session, be appointed for the following purposes:—

- 1. On Standing Orders and Private Bills;
- 2. On Public Accounts;
- 3. On Printing;
- 4. On Railways;
- 5. On Mining;
- 6. On Agriculture;
- 7. On Municipal Matters;

which said Committees shall severally be empowered to examine and inquire into all such matters and things as shall be referred to them by this House, and to report from time to time their observations and opinions thereon, with power to send for persons, papers, and records.

Resolved, That if it shall appear that any person hath been elected or returned a Member of this House, or endeavoured so to be, by bribery or other corrupt practices, this House will proceed with the utmost severity against all such persons as shall have been wilfully concerned in such bribery or other corrupt practices.

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. Farris, Bill (No. 1) intituled "An Act to amend the 'War Statutes Expiration Act'" was introduced, read a first time, and *Ordered* to be read a second time at the next sitting.

The following papers were presented:-

By the Hon, the Minister of Lands—A Return under section 127, chapter 129, Statutes of 1911, of alienation of land within Indian Reserves.

By the Hon, the Minister of Railways—Annual Report of the Department of Railways for the Year ending December 31st, 1919.

By the Hon, the Minister of Mines--Memorandum respecting Salmon Fishery Regulations for the Province of British Columbia.

By the Hon, the Minister of Mines—Bulletin No. 1, 1920: Preliminary Review and Estimate of Mineral Production, 1919.

Resolved, That the House, at its rising, do stand adjourned until 2.30 o'clock p.m. on Monday next.

And then the House adjourned at 3.35 p.m.

Monday, 2nd February, 1920.

HALF-PAST TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by the Rev. J. G. Inkster.

The following petitions were presented:-

By Mr. Anderson—From E. G. Matheson and others, members of the engineering profession, for leave to introduce a Private Bill to incorporate the Association of Professional Engineers in British Columbia. (No. 5.)

By Mr. Pauline—From the Corporation of the District of Saanich, for leave to introduce a Private Bill giving enlarged powers. (No. 4.)

Pursuant to Order, the House proceeded to take into consideration the Speech of His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor at the opening of the Session.

Mr. Nelson (Slocan) moved, seconded by Dr. Sutherland (Revelstoke),-

That an humble Address be presented to His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, thanking His Honour for his gracious Speech at the opening of the present Session.

We note with gratitude the intimation in His Honour's Address that Peace negotiations in progress last year have resulted in the signing of a Treaty of Peace, and we share the hope that this will be maintained.

We express our gratitude that during the year last past His Royal Highness the Prince of Wales honoured this Province with a visit, and feel assured that his genial and affable conduct endeared him to the loyal subjects of His Majesty the King, thereby strengthening the solidarity of the Empire.

We highly appreciate the visit of Their Excellencies the Governor-General and the Duchess of Devonshire, and concur in the sentiment expressed by His Honour that every such visit gratifies the people of the Province and enures to our benefit as a whole.

We concur in the gratification and hope expressed by His Honour respecting the visit of Admiral and Lady Jellicoe.

We appreciate the friendly act tendered by the United States to the people of Great Britain as testified in the visit of the Secretary of the Navy of the United States of America.

We have heard with great pleasure and satisfaction His Honour's statement that the financial credit of the Province continues to improve, and we commend the financial policy of His Honour's

Government in keeping current expenditure within revenue, borrowing only on capital account. We commend also the increased efficiency in the Department of Finance resulting in more equitable distribution of taxation and more rigorous collection of revenue.

We agree that conservation in perpetuity of the timber areas of the Province is of most vital importance, and will give careful consideration to proposals for special appropriation for this work. We appreciate His Honour's statement that careful consideration has been given to the irrigation problem in the Dry Belt, with most beneficial results, and assure His Honour that any further measures to facilitate the solution of irrigation problems will have our most attentive consideration.

We are pleased to note that there has been a large increase in the number of pre-emption records issued, with fewer abandonments and cancellations, indicating increased permanent settlement. The increase in the number of applications for industrial sites is fully appreciated, and we assure His Honour that additional necessary appropriations for surveys looking to further settlement and industrial activity will be sympathetically considered.

We note with approval His Honour's statement that the sum acquired under the terms of the "Better Housing Act" has been used exclusively to provide homes for returned soldiers.

We approve the action of His Honour's Government in commencing a comprehensive system of trunk highways, and commend the use of the appropriation made last year with a view to carrying on development-works of a productive character, thereby providing employment.

We note with satisfaction that in necessary repairs effected on roads, trails, and bridges returned soldier labour has been utilized wherever locally available.

We are gratified to note that through the operations of the Land Settlement Board under the provisions of the "Land Settlement and Development Act" colonization-work has been carried on, and approve the proposal to continue such work in the undeveloped areas of the Province. Amendments to the Act above mentioned will be considered sympathetically.

We note with pleasure the announcement that construction-work has been prosecuted on the various railway-lines within the Province, and particularly approve the action of His Honour's Government in vigorously prosecuting construction-work on the Pacific Great Eastern Railway. We appreciate the intimation that an agreement has been entered into for the completion of this railway to Prince George during the present year.

We approve the action of His Honour's Government in making representations through the Commissioner of Fisheries of this Province looking to the preserving of the salmon industry in British Columbia.

We have heard with interest His Honour's intimation that amendments to certain Acts will be submitted for the consideration of the Legislature, and we assure His Honour that all measures brought before us will be deliberated with the most attentive care.

The Public Accounts for the fiscal year will have our critical scrutiny.

We shall be pleased to consider such estimates of expenditure for the coming year as may be submitted by His Honour's Government for our deliberation.

We assure His Honour of our serious attention to the duties and responsibilities of the Session, and that all questions before us shall have our most thoughtful and conscientious consideration.

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

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. Oliver, seconded by the Hon. Dr. King, it was Resolved,—
That A. M. Manson, Member for Omineca Electoral District, be appointed Deputy Speaker of this House for the present Session.

The following papers were presented:-

By the Hon, the Premier—First Annual Report of the Department of Industries of the Province for the Year ending December 31st, 1919.

By the Hon, the Minister of Railways—Statement of Account: Pacific Great Eastern Railway Company, debtor to the Province of British Columbia, under provisions of chapter 38, 1916.

By the Hon, the Provincial Secretary—The Twenty-third Report of the Provincial Board of Health for the Year ending June 30th, 1919.

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

EDWD. GAWLER PRIOR,

Lieutenant-Governor.

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

Government House,

February 2nd, 1920.

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. 3) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Soldiers' Land 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. Pattullo presented to Mr. Speaker a Message from His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, which read as follows:—

EDWD. GAWLER PRIOR.

Lieutenant-Governor.

The Lieutenant-Governor transmits herewith a Bill intituled "An Act to amend the 'Crown Lands Sub-purchasers' Indemnity Act,'" and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,

February 2nd, 1920.

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 the 'Crown Lands Sub-purchasers' Indemnity 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.

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

And then the House adjourned at 4.25 p.m.

Tuesday, 3rd February, 1920.

HALF-PAST TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by the Rev. Dr. Campbell, Ph.D.

The Hon. the Premier informed the House of the death of F. H. Mobley, Esquire, the Member representing the Electoral District of Atlin.

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

And then the House adjourned at 2.45 p.m.

Wednesday, 4th February, 1920.

HALF-PAST TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by the Rev. R. M. Thomas.

The following petitions were presented:-

By Mr. Hall—From the Corporation of the City of Victoria, for leave to introduce a Private Bill for enabling and enlarged powers. (No. 6.)

By Mr. Weart—From the British Pacific Casualty Company, for leave to introduce a Private Bill to change its name and for certain powers. (No. 1.)

By Mr. Hall—From the New Ladysmith Limited Company, for leave to introduce a Private Bill to amend the "Ladysmith Lumber Company Railway Act, 1908." (No. 3.)

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

EDWD. GAWLER PRIOR,

Lieutenant-Governor.

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

Government House,

February 4th, 1920.

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. 4) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Mental Hospitals 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. Dr. MacLean presented to Mr. Speaker a Message from His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, which read as follows:—

EDWD. GAWLER PRIOR,

Lieutenant-Governor.

The Lieutenant-Governor transmits herewith a Bill intituled "An Act to establish a Subnormal Boys' School," and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

February 4th, 1920.

Government House,

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. 5) intituled "An Act to establish a Subnormal Boys' School," 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 papers were presented:-

By the Hon, the Minister of Finance—The Public Accounts of the Province for the Fiscal Year ended March 31st, 1919.

By the Hon, the Minister of Lands—A Return under section 6 of chapter 80 of the Statutes of British Columbia, 1918, of operations carried on under the "Soldiers' Land Act" and the "Soldiers' Land Act Amendment Act, 1919."

Pursuant to Order, the House resumed the adjourned debate on the Address in reply to the Speech of His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor at the opening of the Session.

On the motion of Mr. Duncan, the debate was adjourned until to-morrow.

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

Mr. Bowser asked the Hon. the Minister of Railways the following questions:-

- 1. Was the Cheakamus Bridge on the Pacific Great Eastern Railway destroyed by fire in 1919?
 - 2. Had any precaution been taken to safeguard the bridge against fire?
- 3. What fire patrols were on duty in the neighbourhood at the time the destruction took place?
 - 4. Who was responsible for the fact that the bridge was not more efficiently protected?
 - 5. What was the cost incurred in replacing the bridge?

The Hon. Mr. Oliver replied as follows:-

- "I Yes
- "2. Bridge protected against fire in accordance with standard railway practice.
- "3. Forest Branch Fire Patrol.
- "4. Answered by No. 2.
- "5. \$42,000, including freight and passenger transport and temporary bridge and aerial tramway necessary for this transfer."

And then the House adjourned at 5.25 p.m.

Thursday, 5th February, 1920.

HALF-PAST TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by the Rev. Joseph McCoy.

The following petitions were received:-

From the Corporation of the City of Victoria, for leave to introduce a Private Bill for enabling and enlarged powers. (No. 6.)

From the British Pacific Casualty Company, for leave to introduce a Private Bill to change its name and for certain powers. (No. 1.)

From the New Ladysmith Limited Company, for leave to introduce a Private Bill to amend the "Ladysmith Lumber Company Railway Act, 1908." (No. 3.)

From E. G. Matheson and others, members of the engineering profession, for leave to introduce a Private Bill to incorporate the Association of Professional Engineers in British Columbia. (No. 5.)

From the Corporation of the District of Saanich, for leave to introduce a Private Bill giving enlarged powers. (No. 4.)

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

EDWD. GAWLER PRIOR,

Lieutenant-Governor.

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

· Government House,

February 4th, 1920.

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. 6) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Mount Robson Park Act," a draft of which is annexed to this Resolution.

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

On February 4th, 1920, the Hon. Mr. *Oliver, rising to a point of order, called attention to the following questions filed by the Hon. Mr. Bowser:—

"1. What is the total amount expended for salaries, either temporary or permanent, in respect to Civil Government or Administration for the month ending January 31st, 1920, by virtue of votes of the Legislature, authority conveyed in special Acts and special warrants?

"2. What proportions of the said expenditure relate to and are apportioned against the following: (a) Premier's office; (b) all offices under the jurisdiction of Department of Agriculture; (c) all offices under the jurisdiction of Department of Attorney-General; (d) all offices under the jurisdiction of Department of Education; (e) all offices under the jurisdiction of Department of Finance; (f) all offices under the jurisdiction of Department of Education; (h) all offices under the jurisdiction of Department of Lands; (h) all offices under the jurisdiction of Department of Mines; (j) all offices under the jurisdiction of Department of Provincial Secretary; (k) all offices under the jurisdiction of Department of Provincial Secretary; (n) all offices under the jurisdiction of Department of Railways; (m) 'Mineral Survey and Development Act, 1917'; (n) 'Workmen's Compensation Act'; (o) 'Public Utilities Act'; (p) Department of Industries; (q) Returned Soldiers' Aid Commission; (r) Land Settlement Board; (s) 'Soldiers' Land Act'; (t) Conservation Fund under 'Water Act'; (u) 'Taxation Act, 1917'; (v) 'Infants Act'; (w) 'Minimum Wage Act for Women'; (x) 'Sheriffs Act'; (y) Labour Employment Agencies; (z) Fire Insurance Department?"

It was objected that the matter should properly be dealt with as notice of motion for a Return to the House instead of by question. After debate thereon, Mr. Speaker *Keen* gave the following ruling:—

"I am of opinion that the right of asking questions has in recent years been much abused, and the scope of many questions has gone far beyond those permitted by our Rules (No. 45) which may be put to Ministers of the Crown relating to Public Affairs; e.g., the age of women clerks; particulars of expenditure referred to in the Public Accounts published years ago; why some particular man was discharged; resignation of Civil Servants, etc.; are in my opinion matters of insufficient public importance to engage the time and attention of this House. I am doubtful if they should be printed at all, and while this House would instantly resent with vigour any attempt to curtail its inquisitorial rights and powers, the pulse of the House would seem to indicate that its powers should not be applied in such instances as the foregoing. I find in Parliamentary Debates (Imp.), 3rd Series, Volume 209, page 446, that a question arose as to the length of a question asked by Mr. Dickson in reference to Denomination Schools. The point was taken by Mr. Osburn as to whether questions of this nature and replies thereto might not more properly be given in the shape of a Return. The Speaker, in ruling, replied as follows:

'A member is at liberty to seek information by putting a question to a Minister, or by moving for a Return. The question asked by the Honourable Member covered a great deal of ground, and very naturally the Right Honourable Gentleman found it necessary in his answer to travel over a great deal of ground, but much of the information asked might have been given by Return as the Honourable Gentleman has suggested.' See also Parliamentary Debates (Imp.), Volume 211, page 606.

