Monday, 9th June, 1902.

Two o'clock, P. M.

Prayers by the Rev. Canon Beanlands.

The Standing Rules and Orders were suspended, and then, on the motion of Mr. Oliver,

seconded by Mr. Murphy, it was Resolved,—

That a Select Committee, consisting of Messrs. Martin, McBride, A. W. Smith, Hunter and the mover, be appointed to examine Mr. F. C. Cotton, late Finance Minister in the Semlin-Cotton Government, and any other person, as to the negotiations between the Government of British Columbia and the Columbia and Western Railway Company in respect to the substitution of a cash subsidy in lieu of land grants, as outlined in the Queen's Speech at the opening of the spring Session of the Legislature in the year 1900, with power to summon the said F. C. Cotton and others, and to call for books and papers, and report the evidence to the House.

The House proceeded to the Orders of the Day, after "Questions."

The report on Bill (No. 91) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Assessment Act,'" was adopted.

Third reading at the next sitting of the House.

Bill (No. 85A) intituled "An Act to aid the Construction of a Railway from Victoria to Yellowhead Pass," was again committed.

Reported complete with amendments.

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

Bill (No. 86) intituled "An Act to aid the Construction of a Railway from Vancouver to Midway," was committed.

Progress reported.

Committee to sit again this evening.

Resolved, That the House, at its rising, do stand adjourned until 8:30 o'clock P.M., to-day.

And then the House adjourned at 6 o'clock, P. M.

Monday, 9th June, 1902.

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

On the motion of Mr. McBride, Bill (No. 101) intituled "An Act for the Protection of Breeders of Live Stock" was introduced, read a first time, and Ordered to be read a second time to-morrow.

The House proceeded to the Orders of the Day, after "Questions."

Mr. McBride asked the Government the following question:—

What action is intended to be taken on the request from railway engineers and conductors to be exempted from the provisions of the "Assessment Act?"

Answer declined.

Bill (No. 91) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Assessment Act'" was read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 86) intituled "An Act to aid the Construction of a Railway from Vancouver to Midway" was again committed.

Progress reported.

Committee to sit again to-morrow.

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

And then the House adjourned at 12:30 o'clock, A. M., Tuesday, 10th June.

Tuesday, 10th June, 1902.

Two o'clock, P. M.

Prayers by the Rev. Canon Beanlands.

The House proceeded to the Orders of the Day, after "Questions."

Mr. Martin asked the Ministry the following questions:-

1. What timber leases have been renewed under section 7 of chapter 30 of the Statutes of 1901, giving names of lessees, date of original lease, and of renewed lease, and short description of property?

2. What are the exact words of the said renewed lease as to terms, conditions, rents and

royalties?

The Hon. Mr. Wells replied as follows:-

Date.	Original Lessee.	Date of Renewal.	Lessee of Renewal Lease.	Description.
15th Mar 1886	Hastings Saw-Mill Co	15th Mar., 1901	B. C. Mills Timber & Trad. Co.	Block A. Sayward.
10th June, 1887	"		11 11	Lot 36, Sayward.
th Feb., 1888	11 11		0 0	Parts of Townships 3 and 6, Sayward.
th Oct., 1889	11 11		II II	Lot 63, and parts of Township 3, Sayward
	Royal City Planing Mills		1 11	Block L, Sayward.
0th June, 1887	It II	10th June, a	11 11	Lot 23, R. 1, Coast, & Lot 37, Sayward.
Oth Nov., "	11 11		1 0 0	Lots 27-28, R. 1, Coast, & Lot 39, Sayward.
2nd May, 1889	11 11		1 0	Lot 56, Sayward.
7th Nov., "	11 11	27th Nov., II	1 0 0	Lot 678, G. 1, New Westminster.
22nd Aug., 1890	B. C. Mills Timber & Trad, C	22nd Aug., I	11 11	Lot 110, Sayward,
14th Mar., 1892	11 11	14th Mar., "		Lots 95 and 96, R, 1, Coast,
	M. M. Boyd		M. M. Boyd	Lots 103 and 104, R. 1, Coast.
25th Jan., 1892	II	. 25th Jan., 1902		Section 51, Renfrew.
3rd Feb., 1888	Maclaren-Ross Lumber Co.,	3rd Feb., n	Maclaren-Ross Lumber Co	Lot 51 Sayward
10th Aug., 1889				Lot 439, G. 1, New Westminster.
13th May, 1	North Pacific Lumber Co	13th May, H	North Pacific Lumber Co	Lot 46 Sayward
3rd Feb., 1890	0 / 0	3rd Feb., "	11 11	
25th May, 1892	H. V. Edmonds	25th May, I	Anne Jane Keith	Lot 1338, G. 1, N. W., Lots 82, 83, 85, 89
11 11		. 11 11	11 (1	Lot 1260, G. 1, N. W., & Lot 92, R. 1, Coast
22nd Aug., 1896	W. Godfrey, in trust for Bank	22nd Aug., II	W. Godfrey, in trust for Bank	Lot 51, R. 1, Coast, Lot 119, Sayward, Lot
	[B.N.A		IR N A	800, G. 1, New Westminster (3 leases)
5th Feb., 1897	16 16	5th Feb., n	11 11	Lot 127, Sayward, S. 29, Rupert, (2 leases
1st April, "	11	1st April,	11 11	Lots 919, 920, 925, 926, 927, G, 1, New
		. ,		Westminster (5 leases).
11 11	11 11	11 11	" "	Sections 21 and 23, Rupert (2 leases).
11 11	14 14	11 11	11 11	Lots 62, 63, 64, 70, 71, 73, 47, R. 1. Coast
				(7 leases).
25th Jan., 1892	Brunette Saw-Mill Co	25th Jan., II	Brunette Saw-Mill Co	Lots 75, 76, R. 1, Coast, lots 995, 1282
				1283, 1302, 1303, 1304, 1332, 1333 and
	1			1371, G. 1, New Westminster.
	Moody ville Saw-Mill Co	6th Feb., "	John Hendry	Blocks J and K,
l6th Mar., 1888	0 0 0 0	16th Mar., 11		Lot 672, G. 1.
7th Oct., 1889	_ 0 16	7th Oct., U	11	768 G 1
5th Feb., 1891	If II	5th Feb., u	11	11 849, G. 1,
27th July, 1892	. 11 11	27th July, 4	11 11 11 11 11 11 11 11	1531, G. 1, 11
Ist May, 1893	A. H. Campbell & Co	1st May, II	A. H. Campbell & Co	Secs. 61, 62, 65, 66, 67, 68, S. ½ sec. 19, 8
				S. W. † sec. 20, Tp. 4, Renfrew.
Ist April, 1893	A. & W. Hill	1st April. "	A. & W. Hill	Lot 435 G 1 Kontenay
18th June,1887	B. C. Land & Invest. Ag., Ld	. 18th June, "	B. C. Land & Invest. Ag., Ld.	Lots 25 and 26 B. 1 Coast
3rd Feb., 1888	11 (1	3rd Feb., tt	11	Lots 30. 31, 32, R. I, Coast, and Lots 40
				41, Sayward.
l6th Jan., 1889	H H	16th Jan., "	11 0	Lots 33, 34, 35, R. 1, Coast, and Lot 55
4 4 11 4000				Sayward.
st April, 1893	11	1st April, "	11 11	Lot 1527, G. 1, New Westminster.
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[&]quot;2. The exact words of the renewal lease will be found in the attached copy of lease."

