

Monday, February 24th, 1958.

TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by Chaplain *L. T. Jackson*.

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

F. M. Ross,
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 24th, 1958.

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. 28) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Mental Hospitals Act,'" a draft of which is annexed to this Resolution.

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

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

F. M. Ross,
Lieutenant-Governor.

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

Government House,
February 24th, 1958.

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. 29) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Schools for Mental Defectives Act,'" a draft of which is annexed to this Resolution.

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

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

F. M. Ross,
Lieutenant-Governor.

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

*Government House,
February 24th, 1958.*

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. 30) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Public Services Medical Plan Act,'" a draft of which is annexed to this Resolution.

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

Pursuant to Order, the House resumed the adjourned debate on the motion "That Mr. Speaker do now leave the chair" for the House to go into Committee of Supply.

The debate continued.

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

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 *Tisdalle* was withdrawn:—

That the Minister of Agriculture table a Return of all submissions and documents dealing with the research for the benefit of the milk industry regarding policies for the improvement and development of methods of production and distribution of milk carried on by the Milk Board pursuant to section 50 of "An Act respecting the Milk Industry" as contained in chapter 28 of the 1956 Statutes.

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

1. Were any adjustments made in payments on highway contracts in addition to the original contracts?
2. If so, (a) what are the names of the contractors and (b) what was the amount of adjustment each received?
3. Were all these adjustments recommended by the engineers concerned?
4. If not, by whom were they recommended?

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

1. How many commercial fishermen applied for workmen's compensation as independent operators during 1957?

2. How many commercial fishermen obtained workmen's compensation coverage as independent operators during each individual month in 1957?

3. What were the total number of months where compensation coverage was provided to commercial fishermen under the independent operator plan?

4. What were the total payments paid by commercial fishermen to the Workmen's Compensation Board for coverage as independent operators?

5. How many claims were received from or on behalf of commercial fishermen who were covered under the independent operator type of plan during 1957 for the following: (a) Death claims, (b) claims for temporary total disability, (c) claims for permanent partial disability, and (d) claims for permanent total disability?

6. How many of the foregoing claims were approved and how many of the foregoing claims were rejected?

7. What was the total amount of money paid out by the Workmen's Compensation Board to commercial fishermen during 1957 under the independent operators' section of the Board's jurisdiction?

8. Were any of the claims by commercial fishermen under the independent operators' plan rejected solely on the grounds that the fishermen concerned had not paid a premium for the coverage?

9. How many commercial fishermen suffered fatal industrial accidents during 1957?

10. How many of the commercial fishermen who suffered fatal industrial accidents during 1957 were covered by workmen's compensation under (a) the independent operator plan and (b) those sections of the Act which define certain categories of fishermen as workmen?

11. How many commercial fishermen who suffered fatal industrial accidents were not covered by workmen's compensation during 1957?

12. How many commercial fishermen in British Columbia suffered either temporary total disability, permanent partial disability, or permanent total disability during 1957 and how many of them were covered by workmen's compensation either as workmen under the Act or as independent operators?

The Hon. *L. Wicks* replied as follows:—

" 1. 1,216.

" 2. January, 74; February, 36; March, 52; April, 195; May, 345; June, 133; July, 343; August, 31; September, 3; October, 4; November, *nil*; December, *nil*; total, 1,216.

" 3. 6,096.

" 4. \$37,795.60.

" 5. (a) Death claims, none approved and none rejected; (b) claims for temporary total disability, fifty-four approved and none rejected; (c) claims for permanent partial disability, six approved and none rejected; (d) claims for permanent total disability, none approved and none rejected; (e) claims no time-loss, none approved and two rejected.

" 6. Answered by No. 5.

" 7. \$27,382.24.

" 8. There were no claims by commercial fishermen under the independent operators' plan rejected solely on the grounds that the fishermen concerned had not paid their assessment; there were, however, one or two claims which could not be accepted because the fishermen concerned had not applied for workmen's compensation coverage.

" 9. Reports were received respecting five commercial fishermen who met death by accident in 1957.

“ 10. All the five commercial fishermen referred to in No. 9 were covered under those sections of the Act which define certain categories of fishermen as workmen.

“ 11. The Board does not have information respecting those not covered by the Act and with respect to whom no claim was filed.

“ 12. A total of 228 commercial fishermen who were covered by the Act, either as workmen or as independent operators, sustained either temporary total disability or permanent partial disability; there were no permanent total disability claims; of the above number, 172 were automatically covered by the Act as workmen and 56 were covered by voluntary application as independent operators; the Board has no record of injuries to commercial fishermen who were not covered by the Act.”

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

1. How many cases have been presented to the Compensation Counsellor for assistance during the year 1957?

2. In how many of these cases has he been successful in changing the decision of the Board?

3. How many cases did he have under review at January 1st, 1957?

4. How many cases did he have under review at December 31st, 1957?

The Hon. *L. Wicks* replied as follows:—

“ 1. 294.