"The practice in the Dominion House does not apply to us, but it will be seen from an examination of page 35 to 49 of the Analytical Index of their debates (1916), numerous examples of motions for Returns, which would be improper to ask for by question. In the 12th edition of May, page 223, it is stated that the purpose of a question is to obtain information, and not to supply it to the House. See Parliamentary Debates (Dom.), 4th Series, Volume 9, page 1619, I am of opinion that information such as that referred to in the question, involving as it does the expenditure of much time in segregation, and covering a great deal of ground, would more properly be obtainable by motion for a Return, giving information to the House."

Mr. Bowser appealed from the ruling of the Chair,

The House divided.

Duncan,

Burde,

The Chair was sustained on the following division:-

Macdonald, M. A.,

Sutherland,

Yeas—12.

Messieurs

Pooley,	McDonald, A.,	Bowser,	Hawthornthwaite,	
Schofield,	MacKenzie, F. J. A	L., Rose,	Willson,	
Jones,	Ross,	McKenzie, W. A.	Whiteside.	
		Nays—26.		
Messieurs				
Bell,	Mrs. Smith,	Thompson,	Walters,	
Yorston,	Cowper,	Anderson,	Stewart,	
Nelson,	McIntosh,	Macdonald, K. C.,	Pauline,	
Hanes,	Oliver,	Weart,	Hall,	
Giolma,	King,	MacLean,	Buckham,	

Pursuant to Order, the House resumed the adjourned debate on the Address in reply to the Speech of His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor at the opening of the Session.

On the motion of Mrs. Smith, the debate was adjourned until to-morrow.

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

Pattullo.

And then the House adjourned at 5 p.m.

Friday, 6th February, 1920.

HALF-PAST TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Fisher.

Prayers by the Rev. Theo. Habershon.

Mr. Jackson (for Mr. Whiteside) presented a petition from W. C. T. Gillam and others, architects in the Province of British Columbia, for leave to introduce a Private Bill to establish a national status for the architectural profession. (No. 2.)

Pursuant to Order, the House resumed the adjourned debate on the Address in reply to the Speech of His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor at the opening of the Session.

On the motion of Mr. Jackson, the debate was adjourned until Monday next.

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

- 1. What was the cost price of Saxon car purchased for District Engineer A. E. Hodgins?
- 2. When was same purchased, and from whom?
- 3. What is total cost of repairs to date?
- 4. What is total cost of accessories to date?
- 5. What is total cost of gasolene and oil to date?

The Hon. Dr. King replied as follows:-

- "1. \$1,736; it was an Overland car, not Saxon.
- "2. December 20th, 1918; T. Plimley.
- "3, \$751.99,
- " 4. \$66.50.
- " 5. \$173.50."

Dr. Rose asked the Hon. the Provincial Secretary the following questions:-

- 1. Has the position of Provincial Health Organizer been filled?
- 2. Has a Miss Forshaw been appointed?
- 3. When was she appointed?
- 4. Was the position advertised? If not, upon whose recommendation was the appointment made?
 - 5. What salary does the position carry?
 - 6. What is the age and qualifications of the appointee?

The Hon. Dr. MacLean replied as follows:-

- "1. There is no such position as Provincial Health Organizer.
- "2. Miss Forshaw is not in the employ of the Government."

Mr. Ross asked the Hon. the Provincial Secretary the following questions:-

- 1. When did Dr. Alexander Robinson cease to be Superintendent of Education?
- 2. What notice of retirement did he receive?
- 3. For how long did his salary continue after retirement?
- 4. What payment is usually made to Civil Servants whose services are dispensed with?
- 5. How long had he been in the Service?
- 6. What was his age when entering the Service and on retirement?
- 7. When did his successor assume office?
- 8. At what notice did his successor assume the position?
- 9. Who is the present Superintendent of Education, his age and salary?
- 10. Was the position advertised?
- 11. If not advertised, why not?
- 12. Was the Civil Service Commissioner consulted about the appointment of the new Superintendent of Education?
 - 13. Why was not some one in the Service promoted?
 - 14. Why was a returned soldier not appointed?

The Hon. Dr. MacLean replied as follows:-

- "1. November 3rd, 1919.
- "2. None.
- "3. Three months.
- "4. No fixed rule.
- "5. From 10th April, 1899; twenty years and seven months.
- "6. Thirty-six years; fifty-six years.
- "7. November 15th, 1919.
- "8. Question ambiguous.
- "9. S. J. Willis; forty-two years; \$4,000.
- "10. No.
- "11. Appointment made under section 15 of 'Civil Service Act.'
- "12. Yes.
- "13. Selected the most suitable man in the Province for the position.
- "14. Answered by No. 13."

Mr. W. A. McKenzie asked the Hon. the Minister of Public Works the following question:-

What amounts were expended by the Public Works Department for salaries of Engineers and Road Superintendents (exclusive of Departmental Engineers at Victoria) for each of the fiscal years ending March 31st, as follows: 1910, 1911, 1912, 1913, 1914, 1915, 1916, 1917, 1918, and 1919?

The Hon. Dr. King replied as follows:—

"1910, \$34,960.75; 1911, \$48,296.05; 1912, \$55,232.77; 1913, \$68,678; 1914, \$81,133.70; 1915, \$63,605.35; 1916, \$58,886.55; 1917, \$50,704.45; 1918, \$70,703.42; 1919, \$68,758.96."

Mr. Giolma asked the Hon. the Attorney-General the following questions:-

- 1. What quantity of fermented spirits and liquor was purchased by the Provincial Government during the calendar year 1919?
 - 2. What was the total quantity sold during 1919?
 - 3. What quantity was in stock on December 31st, 1918?
 - 4. What quantity was in stock on December 31st, 1919?
- 5. What was the sum expended by the Provincial Government on purchase of fermented liquor and spirits during the year 1919?
 - 6. What was the amount received on sales account during the year 1919?
 - 7. What was the value of stock in hand on December 31st, 1918?
 - 8. What was the value of stock in hand on December 31st, 1919?
- 9. What was the total sum of sales effected during 1919 at the liquor dispensaries respectively at Vancouver, Victoria, and Prince Rupert?
- 10. Has the Government any figures relating to quantity and value of spirits sold to residents in the following cities by the liquor dispensaries at: (a) Nelson; (b) Cranbrook; (c) Fernie; (d) Kamloops; (e) Revelstoke; (f) Rossland; (g) Duncan; (h) Nanaimo; (i) Alberni and Port Alberni; (j) Sooke; (k) Smithers; (l) Vernon; (m) Summerland; (n) Kelowna?
- 11. What was the amount expended on salaries and wages of Liquor Department during the year 1919?

In the absence of the Hon. the Attorney-General, the Premier replied that a Return would be prepared and presented to the Legislature containing the information required.

Mr. Bowser asked the Hon. the Provincial Secretary the following question:—

What are the particulars of the recent regrading of the Civil Service in the case of all officials receiving \$150 per month and over, under the new scale, showing: (1) Salary at present time; (2) salary at March 31st, 1919; (3) length of service?

The Hon. Dr. MacLean replied as follows:-

"The following is the list of officials in the Service receiving \$150 per month or over under the regraded scale, with position, date of entering Service, salary at March 31st, 1919, and salary regraded:—

"Agriculture Department-

Warnock, David, Deputy Minister; 1-4-19; \$333.33 (salary regraded).

Bonavia, W. J., Chief Clerk; 29-7-11; \$150.33; \$160.

Hoy, Ben, Assistant Horticulturist; 15-6-09; \$136.66; \$175.

White, E. W., Assistant Horticulturist; 1-5-10; \$135; \$175.

Robertson, W. H., Assistant Horticulturist; 1-8-12; L.A.M.D.; \$175.

Lyne, W. H., Inspector Imported Fruit; 15-3-05; \$151.66; \$200.

Gavet, D., Assistant Inspector Imported Fruit; 1-2-08; \$135; \$150.

Eastham, J. W., Plant Pathologist; 1-5-14; \$180; \$180.

Grant, J. A., Prairie Markets Commissioner; 16-4-17; \$140; \$200.

Abbott, R. C., Coast Markets Commissioner; 1-10-14; \$200; \$220.

McDonald, W. T., Live-stock Commissioner; 1-7-12; \$208.33; \$220.

Rive, H., Dairy Instructor; 11-10; L.A.M.D.; \$200,

Terry, J. R., Poultry Instructor; 31-12-10; \$150; \$160.

Upton, H. E., Poultry Instructor; 2-4-12; \$125; \$150.

Wiancko, T. A. F., Dairy Instructor; 15-10-13; \$150; \$160.

White, Dr. S. A. K., Assistant Veterinary Inspector; 1-7-10; \$155; \$155. Knight, Dr. A., Veterinary Inspector; 1-8-07; \$175; \$175. Alton, Dr. W. W., Assistant Veterinary Inspector; 4-12-10; \$155; \$155. Illsley, Dr. B. R., Assistant Veterinary Inspector; 1-3-11; \$155; \$155. McKay, D. H., Assistant Veterinary Inspector; 9-6-13; \$125; \$155. Newton, W., Soil and Crop Instructor; 15-6-14; L.A.M.D.; \$150, L.A. Brookes, Dr. W., Assistant Veterinary Inspector; 11-14; \$125; \$155. Sparrow, M., Assistant Veterinary Inspector; 7-13; L.A.M.D.; \$155. Hayes, Miss O., Domestic Science Instructor; 2-1-19; \$150; \$150. Hunt, R. A., Secretary, L.S.B.; 22-6-12; \$150; \$175. Sonley, C. E., Accountant; 5-17; \$125; \$150.

Furk, F., Cost Accountant; 1-11-19; \$175 (salary regarded).

"Attorney-General's Department-

Johnson, A. M., Deputy Minister: 15-1-17: \$375: \$400. Pineo, A. V., Legislative Counsel; 1-1-13; \$320; \$350.

Carter, W. D., Departmental Solicitor; 1-6-18; \$290; \$300.

Colvin, W. B., Chief Clerk; 14-5-08; \$155; \$160.

Crane, H. J., Inspector Legal Offices; 7-6-19; \$250 (salary regraded).

Baird, R., Inspector Municipalities; 1-5-14; \$250; \$250.

Hepburn, W., Censor; 5-9-17; \$170; \$175.

Smith, J. A., Assistant Censor; 6-13; \$130; \$150.

Oswald, W. A., Inspector; 1-7-14; \$135; \$150.

Sclater, J. A., Prohibition Commissioner; 23-1-19; \$300; \$300.

Horne, T., Vendor, Victoria; 1-10-17; \$125; \$187.50.

Rogers, G. T., Vendor, Vancouver; 30-6-12; \$110; \$175.

Urquhart, H. A., Vendor, Vancouver; 20-9-17; \$150; \$200.

McDonald, C., Sheriff, Vancouver; 1-7-18; \$333.33; \$333.33.

Bourque, J. S., Deputy Sheriff, Vancouver; 1-7-18; \$140; \$175.

Richards, F. G., Sheriff, Victoria; 1-11-19; \$250 (salary regraded).

Sangster, R., Deputy Sheriff, Victoria; 1-11-19; \$175 (salary regraded).

Craig, H. V., Registrar; 7-9-19; \$225 (salary regraded).

Stokes, E. S., Registrar; 11-6-12; \$200; \$225.

Townley, T. O., Registrar; 1-4-17; \$260; \$275.

Cheyne, R. H., Chief Clerk; 19-2-06; \$163.33; \$175.

MacLeod, H. F., District Registrar; 2-01; \$200; \$225.

Smith, A. G., Registrar; 11-91; \$400; \$400.

Granger, R. T. F., Chief Clerk; 1-2-92; \$203.33; \$203.33.

Jones, G. B., Clerk; 25-5-05; \$147; \$150.

McLean, J. A., Clerk; 17-10-10; \$121; \$150.

Stacpoole, F. J., Registrar-General; 12-11-18; \$300; \$300.

Fort, E. M., Chief Clerk; 17-3-91; \$203.33; \$203.33.

Ward, B. F. J., Clerk, 6-11-12; \$158.33; \$158.33.

Cashmore, T., Clerk and Book-keeper; 1-8-05; \$146; \$150.

Garrett, H. G., Registrar; 1-11-10; \$300; \$316.66.

Bowman, T. M., Court Registrar; 1905; \$176.33; \$180.

Cambridge, J. J., Chief Clerk; 1-8-90; \$187.33; \$190.

Burritt, W. E., Registrar; 1-1-09; \$183.33; \$185.

Pottenger, A. B., Registrar; 1-11-07; \$310; \$310 (resigned).

Dockerill, J. C., Deputy Registrar; 1-4-92; \$178.33; \$180.

Frith, H. N., Chief Clerk; 4-5-12; \$110; \$150.

Mather, James F., Registrar; 15-12-19; \$275 (salary regraded).

Drake, B. H. T., Registrar; 25-10-95; \$237; \$250.

Hose, R. E., Acting Game Inspector; 7-10-11; \$125; \$175.

Remnant, L. J., Secretary; 26-5-19; \$250 (salary regraded).

McMynn, W. G., Superintendent; 1891; \$280; \$300.

Murray, F. R., Inspector; 9-97; \$175; \$212.50.

Cox, D. G., Cashier; 7-97; \$160; \$160.