The Report on Bill (No. 85A) intituled "An Act to aid the Construction of a Railway from Victoria to Yellowhead Pass," was considered.

Mr. Tatlow moved the following amendments:

In section 2, sub-section (a), line 17, and sub-section (b), line 6, after the word "paid," insert "in cash or," and erase the word "by."

In line 18, after "Province," insert the words "as the Lieutenant-Governor in Council may elect."

In sub-section (b), line 8, erase the word "debentures."

In section 2, sub-section (a), line 19, insert "pay or" before "issue." In section 2, sub-section (b), line 8, insert "pay or" before "issue."

Carried.

Mr. McPhillips moved to strike out of section 3, sub-section (a), 9th line, the following words:—"as originally constructed."

Negatived on the following division:-

YEAS:

Messieurs

Smith, E. C.,	Curtis,	McBride,	Taylor,
Oliver,	Tatlow,	Murphy,	Kidd-11.
Fulton,	Green,	McPhillips,	

NAYS:

Messieurs

McInnes,	Martin,	Ellison,	Hall,
Stables,	Helmcken,	Clifford,	Rogers,
Hawthornthwaite.	Prentice,	Houston,	Hunter,
Hayward,	Eberts,	Wells,	Dickie—19.
Garden.	Smith, A. W.,	Prior	

Mr. McPhillips moved to strike out of sub-section (a) of section 3, in the 8th and 9th lines, the words "the Canadian Pacific Railway as originally constructed," and insert in lieu thereof "like-gauge transcontinental railways."

Ruled out of order, the House having by the last vote decided that the words proposed

to be struck out should stand part of the question.

Mr. Kidd moved to add the following to sub-section (e) of section 3:—

"Provided, however, that no portion of the subsidy payable under this agreement shall be paid until at least one hundred miles of the said railway has been built inland from Bute Inlet."

Negatived on the following division:-

YEAS:

Messieurs:

Smith, E. C., Oliver, Fulton,	$Curtis,\ Tatlow,\ Green,$		McBride, Murphy, McPhillips,	Taylor, Ellison, Kidd—12
			Nays:	
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Messieurs

McInnes,	Martin,	Clifford,	Hall,
Stables,	Helmcken,	Houston,	Rogers,
Hawthornthwaite,	Prentice,	Wells,	Hunter,
Hayward,	Eberts,	Prior,	Dickie-18
Garden,	Smith, A. W.,		

Mr. McPhillips moved to add the word "forever" after the word "operate," in line 3, sub-section (h), section 3.

Negatived on the following division:

YEAS:

Messieurs

Smith, E. C., Fulton, Oliver, Curtis, Garden, Tatlow, Green, McBride, Murphy,

McPhillips, Taylor, Kidd—12.

NAYS:

Messieurs

McInnes, Helmcken,
Stables, Prentice,
Hawthornthwaite, Eberts,
Hayward, Smith, A. W.,
Martin,

Ellison, Clifford, Wells, Prior, Hall, Rogers, Hunter, Dickie—17.

Mr. McPhillips moved to strike out the following words in the 1st and 2nd lines of sub-section (h) of section 3:—"after the completion of the first hundred miles of line." Negatived.

Mr. Curtis moved to strike out sub-section (g) of section 3, and substitute the following therefor:—

"That portion of the Company's line aided under this Act, and any branch lines of such portion, together with their equipment, stations, station grounds, workshops, buildings, yards, rolling stock, appurtenances, and all other property, personal or real, so far as required or used for the construction, equipment, maintenance and working of said portion and its branch lines, and the capital stock and revenues of the Company, shall be free from Provincial taxation until the year 1916."

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

Y_{EAS} :

Messieurs

McInnes, Helmcken,
Stables, Prentice.
Hayward, Eberts,
Martin, Smith, A. W.,

Ellison, Clifford, Wells, Prior,

Hall, Rogers, Hunter, Dickie—16.

NAYS:

Messieurs

Smith, E. C., Fulton, Oliver, Curtis, Hawthornthwaite, Tatlow, Garden. Green, McBride, Murphy,

McPhillips, Taylor, Kidd—13.

Mr. Martin moved to amend sub-section (g) of section 3, by striking out the words "but the Company shall not at any time be subject to taxation upon a more onerous basis than the taxation of any other railway company of a similar standard in British Columbia," at the end thereof.

A debate arose, and the further consideration of the amendment was adjourned.

Mr. Hawthornthwaite moved to amend sub-section (k) of section 3, line 7, by inserting after the word "operated" the words: "but during construction such rate of wages shall be not less than two dollars per day for the lowest grade of unskilled labour."

Negatived on the following division:-

YEAS:

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M	essieurs

Smith, E. C., Fulton, Oliver, Curtis, Hawthornthwaite, Tatlow, Garden, Green,
McBride,
Murphy,

McPhillips Taylor, Kidd—13. NAYS: Messieurs

McInnes, Stables, Hayward, Martin, Prentice, Eberts, Smith, A. W., Ellison, Clifford, Houston, Wells, Prior,

Hall, Rogers, Hunter, Dickie—17.

Helmcken,

Mr. McPhillips moved to add the following words to sub-section (o), section 3, after the figures "1903":—"and do not diligently prosecute the work of building the line to the satisfaction of the Lieutenant-Governor in Council."

Carried

Mr. Kidd moved to add the following as a new sub-section to section 3:-

"(r.) The Company shall issue to the Government of the Province of British Columbia, in the name of the Flon. Minister of Finance for the time being, to be held for the Government of the Province of British Columbia and to be assigned to his successor in office, fully paid shares in the capital stock of the Company to an equal nominal amount to the amount of aid granted hereunder, and such shares shall issue at each time of payment of any portion of the aid granted by the Government of British Columbia, and such shares shall have attached to them the usual rights that appertain to the shares of the Company."

Negatived on the following division:-

YEAS:

Messieurs

Smith, E. C., Curtis, Tatlow, Green,

 $McBride, \\ McPhillips,$

Taylor, Kidd—8.