“ 2. The Compensation Counsellor's duties are to assist persons who have problems under the ‘ Workmen's Compensation Act ’; he is not required to have knowledge of the final disposition of their problems.

“ 3 and 4. Answered by No. 2.”

Mr. *Gregory* asked leave of the House to make a statement of apology to the Minister of Highways.

Leave was granted and a statement made.

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 5.15 p.m.

Monday, February 24th, 1958.

HALF-PAST EIGHT O'CLOCK P.M.

Mr. Speaker made a statement, as follows:—

Honourable Members.—It has been the practice of the members of this Assembly, as a matter of courtesy to your Speaker and with a view to facilitating the business of the House, to advise the Speaker of procedure intended to be followed or statements to be made. This practice, to be effective, necessarily involves and presupposes bona fide intent and good faith. Happily, in the past the good faith of the members has always been apparent.

Toward the close of our last sitting, after first advising me that he intended to make an apology, the third member for Victoria asked leave of the House to make a statement of apology to the Minister of Highways. Leave was granted and he made a statement.

The statement submitted was not an apology, and leave of the House was obtained in an unfair and misleading manner and as such was an abuse of the rule which provides for the correction of a statement made by a member.

Pursuant to Order, the House resumed the adjourned debate on the motion "That Mr. Speaker do now leave the chair" for the House to go into Committee of Supply.

The debate continued.

On the motion of the Hon. *R. G. Williston*, the debate was adjourned to the next sitting of the House.

Mr. *Matthew* presented the Seventh Report of the Select Standing Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills, as follows:—

REPORT NO. 7.

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE ROOM,
February 19th, 1958.

MR. SPEAKER:

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

That the preamble of Bill (No. 52) intituled "An Act to incorporate British Columbia Life & Casualty Company" has been proved, and the Bill ordered to be reported.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

A. S. MATTHEW, *Chairman*.

The report was read and received.

By leave of the House, the Rules were suspended and the report adopted.

Mr. *Matthew* presented the Eighth Report of the Select Standing Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills, as follows:—

REPORT NO. 8.

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE ROOM,
February 19th, 1958.

MR. SPEAKER:

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

That the preamble of Bill (No. 54) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Canadian Western Insurance Company Act, 1955,'" has been proved, and the Bill ordered to be reported.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

A. S. MATTHEW, *Chairman*.

The report was read and received.

By leave of the House, the Rules were suspended and the report adopted.

Mr. *Matthew* presented the Ninth Report of the Select Standing Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills, as follows:—

REPORT NO. 9.

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE ROOM,
February 19th, 1958.

MR. SPEAKER:

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

That the preamble of Bill (No. 53) intituled “An Act to amend the ‘British Pacific Casualty Company Act, 1913,’” has been proved, and the Bill ordered to be reported. All of which is respectfully submitted.

A. S. MATTHEW, *Chairman.*

The report was read and received.

By leave of the House, the Rules were suspended and the report adopted.

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

And then the House adjourned at 10.35 p.m.

Tuesday, February 25th, 1958.

TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by the Rev. *C. M. Hubbard.*

On the motion of the Hon. *W. D. Black*, Bill (No. 44) intituled “An Act to amend the ‘Municipal Act’” was introduced, read a first time, and *Ordered* to be referred to the Select Standing Committee on Municipal Matters.

On the motion of the Hon. *E. C. F. Martin*, Bill (No. 45) intituled “An Act respecting Dental Technicians” was introduced, read a first time, and *Ordered* to be read a second time at the next sitting after to-day.

By leave of the House, on the motion of the Hon. *W. D. Black*, it was *Ordered* that the Rules be suspended to permit the moving of the following motion forthwith:—

This House authorize the Select Standing Committee on Municipal Matters to hear representations from the Union of British Columbia Municipalities and any other body or individual desiring to make representations to the said Committee and to report its recommendations to the House.

The Hon. *W. D. Black* moved, seconded by the Hon. *R. W. Bonner*,—

That this House authorize the Select Standing Committee on Municipal Matters to hear representations from the Union of British Columbia Municipalities and any other body or individual desiring to make representations to the said Committee and to report its recommendations to the House.

The motion was agreed to.

Pursuant to Order, the House resumed the adjourned debate on the motion "That Mr. Speaker do now leave the chair" for the House to go into Committee of Supply.

The debate continued.

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

On the motion of the Hon. *W. A. C. Bennett*, the House proceeded to the Order "Public Bills and Orders."

On the motion for the second reading of Bill (No. 24) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Pacific Great Eastern Construction Loan Act, 1954,'" a debate arose, which was, on the motion of Mr. *Strachan*, adjourned to the next sitting.

The Hon. *W. A. C. Bennett* presented the Pacific Great Eastern Railway Company Condensed Statement of Accounts as at December 31st, 1957.

Mr. *Roche* asked the Hon. the Minister of Health and Welfare the following questions:—

1. What was the total number of patient-days paid for under the British Columbia Hospital Insurance Service to Sisters of Providence Hospital at Fort St. John during the years 1955, 1956, and 1957 and what did these payments aggregate?