Hood, G. A., Chief Detective; 1-12-11; \$135; \$150. Fraser, J. A., Chief Constable; 6-04; \$130; \$150. Parsons, T. S., Deputy Inspector; 4-12; \$145; \$180. Minty, A. C., Chief Constable; 1-9-01; \$145; \$155. Gammon, E., Chief Constable; 18-7-18; \$125; \$150. Fernie, W. L., Deputy Inspector; 23-4-01; L.A.M.D.; \$170. Dunwoody, W. R., Deputy Inspector; 1-11-10; \$160; \$185. Taylor, H., Chief Constable; 3-8-11; \$140; \$150. Owen, W., Deputy Inspector, 29-3-09; \$175; \$200. Thomas, J. A., Fire Inspector's Office; 4-11-18; \$125; \$175. Campbell, C. S., Warden; 8-3-97; \$160; \$175.

"Education Department-

Willis, S. J., Superintendent; 1-11-19; \$333.33 (salary regraded). Gillis, J. D., Assistant Superintendent; 1-7-06; \$250; \$275. Cruickshank, G., Chief Clerk; 1-5-91; \$194.33; \$194.33. Wilson, D., Officer-in-charge; 1-7-87; \$230; \$230. Gibson, J. W., Director; 1-7-14; \$270; \$275. Small, E. L., District Supervisor; 1-8-16; \$158.33; \$175. Britton, J. E., District Supervisor; 1-8-16; \$158.33; \$175. Hopkins, S. H., District Supervisor; 1-6-14; \$150; \$166.66. Austin, W. J., District Supervisor; 1-8-17; \$150; \$166.66. Hallwright, H. E., District Supervisor; 8-17; \$150; \$166.66. Shales, J. M., District Supervisor; 1-6-19; \$158.33 (salary regraded). Readey, J. C., District Supervisor; 10-5-13; \$166.66; \$183.33. Kyle, J., Organizer; 3-10; \$245; \$250. Hargreaves, J., Instructor, C.C.; 8-4-19; \$175 (salary regraded). DeLong, J. B., Inspector; 1-1-13; \$210; \$235. Miller, A. E., Inspector of Schools; 1-1-09; \$216.66; \$230. Pollock, J. T., Inspector of Schools; 17-7-10; \$211.66; \$225. May, W. H., Inspector of Schools; 1-8-11; \$203.33; \$225. MacKenzie, H. H., Inspector of Schools; 6-12; \$200; \$220. Bruce, L. J., Inspector of Schools; 13-12-12; \$190; \$210. Gower, G. H., Inspector of Schools; 1-1-13; \$190; \$210. Martin, J., Inspector of Schools; 12-7-13; \$190; \$210. Antsey, A., Inspector of Schools; 21-7-13; \$190; \$210. Lord, A. R., Inspector of Schools; 1-9-15; \$180; \$205. Calvert, F., Inspector of Schools; 1-2-18; \$175; \$200. Winsby, W. N., Inspector of Schools; 1-11-11; L.A.M.D.; \$220. Sullivan, A., Inspector of Schools; 5-09; L.A.M.D.; \$250. Mathews, A. F., Inspector of Schools; 1-10-18; \$175; \$195. Paterson, J. M., Inspector of Schools; 1-8-19; \$190 (salary regraded). Burns, W., Principal; 1-92; \$250; \$275. Robinson, D. M., Assistant Master; 9-11; \$233.33; \$243.33. MacLean, H. B., Assistant Master; 1-15; \$200; \$220. Weston, W. P., Drawing-master; 4-14; \$190; \$215. MacIntosh, J. A., Master; 1-8-19; \$200 (salary regraded). Burpee, Miss L. A., Assistant Mistress, 8-12; \$145; \$160. Coney, Miss E. M., Music Mistress; 4-13; \$130; \$150. Murphy, E. H., Master; 1-1-11; L.A.M.D.; \$250. MacLaurin, D. L., Principal; 1-18-10; \$250; \$275. Denton, V. L., Assistant Master; 1-7-12; \$210; \$230. Dunnell, H., Drawing Teacher; 9-03; \$206.66; \$225. Freeman, B. S., Master; 1-18-19; \$200 (salary regraded).

"Finance Department-

Goepel, W. J., Deputy Minister; 1-5-93; \$350; \$350. Graves, W. E., Chief Clerk; 1-7-08; \$175; \$175. Campbell, A. C., Cashier; 1-11-17; \$150; \$150. Finlayson, H. M., Clerk; 6-12-97; \$147; \$150.

Johnson, E. D., Inspector of Revenue; 18-8-19; \$250 (salary regraded).

Runnals, W. U., Inspector; 20-4-02; \$220; \$240 (resigned).

Paterson, J., Purchasing Agent; 14-1-18; \$250; \$260.

Hamilton, A. V., Assistant Purchasing Agent; 20-6-19; \$166.66 (salary regraded).

Wright, H. N., Deputy Comptroller-General; 13-5-12; \$208.33; \$250.

McHaffie, S. D., Accountant; 1-10-17; \$110; \$150.

McNeill, A. B., Auditor of Revenue; 1-10-17; \$185; \$210.

Tyrer, A. S., Travelling Auditor; 1-11-13; \$135; \$150.

Wilmot, R. P., Travelling Auditor; 8-6-14; L.A.M.D.; \$150.

Munn, H. A., Special Auditor; 21-10-18; \$135; \$150.

Howard, H. N.; Auditor of Disbursements; 1898; \$185; \$210.

Harrison, F. H., Chief Clerk; 22-10-17; \$125; \$150.

Leason, E. E., Surveyor of Taxes; 2-1-10; \$225; \$275.

Martin, V. C., Assistant Surveyor of Taxes; 15-10-17; \$200; \$250.

Vesey, W., Auditor; 13-5-18; \$150; \$160.

Wilson, W. C. H., Special Auditor; 16-12-18; \$175; \$250.

Hagger, W. J., Special Auditor; 9-10-18; \$150; \$150.

York, L. S. V., Special Auditor; 4-1-16; \$135; \$150.

Roberts, S. V., Auditor; 4-6-19; \$165 (salary regraded).

Brown, C. R., Auditor; 23-6-19; \$160 (salary regraded).

Freeze, A. G., Government Agent; 1-12-13; \$150; \$160.

Andrew, H., Government Agent; 1-10-17; \$150; \$150.

Alexander, J. S., Government Agent; 1-7-10; \$132; \$150.

Fraser, J. A., Government Agent; 1-7-02; \$200; \$200. Dodd, L. A., Government Agent; 1-9-06; \$143.33; \$150.

Milburn, G., Government Agent; 8-8-10; \$165; \$170. Wallinger, N. A., Government Agent; 1905; \$175; \$185.

Baird, J., Government Agent; 15-10-97; \$171.66; \$175.

Dougall, J. M., Government Agent; 6-91 (N/C); \$155.33; \$160.

Brown, J. R., Government Agent; 1895; \$171.66; \$175.

Hewat, R., Government Agent; 10-10-05; \$166.66; \$175.

Herne, T. W., Government Agent; 5-8-07; \$166.66; \$175.

Bulman, J., Government Agent; 1-10-00; \$160; \$170.

Almond, S. R., Government Agent; 6-97; \$150.33; \$160.

Dewdney, W. R., Government Agent; 1-3-01; \$155; \$160.

Fisher, E., Government Agent; 1-7-01; \$170; \$185.

Brown, L. S., Assessor and Collector; 22-3-12; \$135; \$150.

Stenson, R. J., Government Agent; 12-8-01; \$168.33; \$175.

McQueen, A., Assessor; 11-6-16; \$135; \$150.

Dunlop, J., Assessor and Mining Recorder; 15-4-16; \$150; \$160.

Murchison, J., Government Agent and Assessor; 17-12-17; \$150; \$160.

Smith, S. McB., Government Agent; 11-00; \$187.66; \$187.66.

Forrester, A., Assessor; 14-6-17; \$150; \$160.

Ferguson, E., Assessor; 1-8-18; \$150; \$155.

Cartmel, John, Government Agent; 26-3-07; L.A.M.D.; \$190.

Campbell, F. C., Government Agent; 12-7-00; \$191.66; \$200.

Creighton, J. W., Assessor and Collector; 1-3-09; \$173.66; \$175.

Jones, W. A. D., Assistant Assessor; 5-93; \$154; \$154.

McMullin, J. H., Government Agent; 8-10-01; \$171.66; \$185.

Homer, C. W., Assessor; 11-8-09; \$163.33; \$170.

Conway, J., Mining Recorder; 3-03; \$154; \$160.

Hunter, H., Government Agent; 24-8-89; \$154; \$160.

Lunn, E. C., Government Agent; 28-12-08; \$165; \$175.

Couldwell, W., Acting Assessor; 26-12-14; \$100; \$150.

Johnson, A., Government Agent; 1-9-17; \$166.66; \$175.

Stewart, J. A., Assessor and Collector; 1-8-13; L.A.M.D.; \$150.

Townsend, H. R., Government Agent; 3-5-93; \$175; \$175.

Hoskins, S. H., Government Agent; 11-2-96; \$168.33; \$175.

Welch, H., Assessor and Collector; 28-7-09; \$150; \$160.

Mahony, J., Government Agent; 6-10-91; \$200; \$225.

Grant, A. P., Mining Recorder; 1907; \$145; \$160,

Clint, J., Deputy Assessor; 1-6-06; \$154; \$160.

Cameron, J. W., Engineer; 1-10-10; \$150; \$155.

Brown, N. R., Assessor and Collector; 10-3-99; \$146; \$175.

McMaster, E. B., Assessor and Collector; 1-12-19; \$200 (salary regraded).

Norris, L., Government Agent; 1-8-90; \$171.66; \$175.

Wilmot, H. F., Assessor; 3-4-03; \$162.66; \$162.66.

Leeming, T. H., Assessor; 1-6-17; \$175; \$225.

Sehl, F. J., Collector; 3-09 (N/C); \$125; \$175.

Sandilands, E. M., Mining Recorder; 4-93; \$147; \$150.

"Fisheries Department-

Babcock, J. P., Assistant Commissioner; 15-10-01; \$285; \$300.

"Industries Department—

Martyn, Major D. B., Commissioner; 16-6-19; \$250 (salary regraded).

"Lands Department-

Naden, G. R., Deputy Minister; 15-1-17; \$300; \$350.

Peterson, C. B., Assistant to Deputy Minister; 1-1-17; \$200; \$250.

Currie, W. H., Clerk; 1-8-19; \$150 (salary regraded).

Pope, C. A., Assistant to Commissioner; 28-3-08; \$200; \$220.

Hoy, J., Chief Clerk; 12-8-06; \$182.66; \$195.

Smith, J. G., Statistician; 1-12-12; \$183.33; \$185.

Morris, H. E., Assistant Accountant; 4-4-11; \$130; \$150.

Tuthill, D. H. R., Clerk; 28-6-12; \$140; \$150.

Robbins, W. A., Clerk; 26-9-07; \$141; \$150.

Pite, N. F., Accountant; 12-12; \$150; \$175.

Reeves, F. W., Clerk; 28-6-17; \$115; \$150.

Hopper, C. E., Clerk; 29-3-03; \$120; \$150.

Cathcart, Henry, Superintendent; 1884; \$245; \$270.

Taylor, N., Assistant Superintendent; 27-8-06; L.A.M.D.; \$175.

Smith, J. W., Inspector of Pre-emptions; 24-3-13; \$135; \$160.

Grainger, M. A., Chief Forester; 10-09; \$300; \$325.

Caverhill, P. Z., Forester; 1912 (N/C); \$250; \$300.

Turnbull, W., Lumber Trade Commissioner; 1-4-19; \$250 (salary regraded).

Manning, E. C., Forest Assistant; 1-6-18; \$185; \$220.

Barclay, S. W., Inspector; \$-7-12; \$191.33; \$200.

Pidcock, W. E., Assistant Range Inspector; 1-2-17; \$150; \$158.33.

Munford, A. G., Inspector of Rangers; 7-12; L.A.M.D.; \$150.

Loveland, W. F., Inspector of Rangers; 1910; L.A.M.D.; \$150.

Andrews, L. R., Assistant Forester; 11-12; \$200; \$275.

Bonney, P. S., Forester; 6-5-13; \$200; \$220.

Cowan, C. S., Assistant Forester; 4-14; \$150; \$210.

McVicar, F., Forest Assistant; 1-5-14; \$150; \$175.

Brown, S. W., Inspector B.R. Com.; 25-4-17; \$175; \$200.

Robinson, H. K., Assistant Forester; 1-4-12; L.A.M.D.; \$225.

Christie, H. R., Assistant Chief Forester; 5-5-13; L.A.M.D.; \$300,

Parlow, A. E., Assistant Forester; 1-12-19; \$200 (salary regraded).

Moore, N., Chief Scaler; 20-6-18; \$150; \$190.

Pym, F. H., Ranger; 16-2-17; \$115; \$150.

Watson, G. B., Ranger; 5-12; \$116.66; \$150.

Milroy, J., Assistant Supervisor of Scalers; 12-8-13; \$125; \$150.

MacDonald, J. G., District Forester; 8-5-14; \$150; \$185.

Lang Muir, W., Supervisor; 1912; \$115; \$150.

Bevan, A., Forest Assistant; 6-12; L.A.M.D.; \$150.