NAYS: Messieurs

McInnes, Stables, Martin, Helmcken, Prentice, Eberts, Smith, A. W., Ellison, Clifford, Houston, Wells, Prior, Hall, Rogers, Hunter, Dickie—16.

Mr. McPhillips moved to add the following as a new sub-section:—

"(r.) The company shall not, nor shall any branch lines thereof or any lines of railway leased by the company, or under its control, be at any time amalgamated with the Canadian Pacific Railway, or any of its branch lines, or with any branch lines leased by the Canadian Pacific, or under its control. Any such attempted amalgamation with any arrangement for making a common fund or pooling the earnings or receipts of the said two companies' railways, or any of their branch lines or any railway lines or parts thereof leased by the said companies, or either of them, shall be absolutely void. This provision, however, shall not extend to traffic or running arrangements made with the assent of the Governor-General in Council or Lieutenant-Governor in Council."

Carried.

Mr. McPhillips moved the following new sub-section:

"(s.) The subsidy granted under this agreement and the receipt thereof shall be subject to the condition that the Lieutenant-Governor in Council may at all times provide and secure to other companies such running powers, traffic arrangements, and other rights as will afford to all railways connecting therewith reasonable and proper facilities in exercising such running powers, fair and reasonable traffic arrangements with connecting companies, and equal mileage rates between all such connecting railways."

Carried.

Mr. McPhillips moved to add the following as a new sub-section:—

"(t.) The company shall, when required, produce and exhibit to the Minister of Finance, or any person appointed by him, all books, accounts and vouchers showing the cost of constructing the railway, the cost of operating it, and the earnings thereof."

Carried.

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

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

Bill (No. 102) intituled "An Act further to amend the 'Supreme Court Act.'"

Bill (No. 103) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Companies Winding-up Act, 1898."

Resolved, That the House, at its rising, do stand adjourned until 8:30 o'clock P.M., to-day.

And then the House adjourned at 5:55 o'clock, P. M.

Tuesday, 10th June, 1902.

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

The House proceeded to the Orders of the Day, beginning with "Public Bills in the hands of Private Members."

The report on Bill (No. 67) intituled "An Act further to amend the 'Legal Professions Act," was further considered.

Mr. McPhillips moved to strike out section 4.

Negatived on the following division:-

YEAS:

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Smith, E. C., McPhillips, Garden,

Helmcken, Ellison.

Prior-7.

NAYS:

Messieurs

McBride, Hawthornthwaite, Martin, Eberts, Curtis.

Smith, A. W., Wells.

Hunter, Dickie-9.

Mr. McPhillips moved to strike out section 5. Negatived on the following division:

YEAS:

Messieurs

Smith, E. C., Green,Hawthornthwaite, McPhillips,

Helmcken, Ellison.

Kidd. Prior -- 8.

NAYS:

Messieurs:

McBride. Oliver. Martin, Eberts, Curtis, Smith, A. W.,

Clifford, Houston. Wells.

Hunter. Dickie-11.

Mr. McPhillips moved to strike out section 6. Negatived on the following division :-

YEAS:

Messieurs

McPhillips, Helmcken,

Ellison,

Kidd,

Prior-5.

NAYS:

Messieurs

Smith, E. C., Oliver, Hawthornthwaite, Martin, Curtis, McBride, Eberts, Smith, A. W., Clifford, Houston, Wells, Hunter—12.

Mr. McPhillips moved to add the following as a new section:—

"8. Nothing in this Act contained shall be construed to give validity to any purchase by a Barrister or a Solicitor of the interest, or any part of the interest, of his client in any suit, action or other contentious proceeding to be brought or maintained, or to give validity to any agreement by which a Barrister or Solicitor retained or employed to prosecute any suit or action stipulates for payment only in the event of success in such suit, action or proceeding."

Negatived on the following division:-

YEAS:

Messieurs

Green, McPhillips, Helmcken, Ellison, Kidd,

... ,

Nays: Messieurs

Smith, E. C., Curtis, Oliver, McBride, Hanvard, Eberts.

Curtis, Smith, A. W., McBride, Clifford, Eberts, Houston, Wells, Hunter, Dickie—13.

Prior-6.

Martin,

Mr. McPhillips moved to add the following as a new section:—

"9. Notwithstanding anything contained in this Act it shall be construed so as not to affect any pending litigation."

Carried

Report, as amended, adopted.

Third reading to-morrow.

The Report on Bill (No. 73) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Highway Traffic Regulation Act'" was adopted.

Bill read a third time and passed.

The Report on Bill (No. 82) intituled "An Act to encourage the Manufacture of Steel Rails in Canada" was adopted.

Bill read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 69) intituled "An Act further to amend the 'Provincial Elections Act,'" was again committed.

Reported complete with amendments.

Report to be considered to-morrow.

Bill (No. 80) intituled "An Act to amend the Law relating to Trade Unions," was committed.

Progress reported.

Committee to sit again to-morrow.

The following Bills were read a second time and Ordered to be committed to-morrow.

Bill (No. 60) intituled "An Act to amend Chapter 144 of the Revised Statutes, being the 'Municipal Clauses Act.'"

Bill (No. 95) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Investment and Loan Societies Act."

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

And then the House adjourned at 11:55 o'clock, P. M.

Wednesday, 11th June, 1902.

Two o'clock, P. M.

Prayers by the Rev. Canon Beanlands.

The House proceeded to the Orders of the Day, after "Questions."

The Report on Bill (No. 85A) intituled "An Act to aid the Construction of a Railway from Victoria to Yellowhead Pass," was further considered.

Mr. McPhillips moved to add the following sub-sections to section 4:—

"(p.) The company shall not, nor shall any branch lines thereof or any lines of railway leased by the company, or under its control, be at any time amalgamated with the Canadian Pacific Railway, or any of its branch lines, or with any branch lines leased by the Canadian Pacific, or under its control. Any such attempted amalgamation with any arrangement for making a common fund or pooling the earnings or receipts of the said two companies' railways, or any of their branch lines or any railway lines or parts thereof leased by the said companies, or either of them, shall be absolutely void. This provision, however, shall not extend to traffic or running arrangements made with the assent of the Governor-General in Council or Lieutenant-Governor in Council.

"(q.) The subsidy granted under this agreement and the receipt thereof shall be subject to the condition that the Lieutenant-Governor in Council may at all times provide and secure to other companies such running powers, traffic arrangements, and other rights as will afford to all railways connecting therewith reasonable and proper facilities in exercising such running powers, fair and reasonable traffic arrangements with connecting companies, and equal mileage rates between all such connecting railways.