2. What, if any, was the total number of patient-days paid for under the British Columbia Hospital Insurance Service to the Royal Canadian Air Force Hospital at Fort Nelson during 1956 and 1957 and what did these payments aggregate?

The Hon. *E. C. F. Martin* replied as follows:—

"1. Patient-days: 1955, 11,036; 1956, 12,306; and 1957, 10,355; payments, \$319,998.

"2. Patient-days: 1956, 1,044, and 1957, 1,117; payments, \$17,871."

Mr. *Lundell* asked the Hon. the Minister of Lands and Forests the following question:—

Has the Government of the Province of British Columbia received engineering data or other information from any source which has indicated the feasibility of a dam at Mica Creek on the Columbia River?

The Hon. *R. G. Williston* replied as follows:—

"Yes; in accordance with agreement between the Hon. the Premier and the Minister of Northern Affairs and National Resources, for the free exchange between their Governments of information relating to the Columbia River, report prepared for the Department of Northern Affairs and National Resources has been made available to British Columbia and such report indicates it is feasible to construct a dam at the Mica Creek site; it should be realized that studies are still proceeding to determine the most-practicable and economic height of the dam."

Mr. *Dowding* asked the Hon. the Minister of Health and Welfare the following question:—

What projects or amendments to current projects under the expanded terms of the Federal hospital-construction grant recently announced to commence January 1st, 1958, have been submitted to the Federal Minister of Health and Welfare up to the present time?

The Hon. *E. C. F. Martin* replied as follows:—

“None; insufficient official information on expanded Federal grant formula to enable submission to be made; all projects qualifying within the amended regulations will be submitted when revised regulations received from Ottawa.”

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

And then the House adjourned at 5.59 p.m.

Wednesday, February 26th, 1958.

TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by the Rev. *C. L. Straight*.

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

F. M. Ross,
Lieutenant-Governor.

The Lieutenant-Governor transmits herewith a Bill intituled “An Act respecting the Superannuation of Persons employed by Municipalities and certain other Public Bodies,” and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,
February 25th, 1958.

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. 32) intituled “An Act respecting the Superannuation of Persons employed by Municipalities and certain other Public Bodies,” a draft of which is annexed to this Resolution.

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

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

F. M. Ross,
Lieutenant-Governor.

The Lieutenant-Governor transmits herewith a Bill intituled “An Act to amend the ‘Probate Fees Act,’” and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,
February 25th, 1958.

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. 39) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Probate Fees Act,' " a draft of which is annexed to this Resolution.

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

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

F. M. Ross,
Lieutenant-Governor.

The Lieutenant-Governor transmits herewith a Bill intituled "An Act to amend the 'Assessment Equalization Act, 1953,'" and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,
February 25th, 1958.

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. 40) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Assessment Equalization Act, 1953,'" a draft of which is annexed to this Resolution.

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

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

F. M. Ross,
Lieutenant-Governor.

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

Government House,
February 25th, 1958.

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. 34) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Hospital Construction Aid Tax Act,' " a draft of which is annexed to this Resolution.

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

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

F. M. Ross,
Lieutenant-Governor.

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

Government House,
February 25th, 1958.

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. 35) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Village Municipalities Assistance Act,'" a draft of which is annexed to this Resolution.

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

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

F. M. Ross,
Lieutenant-Governor.

The Lieutenant-Governor transmits herewith a Bill intituled "An Act to authorize the Province to guarantee certain Borrowings of Municipalities," and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,
February 25th, 1958.

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. 36) intituled "An Act to authorize the Province to guarantee certain Borrowings of Municipalities," a draft of which is annexed to this Resolution.

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

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

F. M. Ross,
Lieutenant-Governor.

The Lieutenant-Governor transmits herewith a Bill intituled "An Act to provide for the Imposition and Collection of a Tax on Gasoline," and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,
February 25th, 1958.

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. 37) intituled "An Act to provide for the Imposition and Collection of a Tax on Gasoline," a draft of which is annexed to this Resolution.

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

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

F. M. Ross,
Lieutenant-Governor.

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

Government House,
February 25th, 1958.

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. 43) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Protection of Children Act,' " a draft of which is annexed to this Resolution.

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

On the motion of the Hon. *R. W. Bonner*, Bill (No. 42) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Interpretation Act'" was introduced, read a first time, and *Ordered* to be read a second time at the next sitting after to-day.

Pursuant to Order, the House resumed the adjourned debate on the motion "That Mr. Speaker do now leave the chair" for the House to go into Committee of Supply.

The debate continued.

On the question being put, the House divided.

Motion agreed to on the following division:—

YEAS—36.