Brewer, T. H., Supervisor; 1913; L.A.M.D.; \$150. Sharkey, P., District Forester; 5-13; \$150; \$190. Haddon, C. J., Ranger; 5-11; L.A.M.D.; \$150. Prowd, E. B., District Forester; 5-15; \$175; \$200. Black, A. M., Ranger; 1912; \$125; \$150. Nelson, H. S., Ranger; 5-12; \$125; \$150. Price, J. T., Ranger; 1908; \$125; \$150. Allen, R. E., District Forester; 4-98; \$200; \$200. Whitehead, F., Scaler; 1-6-17; \$140; \$150. Simpson, J. E., Scaler; 30-7-17; \$140; \$150. Scott, W., Scaler; 16-7-17; \$140; \$150. Chestnut, R. H., Inspector of Rangers; 6-14; \$125; \$175. Turnbull, J., Ranger; 1913; L.A.M.D.; \$175. Van Dusen, W. J., Forester; 15-1-13; \$250; \$275 (resigned). MacKay, J., Chief Clerk; 1899 (N/C); \$150; \$165. St. Clair, R. C., Assistant Forester; 1-6-18; \$185; \$210. Bryant, A. L., Superintendent of Scalers; 1-7-06; \$225; \$250. Hillis, J. M., Assistant Superintendent of Scalers; 23-4-07; \$190; \$200. McKay, G. R., Scaler; 1-4-09; \$160; \$170. McLean, J., Scaler; 15-9-07; \$160; \$170. McLeod, J. T., Scaler; 19-6-12; \$160; \$170. Galbraith, D. A., Scaler; 1-7-06; \$160; \$170. Marshall, J. F., Scaler; 5-11; \$160; \$170. Garrett, A., Scaler; 1-7-06; \$150; \$160. Cameron, A., Scaler; 1-5-13; \$150; \$160. Durrell, J. N., Scaler; 1-6-13; \$150; \$160. McRae, F., Scaler; 1-4-13; \$150; \$160. Henry, T., Scaler; 23-5-14; \$150; \$160. Marshall, G. H., Scaler; 6-14; \$150; \$160. Dunning, A. E., Scaler; 1-3-10; \$150; \$160. Durant, C. C., Scaler; 23-7-17; \$140; \$150. McRae, J. A., Recorder; 1-7-11; \$120; \$150. Stuart, R. V., Inspector of Rangers; 4-5-14; \$150; \$190. Flumerfelt, W. R., Assistant Inspector of Rangers; 11-12; \$150; \$175. McDonald, F. A., Inspector of Rangers; 5-17; \$140; \$175. Mills, R. E., Ranger; 15-7-14; \$125; \$150. Noot, J. R., Ranger; 17-2-17; \$120; \$150. Davies, G. L., Ranger; 14-5-17; \$120; \$150. Fairbank, J. A., Ranger; 7-15; \$115; \$150. Daniels, J. M., Ranger; 28-5-17; \$115; \$150. Black, Wm., Ranger; 5-11; L.A.M.D.; \$175. Melrose, G. P., District Forester; 8-6-14; \$150; \$190. Thomas, H. H., Ranger; 5-13; \$125; \$150. McCluskey, J. W., Ranger; 15-8-14; \$120; \$150. Allen, M. V., District Forester; 4-13; L.A.M.D.; \$160. Hicks, H. B., District Engineer; 6-11; L.A.M.D.; \$200. Varcoe, C., Engineer; 8-11; \$200; \$220. Groves, F. W., Engineer; 5-15; \$200; \$220. Marshall, A. D., Assistant Engineer; 6-13; L.A.M.D.; \$150. Biker, W. J. E., Engineer; 1912; \$200; \$220. Hodgson, D. W., Assistant Engineer; 14-4-19; L.A.M.D.; \$150. Cleveland, E. A., Comptroller of Water Rights; 1-2-19; \$416.66; \$416.66. Armstrong, J. F., Chairman, Board of Investigation; 23-7-95; \$233.33; \$233.33. Alexander, J. S. T., Member Water Branch; 1-6-09; \$250; \$250. Davis, E., Chief Engineer; 7-10; \$250; \$250. Rowlands, J. F., Engineer; 7-11; \$165; \$225.

Lane, J. E., Law Clerk; 25-8-19; \$200 (salary regraded).

Marriott, E. G., O. Engineer; 1-10-12; \$150; \$190.

Anderson, G., Engineer; 4-14; \$125; \$150.

Knewstubb, F. W., Engineer; 1-10-11; \$125; \$165.

MacDonald, J. C., Superintendent of Construction; 1-5-19; \$275 (salary regraded).

Norrington, O. F. D., District Engineer; 5-10; L.A.M.D.; \$200.

Umbach, J. E., Surveyor-General; 5-11; \$300; \$300.

Morris, F. O., Chief Draughtsman; 5-07; \$200; \$210.

Aitken, G. G., Chief Geographer; 5-12; L.A.M.D.; \$220.

Bamford, T., Draughtsman; 1-7-91; \$183.33; \$200.

Stokes, W. H., Draughtsman; 8-07; \$140; \$150.

Philips, F. M., Draughtsman; 1905; \$140; \$150.

Wright, H. M., Draughtsman: 6-11; \$140; \$160.

Hodgkinson, E. T., Draughtsman; 2-4-13; \$120; \$150.

Thomas, W. L., Draughtsman; 17-10-12; \$136; \$150.

McKie, E. P., Draughtsman; 9-16; \$105; \$150.

Goddard, G. P., Draughtsman; 2-7-99; L.A.M.D.; \$175.

McKenzie, T. P., Grazing Commissioner; 1-8-18; \$300; \$300.

Clark, J. W., Superintendent, S.S. Board; 30-11-10; \$250; \$250.

Mayor, J., Clerk; 1-6-12; \$185; \$185.

Brechin, J., L.T. Commissioner; 17-4-19; \$250; \$250.

Robertson, W., Clerk; 7-6-18; \$125; \$185.

Copley, G. V.; Grazing Assistant; 1-5-15; \$115; \$150.

"Labour Department-

McNiven, J. D., Deputy Minister; 1-1-18; \$285; \$300.

McCallum, D., Technical Officer; 17-4-19; \$150 (salary regraded).

Cameron, Miss M. A., Secretary; 1-4-19; \$150 (salary regraded).

Powley, Colonel A. B., Superintendent; 4-4-19; \$225 (salary regraded).

Tennant, C., Travelling Inspector; 5-4-19; \$150 (salary regraded).

Falkner, J., Travelling Inspector; 16-4-19; \$150 (salary regraded).

Dickson, W. S., Manager; 1-7-18; \$110; \$150.

"Mines Department-

Tolmie, R. F., Deputy Minister; 7-11-77; \$300; \$310.

Stanton, H., Chief Clerk; 1-5-87; \$197.50; \$197.50.

Wilkinson, G., Inspector; 1906; \$375; \$385.

Strachan, R., Inspector; 1-1-10; \$200; \$215.

Newton, J., Inspector; 1-5-10; \$200; \$210.

Lancaster, W., Inspector; 27-8-17; \$155; \$175.

Shenton, T. J., Inspector; 1-3-19; \$150; \$175.

Johnstone, H. H., Assistant Inspector; 30-5-16; \$150; \$160.

Dickson, J., Examiner and Inspector; 1-7-19; \$175 (salary regraded).

Miard, H. E., Examiner and Inspector; 1-7-19; \$175 (salary regraded).

Devlin, H., Senior Inspector; 1-2-13; \$165; \$210.

Robertson, W. F., Mineralogist; 1-6-98; \$343.33; \$353.33.

Whittaker, D. E., Assistant Assayer; 1899; \$200; \$210.

McGregor, J., Inspector; 1906; \$215; \$225.

"Provincial Secretary's Department—

White, J. L., Deputy Minister; 1-5-18; \$260; \$280.

Walker, P. deN., Chief Clerk; 6-6-07; \$176; \$185.

Young, H. E., Secretary Board of Health; 31-5-16; \$350; \$350.

De Grey, F., Sanitary Inspector; 1-4-12; \$175; \$190.

Arthur, E. C., Hospital Inspector; 12-11-19; \$300 (salary regraded).

Scholefield, E., Librarian and Archivist; 4-95; \$235; \$235 (deceased).

Kermode, F., Director; 25-9-90; \$182.66; \$190.

Doherty, C. E., Medical Superintendent; 1-6-02; \$250; \$300.

Steeves, Dr. H. C., Assistant Medical Superintendent; 1-2-18; \$200; \$200.

McAllister, T. W., House Physician; 7-11-18; \$150; \$150.

Crease, A. L., Assistant Superintendent; 15-11-14; \$200; \$200.

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McGowan, G. S., Bursar; 3-07; $200; $200.
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Ryan, Dr. E. J., House Physician; 26-2-17; \$150; \$150.

Moore, P. H.; Farm Superintendent; 15-9-17; \$200; \$200.

Cullin, W. H., King's Printer; 2-01; \$218.33; \$225.

Richdale, W. H. F., Chief Clerk; 7-97; \$160; \$170.

"Public Works Department-

Griffith, J. E., Deputy Minister; 1-8-97; \$280; \$310.

Foreman, A. E., Public Works Engineer; 13-3-17; \$300; \$375.

Napier, G. P., Assistant Engineer; 19-4-07; \$220; \$250. MacPherson, F. L., Office Manager; 21-4-17; \$200; \$230.

Whittaker, H., Acting Supervising Architect: 3-5-13; \$166.67; \$220.

Hood, A., Chief Clerk and Accountant; 1-11-97; \$210; \$220.

Middleton, W., Assistant Accountant; 18-7-11; \$148.33; \$165.

Duncan, G. M., Draughtsman; 30-9-09; L.A.M.D.; \$175.

Bigwood, H. M., Engineer and Draughtsman; 9-4-19; \$175 (salary regraded).

Saunders, C. K., Draughtsman; 2-6-19; \$150 (salary regraded).

Hodgins, Colonel A., District Engineer; 5-13; \$210; \$230.

Philip, P., District Engineer; 1-5-17; \$200; \$230.

Gwyer, W. K., District Engineer; 6-1-16; \$200; \$230.

Ramsay, W., District Engineer; 23-4-17; \$200; \$230.

Whitehead, G. B., Acting Engineer; 9-4-19; \$220 (salary regraded).

Cummings, J. G., District Engineer; 1-4-17; \$200; \$220 (resigned).

Carruthers, A. L., District Engineer; 4-17; \$200; \$230.

Dixon, A., District Engineer; 4-17; \$200; \$230.

Brady, J. C., District Engineer; 1-12-19; \$220 (salary regraded).

Peck, J., Chief Inspector; 1-6-99; \$300; \$325.

Baxter, S., Inspector; 1-7-01; \$220; \$250.

Madigan, G. O., Inspector; 1-7-01; \$220; \$250.

Sutherland, A., Inspector; 7-03; \$215; \$245.

Kay, J. D., Inspector; 8-7-07; \$200; \$240.

Bennett, A. S., Inspector; 4-3-10; \$190; \$220.

Bath, F., Inspector; 27-12-10; \$185; \$215.

Biggam, F., Inspector; 1-4-11; \$185; \$215.

Tait, J. B., Inspector; 1-9-18; \$175; \$200.

Duckitt, L., Inspector; 8-7-12; \$170; \$210.

Clark, J., Inspector; 16-7-13; \$170; \$205.

Davidson, J., Inspector; S-9-19; \$200 (salary regraded).

Muirhead, James, Inspector; 7-14; \$150; \$220.

Taylor, H. L., Assistant Inspector; 18-12-19; \$175 (salary regraded).

Stewart, R. J., Inspector; 9-6-17; \$190; \$200.

Douglas, H., Assistant Inspector; 1-4-14; \$150; \$175.

Muskett, H. J. S., Private Secretary; 1-1-05; \$200; \$200.

Manson, A., Engineer; 9-2-99; \$150; \$155.

Armstrong, J. W., Mechanic; 1-4-19; \$160 (salary regraded).

"Railways Department-

Proctor, A. F., Chief Engineer; 1-7-17; \$300; \$350.

Macintyre, R. W., Assistant Engineer; 5-15; \$200; \$220.

Rae, R. W., Chief Inspector, 1-4-10; \$200; \$225.

McFee, A., Assistant Inspector; 1-4-19; \$200 (salary regraded)."

Mr. Bowser asked the Hon. the Provincial Secretary the following questions:—

1. How many Civil Servants have been superannuated by the present Administration since December 1st, 1916, with particulars in each case of the time they had each been in the Service, the salaries they were in receipt of when leaving the Service, the amount of superannuation and the reasons for superannuation, and their respective ages on entering the Service and at their retirement?

- 2. How many Civil Servants have left the Service since December 1st, 1916, who were given no retiring allowance, reasons for leaving the Service, length of time in the Service, their salaries at time of retirement, as well as their ages?
 - 3. Why were these Civil Servants given no retiring allowance?

The Hon. Dr. MacLean replied as follows:-

"These questions will be answered by a Return which will be tabled as soon as it is possible to prepare same."

Mr. Giolma moved, seconded by Dr. McIntosh,—

Whereas, as part of the policy of re-establishing in civilian life the members of the Canadian Expeditionary Force, the Government of the Dominion of Canada has allocated \$40,000,000 of the public money, a large part of which is being used as doles to those ex-service men who are out of work:

And whereas there is an immediate demand for better roads and cleared farm lands in the Province of British Columbia and the immediate doing of other public works which will directly lead to greater industrial and agricultural development, and so increased prosperity:

And whereas the returned men are asking for work and not for pauper doles:

And whereas it is abhorrent to the democratic Canadian spirit of the Province of British Columbia that any part of its population should be made into a leisured pauper class existing on public money which is earned in the sweat of their brows by their fellow-citizens:

Be it Resolved, That the Legislative Assembly of British Columbia, as the official representative body of the Province, do now put itself on record as condemning the policy of out-of-work doles, and do humbly but firmly ask the Government of the Dominion of Canada to annul the Order in Council under which these doles are granted, and either start productive public works under their own administration or allow the Government of British Columbia to administer the money for the same purpose.