"(r.) The company shall, when required, produce and exhibit to the Minister of Finance, or any person appointed by him, all books, accounts and vouchers showing the cost of constructing the railway, the cost of operating it, and the earnings thereof."

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Carried.

Mr. Curtis moved to add a new section thereto, as follows:-

"Whenever aid, as aforesaid, is given to any company, such company shall, from time to time as it receives such aid, issue and deliver to the Government in exchange for such aid an equal amount of the first mortgage bonds of the railway company, but the Government may remit to the company the interest upon such bonds for a period of time, to be specified in the agreement with the company."

Negatived on the following division:—

YEAS:

Messieurs

$Smith,\ E.\ C.,$	${\it Hawthorn thwaite},$	Garden,	Curtis—4.
		NAYS:	
	N	Iessieurs	
McInnes, Stables, Oliver, Hayward,	Tatlow, Green, McBride, Murphy,	Prentice, Eberts, Smith, A. W., Ellison,	Wells, Prior, Hall, Rogers,
$Fulton, \\ Martin,$	$Taylor,\ Helmcken,$	$Clifford, \ Kidd.$	Hunter, Dickie—24

Mr. Curtis moved to add a new section, as follows: -

"No agreement made between the Lieutenant-Governor in Council and any railway company by virtue of this Act shall have any validity until ratified by the Legislative Assembly of British Columbia."

Murphy, Taylor,

Kidd—12.

Negatived on the following division:-

YEAS:

Messieurs

Smith, E. C., Garden, Tatlow,
Oliver, Fulton, Green,
Hawthornthwaite, Curtis, McBride,

NAVS:

Messieurs

McInnes, Helmcken, Ellison. Hall. Stables. Prentice. Clifford, Rogers, Wells. Hunter, Hayward, Eberts. Smith, A. W., Dickie-16. Martin, Prior,

Mr. Curtis moved to add a new section, as follows:—

"Provision shall also be made in any agreement entered into by virtue of this Act whereby all contracts for the construction of the railway shall, before becoming effective, be submitted to and be approved by the Lieutenant-Governor in Council."

Negatived on the following division:

YEAS:

Messieurs

Smith, E. C., Garden, Tatlow, Murphy, Oliver, Fulton, Green, Taylor, Hawthornthwaite, Curtis, McBride, Kidd—12.

NAYS:

Messieurs

McInnes,Helmcken,Ellison,Hall,Stables,Prentice,Clifford,Rogers,Hayward,Eberts,Wells,Dickie—15.Martin,Smith, A. W.,Prior,

Mr. Curtis moved to add a new section, as follows:-

"Provision shall also be made in any agreement entered into by virtue of this Act whereby the Province shall have the right to purchase the subsidised railway at the expiration of twenty years, at a fair price."

Negatived on the following division:

YEAS:

Messieurs

Smith, E. C., Garden, Green, Helmcken, Oliver, Curtis, McBride, Kidd—11. Hawthornthwaite, Tatlow, Taylor,

NAYS:

Messieurs

Ellison, Hall, Murphy, McInnes. Prentice, Clifford, Rogers, Stables. Wells, Hunter, Eberts. Hayward, Smith, A. W., Prior, Dickie-17. Fulton, Martin,

Mr. Curtis moved to add a new section, as follows:—

"The Lieutenant-Governor in Council shall enter into no agreement by virtue of this Act unless the company or person contracting shall concurrently deposit with the Government adequate security, guaranteeing the earliest construction of the railway mentioned in the agreement."

Negatived on the following division:

Y_{EAS} :

Messieurs

Smith, E. C., Garden, Oliver, Fulton, Hawthornthwaite, Curtis, Tatlow, Green, McBride.

Murphy, Taylor, Kidd—12.

NAYS:

Messieurs

McInnes, Helmcken,
Stables, Prentice,
Hayward, Eberts,
Martin, Smith, A. W.,

Ellison, Clifford, Wells, Prier,

Hall, Rogers, Dickie—15.

Mr. Curtis moved to add a new section, as follows:--

"Notwithstanding anything contained in this Act, the company subsidised under this Act shall not have the right to purchase, lease or use any lands belonging to the Province until it has entered into a contract with the Lieutenant-Governor in Council with respect to the employment of labour in the construction and operation of the railway."

Negatived on the following division:-

YEAS:

Messieurs

Smith, E. C., Curtis, Oliver, Tatlow, Hawthornthwaite, Green, $McBride, \\ Murphy,$

Taylor. Kidd—10.

NAYS:

Messieurs

McInnes, Helmcken,
Stables, Prentice,
Garden, Eberts,
Martin, Smith, A. W.,

Ellison, Clifford, Wells, Prior, Hall, Rogers, Hunter, Dickie—16.

Mr. Curtis moved to add a new section, as follows:-

"Provision shall be made in any agreement made by virtue of this Act so that any subsidy granted shall be made subject to the condition that the company aided shall not amalgamate with any other company, or lease or transfer the railway or its franchise, or make pooling arrangements as to rates for freight or other charges, or adopt any method for placing such railway under the management or control, in whole or in part, of any other railway or railways in any manner whatsoever, without the sanction of the Lieutenant-Governor in Council first had and obtained; and breach of this condition by any subsidised company shall render the subsidy paid immediately repayable to the Province, with interest at the rate of ten per cent. per annum, to be computed from the date of payment of subsidy to date of repayment."

Negatived on the following division:-

YEAS:

Messieurs

Smith, E. C., Hawthornthwaite, Garden,

Curtis,

Taylor-5.

NAYS:

Messieurs

 $\begin{array}{lll} \textit{McInnes}, & \textit{Helmcken}, \\ \textit{Stables}, & \textit{Prentice}, \\ \textit{Martin}, & \textit{Eberts}, \\ \textit{McBride}, & \textit{Smith}, \textit{A}. \textit{W}., \end{array}$

Ellison, Clifford, Wells, Prior,

Hall, Rogers, Hunter, Dickie—16. Mr. Curtis moved to add the following as a new section:

"Before any subsidy so granted is paid, an attested statement, signed by the president of the railway company aided, shall be filed with the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works, showing the cost in detail of each twenty-mile section of road-bed, including the cost of land, fencing, grading, ballasting, rails, ties, culverts, bridges, and all material and labour and expert services in connection therewith, and the said company shall, when required, produce and exhibit to the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works, or any person appointed by him, all books, accounts and vouchers, showing the cost of constructing the railway, and the cost of operating it, with the earnings thereof."

Negatived on the following division:

YEAS:

Messieurs

Smith, E. C., Hawthornthwaite, Garden, $Curt is, \\ Tatlow,$

 $Green, \\ McBride,$

Murphy, Taylor—9.