Messieurs

<i>Spear</i>	<i>Bruch</i>	<i>Williston</i>	<i>Massey</i>
<i>Gibson</i>	<i>Bate</i>	<i>Bennett</i>	<i>Asselstine</i>
<i>Smith</i>	<i>Shelford</i>	<i>Bonner</i>	<i>Robinson</i>
<i>Shirreff</i>	<i>Price</i>	<i>Black</i>	<i>Westwood</i>
<i>Roche</i>	<i>Corbett</i>	<i>Carnell</i>	<i>Chant</i>
<i>Matthew</i>	<i>Sommers</i>	<i>Lundell</i>	<i>Peterson</i>
<i>Newton</i>	<i>Brown, Mrs.</i>	<i>Campbell</i>	<i>Martin</i>
<i>Richter</i>	<i>Steacy</i>	<i>Sharp</i>	<i>Gaglardi</i>
<i>Tisdalle</i>	<i>Kiernan</i>	<i>Murray</i>	<i>Wicks</i>

NAYS—13.

Messieurs

<i>Bryan</i>	<i>Squire</i>	<i>Dowding</i>	<i>Harding</i>
<i>Gregory</i>	<i>Eddie</i>	<i>Nimsick</i>	<i>Strachan</i>
<i>Gibbs</i>	<i>Gargrave</i>	<i>Haggen, Mrs.</i>	<i>Turner</i>
<i>Cox</i>			

PAIR:

Messieurs

Reid *Uphill*

(IN THE COMMITTEE OF SUPPLY.)

142H. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$2,025,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Finance, Salary Revision, to 31st March, 1958.

The Committee rose and reported the Resolution.
Report to be considered at the next sitting.
Committee to sit again after recess.

Mr. Speaker left the chair at 6 o'clock p.m.

EIGHT O'CLOCK P.M.

Order for Committee of Supply called.

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

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

1. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$13,327,714 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Debt to 31st March, 1959.

3. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$39,489 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Premier's Office to 31st March, 1959.

4. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$18,600 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Premier's Office, Office of Economic Adviser and Co-ordinator of Provincial Finances, to 31st March, 1959.

5. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$780 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Premier's Office, Salary Revision, to 31st March, 1959.

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

Mr. *Matthew* presented the Tenth Report of the Select Standing Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills, as follows:—

REPORT NO. 10.

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE ROOM,
February 26th, 1958.

MR. SPEAKER:

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

That the preamble of Bill (No. 55) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Vancouver Charter'" has been proved, and the Bill ordered to be reported with amendments.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

A. S. MATTHEW, *Chairman*.

The report was read and received.

By leave of the House, the Rules were suspended and the report adopted.

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

And then the House adjourned at 11.20 p.m.

Thursday, February 27th, 1958.

TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by Mr. Speaker.

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

F. M. Ross,
Lieutenant-Governor.

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

Government House,
February 25th, 1958.

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

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

Resolved, That the Committee rise and report to the House, recommending the introduction of a Bill (No. 33) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Taxation Act,'" a draft of which is annexed to this Resolution.

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

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

F. M. Ross,
Lieutenant-Governor.

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

Government House,
February 25th, 1958.

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. 38) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Revenue Act,'" a draft of which is annexed to this Resolution.

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

On the motion of the Hon. *L. Wicks*, Bill (No. 47) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Hairdressers Act'" was introduced, read a first time, and *Ordered* to be read a second time at the next sitting after to-day.

Order for Committee of Supply called.

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

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

113. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$5,112 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Finance, Minister's Office, to 31st March, 1959.

114. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$102,330 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Finance, General Administration, to 31st March, 1959.

115. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$302,961 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Finance, Controlling and Audit Branch, to 31st March, 1959.

116. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$10 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Finance, Mechanical Tabulation Branch, to 31st March, 1959.

117. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$639,716 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Finance, Consumer Taxation Branch, to 31st March, 1959.

118. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$267,711 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Finance, Real Property Taxation Branch, to 31st March, 1959.

119. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$64,928 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Finance, Income Taxation Branch, to 31st March, 1959.

120. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$160,823 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Finance, "Assessment Equalization Act," to 31st March, 1959.

121. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$230,873 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Finance, Purchasing Commission, to 31st March, 1959.

122. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$10 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Finance, Langford Warehouse, to 31st March, 1959.

123. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$10 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Finance, Office Furniture and Equipment, to 31st March, 1959.

124. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$10 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Finance, Motor-vehicles and Accessories, to 31st March, 1959.

125. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$359,185 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Finance, Postal Branch, to 31st March, 1959.

126. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,412,060 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Finance, Government Agents, etc., to 31st March, 1959.

127. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$7,775 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Finance, Housing Commissioner, to 31st March, 1959.

128. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$9,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Finance, Courts of Revision, to 31st March, 1959.

129. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$15,500 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Finance, Assessment Appeal Board, to 31st March, 1959.

130. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$27,500 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Finance, Printing Public Accounts, Estimates, Revenue Receipts, Bonds, etc., to 31st March, 1959.

131. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$123,500 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Finance, Temporary Assistance, to 31st March, 1959.

132. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$31,500 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Finance, Incidentals and Contingencies, to 31st March, 1959.