And be it further Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, praying that a copy of the Resolution hereinbefore set out be transmitted to the Honourable the Secretary of State or other proper officer at Ottawa.

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

Resolved, That the House, at its rising, do stand adjourned until 2.30 o'clock p.m. on Monday next.

And then the House adjourned at 4.10 p.m.

Monday, 9th February, 1920.

HALF-PAST TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by the Rev. R. Wilkinson.

The following petition was received:-

From W. C. T. Gillam and others, architects in the Province of British Columbia, for leave to introduce a Private Bill to establish a national status for the architectural profession. (No. 2.)

The Hon, the Minister of Lands presented the Report of the Water Rights Branch of the Department of Lands for the Year ending December 31st, 1918.

Pursuant to Order, the House resumed the adjourned debate on the Address in reply to the Speech of His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor at the opening of the Session.

On the motion of Mr. Walters, the debate was adjourned until to-morrow.

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. Oliver, seconded by the Hon. Dr. King, it was Resolved,—
That Messrs. Jackson, Whiteside, M. A. Macdonald, Anderson, Thompson, Bell, Ross, Rose,
Giolma, and McIntosh be appointed to the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills.

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. Oliver, seconded by the Hon. Mr. Pattullo, it was Resolved,—
That Messrs. Pauline, Manson, M. A. Macdonald, K. C. MacDonald, Sutherland, Buckham,
Thompson, Pooley, Jones, Bowser, and Giolma be appointed to the Committee on Public Accounts.

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

And then the House adjourned at 5.55 p.m.

Tuesday, 10th February, 1920.

HALF-PAST TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by the Rev. R. K. Purker.

Mr. Jackson presented the First Report from the Private Bills Committee, as follows:—
REPORT No. 1.

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE ROOM, February 10th, 1920.

MR SPEAKER

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

That the time limit be extended for presenting petitions to the House to February 17th, 1920. All of which is respectfully submitted.

M. B. JACKSON, Chairman.

The report was received.

The Rules were suspended and the report adopted.

Mr. Pooley presented a petition from the Corporation of the Township of Esquimalt, for leave to introduce a Private Bill for enlarged and enabling powers. (No. 7.)

Pursuant to Order, the House resumed the adjourned debate on the Address in reply to the Speech of His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor at the opening of the Session.

On the motion of Mr. Hanes, the debate was adjourned until to-morrow.

On the motion of Mr. Bowser, seconded by Mr. Ross, it was Resolved,—

That an Order of the House be granted for a Return of all persons in the Service, Permanent or Temporary, at January 31st, 1920, giving in each case name, age, official position, date of entering Service, salary, position at time of entering Service, and present salary.

On the motion of Mr. Bowser, seconded by Mr. Ross, it was Resolved,-

That an Order of the House be granted for a Return showing the following particulars:-

- (1.) The total amount expended for salaries, either temporary or permanent, in respect to Civil Government or Administration for the month ending January 31st, 1920, by virtue of votes of the Legislature, authority conveyed in special Acts and special warrants?
- (2.) The proportions of the said expenditure which relate to and are apportioned against the following: (a) Premier's office; (b) all offices under the jurisdiction of Department of Agricul-

ture; (c) all offices under the jurisdiction of Department of Attorney-General; (d) all offices under the jurisdiction of Department of Education; (e) all offices under the jurisdiction of Department of Finance; (f) all offices under the jurisdiction of Department of Fisheries; (g) all offices under the jurisdiction of Department of Lands; (h) all offices under the jurisdiction of Department of Mines; (j) all offices under the jurisdiction of Department of Provincial Secretary; (k) all offices under the jurisdiction of Department of Provincial Secretary; (k) all offices under the jurisdiction of Department of Railways; (m) "Mineral Survey and Development Act, 1917"; (n) "Workmen's Compensation Act"; (o) "Public Utilities Act"; (p) Department of Industries; (q) Returned Soldiers' Aid Commission; (r) Land Settlement Board; (s) "Soldiers' Land Act"; (t) Conservation Fund under "Water Act"; (u) "Taxation Act, 1917"; (v) "Infants Act"; (w) "Minimum Wage Act for Women"; (x) "Sheriffs Act"; (y) Labour Employment Agencies; (z) Fire Insurance Department?

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the motion moved on February 6th instant by Mr. Giolma, as follows:—

Whereas, as part of the policy of re-establishing in civilian life the members of the Canadian Expeditionary Force, the Government of the Dominion of Canada has allocated \$40,000,000 of the public money, a large part of which is being used as doles to those ex-service men who are out of work:

And whereas there is an immediate demand for better roads and cleared farm lands in the Province of British Columbia and the immediate doing of other public works which will directly lead to greater industrial and agricultural development, and so increased prosperity:

And whereas the returned men are asking for work and not for pauper doles:

And whereas it is abhorrent to the democratic Canadian spirit of the Province of British Columbia that any part of its population should be made into a leisured pauper class existing on public money which is earned in the sweat of their brows by their fellow-citizens:

Be it Resolved, That the Legislative Assembly of British Columbia, as the official representative body of the Province, do now put itself on record as condemning the policy of out-of-work doles, and do humbly but firmly ask the Government of the Dominion of Canada to annul the Order in Council under which these doles are granted, and either start productive public works under their own administration or allow the Government of British Columbia to administer the money for the same purpose.

And be it further Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, praying that a copy of the Resolution hereinhefore set out be transmitted to the Honourable the Secretary of State or other proper officer at Ottawa.

The debate being continued, was, on the motion of Mr. Anderson, adjourned until to-morrow.

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. Oliver, seconded by the Hon. Dr. MacLean, it was Resolved,—
That Messrs. Hall, Anderson. Cowper, Stewart, McGeer, Ross, F. J. A. MacKenzie, and
W. A. McKenzie be appointed the Select Standing Committee on Railways.

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. Oliver, seconded by the Hon. Dr. MacLean, it was Resolved,—
That Messrs. Bell, Whiteside, Weart, Jackson, Fisher, Hall, Willson, Walters, F. J. A. MacKenzie, Schofield, Jones. Burde, and Hanes be appointed the Select Standing Municipal Committee.

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. Oliver, seconded by the Hon. Mr. Hart, it was Resolved,—
That Messrs. Cowper, Pauline, Nelson, Rose, and Burde be appointed the Select Standing Committee on Printing.

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. Oliver, seconded by the Hon. Mr. Barrow, it was Resolved,—
That Messrs. K. C. MacDonald, McGeer, Stewart, Yorston, Manson, W. A. McKenzie, A. McDonald, Jones, Duncan, Nelson, and Mrs. Smith be appointed the Select Standing Committee on Agriculture.

Mr. Ross asked the Hon. the Minister of Finance the following question:-

What amount of revenue has the Government received during 1918 and up to December 31st, 1919, by reason of the fact that no exemption is allowed of interest on capital borrowed outside the Province by corporations operating within the Province?

The Hon. Mr. Hart replied as follows:-

"No information in the Department."

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

What amount does the Esquimalt and Nanaimo Railway Company contribute annually to the Provincial revenue under the "Esquimalt and Nanaimo Railway Company's Land Grant Tax Exemption Ratification Act," being chapter 33 of the 1912 Statutes?

The Hon. Mr. Hart replied as follows:-

The sum of $1\frac{1}{2}$ cents in respect of each acre of the Esquimalt & Nanaimo Railway Company's Land Grant remaining vested in the company and exempt from taxation on the 30th day of June in each year, the payments made on this account to date being as follows: 1913, on 1,101,725 acres, \$16,525.87; 1914, on 1,087,118 acres, \$16,307.77; 1915, on 1,063,254 acres, \$15,948.81; 1916, on 1,059,370 acres, \$15,890.55; 1917, on 1,057,992 acres, \$15,869.88; 1918, on 1,056,030 acres, \$15,840.45; 1919, on 1,054,302 acres, \$15,814.53."

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

And then the House adjourned at 5.55 p.m.

Wednesday, 11th February, 1920.

HALF-PAST TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by the Rev. W. D. Spence.

The following papers were presented:-

By the Hon, the Minister of Lands—Copy of Report of Professor J. C. Gwillim in respect of an oil survey in the Peace River Country.

By the Hon, the Premier—Return to an Order of the House for: (a) All persons in the Permanent or Temporary Service who have resigned, been dismissed, or had their services dispensed with since November 24th, 1916; (b) dates of their leaving the Service; (c) their age and length of time in the Service; (d) reasons for their dismissal or their services being dispensed with; (e) salaries paid them at their time of quitting the Service; (f) list of those appointed in each case to take their places, their age and residence in each case, and the salaries they are now receiving; (g) also names, ages, residences, when appointed, and salaries now paid of all other persons appointed temporarily or permanently to the Service since November 24th, 1916.

The following petition was received:-

From the Corporation of the Township of Esquimalt, for leave to introduce a Private Bill for enlarged and enabling powers. (No. 7.)

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

EDWD. GAWLER PRIOR.

Lieutenant-Governor.

The Lieutenant-Governor transmits herewith a Bill intituled "An Act to validate certain Agreements between the Corporation of the City of Victoria and the Esquimalt and Nanaimo Railway Company, and between the Corporation of the City of Victoria and the Province of

British Columbia, and By-law Number 2080 of the said Corporation passed in connection therewith, and to enable the said Corporation to carry out the Intent and Purposes of the said By-law and Agreements," and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House.

February 10th, 1920.

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. 7) intituled "An Act to validate certain Agreements between the Corporation of the City of Victoria and the Esquimalt and Nanaimo Railway Company, and between the Corporation of the City of Victoria and the Province of British Columbia, and By-law Number 2080 of the said Corporation passed in connection therewith, and to enable the said Corporation to carry out the Intent and Purposes of the said By-law and Agreements," a draft of which is annexed to this Resolution.

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

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. Oliver, seconded by the Hon. Mr. Farris, it was Resolved,-

That Messrs. Thompson, Buckham, Yorston, Fisher, Sutherland, Weart, Walters, Willson, A. McDonald, W. A. McKenzie, Hawthornthwaite, and Schofield be appointed the Select Standing Committee on Mining.

Pursuant to Order, the House resumed the adjourned debate on the Address in reply to the Speech of His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor at the opening of the Session.

On the motion of Mr. Giolma, the debate was adjourned until to-morrow.

On the motion of Mr. Burde, Bill (No. 8) intituled "An Act to regulate the Hours of Labour in certain Industries in the Province of British Columbia" was introduced, read a first time, and Ordered to be read a second time on 16th instant.

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the motion moved by Mr. Giolma on 6th instant.

Mr. Anderson moved in amendment, seconded by Mr. M. A. Macdonald,-

That all the words after the word "prosperity," in the seventh line, be struck out, and the following words be substituted therefor:—

"Be it Resolved, That in the opinion of this House the Dominion Government should be respectfully requested to expedite as much as possible the commencement of projected and new Dominion public works in this Province and so contribute to the available avenues of employment, to the end that many of the returned soldiers now seeking employment may be able to obtain it, and not be under the necessity of accepting assistance from the Federal Emergency Fund.

"And be it further Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Honour the Lieutenaut-Governor, praying that a copy of the Resolution hereinbefore set out be transmitted to the Honourable the Secretary of State or other proper officer at Ottawa."

The debate continued and was adjourned on the motion of Mr. McGeer until to-morrow.

Mr. Hanes moved, seconded by Dr. McIntosh,-

That an Order of the House be granted for a Return of a copy of the reports made by H. Davey, Forest Ranger, and Ernest Archibald, Fire Warden, on a forest fire occurring at or in the vicinity of Watson Station, on the Pacific Great Eastern Railway, on or about the 25th to 27th day of September, 1919.

A debate arose, which was, on the motion of Mr. Ross, adjourned until to-morrow.

On the motion of Mr. Ross, seconded by Mr. Pooley, it was Resolved,-

That an Order of the House be granted for a Return of all correspondence and telegrams or copies of correspondence and telegrams between M. Christensen and the Government, or any member or members thereof, or any employee thereof, relating to seizure and sale of the machinery belonging to the sawmill of the above-named M. Christensen near Boundary Falls, B.C., or any claim for refund or damages made by the said Christensen in respect of said seizure and sale; together with all reports made by any official or officials of the Department of Lands on the subject of said seizure and sale; together with all paid cheques and vouchers in connection with the same.

On the motion of Dr. McIntosh, seconded by Mr. Hanes, it was Resolved,—

That an Order of the House be granted for a Return of all correspondence or copy thereof between the Government or Minister of Education and the Board of Governors of the University of British Columbia relative to the finances of the University since March 15th, 1919.

Mr. Hanes asked the Hon. the Minister of Lands the following questions:-

- 1. Are the reports on files, made to the Department by Provincial Forest Rangers or Fire Wardens, open for inspection by those persons who are taxed in aid of supporting this service?
 - 2. If not, what class of said reports are considered confidential?

The Hon. Mr. Pattullo replied as follows:-

- "1. Reports and memoranda from one official to another naturally involve matters of personal opinion for which the Department as a whole is not responsible, and are therefore considered confidential information. The final statement issued by the Department embodies its considered judgment of such reports, and for this statement the Department is wholly responsible. Fire reports by rangers and other officials are therefore not open for inspection.
 - "2. Answered by No. 1."