NAYS:

Messieurs

McInnes, Stables, Martin, Helmcken,

Prentice, Eberts, Smith, A. W., Ellison, Clifford, Wells, Prior, Hall,

Rogers, Hunter, Dickie—15.

The debate was resumed on the amendment moved by Mr. Martin on the 10th inst., as follows:—

To amend sub-section (g) of section 3 by striking out the words "but the company shall not at any time be subject to taxation upon a more onerous basis than the taxation of any other railway company of a similar standard in British Columbia," at the end thereof.

Carried.

Report, as amended, adopted. Bill read a third time and passed.

Mr. Martin presented the following report:—

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE ROOM, 11th June, 1902.

Mr. Speaker:

Your Select Committee appointed to examine Mr. F. C. Cotton as to the negotiations between the Government of British Columbia and the Columbia and Western Railway Company in respect to the substitution of a cash subsidy in lieu of land grants, as outlined in the Queen's Speech at the opening of the spring Session of the Legislature in the year 1900, beg leave to report as follows:—

Your Committee report that they examined Mr. F. C. Cotton under oath, and transmit

herewith a transcript of his examination.

Respectfully submitted,

JOSEPH MARTIN, Chairman.

The report was received.

Ordered, That the evidence accompanying the same be printed.

Bill (No. 86) intituled "An Act to aid the Construction of a Railway from Vancouver to Midway," was again committed.

Reported complete with amendments.

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

Bill (No. 62) intituled "An Act to secure payment of Wages for labour performed in the Construction of Public Works," was committed.

Reported complete without amendment.

Report adopted.

Third reading at the next sitting of the House.

Resolved, That the House, at its rising, do stand adjourned until 8:30 o'clock P.M., to-day.

And then the House adjourned at 5:50 o'clock, P. M.

Wednesday, 11th June, 1902.

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

The House proceeded to the Orders of the Day.

On the third reading of Bill (No. 62) intituled "An Act to secure payment of Wages for labour performed in the Construction of Public Works," Mr. Curtis moved that the Bill be referred back to Committee of the Whole with instructions to consider the insertion of the following amendment:—

"To amend section 7 by adding immediately after the word 'Legislature,' in line two, the words, 'and any other company doing business in the Province of British Columbia which

is under the jurisdiction of the Legislative Assembly in this behalf."

Negatived on the following division:-

		YEAS:	
		Messieurs	
Smith, E. C., Garden, Curtis,	$Munro, \ Tatlow, \ Green,$	$McBride, \ Murphy,$	Taylor, Kidd—10.
,		NAVS:	
		Messieurs	
McInnes,	Prentice,	Clifford,	Hall,
Gilmour,	Eberts,	Wells,	Rogers,
Stables,	Smith, A. W.,	Prior,	Hunter—14.
Oliver,	Ellison,		•

Bill read a third time and passed.

The Report on Bill (No. 86) intituled "An Act to aid the construction of a Railway from Vancouver to Midway" was considered.

The further consideration of the Report was adjourned until to-morrow.

The following Bills were read a second time and *Ordered* to be committed to-morrow:—Bill (No. 77) intituled "An Act to authorise a Loan of Three Million Five Hundred Thousand Dollars."

Bill (No. 78) intituled "An Act to confirm the existing Bank Overdraft, and to provide in the future for obtaining Funds by way of Overdrafts from the Banking Institutions of the Province."

Bill (No. 89) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Evidence Act."

Bill (No. 97) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Companies Act, 1897, Amendment Act, 1901."

Bill (No. 98) intituled "An Act to regulate the Employment of Labour upon Subsidised Works"

Bill (No. 71) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Horticultural Board Act'" was read a second time and committed.

Reported complete without amendment.

Report adopted.

Bill read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 70) intituled "An Act respecting Mutual Fire Insurance Companies" was read a second time and committed.

Reported complete with amendments.

Report adopted.

Bill read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 72) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Bush Fire Act'" was read a second time and committed.

Reported complete with amendments.

Report adopted.

Third reading to morrow.

Bill (No. 83) intituled "An Act to enable Power Companies to exercise the Powers set out in Part IV. of the 'Water Clauses Consolidation Act, 1897,' without becoming specially Incorporated," was read a second time and committed.

Bill reported complete without amendment.

Report adopted.

Bill read a third time and passed.

On the motion of Mr. Helmcken, seconded by Mr. Hall, it was Resolved,—

Whereas British subjects have faithfully observed the regulations made pursuant to the award, dated the 15th August, 1893, for the proper protection and preservation of the fur seal in the Behring Sea:

And whereas it is announced that the Government of the United States of America have lately passed an Act, in effect that unless a *modus vivendi* prohibiting the killing of seals be secured at the opening of the pelagic season of 1902, authority will be given to kill all the male and female seals, with the exception of 10,000 females and 1,000 males:

And whereas the exercise of such a presumed authority is contrary to the finding of the Behring Sea Tribunal, and a direct violation of the spirit of the agreement entered into between the Governments of Great Britain and the United States, and an unwarrantable

interference with and infringement upon the undoubted rights of British subjects:

Be it therefore Resolved, That this House would view with regret the commission of such act, and in the opinion of this House an humble Address be presented to His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, asking him to communicate with the Dominion Government, protesting against such action, and urging that all proper steps be taken to bring this matter to the attention of the Imperial Government.

Bill (No. 84) intituled "An Act to further relieve the Members of Canadian Forces serving in South Africa from complying with the provisions of the Mineral and Placer Mining Acts in respect of Mining Properties held by them," was read a second time and committed.

Reported complete with amendments.

Report adopted.

Bill read a third time and passed.

The Standing Rules and Orders were suspended, and then, on the motion of Mr. Houston, seconded by Mr. Green, it was Resolved,—

That it is desirable, in the interests of the silver-lead mining and smelting industries of British Columbia, that the duties on pig lead and the products thereof imposed by the Dominion of Canada should be so increased as to protect the capital invested in these industries, and encourage the investment of capital in the establishment of the various manufactures of lead products within the Dominion. And be it further

Resolved, That the Government will cause a copy of this resolution to be forwarded to His Excellency the Governor-General at Ottawa, and to each member of the Senate and House of Commons at Ottawa.

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

And then the House adjourned at 12 o'clock, midnight.

Thursday, 12th June, 1902.

Two o'clock, P. M.

Prayers by the Rev. J. P. Westman.

The House proceeded to the Orders of the Day.

Order for the third reading of Bill (No. 67) intituled "An Act further to amend the 'Legal Professions Act,'" called.

On the motion of Mr. Martin the Bill was recommitted, with instructions to strike out section 8 thereof.

Bill reported complete with amendment.

Report adopted.

Bill read a third time and passed.

The report on Bill (No. 57) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Municipal Elections Act,'" was further considered.

Mr. Oliver moved to strike out sub-section (12) of section 4.