133 (Statutory). *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$915,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Finance, "Civil Service Superannuation Act," Interest on Civil Service Superannuation and Retirement Funds, to 31st March, 1959.

134 (Statutory). *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$8,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Finance, "Members of Legislative Assembly Superannuation Act," Interest, to 31st March, 1959.

135 (Statutory). *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,650 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Finance, "Dyking Assessments Adjustment Act, 1905," to 31st March, 1959.

136. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$11,100,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Finance, Grants in Aid of Local Governments, to 31st March, 1959.

137 (Statutory). *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$12,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Finance, "Supreme Court Act," Payment of Interest on Suitors' Fund Deposits, to 31st March, 1959.

138. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$200,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Finance, Salary Contingencies, to 31st March, 1959.

139. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$7,440,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Finance, Home-owners' Subsidy, to 31st March, 1959.

140. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$189,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Finance, Salary Revision, to 31st March, 1959.

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

By leave of the House, on the motion of Mr. *Nimsick*, the Order for the second reading of Bill (No. 26) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Metalliferous Mines Regulation Act'" was discharged and the Bill *Ordered* dropped from the Order Paper.

The Hon. *W. A. C. Bennett* (Minister of Finance) presented a statement respecting certain debenture series as at March 4th, 1952.

The Hon. *R. G. Williston* (Minister of Lands and Forests) presented the report of a committee in the matter of the public meeting held at Campbell River, B.C., on October 11th, 1957, regarding the application of the Campbell River Development Corporation Limited to acquire certain Crown foreshore lands.

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

1. How many producer-vendors are registered with the Milk Board (a) on the Mainland and (b) on Vancouver Island?
2. How many producer-vendors are in arrears for equalization assessments due and payable to the Milk Board (a) on the Mainland and (b) on Vancouver Island?
3. What was the aggregate amount owing to the Milk Board of equalization assessments in arrears due from producer-vendors as at December 31st, 1957?
4. If answers to the foregoing indicate the existence of recorded arrears, state on what date such accumulated arrears originated and what steps have been taken by the Milk Board to collect the arrears.

The Hon. *N. P. Steacy* replied as follows:—

- “ 1. (a) One and (b) thirty-three.
- “ 2. (a) One and (b) twenty-five.
- “ 3. \$6,867.78.
- “ 4. Eight have been in arrears since equalization came into operation; others on various dates but the majority of these are current; statements have been sent to each vendor in arrears at the end of every month; as the Government has submitted the ‘ Milk Industry Act ’ to the Court of Appeal no other action has been taken.”

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

1. In respect of the operation of section 54 (a) of the “ Workmen’s Compensation Act,” how many claims were processed through appeal according to this section during the calendar year 1957?
2. In how many of these claims was the decision of the specialist in favour of the workman?
3. (a) Were any claims processed under section 54 (a) where the specialist found in favour of the claimant but the claim was not allowed by the Compensation Board and, (b) if so, how many?

The Hon. *L. Wicks* replied as follows:—

“ 1. There were 154 new applications for appeal under section 54A filed in 1957; of these, no action was taken to secure an enabling certificate or the workman was unable to secure one in thirty-one cases; twenty-four were dealt with through investigation carried out other than under the special section; one workman died while appeal was proceeding; thirty-six did not proceed because they were not medical appeals; one application was withdrawn at the request of a workman; in nineteen cases the medical appeal was allowed; and in twenty-six cases the appeal of the workman was refused; fifteen cases are pending; and one application was received recently but time has not allowed for the submission of a certificate. In addition to the new applications filed in 1957, fifty-four were pending from previous applications, twenty-one of these the appeal was allowed and in thirty-one the appeal was rejected; in the remaining two the final report of the specialist has not yet been filed.

“ 2. No specific record is kept by the Board upon which information can be made available.

“ 3. Same as No. 2.”

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 5.59 p.m.

Thursday, February 27th, 1958.

HALF-PAST EIGHT O'CLOCK P.M.

Order for Committee of Supply called.

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

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

6. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$22,908 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Minister's Office, to 31st March, 1959.

7. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$70,384 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, General Administration, to 31st March, 1959.

8. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$44,828 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Markets and Statistics Branch, to 31st March, 1959.

9. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$145,653 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Horticultural Branch, to 31st March, 1959.

10. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$19,650 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Plant Pathology Branch, to 31st March, 1959.

11. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$16,640 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Entomology Branch, to 31st March, 1959.

12. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$16,968 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Apiary Branch, to 31st March, 1959.

13. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$349,300 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Live Stock Branch, to 31st March, 1959.

14. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$56,476 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Dairy Branch, to 31st March, 1959.

15. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$49,163 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Poultry Branch, to 31st March, 1959.

16. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$48,728 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Field Crops and Seed Improvement Branch, to 31st March, 1959.

17. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$10,390 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Farmers' Institutes, to 31st March, 1959.

18. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$16,540 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Women's Institutes, to 31st March, 1959.

19. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$62,234 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Soil Survey Branch, to 31st March, 1959.

20. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$204,289 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Agricultural Development and Extension, to 31st March, 1959.

21. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$36,460 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Agricultural Engineering Branch, to 31st March, 1959.

22. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$16,746 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, 4-H Clubs, to 31st March, 1959.

23. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$11,780 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Land Settlement Board, to 31st March, 1959.

24. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$13,942 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Dyking Commission, to 31st March, 1959.

25. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$49,470 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Southern Okanagan Lands Project, to 31st March, 1959.

26. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$75,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Okanagan Flood-control (Maintenance), to 31st March, 1959.

27. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$62,950 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Milk Board, to 31st March, 1959.

28. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$72,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Temporary Assistance, to 31st March, 1959.

29. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$13,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Motor-vehicles and Accessories, to 31st March, 1959.

30. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$60,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Grants and Subsidies, to 31st March, 1959.

31. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$15,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Rebates on Stumping-powder, to 31st March, 1959.

32. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$37,500 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Subsidies on Agricultural Lime, to 31st March, 1959.

33. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$10,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Federal-Provincial Farm Labour Service, to 31st March, 1959.

34. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$194,700 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Farmers' Land-clearing Assistance, to 31st March, 1959.

35. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$8,250 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Farmers' Domestic Water Assistance, to 31st March, 1959.

36. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$200 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, "Soldiers' Land Act, 1918"—Houses, South Vancouver, to 31st March, 1959.

37. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Investigation of Doukhobor Lands, to 31st March, 1959.

38 (Statutory). *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$750 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, "Pound District Act," to 31st March, 1959.

39 (Statutory). *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$32,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, "Grasshopper-control Act," to 31st March, 1959.

40 (Statutory). *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,200 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, "Natural Products Marketing (British Columbia) Act," to 31st March, 1959.

41. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$67,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Salary Revision, to 31st March, 1959.

The Committee reported the Resolutions.
Report to be considered at the next sitting.
Committee to sit again 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 10.45 p.m.

Friday, February 28th, 1958.

HALF-PAST TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by the Rev. *E. Domeij*.

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

F. M. Ross,
Lieutenant-Governor.

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

Government House,
February 25th, 1958.

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

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

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

On the motion of Mr. *Eddie*—Bill (No. 48) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Labour Relations Act.'"

On the motion of Mr. *Squire*—Bill (No. 49) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Trade-unions Act.'"

On the motion of Mr. *Turner*—Bill (No. 61) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Workmen's Compensation Act.'"

On the motion of Mr. *Robinson*, it was *Ordered* that the Rules be suspended to permit the moving of the following motion without notice:—

That owing to the announcement that the Britannia Mine is to close down this day, February 28th, 1958, that consideration of the emergency facing the people of Britannia be referred to the Select Standing Committee on Labour for immediate consideration.

Mr. *Robinson* moved, seconded by Mr. *Bruch*,—

That owing to the announcement that the Britannia Mine is to close down this day, February 28th, 1958, that consideration of the emergency facing the people of Britannia be referred to the Select Standing Committee on Labour for immediate consideration.

A debate arose.

Motion agreed to unanimously.

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

Bill (No. 1) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Dogwood and Rhododendron Protection Act.'"

Bill (No. 2) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Supreme Court Act.'"

Bill (No. 5) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Evidence Act.'"

Bill (No. 6) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Wives' and Children's Maintenance Act.'"

Bill (No. 7) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Magistrates Act.'"

Bill (No. 8) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Summary Convictions Act, 1955.'"

Bill (No. 10) intituled "An Act respecting Survivorship and Presumption of Death."

Bill (No. 11) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Administration Act.'"

Bill (No. 13) intituled "An Act to amend the 'British Columbia University Act.'"

Bill (No. 14) intituled "An Act to facilitate the Enforcement of Maintenance Orders."

Bill (No. 16) intituled "An Act respecting Law Stamps."

Bill (No. 17) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Bulk Sales Act.'"

Bill (No. 18) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Vancouver Foundation Act.'"

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

On the motion for the second reading of Bill (No. 25) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Toll Highways and Bridges Authority Act'" a debate arose, which was, on the motion of Mr. *Cox*, adjourned to the next sitting.

On the motion of Mr. *Gregory*, it was *Ordered* that the Rules be suspended to permit the moving of the following motion forthwith:—

That all correspondence between the Minister of Mines and all Federal officials, including the Minister of Justice, dealing with the subsidy to be paid Howe Sound Mining Company be filed with this House.

Mr. *Gregory* moved, seconded by Mr. *Gibbs*,—

That all correspondence between the Minister of Mines and all Federal officials, including the Minister of Justice, dealing with the subsidy to be paid Howe Sound Mining Company be filed with this House.

A debate arose, which was, on the motion of the Hon. *W. K. Kiernan*, adjourned to the next sitting.

Pursuant to Order, Mr. *Gregory* tabled correspondence pertaining to Lions Gate Bridge.