Mr. Ross asked the Hon. the Minister of Lands the following questions:-

- 1. Is one Stanley Brown in the employ of the Department of Lands as Provincial Railway Fire Inspector?
 - 2. What is his present salary?
 - 3. When did he enter the Civil Service?
 - 4. At what salary was he first appointed, and to what position?
- 5. What subsequent positions did he occupy, and at what salary, giving dates of any advances in salary?
 - 6. What salary did his predecessor receive as Fire Inspector on Provincial railways?

The Hon. Mr. Pattullo replied as follows:-

- "1. Yes.
- " 2. \$200.
- "3. April 23rd, 1917.
- "4. \$125 per month; as clerk in the Timber Office.
- "5. October 1st, 1917, Recorder of Scaling at \$150 per month; March 1st, 1918, Railway Fire Inspector at \$175 per month; April 1st, 1919, salary increased to \$200 per month.
 - "6. \$140.33 per month in 1915."

Mrs. Smith asked the Hon. the Minister of Railways the following questions:-

- 1. What is the estimated cost of completing the Pacific Great Eastern Railway to Swan Lake, in Peace River, including the Ashcroft cut-off from Clinton?
 - 2. How much will it cost to complete the road from its present terminus to Prince George?
- 3. What original sources of traffic are there at present between Soda Creek and Prince George besides the ranches south of Quesnel?
- 4. Have representations been made to the Minister of Railways that there are greater traffic possibilities for a line built from the present main line north through Harpers Camp and down the Willow or Bowron Rivers?

- 5. Is it the intention of the Government to investigate the claims of this route before continuing expenditures on the present line?
- 6. How much will it cost to build branch lines into the Horsefly country and from Cottonwood to Barkerville?
- 7. Will not the cost of such branch lines plus the cost of completing the present main line be in excess of the cost of diverting the line along the Willow or Bowron Rivers?

The Hon. Mr. Oliver replied as follows:-

- "1. \$25,000,000.
- "2. \$4,000,000, including equipment.
- "3. Country undeveloped.
- "4. Yes.
- " 5. No.
- "6. No estimates have been made.
- "7. Costs have not been computed. Irrespective of location of main line, branch lines would still have to be constructed."

Mr. Hanes asked the Hon. the Minister of Agriculture the following questions:-

- 1. To whom was the contract of supervision of land-clearing at the Merville Soldier Settlement awarded when that work was commenced?
 - 2. What commission did said contractor or contractors receive?
 - 3. What were their duties?
 - 4. Were any other firms considered for this work of supervision?
 - 5. If so, what firms, or persons?
- 6. What duties (if any) were assigned to Mr. Macdonald, of the Land Settlement Board, in connection with this settlement scheme?

The Hon. Mr. Barrow replied as follows:-

- "1. No contract let.
- "2. None.
- "3. Answered by Nos. 1 and 2.
- " 4. No
- "5. Answered by No. 4.
- "6. Assisting generally in getting work under way."

Mr. Giolma asked the Hon. the Provincial Secretary the following questions:—

- 1. Are there any members of the Civil Service who to the knowledge of the Government are not Canadian citizens?
- 2. If so, what are their names, in what respective capacities are they employed, and at what respective salaries?

The Hon, Dr. MacLean replied as follows:-

- " 1. No.
- "2. Answered by No. 1."
- Mr. F. J. A. MacKenzie asked the Hon. the Minister of Public Works the following questions:—
 - 1. When was S.S. "Beaver" purchased by the Government?
 - 2. What price was paid for her?
 - 3. What is the total amount to date of the cost of repairs to said boat?
 - 4. When was she first put on the ferry run between Ladner and Woodward's Landing?
 - 5. How often has she been taken off the run for repairs since she first started running?
 - 6. What length of time has she been off altogether?
- 7. What are the various amounts, with details and to whom paid, for boats which replaced said "Beaver" while off the run?
 - 8. What does it cost per month for salaries, operations, and maintenance of said "Beaver"?

The Hon. Dr. King replied as follows:-

- "1. March 1st, 1918.
- " 2. \$10,000.
- "3. \$37.313.74.
- "4. July 28th, 1919.
- "5. Two trips for repairs; four days and one trip, washing boilers; eight days owing to ice conditions on river (frozen in); eight days, less one trip, repairs to landings.
 - "6. Total time off, twenty days and two trips.
- "7. \$337.50, to Jaynes & Co. This covers time 'Beaver' laid up washing boilers and repairs to landings.
 - "8. Salaries, \$865; operation, \$700; maintenance, \$40."

Mr. Ross asked the Hon. the Minister of Lands the following questions:-

- 1. Did the Hon. Member for Greenwood intervene at any time on behalf of M. Christensen in connection with his claim for refund or damages arising out of the seizure and sale of the mill machinery seized by the Department of Lands, Forest Branch, at Boundary Falls, B.C., in 1917?
- 2. If so, was any settlement arrived at between the said Christensen and the Government, or with any official or employee of the Government on behalf of the Government? If so, was the same verbal or written, and what were the terms thereof?
- 3. Was any official or employee of the Government obliged to pay the said Christensen the sum of \$220 or any part thereof?
 - 4. If so, what was the name and position of said official?
 - 5. Is the said Christensen again operating a sawmill at or near Boundary Falls?
 - 6. If so, since what date?
- 7. If so, what amount of lumber, ties, or other material has been cut in the said mill up to January 31st, 1920, exclusive of the amount delivered to the Canadian Pacific Railway?
- 8. Have any scale reports been transmitted to the Department of Lands by the said Christensen, or on his behalf, since the date given in answer to question 6?

The Hon. Mr. Pattullo replied as follows:-

- "1. Representations were made by the Hon. the Member for Greenwood that the charge against Mr. Christensen was incorrectly made.
- "2. Refund of the \$30 charge in question was authorized, owing to the inconclusive evidence in support of the charge.
 - "3. No.
 - "4. Answered by No. 3.
 - "5. Yes, periodically.
 - "6. Since April, 1919.
 - "7. Record not yet compiled.
- "8. No. There has always been difficulty in obtaining returns for the small quantities occasionally cut at the mill, and instructions have been issued to compel the furnishing of such returns."

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

- 1. Was the insurance on the Parliament Buildings at Victoria renewed?
- 2. If so, when?
- 3. What reasons were there for renewing same?
- 4. To whom were cheques issued for said insurance, with amounts in each case for said insurance?
 - 5. Who was entrusted with the placing of the said insurance?

The Hon. Dr. King replied as follows:-

- "1. Yes.
- "2, March, 1919.
- "3. In the public interest it was deemed advisable to continue the insurance for a further period of three years.
- "4. A. T. Abbey, \$46.25; A. W. Bridgman, \$185; B.A. Trust Co., \$185; Burdick Bros., \$185; B.C. Land and Investment Agency, \$185; P. R. Brown, \$185; Geo. S. Brown, \$185; J. H. Baker,

\$46.25; A. S. Barton, \$46.25; J. L. Beckwith, \$46.25; Bullen & Jamieson, \$46.25; Cameron Investment, \$185; Coast Builders, \$92.50; Arthur Coles, \$231.25; L. U. Conyers, \$693.75; Cross & Co., \$185; Currie & Power, \$185; Colonial Trust, \$46.25; A. E. Jones, \$46.25; Duck & Johnston, \$185; Dalby & Co., \$185; R. S. Day & Boggs, \$185; Douglas Mackay, \$231.25; Dunfords, Ltd., \$185; Dodwell & Co., \$46.25; J. G. Elliott, \$185; Empire Realty Co., \$185; Elliott & Crow, \$92.50; R. N. Furgeson, \$92.50; Findlay, Durham & Brodie, \$185; P. J. Crow, \$46.25; P. R. Fleming, \$46.25; W. G. Gaunce, \$46.25; T. J. Goodlake, \$46.25; Griffith Co., \$185; H. Hastings, \$46.25; Heisterman & Co., \$185; A. H. Harman, \$46.25; E. E. Heath, \$185; Island Investment, \$92.50; E. M. Johnson, \$185; A. W. Jones, Ltd., \$185; Richard Hall & Son, \$277.50; Kingham & Co., Ltd., \$185; King Bros., \$46.25; F. M. Kilner, \$46.25; Leeming Bros., \$185; Lloyd-Young Co., \$92.50; Lee & Fraser, \$693.75; A. Lineham, \$92.50; F. Lewin, \$46.25; F. M. McGregor, \$92.50; McPherson & Co., \$693.75; T. P. McConnell, \$46.25; W. J. McKeon, \$46.25; A. A. Meharey, \$46.25; C. S. Mann, \$185; Mackay & Gillespie, \$277.50; Wm. Monteith & Co., \$92.50; S. P. Moody, \$92.50; Fred C. Nevin, \$92.50; B. S. Oddy, \$92.50; Payne & Pitts, \$92.50; Pemberton & Son, \$185; R. B. Punnett, \$46.25; R. P. Rithet & Co., \$185; Robertson & Co., \$46.25; Swinerton & Co., \$185; J. R. Saunders, \$92.50; Turner, Beeton & Co., \$185; Trust Company of Victoria, \$46.25; G. I. Warren, \$92.50; R. V. Winch Co., \$185; J. Keith Wilson, \$46.25; Wise & Co., \$46.25; and E. White & Son, \$185.

"5. L. U. Conyers and A. B. Fraser."

Mr. Ross asked the Hon. the Minister of Lands the following questions:-

- 1. What were the amounts at the credit in the bank on December 31st, 1919, of the following accounts: (a) Lands Department, Trust Account; (b) Forest Branch, Trust Account; (c) Water Rights Branch, Trust Account?
- 2. What were the amounts at the credit of said bank accounts respectively on December 31st. 1916?
- 3. Of the amounts to the credit of said bank accounts on December 31st, 1916, what portion still remains in said accounts respectively?
- 4. Are the said accounts administered by the Department of Lands or by the Finance Department?
 - 5. In whose name or names do the said accounts stand?
 - 6. What official or officials sign cheques drawn on said accounts?
 - 7. Have the said accounts ever been audited?
 - 8. If so, on what dates?

The Hon. Mr. Pattullo replied as follows:-

- "1. Lands Department, Trust Deposit Account, \$70,484.82; Forest Branch, Trust Account, \$114,952.97; Water Rights Branch, Trust Account, \$38,894.22.
- "2. Lands Department, Trust Deposit Account, \$142,400.57; Forest Branch, Trust Account, \$73,839.09; Water Rights Branch, Trust Account, \$42.548.84.
- "3. Lands Department, Trust Deposit Account, \$32,701.36; Forest Branch, Trust Account, \$17,585.15; Water Rights Branch, Trust Account, \$16,157.78.
 - "4. Department of Lands.
- "5. Department of Lands, Trust Deposit Account; Forest Branch, Trust Account; Provincial Government of B.C., Water Rights Branch.
- "6. Cheques on Lands Department, Trust Deposit Account, signed by Deputy Minister of Lands (or Acting Deputy Minister), and countersigned by the Comptroller-General. On the Forest Branch, Trust Account, by any two of the following: Deputy Minister of Lands, Assistant to the Deputy Minister, Chief Forester; or Accountant. Water Rights Branch, Trust Account, signed by Assistant to the Comptroller, and countersigned by the Deputy Minister of Lands.
 - "7. Yes.
- "8. Periodically; the last two audits being as follows: Lands Department, Trust Deposit Account, September 30th, 1918, and November 1st, 1919; Forest Branch, Trust Account, August 11th, 1919, and November 1st, 1919; Water Rights Branch, Trust Account, October 16th, 1918, and November 1st, 1919."

Dr. McIntosh asked the Hon. the Minister of Public Works the following questions:—

1. Has a survey been made for a continuation of the Island Highway to connect with the Salmon River Settlement?

- 2. If so, has the Department a report on same and an estimate on its probable cost?
- 3. If yes, what is the estimated distance required to be built?
- 4. What is the estimated cost?
- 5. Is it possible, probable, or certain that the Dominion Government would bear a portion of the cost?
 - 6. And, if so, how much?
 - 7. Has the Government any intention of constructing all or a portion of this road in 1920? The Hon. Dr. King replied as follows:—
 - "I. A reconnaissance survey has been made.
 - "2. Yes.
 - "3. 46.5 miles.
 - " 4. \$246,400.
 - "5 and 6. No information.
 - "7. Under consideration."
 - Dr. McIntosh asked the Hon, the Provincial Secretary the following questions:—
- 1. Has the Commission appointed to inquire into Health Insurance, Mothers' Pensions, and kindred subjects brought in a report yet?
 - 2. Is it the intention of the Government to table this report in the Legislature?

The Hon. Dr. MacLean replied as follows:-

- "1. No.
- "2. Yes."

Mr. Pooley asked the Hon. the Premier the following questions:-

- 1. Did the Government purchase a McLaughlin seven-passenger car, No. 14423, in 1918?
- 2. How much did said car cost?
- 3. How much has the upkeep of said car cost since its purchase, including repairs, tires, and gasolene, and who paid same?
 - 4. Is this car registered in the Motor Licence Department for private use?
 - 5. If so, for what reason?
 - 6. Has this car been purchased by the Hon, the Minister of Public Works?
 - 7. Is this car generally stored at the residence of the Minister of Public Works?
 - 8. Is it used principally by the Minister of Public Works?