Carried.

Mr. Curtis moved to amend section 5 by striking out the word "eight," in line five, and substituting therefor the words "nine o'clock," and by striking out the word "four," in line five, and substituting therefor the words "half-past seven o'clock."

Carried

Report, as amended, adopted.

On the third reading of the Bill Mr. Helmcken moved to recommit the Bill for the purpose of considering the following amendment:—

To strike out sub-section (c) of section 2, and to insert in lieu thereof the following:—

"(c.) No person shall be entitled to have his or her name twice entered on the annual voters' list as a voter for Aldermen or Councillors in one and the same ward in a municipality; and it shall be unlawful to twice enter the name of any person on the voters' list for any one year as a voter for Aldermen or Councillors in one and the same ward, by reason of his or her being able to qualify as a voter in one and the same ward under one or more sub-sections of this section."

Negatived.

Mr. Helmcken moved to recommit the Bill for the purpose of considering the following amendment:—

To add the following words after the word "payable," in the 19th line of section 2: "on or before the first day of December in the same year."

And to strike out the following words of sub-section (d) of section 2, in the first line thereof: "District or Township."

Negatived.

Bill read a third time and passed.

The report on Bill (No. 69) intituled "An Act further to amend the 'Provincial Elections Act," was considered.

Mr. McInnes moved to strike out the words "Electoral District or Riding for which said Collector is acting," wherever they occur in sub-section (g) of section 2, and substitute the following therefor:—"Province of British Columbia."

Carried.

Mr. McBride moved that section 5 be struck out. Negatived.

Mr. Curtis moved to amend section 5 by adding immediately after the word "person," in line one, the following words: "who is a British subject, and has resided in the Electoral District continuously previous to his appointment for at least one year."

Negatived on the following division:-

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Smith, E. C.,	Garden,	Tatlow,	•	Murphy,
Oliver,	Fulton,	Green,		Ellison,
Hawthornthwaite,	Curtis,	McBride,		Kidd-13.
Hayward,				

NAYS:

Messieurs

McInnes,	Prentice,	Wells,	Rogers,
Gilmour,	Eberts,	Prior,	Hunter,
Stables,	Smith, A. W.,	Hall,	Dickie—14.
Martin.	Houston.	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	

Mr. Curtis moved to add to the section the following words:—"in the Electoral District in which he resides."

Carried on the following division :-

YEAS:

Messieurs

Smith, E. C.,	Fulton,	Green,	Ellison,
Oliver,	Curtis,	McBride,	Kidd,
Hawthornthwaite,	Munro,	Murphy,	$Prior_15.$
Garden,	Tatlow,	Helmcken,	

NAYS:

Messieurs

McInnes,	Martin,	Houston,	Rogers,
Gilmour.	Prentice,	Wells,	Hunter,
Stables,	Eberts,	Hall,	Dickie-14.
Hannard	Smith A W		

Mr. McBride moved to insert after the word "person," in the first line of section 5, the words: "who is a British subject of the full age of twenty-one years."

Carried.

Mr. McBride moved to amend section 5 by adding thereto the following-

"Provided, however, that no such person shall be appointed under this section who resides within five miles of any of the persons mentioned in section 4 of this Act."

Negatived.

Mr. Curtis moved to add a new section as follows:—

"Section 67 of said chapter 67 is hereby amended by adding the following words immedi-

ately after the word "mentioned," at the end of line 10:-

"Provided, however, that where the nomination paper is subscribed in addition to the proposer and seconder by at least five per cent. of the registered electors of the same district, as assenting to the nomination, the said deposit of two hundred dollars shall not be necessary or required."

Carried on the following division:

YEAS:

Messieurs

McInnes, Gilmour. Stables, Oliver,

Hawthornthwaite, Garden, Martin. Curtis,

Munro. Tatlow. McBride,

Murphy. Taylor, Kidd-14.

NAYS:

Messieurs

Hanward. Fulton. Green, Prentice,

Eberts. Smith, A. W., Ellison.

Houston, Prior, Hall.

Rogers, Hunter. Dickie-13.

Mr. Curtis moved to add thereto a new section, as follows:—

"8. Section 7 of said chapter 67, as re-enacted by section 3 of chapter 22 of the Statutes of 1901, is hereby amended by striking out the word 'male,' in the first line thereof, and substituting therefor the word 'person.'"

Negatived on the following division:—

YEAS:

Messieurs

Stables, Smith, E. C., Oliver,

Hawthornthwaite, Martin, Curtis,

Munro. Murphy, Taylor,

Helmcken, Kidd. Hall—12.

NAYS:

Messieurs

McInnes. Hayward, Tatlow, Green,

McBride.Prentice. Eberts, Smith A. W., Ellison. Houston, Wells, Prior,

Rogers. Hunter, Dickie—15.

Mr. Ellison moved to add the following as a new section:-

"Section 7 of chapter 67 of the Revised Statutes, 1897, is hereby amended by striking out of line one the word 'twenty-one' and inserting 'eighteen.'"

Carried on the following division:

YEAS:

Messieurs

Hayward, Gilmour, Stables, Smith, E. C., Oliver, Hawthornthwaite,

Martin, Curtis, Munro. Tatlow,

McBride, Murphy, Helmcken, Eberts. Smith, A. W.,

Ellison, Kidd, Houston, Wells, Hall—20.

NAYS:

Messieurs

McInnes, Green.

Prentice, Prior.

Hunter,

Rogers, Dickie-7.

Mr. Ellison moved to amend clause 3 as follows:—

Insert in line one, after the figures 67, the words: "as enacted by section 40 of chapter 25, Statutes of 1899.'

And to strike out of clause 2 of Form "A" the word: "twenty-one" and insert "eighteen."

Carried.

The further consideration of the Report was adjourned.

Bill (No. 74) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals Incorporation Act'" was again committed.

Reported complete with amendments.

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

Bill (No. 80) intituled "An Act to amend the Law relating to Trade Unions'" was again committed.

Progress reported.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting of the House.

Resolved, That the House, at its rising, do stand adjourned until 8:30 o'clock P.M., to-day.

The Hon. Minister of Mines presented a Supplementary Return of all reports on the coal mines of the Crow's Nest Coal Company made by Mr. McGregor, Mine Inspector, and Mr. Dick, Mine Inspector, since 9th November, 1899.

Ordered to be printed.

And then the House adjourned at 6 o'clock, P.M.

Thursday, 12th June, 1902.

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

Bill (No. 80) intituled "An Act to amend the Law relating to Trade Unions" was again committed.

Reported complete with amendments.

Report to be considered to-morrow.

Resolved, That the House, at its rising, do stand adjourned until 10:30 o'clock, A. M., to-morrow.