The Hon. *L. Wicks* (Minister of Labour) presented the Forty-first Annual Report of the Workmen's Compensation Board, Province of British Columbia, for the Year ended December 31st, 1957.

Mrs. *Haggen* asked the Hon. the Minister of Finance the following questions:—

1. Was any cement purchased by the Toll Highways and Bridges Authority in 1957?
2. If yes, were tenders called for supply of all such cement?
3. If yes, who were the tenderers?
4. If no, what were the exceptions?

The Hon. *W. A. C. Bennett* replied as follows:—

" 1. Yes.

" 2. Yes.

" 3. British Columbia Cement Company, Canada Cement Company, and Inland Cement Company.

" 4. See answer to No. 3."

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

1. Does the Department of Finance maintain a reserve fund for possible losses in contingent liabilities as to capital and (or) interest?
2. At present are any contingent liabilities being serviced as to capital and (or) interest from consolidated revenue?

The Hon. *W. A. C. Bennett* replied as follows:—

" 1 and 2. No."

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

1. Did the Executive Council, on February 18th, 1958, pass an Order in Council increasing the organization establishment of The Woodlands School by the addition of seventy-seven positions of nurse-psychiatric or psychiatric aide?

2. If so, how many nurse-psychiatric and psychiatric aides were there on the organization establishment of the school at the following dates: February 17th, 1957; August 17th, 1957; and February 17th, 1958; and how many in the said categories were actually employed on those dates?

The Hon. *W. D. Black* replied as follows:—

“ 1. No; an Order in Council was passed by the Lieutenant-Governor in Council on February 19th, 1958, to effect the change.

“ 2. The number of psychiatric nurse (all grades) and psychiatric aide positions in establishment on date shown are as follows: February 17th, 1957, 453; August 17th, 1957, 539; and February 17th, 1958, 555. The number of psychiatric nurses (all grades) and psychiatric aides on staff on following dates: February 28th, 1957, 407; August 31st, 1957, 419; and January 31st, 1958, 488. Staff count records include monthly totals of staff on the last day of each month only.”

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

1. How many taxpayers within the Vancouver city limits claimed the \$28 home-owner's grant for the year 1957?

2. How many of such claims were accepted?

3. What total amount was paid on behalf of taxpayers claiming the home-owner's grant within the Vancouver city limits?

4. Were any such claims as accepted by the City of Vancouver refused payment by the Province of British Columbia?

The Hon. *W. A. C. Bennett* replied as follows:—

“ 1. No knowledge of number of claims submitted to City Collector.

“ 2. Not known.

“ 3. \$1,743,606.05.

“ 4. No claims refused by Provincial Government.”

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

And then the House adjourned at 5.16 p.m.

Monday, March 3rd, 1958.

TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by Captain *A. Pamplin*.

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

On the motion of the Hon. *R. W. Bonner*—Bill (No. 46) intituled “An Act to amend the ‘Police and Prisons Regulation Act.’”

On the motion of Mr. Cox—Bill (No. 65) intituled “An Act to amend the ‘Hours of Work Act.’”

Order for Committee of Supply called.

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

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

The Committee reported progress.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

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 5.59 p.m.

Monday, March 3rd, 1958.

HALF-PAST EIGHT O'CLOCK P.M.

On the motion of the Hon. *E. C. F. Martin*, Bill (No. 63) intituled “An Act to amend the ‘Adoption Act’” was introduced, read a first time, and *Ordered* to be read a second time at the next sitting after to-day.

Order for Committee of Supply called.

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

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

42. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$24,964 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Attorney-General's Office, to 31st March, 1959.

43. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$111,208 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, General Administration, to 31st March, 1959.

44. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$76,368 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Companies Office, to 31st March, 1959.

45. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$52,132 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Insurance and Real Estate Office, to 31st March, 1959.

46. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$21,226 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Securities Office, to 31st March, 1959.

47. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$25,909 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, “Credit Unions Act,” to 31st March, 1959.

48. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$109,076 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, "Fire Marshal Act," to 31st March, 1959.

49. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$17,371 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Censor of Moving Pictures, to 31st March, 1959.

50. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$119,561 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Sheriffs' Offices, to 31st March, 1959.

51. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$61,645 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Official Administrator, to 31st March, 1959.

52. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$39,968 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Official Committee, to 31st March, 1959.

53. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$7,370 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Official Guardian, to 31st March, 1959.

54. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$614,308 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Land Registry Offices, to 31st March, 1959.

55. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$281,850 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Supreme and County Courts, to 31st March, 1959.

56. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$136,562 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Official Stenographers, to 31st March, 1959.

57. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$958,360 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Motor-vehicle Branch, to 31st March, 1959.

58. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,582,480 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Policing by Royal Canadian Mounted Police, to 31st March, 1959.

59. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$40,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Sundry Incidental Police Expenses, to 31st March, 1959.

60. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$245,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Doukhobor Affairs, to 31st March, 1959.

61. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$73,002 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Corrections Office, to 31st March, 1959.

62. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,881,475 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Oakalla Prison Farm (including Young Offenders Unit), to 31st March, 1959.

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

The House continued to sit after midnight.

TUESDAY, MARCH 4TH.

By leave of the House, on the motion of the Hon. *E. C. F. Martin*, it was *Ordered* that the Rules be suspended to permit the moving of the following motion without notice:—

(1) Whereas the Government of the Province of British Columbia has an agreement with the Canadian Medical Association, British Columbia Division, to provide complete medical care for all persons in receipt of a medical identity card which is issued by the Social Welfare Branch of the Department of Health and Welfare; and

(2) Whereas the Government of the Province of British Columbia pays to the Canadian Medical Association, British Columbia Division, the sum of \$22.50 per person per annum on behalf of those persons and their dependents who are in possession of the medical identity card; and

(3) Whereas the annual payment per person has been increased from \$14.50 in March, 1949, to \$22.50, a percentage increase of 55 per cent; and

(4) Whereas the annual cost to the Government of the Province of British Columbia has risen from \$700,000 in the fiscal year 1949–50 to approximately \$1,500,000 in the fiscal year 1957–58—a percentage increase of 114 per cent; and

(5) Whereas the *per capita* payment of \$22.50 per annum per person is the highest paid in Canada on behalf of persons in receipt of social assistance for medical care under similar circumstances; and

(6) Whereas the Canadian Medical Association, British Columbia Division, are demanding a substantial increase in the *per capita* payment of \$22.50 per person per annum; and

(7) Whereas the Canadian Medical Association, British Columbia Division, have stated in writing to the Minister of Health and Welfare that if their demands are not met the agreement between the British Columbia Government and the Canadian Medical Association, British Columbia Division, will terminate as of March 31st, 1958; and

(8) Whereas the cancellation of the agreement will result in the recipients being left without the medical protection to which they have been accustomed:

Therefore be it Resolved, That a Special Committee of this House, consisting of nine members, be appointed to examine and inquire into all such matters and things pertaining to the demand for an increase in the *per capita* rate which has been made by the Canadian Medical Association, British Columbia Division, and to report their observations and recommendations in respect thereof to the Legislature:

And be it further Resolved, That in making its inquiry the Committee be empowered to examine and inquire into all such matters and things as may be pertinent to the subject and to send for persons, papers, and records as required:

And be it further Resolved, That the Committee be composed of the Hon. *W. D. Black*, the Hon. *E. C. F. Martin*, and Messrs. *Price*, *Speare*, *Gibson*, *Corbett*, *Turner*, *Eddie*, and *Gibbs*.

The Hon. *E. C. F. Martin* moved, seconded by the Hon. *W. D. Black*,—

(1) Whereas the Government of the Province of British Columbia has an agreement with the Canadian Medical Association, British Columbia Division, to provide complete medical care for all persons in receipt of a medical identity card which is issued by the Social Welfare Branch of the Department of Health and Welfare; and

(2) Whereas the Government of the Province of British Columbia pays to the Canadian Medical Association, British Columbia Division, the sum of \$22.50 per person per annum on behalf of those persons and their dependents who are in possession of the medical identity card; and

(3) Whereas the annual payment per person has been increased from \$14.50 in March, 1949, to \$22.50, a percentage increase of 55 per cent; and

(4) Whereas the annual cost to the Government of the Province of British Columbia has risen from \$700,000 in the fiscal year 1949-50 to approximately \$1,500,000 in the fiscal year 1957-58—a percentage increase of 114 per cent; and

(5) Whereas the *per capita* payment of \$22.50 per annum per person is the highest paid in Canada on behalf of persons in receipt of social assistance for medical care under similar circumstances; and

(6) Whereas the Canadian Medical Association, British Columbia Division, are demanding a substantial increase in the *per capita* payment of \$22.50 per person per annum; and

(7) Whereas the Canadian Medical Association, British Columbia Division, have stated in writing to the Minister of Health and Welfare that if their demands are not met the agreement between the British Columbia Government and the Canadian Medical Association, British Columbia Division, will terminate as of March 31st, 1958; and

(8) Whereas the cancellation of the agreement will result in the recipients being left without the medical protection to which they have been accustomed:

Therefore be it Resolved, That a Special Committee of this House, consisting of nine members, be appointed to examine and inquire into all such matters and things pertaining to the demand for an increase in the *per capita* rate which has been made by the Canadian Medical Association, British Columbia Division, and to report their observations and recommendations in respect thereof to the Legislature:

And be it further Resolved, That in making its inquiry the Committee be empowered to examine and inquire into all such matters and things as may be pertinent to the subject and to send for persons, papers, and records as required:

And be it further Resolved, That the Committee be composed of the Hon. *W. D. Black*, the Hon. *E. C. F. Martin*, and Messrs. *Price, Speare, Gibson, Corbett, Turner, Eddie*, and *Gibbs*.

A debate arose.

The motion was agreed to.

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

And then the House adjourned at 12.15 a.m.