The Hon. Mr. Oliver replied as follows:-

- "1. Yes.
- "2. \$2,210, less \$500 allowance on old car.
- "3. Tires and tubes, \$377.26; gas, oil, and grease, \$332.86; accessories, \$134.16; maintenance, \$202.70. All repairs made at Government garage.
 - "4. Yes, in name Public Works Department.
- "5. In accordance with section 11, chapter 169, 'An Act to regulate the Use and Operation of Motor Vehicles.'
 - "6. No.
 - "7. Stored in Government and Minister's garage as convenient.
 - "8. Used by the Minister and other Government service as occasion requires."
- Mr. F. J. A. MacKenzie asked the Hon, the Minister of Public Works the following questions:—
- 1. Who is the contractor for the regrading of the present reconstruction work on the Pacific Highway south of New Westminster?
- 2. Has it been brought to the attention of the Department that said contractor was employing Swedes and Italians and discriminating against returned soldiers?
 - 3. If so, what action was taken?
- 4. Was it brought to the attention of the Labour Department or Public Works Department that in November last said contractor was placing orders for men in Sell's private employment agency in Vancouver instead of in the Provincial Government employment office?

- 5. Was any action taken in this matter?
- 6. Was said Sell's employment agency prosecuted?

The Hon. Dr. King replied as follows:-

- "1. H. P. Peterson Construction Co., Ltd.
- "2. Yes; inquiry made and found not to be the case.
- "3. Answered by No. 2.
- "4. Not to Public Works Department.
- "5 and 6. Answered by No. 4."

The Hon, the Provincial Secretary presented the Annual Report of the Provincial Library and Archives Department for the Year 1919.

The Hon, the Minister of Lands presented a Return of all correspondence and telegrams or copies of correspondence and telegrams between M. Christensen and the Government, or any member or members thereof, or any employee thereof, relating to seizure and sale of the machinery belonging to the sawmill of the above-named M. Christensen near Boundary Falls, B.C., or any claim for refund or damages made by the said Christensen in respect of said seizure and sale; together with all reports made by any official or officials of the Department of Lands on the subject of said seizure and sale; together with all paid cheques and vouchers in connection with the same.

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. Hart, seconded by the Hon. Mr. Oliver, it was Resolved,—
That the Public Accounts for the year 1918-19 be referred to the Select Standing Committee on Public Accounts.

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

And then the House adjourned at 5.59 p.m.

Thursday, 12th February, 1920.

HALF-PAST TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by the Rev. J. L. Batty.

Mr. McGeer presented a petition from A. G. Hodgson, for leave to introduce a Private Bill to permit of his taking examinations and being admitted to practise under the "Legal Professions Act." (No. 9.)

Pursuant to Order, the House resumed the adjourned debate on the Address in reply to the Speech of His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor at the opening of the Session.

On the motion of the Hon. Dr. King, the debate was adjourned until to-morrow.

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the motion moved by Mr. Giolma on 6th instant, and the amendment thereto moved by Mr. Anderson on the 11th instant, as follows:—

That all the words after the word "prosperity," in the seventh line, be struck out, and the following words be substituted therefor:—

"Be it Resolved, That in the opinion of this House the Dominion Government should be respectfully requested to expedite as much as possible the commencement of projected and new Dominion public works in this Province and so contribute to the available avenues of employment, to the end that many of the returned soldiers now seeking employment may be able to obtain it, and not be under the necessity of accepting assistance from the Federal Emergency Fund.

"And be it further Resolved. That an humble Address be presented to His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, praying that a copy of the Resolution hereinbefore set out be transmitted to the Honoure blother and Scarces are of State or other proper officer at Ottoms."

to the Honourable the Secretary of State or other proper officer at Ottawa."

Mr. Pooley moved in amendment,-

To strike out in the fifteenth line the words "under which these doles are granted," and substitute in lieu thereof the words "in so far as the granting of out-of-work doles in British Columbia is concerned."

Question proposed on Mr. Anderson's amendment—"Shall the words proposed to be struck out stand part of the question," and Resolved in the negative.

Question proposed—"Shall the words proposed to be inserted stand part of the question," and Resolved in the affirmative.

Original question as amended put and carried.

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the motion moved by Mr. Hanes on the 11th instant, as follows:—

That an Order of the House be granted for a Return of a copy of the reports made by H. Davey, Forest Ranger, and Ernest Archibald, Fire Warden, on a forest fire occurring at or in the vicinity of Watson Station, on the Pacific Great Eastern Railway, on or about the 25th to 27th day of September, 1919.

The motion was negatived.

Mr. Hanes moved, seconded by Dr. McIntosh,-

Whereas sections 122 and 123 of chapter 194 of the "British Columbia Railway Act," and sections 3 and 4 of chapter 52 of the Statutes of British Columbia, 1916, require certain annual returns to be made to the Registrar of Joint-stock Companies:

And whereas the last annual report of the Pacific Great Eastern Railway Company was filed with said Registrar showing returns to October 14th, 1918:

Therefore be it Resolved, That an Order of this House be granted that Returns be made to this House setting out information required by the above-mentioned sections, so far as the Pacific Great Eastern Railway Company is concerned.

A debate arose, which was, on the motion of the Hon. the Premier, adjourned until to-morrow.

On the motion of Mr. Hanes, seconded by Dr. McIntosh, it was Resolved,—

That an Order of the House be granted for a Return of a copy of the agreement that has been entered into for the completion of the Pacific Great Eastern Railway to Prince George, and copies of any advertisements in the press calling for tenders for said work (if any), together with copies of unit prices or bulk sum prices to be paid under the contract or agreement above referred to to the successful contractors as well as to the unsuccessful bidders?

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

- 1. Is the City of Cumberland without a Police Magistrate at the present time?
- 2. How long has this vacancy been in existence?
- 3. What caused the vacancy?
- 4. Why has the vacancy not been filled?
- 5. When is it proposed to make this appointment?

The Hon. Mr. Farris replied as follows:-

- "1. Yes.
- "2. Five months.
- "3. Resignation of previous incumbent.
- "4. No satisfactory applicant at salary.
- "5. It is hoped at an early date."

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

- 1. Were two employees in the Liquor Vendor's store at Vancouver dismissed last year?
- 2. If so, for what cause, giving particulars?
- 3. What were their names?
- 4. Were any prosecutions started against these employees?
- 5. If not, why not?

- 6. How long had they been in the service?
- 7. Who recommended them for appointment?

The Hon. Mr. Farris replied as follows:—

- "1. Yes.
- "2. For disobeying instructions in giving out liquor without first opening the cases and labelling bottles.
 - "3. Aubrey Fisher and J. W. Murray.
 - " 4. No.
 - " 5. No offence for prosecution.
- "6. A. Fisher, September, 1912, to October 9th, 1919; J. W. Murray, September 8th, 1919, to October 9th, 1919.
 - "7. Fisher, reinstatement after overseas service; Murray, holiday relief only."
 - Mr. W. A. McKenzie asked the Hon. the Minister of Public Works the following questions:-
- 1. Have any of the roads, trails, or bridges built or repaired since April 1st, 1917, inclusive of annual estimates, exceeded their original appropriation?
 - 2. If so, the particulars in each case and the amount exceeded?
 - 3. What were the reasons for each overexpenditure (if any)?
 - 4. Who gave the estimates in each case where the appropriation was exceeded?

The Hon. Dr. King replied as follows:-

- "1. These questions will entail an immense amount of clerical work and considerable time to answer fully. Definite information can, however, be given with regard to specific cases when required.
 - "2 to 4. Answered by No. 1."
- Mr. Pooley asked the Hon. the Minister of Lands the following questions:—
- 1. Have directions been recently issued in the Department of Lands with the object of enforcing the better observance of office hours?
 - 2. Did such directions include a ban on smoking in office hours?
- 3. Is it correct that since the issue of such directions, smoking has been openly indulged in by senior officials during office hours and in offices open to the public?
- 4. Do the Minister's directions apply to all members of the Civil Service in the Department of Lands?
 - 5. If not, why not?

The Hon, Mr, Pattullo replied as follows:—

- " 1. Yes.
- "2. Yes.
- "3. No infractions reported.
- " 4. Yes.
- "5. Answered by No. 4."
- Mr. Ross asked the Hon. the Minister of Public Works the following questions:—
- 1. Was any estimate made by any of the Departmental Engineers of the probable cost of the bridge across Turcotte's Gulch, on the main wagon-road between Vanderhoof and Milne's Landing, about a mile and a half east of Vanderhoof, during 1919?
 - 2. If so, what was the amount of said estimate?
- 3. If so, what was the name of said Engineer and what district is the said Engineer in charge of?
 - 4. What was the actual cost of said bridge when completed?

The Hon. Dr. King replied as follows:-

- "1. Yes.
- "2. \$2,000; revised. \$4,500, due to difficulties in getting material and change in design.
- "3. Arthur Dixon; Engineering District No. 8, embracing Fort George and Cariboo Electoral Districts.
 - "4. \$5,373.54."

Mr. Ross asked the Hon. the Minister of Public Works the following questions:-

- 1. What were the ages of the following officials in August, 1914: District Engineer P. Philip, District Engineer G. B. Whitehead, District Engineer W. K. Gwyer, District Engineer W. Ramsay, District Engineer J. C. Brady, District Engineer A. L. Carruthers, and District Engineer A. Dixon?
 - 2. Did any of the above officials offer themselves for active service overseas?
 - 3. If so, what are their names?
 - 4. Were any of them rejected?
 - 5. If so, what are their names?

The Hon. Dr. King replied as follows:-

"1. P. Philip, 31; G. B. Whitehead, 30; W. K. Gwyer, 40; Wm. Ramsay, 33; J. C. Brady, 31; A. L. Carruthers, 35; A. Dixon, 31.

"2 to 5. No information."

Dr. Rose asked the Hon. the Minister of Railways the following questions:-

- 1. How many claims have been made against the Pacific Great Eastern during the past year:
- (a) For freight lost in transit; (b) for express lost in transit?
 - 2. How have these claims been disposed of?
 - 3. How much has been paid in settlement of these claims?

The Hon. Mr. Oliver replied as follows:--

"1 to 3. This information is not in the possession of the Department of Railways."

Mr. Bowser asked the Hon. the Provincial Secretary the following questions:-

- 1. Is there a publication known as the "The Civil Servant"?
- 2. What is the character of this publication?
- 3. How many issues have appeared?
- 4. What organization is responsible for its publication?
- 5. Did a recent issue attract the censure of a Minister or Ministers?
- 6. Will the Government state in what particular the contents of the said issues were open to criticism?
- 7. Has the Government expressed objections to the appearance of any further issues of the publication in question?
- 8. What action has been taken concerning those to whom the editorial work on this publication was apparently deputed by their fellows?

The Hon. Dr. MacLean replied as follows:-

- "1. Yes.
- "2. A matter of opinion.
- "3. No information; one at least.
- "4. No information.
- "5. The only issue which has come to the attention of the Ministers attracted attention.
- "6. The Government considers such a publication would lead to the establishment of a controversial attitude between the Civil Service Association and the Executive.
- "7. The Government has expressed to a deputation of Civil Servants its opinion, as per answer to No. 6.
 - "S. Answered by No. 7."

Mr. Bowser asked the Hon. the Provincial Secretary the following question:-

What are the particulars of the recent regrading of the Civil Service in the case of all officials receiving less than \$150 per month under the new scale, showing: (1) Salary at present time; (2) salary at March 31st, 1919; (3) position occupied; (4) length of service?

The Hon. Dr. MacLean replied as follows:

"The information asked for is of very considerable volume and will be furnished in the report of the Civil Service Commissioner, which will be presented shortly."

Dr. Rose asked the Hon. the Premier the following questions:-

- 1. Did the Workmen's Compensation Board receive a sum of money from the Dominion Government to help pay claims for victims of the "Galiano" disaster?
 - 2. If so, how has the money been disposed of?
 - 3. How many of these claims have been presented?
 - 4. How many claims have been paid?
 - 5. How many claims are still pending?

The Hon. Mr. Oliver replied as follows:-

"1 to 5. The Workmen's Compensation Board is a body corporate and is required to submit an annual report to the Legislature; outside what is contained in said report the Government has no information."

Mr. Hawthornthwaite moved, seconded by Mr. Burde,-

Whereas at a meeting of a council of returned men and labour organizations recently held in the City of Victoria the appended Resolution was unanimously passed:

And whereas at this and at all times it is expedient as well as just to listen to and consider the complaints and requests of any of His Majesty's subjects:

And whereas, in regard to requests, complaints, or recommendations of any body of returned soldiers, it is especially incumbent upon all Members of this House, in view of the sacrifices these men have made and the hardships they have endured, to give prompt, courteous, and earnest consideration to their desires and views, and where such recommendations and requests or desires can be at all reasonably granted, that this be done:

Therefore be it Resolved, That this House recommend that the Government take the appended Resolution into earnest consideration.

"Whereas an injustice is being done to the returned man, and the widows and dependents of some of those that never will return; and that said injustice is being committed by the Government of British Columbia, in that they are allowing taxes to be charged on homes and homesteads of men who were engaged in His Majesty's Forces during the period of the Great War and between the years 1914-1919, inclusive:

"Therefore be it Resolved by this committee representing both returned soldier and labour organizations, That in the interests of right and justice we demand that taxes on property of an assessed value of \$2,000 and under be cancelled where such taxes are and have been charged to ex-service men or their widows or their orphans, and that taxes which have already been collected from parties referred to in this Resolution be refunded; and that the extra amount of money required by this act be levied against the assets and resources of the Province of British Columbia.

"That this Resolution is intended to mean and cover relief from taxation for the period of actual service during such time as men were under military orders and discipline between the time of the commencement and close of the Great War, 1914-1919, and in the case of widows and dependents of men who died by sickness or were killed, until the final ending of the War. However this may be, it is not just that the widow or the fatherless or the cripple should have to pay these taxes."