Mr. Tatlow asked the Government the following question:—

Is it the intention of the Government to make the disposal of leases of the foreshore subject to public competition?

The Hon. Mr. Wells replied as follows:—

"The matter has not been determined by the Government. There will be no disposition of the foreshore pending the consideration of the whole question of fishing rights with the Dominion Government, after which the matter will be considered."

And then the House adjourned at 10:55 o'clock, P. M.

Friday, 13th June, 1902.

HALF-PAST TEN O'CLOCK, A. M.

The House proceeded to the Orders of the Day, after "Questions."

Mr. Garden asked the Hon. the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works the following questions—

1. Does the construction of the "South African War Land Grant Act, 1901," include among those entitled to land, members of the "South African Constabulary" enlisted in Canada and who served in the South African War?

2. If not, is it the intention of the Government to amend the Act so as to include them?

The Hon. Mr. Wells replied as follows:-

"1. No.

"2. Yes."

Bill (No. 72) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Bush Fire Act,'" was read a third time and passed.

The Report on Bill (No. 86) intituled "An Act to aid the construction of a Railway from Vancouver to Midway" was further considered.

Mr. Gilmour moved to strike out the following words in lines 2 and 3, section 4, subsection (a): "portion thereof from Vancouver to New Westminster, and also for any."

A debate arose, which was adjourned.

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

Bill (No. 77) intituled "An Act to authorise a Loan of Three Million Five Hundred Thousand Dollars," was committed.

Reported complete with amendments.

Report adopted.

Bill read a third time and passed.

The Hon, the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works presented further correspondence, re the lands in Fernie townsite.

The House took a recess from 1 o'clock to 2:30 p. m.

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

Bill (No. 78) intituled "An Act to confirm the existing Bank Overdraft, and to provide in the future for obtaining Funds by way of Overdrafts from the Banking Institutions of the Province," was committed.

Reported complete without amendment.

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

Bill (No. 89) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Evidence Act,'" was committed. Reported complete with amendments.

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

Bill (No. 97) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Companies Act, 1897, Amendment Act, 1901," was committed.

Reported complete without amendment.

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

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

Mr. Fell, the Clerk of the House, read the title to the following Bill:—

(No. 77) An Act to authorise a Loan of Three Million Five Hundred Thousand Dollars.

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

The same was announced by the Clerk of the House in the following words:-

"In His Majesty's name, His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor doth assent to this Bill."

Bill (No. 98) intituled "An Act to regulate the Employment of Labour upon Subsidised Works," was committed.

Reported complete with amendments.

Report adopted.

Bill read a third time and passed.

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the Second Reading of Bill (No. 63) intituled "An Act to confirm an Agreement between the Crown and the Crow's Nest Pass Coal Company, Limited, respecting certain Lots in the Townsite of Fernie."

Bill read a second time and committed.

Reported complete with amendments.

Report adopted.

Bill read a third time and passed.

On the second reading of Bill (No. 96) intituled "An Act to amend certain Acts incorporating Railway Companies passed during the year 1901," a debate arose, which was adjourned until the next sitting of the House.

Resolved, That the House, at its rising, do stand adjourned until 8:30 o'clock P.M., to-day.

And then the House adjourned at 6 o'clock, P. M.

Friday, 13th June, 1902.

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

The House resumed the further consideration of the Report on Bill (No. 86) intituled "An Act to aid the Construction of a Railway from Vancouver to Midway," and the adjourned debate on the amendment moved by Mr. Gilmour, as follows:—"To strike out the following words in lines 2 and 3, section 4, sub-section (a): 'portion thereof from Vancouver to New Westminster, and also for any."

The amendment was withdrawn with leave.

Mr. Oliver moved to amend section 4, sub-section (a), line 8, by inserting after the word "Chilliwhack," the words: "passing within a distance of not more than one mile from the Chilliwhack Court House; thence."

Negatived on the following division:-

YEAS:

Messieurs

Oliver, Hawthornthwaite, Curtis,
Munro,

McBride, McPhillips, Kidd—7.

NAYS:

Messieurs

McInnes. Gilmour, Hayward,

Martin, Helmcken, Prentice.

Eberts. Smith, A. W.,

Wells. Hunter—11.

Houston,

Mr. McPhillips moved to add after the word "Columbia," in the 22nd line of sub-section (a), section 4, the following words: -- "south of the mouth of the Fraser River."

Negatived on the following division:-

YEAS:

Messieurs

Oliver. Hawthornthwaite, Curtis. Munro, McBride. McPhillips.

Helmcken. Kidd—8.

NAVS:

Messieurs

McInnes.Gilmour, Hayward, Martin, Eberts.

Smith, A. W., Houston,

Wells. Hunter-9.

Mr. Oliver moved to amend section 4, sub-section (b), by inserting after the word "subsidy," in the second line, the words: "of six thousand dollars per mile or of a less amount if."

Negatived on the following division:-

YEAS:

Messieurs

Oliver, Hawthornthwaite, Curtis. Munro, McBride. McPhillips, Kidd-7.

NAYS:

Messieurs

McInnes. Gilmour, Hayward, Martin. Helmcken, Prentice,

Smith, A. W., Houston,

Wells. Hunter-10.

Mr. Curtis moved to amend section 4 by striking out of sub-section (e) the word "Allison," in line 9, and substituting therefor the word "Princeton." Carried.

Mr. Oliver moved to amend section 4, sub-section (e), by striking out all the words after "Government," in lines 5 and 6, and inserting the following in lieu thereof:

"Provided, however, that no portion of said grant for the construction of the sections of said railway, other than the mountain sections, shall be paid unless and until the company shall have constructed an equal extent of the mountain sections of said railway (unless the whole of the mountain sections shall have been sooner constructed), extending from a point on the west side of the mountains at or near or south of Hope to a point at or near Princeton, and a certificate therefor shall have been given by the Engineer of the Government: Provided further, that the line of railway shall throughout its whole length be constructed in the Province of British Columbia,"

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

YEAS:

Messieurs

McInnes, Hayward, Martin,

Helmcken. Eberts, Smith, A. W., · Houston, Wells,

Rogers, Hunter-10.

NAYS:

Messieurs

Gilmour, Oliver, Hawthornthwaite, Curtis.

McBride, McPhillips, Kidd—7.

Mr. McBride moved to amend section 4, sub-section (e), line 8, by inserting between the words "the" and "Mountain" the words following: "section between the Cities of New Westminster and Vancouver and."

Carried.

Mr. Curtis moved to strike out of sub-section (f) all the words after the word "Agreement," in line 10 thereof.

Negatived on the following division:

YEAS:

Messieurs

Curtis, Munro, McBride,

Kidd,

NAYS:

Messieurs

McInnes, Gilmour, Oliver, Hayward, Martin, McPhillips, Helmcken, Eberts, Smith, A. W. Wells, Rogers, Hunter—13.

Houston-5.

Hawthornthwaite,

Mr. Curtis moved to amend section 4 by striking out of sub-section (g) the words "and Municipal," in line 7.

Negatived on the following division :-

YEAS:

Messieurs

Oliver,

Curtis,

 $McBride, \\ McPhillips,$

Kidd—7.

Hawthorn thwaite, Munro,

NAYS:

Messieurs

McInnes, Gilmour, Hayward,

Martin, Helmcken, Eberts, Smith, A. W., Houston, Wells,

Rogers, Hunter—11.

Mr. Curtis moved to add the following thereto as a new section:—

"The said agreement shall be made with some company independent of the Canadian Pacific Railway Company, and the former company shall operate the railway aided under this Act as a competitive line to the Canadian Pacific Railway, unless it be found that no company independent of the Canadian Pacific Railway Company can be got to construct the proposed railway upon the terms mentioned in the other sections of this Act, and as a competitive line to the Canadian Pacific Railway."

Negatived on the following division:-

YEAS:

Messieurs

Oliver.

Hawthornthwaite,

Curtis -3.

Houston,

Nays:

Messieurs

McInnes, Gilmour, Hayward, Martin. Munro, McBride, McPhillips,

Helmcken,

Eberts, Smith, A. W., Kidd,

Wells, Rogers, Hunter—15.

Report, as amended, adopted.

Third reading at the next sitting of the House.

Resolved, That the House, at its rising, do stand adjourned until 10:30 o'clock, A. M. to-morrow.

The Hon. the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works presented a letter from the Hon. the Attorney-General to the Hon. the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works, dated 9th June, 1902, re land grant, section 4, Columbia & Western Railway.

And then the House adjourned at 11:20 o'clock, P. M.

Saturday, June 14th, 1902.

HALF-PAST TEN O'CLOCK, A.M.

The House proceeded to the Orders of the Day.

Order for the third reading of Bill (No. 86) intituled "An Act to aid the Construction of a Railway from Vancouver to Midway," called.

Mr. McPhillips moved to recommit the Bill, for the purpose of considering the following amendment:—

To add after the word "Columbia," in the 22nd line of sub-section (a) of section 4, the words: "on the south side of the mouth of the Fraser River."

A debate arose, which was adjourned to Monday next.

The Report on (No. 78) intituled "An Act to confirm the existing Bank Overdraft, and to provide in the future for obtaining Funds by way of Overdrafts from the Banking Institutions of the Province," was considered.

Mr. McBride moved to insert after the word "overdraft," in line 3, section 3, the words: "not to exceed by the 30th June, 1903, the sum of two million dollars."

Negatived on the following division:-

YEAS:

Messieurs

Smith, E. C., Curtis, Hawthornthwaite, Munro, Fulton, $Green, \\ McBride,$

Murphy, McPhillips—9.

NAYS:

Messieurs

Hayward, Smith, A. W.,
Helmcken, Ellison,
Prentice, Clifford,
Eberts,

Houston, Wells, Prior, Hall, Rogers, Hunter—13.

Report adopted.

Bill read a third time and passed.

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the second reading of Bill (No. 96) intituled "An Act to amend certain Acts incorporating Railway Companies, passed during the year 1901."

Bill read a second time and committed. Reported complete with amendments. Report to be considered on Monday next. Bill (No. 92) intituled "An Act to amend the 'British Columbia Fisheries Act, 1901," was read a second time.

To be committed on Monday next.

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

And then the House adjourned at 2:15 o'clock, P. M.

Monday, 16th June, 1902.

Two o'clock, P. M.

The House proceeded to the Orders of the Day.

The Report on Bill (No. 89) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Evidence Act," was adopted.

Third reading at the next sitting of the House.

The Report on Bill (No. 97) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Companies Act, 1897, Amendment Act, 1901," was adopted.

Bill read a third time and passed.

The Report on Bill (No. 96) intituled "An Act to amend certain Acts incorporating Railway Companies, passed during the year 1901," was considered.

Mr. Helmcken moved to amend Schedule by adding the following:—"1901, cap. 73, 'An Act to incorporate the Crow's Nest Southern Railway Company,' clause 23."

Carried

Report, as amended, adopted.

Bill read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 92) intituled "An Act to amend the 'British Columbia Fisheries Act, 1901," was committed.

Reported complete with amendments.

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

Bill (No. 52) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Municipal Clauses Act'" was committed. Progress reported.

Committee to sit again this evening.

Resolved, That the House, at its rising, do stand adjourned until 8:30 o'clock P.M., to-day.

And then the House adjourned at 6 o'clock, P. M.

Monday, 16th June, 1902.

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

The House proceeded to the Orders of the Day.

Order called for the third reading of Bill (No. 86) intituled "An Act to aid the Construction of a Railway from Vancouver to Midway," and to resume the adjourned debate on the amendment moved by Mr. McPhillips on the 14th inst., as follows:—To recommit the Bill for the purpose of considering the following amendment:—To add after the word "Columbia," in the 22nd line of sub-section (a) of section 4, the words "on the south side of the mouth of the Fraser River."

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

		$\mathbf{Y}_{\mathbf{EAS}}$:	
		Messieurs	
Smith, E. C., Oliver, Hawthornthwaite, Fulton,	Curtis, Munro, Green, McBride,	McPhillips, Taylor, Helmcken,	Ellison, Clifford, Kidd—14.
		NAYS:	
		Messieurs -	
McInnes, Gilmour, Stables, Hayward, Garden,	Martin, Tatlow, Murphy, Prentice,	Eberts, Smith, A. W., Wells, Prior,	Hall, Rogers, Hunter, Dickie—17.

Mr. Oliver moved—"That the Order for the third reading be discharged and the Bill recommitted.

Carried on the following division:

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Smith, E. C., Oliver, Hawthornthwaite, Garden,	Curtis, Munro, Tatlow, Green,	McBride, Murphy, McPhillips, Taylor,	$Helmcken,\ Ellison,\ Clifford,\ Kidd-17.$
Fulton,		Nays: Messieurs	
McInnes, Gilmour, Stables, Hayward,	Martin, Prentice, Eberts, Smith, A. W.,	Wells, Prior, Hall,	Rogers, Hunter, Dickie—14.

Ordered to be committed to-morrow.

Bill (No. 52) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Municipal Clauses Act'" was again committed.

Progress reported.

Committee to sit again to-morrow.

Resolved, That the House, at its rising, do stand adjourned until 10:30 o'clock, A.M., to-morrow

And then the House adjourned at 11 o'clock, P.M.