A debate arose, which was, on the motion of the Hon, the Premier, adjourned until to-morrow.

The Hon, the Minister of Mines presented a Return, pursuant to section 10, chapter 59, Statutes of British Columbia, 1919, "Iron-ore Supply Act," showing a complete record of the transaction in each case in which the powers of entry upon mineral properties conferred by the said chapter 59 were exercised during the year 1919.

Mr. Ross asked the Hon. the Minister of Public Works the following questions:-

- 1. Is A. E. Foreman at present Public Works Engineer?
- 2. If so, when was he appointed and at what salary?
- 3. What is his present salary?
- 4. What was his age when appointed?
- 5. What are the details of his engineering education and his experience?
- 6. What was his age in August, 1914?

- 7. Did he volunteer for active service overseas?
- 8. Was he officially rejected for active service?
- 9. If so, why?
- 10. Is the Assistant Public Works Engineer a returned soldier?
- 11. Why was the Assistant Public Works Engineer not promoted?

The Hon, Dr. King replied as follows:-

- "1. Yes.
- "2. March, 1917; \$3,600 per annum.
- "3. \$4.500 per annum.
- "4. Thirty-eight.
- "5. Graduate McGill University (Gold Medallist at McGill, leading class, each of four years, and obtaining some thirty first prizes, including British Association exhibition). After graduating travelled one year, getting business education in Toronto, 1904-07; Secretary and Manager, Concrete Engineering and Construction Co., Vancouver, 1907-1909; partner, Dutcher & Foreman, Consulting Engineers, Vancouver, 1909-1910; Resident Engineer in charge of construction of concrete power-dam. Revelstoke, B.C., 1910; Supervising Engineer Dallas Road sea-wall for City of Victoria and Provincial Government, 1910-1911; Construction Engineer on Smith's Hill Reservoir, Victoria, 1912; Assistant City Engineer, Victoria, B.C., 1912-1916.
 - "6. Thirty-five.
 - "7. No.
 - "S. Answered by No. 7.
 - "9. Answered by No. 7.
 - "10. Yes.
 - "11. In the judgment of the Minister, Mr. Foreman's appointment was considered advisable."

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

And then the House adjourned at 5.25 p.m.

Friday, 13th February, 1920.

HALF-PAST TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by the Rev. J. H. Hobbins.

Mr. Pauline presented a petition from Robert M. Thompson and others, for leave to introduce a Private Bill to incorporate the "Northern Hydro-electric Company." (No. 8.)

The following petition was received:

From A. G. Hodgson, for leave to introduce a Private Bill to permit of his taking examinations and being admitted to practise under the "Legal Professions Act." (No. 9.)

Mr. Jackson presented the Second, Third, Fourth, Fifth, Sixth, and Seventh Reports from the Private Bills Committee, as follows:—

REPORT No. 2.

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE ROOM, February 12th, 1920.

MR. SPEAKER:

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

That the Standing Rules and Orders in connection with the undermentioned petition have not been complied with in respect to advertising, but that the same have been substantially complied with. Your Committee would recommend that the Standing Rules and Orders be suspended to enable the petitioners to proceed with the Bill, and that double fees be remitted.

Petition No. 1-The British Pacific Casualty Company.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

M. B. JACKSON, Chairman.

REPORT No. 3.

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE ROOM, February 12th, 1920.

MR. SPEAKER:

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

That the Standing Rules and Orders in connection with the undermentioned petition have not been strictly complied with in respect to advertising, but that the same have been substantially complied with.

Your Committee would recommend that the Standing Rules and Orders be suspended to enable the petitioners to proceed with the Bill, and that double fees be remitted.

Petition No. 2—British Columbia Architects Bill.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

M. B. JACKSON, Chairman.

REPORT No. 4.

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE ROOM, February 12th, 1920.

MR SPEAKER

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

That the Standing Rules and Orders in connection with the undermentioned petition have been complied with.

Petition No. 3-New Ladysmith Logging Railway Company Bill.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

M. B. JACKSON, Chairman.

REPORT No. 5.

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE ROOM, February 12th, 1920.

MR. SPEAKER:

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

That the Standing Rules and Orders in connection with the undermentioned petition have not been strictly complied with in respect to advertising, but that the same have been substantially complied with.

Your Committee would recommend that the Standing Rules and Orders be suspended to enable the petitioners to proceed with the Bill, and that double fees be remitted.

Petition No. 5-Engineering Profession Bill.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

M. B. JACKSON, Chairman.

REPORT No. 6.

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE ROOM, February 12th, 1920.

MR. SPEAKER:

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

That the Standing Rules and Orders in connection with the undermentioned petition have not been strictly complied with in respect to advertising, but that the same have been substantially complied with.

Your Committee would recommend that the Standing Rules and Orders be suspended in order to enable petitioners to proceed with the Bill, and that double fees be remitted.

Petition No. 6-Corporation of City of Victoria Bill.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

M. B. Jackson, Chairman.

REPORT No. 7.

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE ROOM, February 12th, 1920.

MR. SPEAKER:

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

That the Standing Rules and Orders in connection with the undermentioned petition have been complied with.

Petition No. 7-Corporation of the Township of Esquimalt.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

M. B. JACKSON, Chairman,

The reports were received.

The Rules and Orders were suspended and the reports adopted.

Pursuant to Order, the House resumed the adjourned debate on the Address in reply to the Speech of His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor at the opening of the Session.

On the motion of Mr. M. A. Macdonald, the debate was adjourned until Monday next.

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

EDWD. GAWLER PRIOR,

Lieutenant-Governor-

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

Government House,

February 13th, 1920.

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. 9) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Pre-emptors' Free Grants Act,'" a draft of which is annexed to this Resolution.

Resolution and Bill reported.

Bill introduced and read a first time.

Second reading at the next sitting.

The following Private Bills were introduced, read a first time, and referred to the Private Bills Committee:—

By Mr. Anderson—Bill (No. 54) intituled "An Act to incorporate the Association of Professional Engineers of the Province of British Columbia."

By Mr. Jackson (for Mr. Whiteside)—Bill (No. 51) intituled "An Act to incorporate the Architectural Institute of British Columbia."

By Mr. Weart—Bill (No. 50) intituled "An act to amend the 'British Pacific Casualty Company Act, 1913.'"

By Mr. Pooley—Bill (No. 56) intituled "An Act to confer certain Powers upon the Municipal Council of the Corporation of the Township of Esquimalt respecting the User of Sewers in Municipalities adjacent thereto and to grant Reciprocal Rights in respect of the same."

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the motion moved by Mr. Hawthornthwaite on the 12th instant.

On the motion of Mr. F. J. A. MacKenzie, the debate was again adjourned until Monday next.

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

- 1. What amounts have been borrowed by the Government from all sources since it took office in 1916?
 - 2. From whom was it borrowed and under what authority in each case?
 - 3. What rate of interest does each loan carry on its face?
- 4. What rate of interest does each loan actually cost the Province, including all discounts and commissions?
 - 5. Were any commissions paid on account of any of these loans?
 - 6. If so, to whom, and their amount?
 - 7. How much is still due on account of said loans?
 - 8. When are each of these loans payable?
 - 9. Is the Government carrying any overdraft with any bank?
 - 10. If so, what are the particulars of same?
 - 11. What was the net amount received by the Government as the proceeds of each loan?

The Hon. Mr. Hart replied as follows:-

"1, 2, 3, 4, 8, and 11:-

- \$1,000,000 borrowed from Brent, Noxon & Co.; purpose, Consolidated Revenue for 1916-17 deficit, etc.; net proceeds, \$865,300; rate of interest, 5 per cent.; cost of loan, 6.88 per cent.; maturity, April, 1928; authority, 'Loan Act, 1916.'
- \$3,000,000 borrowed from Wood, Gundy & Co.; purpose, Pacific Great Eastern Railway Co.; net proceeds, \$2,800,200; rate of interest, 5 per cent.; cost of loan, 5.56 per cent.; maturity, July, 1939; authority, 'Loan Act, 1916.'
- \$2,450,000 borrowed from Wood, Gundy & Co.; purpose, Pacific Great Eastern Railway Co.; net proceeds, \$2.397,080; rate of interest, 5 per cent.; cost of loan, 5.5 per cent.; maturity, January, 1925; authority, 'Loan Act, 1916.'
- \$300,000 borrowed from Workmen's Compensation Board; purpose, Land Settlement Board; net proceeds, \$261,390; rate of interest, 5 per cent.; cost of loan, 61/8 per cent.; maturity, December, 1937; authority, 'Loan Act, 1917.'
- \$200,000 borrowed from Workmen's Compensation Board; purpose, Land Settlement Board; net proceeds. \$174,260; rate of interest, 5 per cent.; cost of loan, 61/8 per cent.; maturity, April, 1938; authority, 'Loan Act, 1917.'
- \$100,000 borrowed from Workmen's Compensation Board; purpose, Land Settlement Board; net proceeds, \$87,130; rate of interest, 5 per cent.; cost of loan, 61/2 per cent.; maturity, November, 1938; authority, 'Loan Act, 1917.'
- \$200,000 borrowed from Workmen's Compensation Board; purpose, Land Settlement Board; net proceeds, \$174,260; rate of interest, 5 per cent.; cost of loan, 61/8 per cent.; maturity, December, 1938; authority, 'Loan Act, 1917.'
- \$300,000 borrowed from Workmen's Compensation Board; purpose, Land Settlement Board; net proceeds, \$285,432; rate of interest, 5 per cent.; cost of loan, 5.40 per cent.; maturity, May. 1939; authority, 'Loan Act, 1917.'
- \$700,000 borrowed from Canadian Bank of Commerce; purpose, Land Settlement Board; net proceeds, \$700,000; rate of interest, 5 per cent.; cost of loan, 5 per cent.; maturity, April, 1920; authority, 'Loan Act, 1917.'
- \$3,000,000 borrowed from Dominion Securities Corporation; purpose, Consolidated Revenue against 1916-17 deficit, etc.; purpose, to repay loan from Dominion bearing 6½ per cent.; net proceeds, \$2,979,600; rate of interest, 5½ per cent.; cost of loan, 5.56 per cent.; maturity, March, 1939; authority, 'Loan Act, 1918.'
- \$500,000 borrowed from Canadian Bank of Commerce; purpose, Public Works, subsection (a), 1919; net proceeds, \$500,000; rate of interest, 5 per cent.; cost of loan, 5 per cent.; maturity, April, 1920; authority, 'Loan Act, 1919.'

- \$200,000 borrowed from Canadian Bank of Commerce; purpose, 'Water Act, 1914,' subsection (d); net proceeds, \$200,000; rate of interest, 5 per cent.; cost of loan, 5 per cent.; maturity, March, 1920; authority, 'Loan Act, 1919.'
- \$170,000 borrowed from Canadian Bank of Commerce; purpose, 'Soldiers' Land Act,' subsection (c); net proceeds, \$170,000; rate of interest, 5 per cent.; cost of loan, 5 per cent.; maturity. April, 1920; authority, 'Loan Act, 1919.'
- \$790,000 borrowed from Spitzer, Rorick Co.; purpose, 'South Vancouver Aid Act'; net proceeds, \$790,000; rate of interest, 6 per cent.; cost of loan, 6 per cent.; maturity, March and May, 1923; authority, 'South Vancouver Aid Act.'
- \$750,000 borrowed from Dominion Government; purpose, loans to municipalities; net proceeds, \$750,000; rate of interest, 5 per cent.; cost of loan, 5 per cent.; maturity, June, 1939; authority, 'Better Housing Act.'
- \$110,000 borrowed from Canadian Bank of Commerce; purpose, loans to industries; net proceeds, \$110,000; rate of interest, 5 per cent.; cost of loan, 5 per cent.; maturity, April, 1920; authority, 'Department of Industries Act.'

Recapitulation-

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	Loans to Pacific Great Eastern Rly. Co. for construction-work	\$5,450,000
	Loans to farmers through the Land Settlement Board	1,800,000
	Loan to the District Municipality of South Vancouver	790,000
	Loans to municipalities for better housing for soldiers	750,000
	Loans made under 'Department of Industries Act'	110,000
	Expenditures in carrying out of the 'Soldiers' Land Act'	170,000
	Expenditures for the conservation of irrigation-works	200,000
	Expenditures by Dept. of Public Works on permanent works	500,000

"(Note.—No amounts were horrowed by the present Administration to cover current expenditures incurred since it took office.)

- "5. No commissions were paid in connection with any of these loans.
- "6. Answered by No. 5.
- "7. All loans are outstanding, with the exception of two Treasury bills, one for \$50,000 for Public Works and one for \$50,000 for Department of Industries, which are held in the Treasury for reissue; also sinking funds should be deducted.
 - " 9. No.
 - "10. Answered by No. 9."

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

- 1. Has one W. L. Woodford been in the employ of Mr. Gillespie, Receiver of the Municipality of South Vancouver, since 1918?
 - 2. If so, in what capacity and at what salary?
 - 3. Who recommended said Woodford for such position?
- 4. Is this man Woodford one of the men who was working with John T. Scott and J. Cook in the alleged irregularities of the M. A. Macdonald by-election in the City of Vancouver, 1916?
 - 5. In his present position, does said Woodford handle any funds?

The Hon. Mr. Hart replied as follows:-

"1 to 5. No information in the Department."

Resolved, That the House, at its rising, do stand adjourned until 2.30 o'clock p.m. on Monday next.

And then the House adjourned at 5.20 p.m.