

JOURNALS
OF THE
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY
OF THE PROVINCE OF
BRITISH COLUMBIA
SESSION 1934

Tuesday, February 20th, 1934.

THREE O'CLOCK P.M.

This being the first day of the first meeting of the Eighteenth Parliament or Legislative Assembly of the Province of British Columbia for the dispatch of business, pursuant to a Proclamation of the Honourable JOHN WILLIAM FORDHAM JOHNSON, Lieutenant-Governor of the Province, dated the 29th day of December, 1933, the members having been sworn took their seats.

HIS HONOUR JOHN WILLIAM FORDHAM JOHNSON, Lieutenant-Governor of the Province, having entered the House, took his seat on the Throne.

The Honourable Mr. *Weir*, Provincial Secretary, said:—

Members of the Legislative Assembly:

I am commanded by His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor to announce that His Honour does not see fit to declare the causes of his summoning you at this time, and will not do so until you have chosen a Speaker to preside over your Honourable Body. His Honour hopes to be enabled to declare, during the afternoon, his reasons for calling you together.

His Honour was then pleased to retire.

The Hon. Mr. *Pattullo*, Premier, member for Prince Rupert Electoral District, addressing himself to the Clerk, moved, seconded by Mr. *Connell*, the fourth member for Victoria City Electoral District, that *Harry George Thomas Perry*, Esquire, member for Fort George Electoral District, do take the Speaker's chair, and preside over the meeting of this Assembly, and it was so *Resolved*.

William H. Langley, Esquire, the Clerk of the House, having declared *Harry George Thomas Perry*, Esquire, duly elected, he was then taken out of his place by the mover and seconder, and conducted to the chair, where, standing on the upper step, he expressed his grateful thanks to the House for the great honour they had been pleased to confer upon him by choosing him to be their Speaker.

And thereupon he sat down in the chair, and the mace was laid upon the table.

His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor again entered the House, and taking his seat on the Throne, the Speaker-elect (standing on His Honour's right) then spoke to the following effect:—

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR HONOUR:

The House of Assembly have elected me as their Speaker, though I am but little able to fulfil the important duties thus assigned to me.

If, in the performance of those duties, I should at any time fall into error, I pray that the fault may be imputed to me, and not to the Assembly, whose servant I am, and who, through me,

the better to enable them to discharge their duty to their King and country, humbly claim all their undoubted rights and privileges, especially that they may have freedom of speech in their debates, access to Your Honour's person at all reasonable times, and that their proceedings may receive from Your Honour the most favourable interpretation.

The Honourable Mr. *Weir* then said:—

MR. SPEAKER:

I am commanded by His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor to declare to you that he freely confides in the duty and attachment of the House of Assembly to His Majesty's person and Government, and not doubting that their respective proceedings will be conducted with wisdom, temper, and prudence, he grants, and upon all occasions will recognize and allow, their constitutional privileges.

I am commanded also to assure you that the Assembly shall have ready access to His Honour upon all reasonable occasions, and their proceedings, as well as your words and actions, will constantly receive from him the most favourable construction.

His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor was then pleased to open the Session by the following gracious Speech:—

Mr. Speaker and Members of the Legislative Assembly:

I welcome you to the First Session of the Eighteenth Parliament of British Columbia. The year 1933 has given further evidence of the stupendous changes that are taking place in a world-wide way, and has emphasized anew the interdependence of provinces, states, and nations.

In the ever-increasing complexity of our economic and social life there is always present the problem of finance. While there has been considerable improvement in industrial endeavour in the Province, many of our people are still unemployed, and in conjunction with the Dominion Government it has been necessary for Provincial authorities to provide large sums of money.

In December of last year a conference of the Premiers of the four Western Provinces was held in Victoria and gratifying conclusions reached.

In January of this year the Premier and other members of my Government attended a conference of the Dominion Government and the Governments of the various Provinces of Canada, and the Dominion and the Provinces will continue to co-operate in the solution of the unemployment problem. It was the unanimous view of the conference that, while direct relief must continue to be afforded where necessary, every effort should be made to get all our people into profitable employment as soon as possible, and to this end it was agreed that a public works programme is essential.

Measures to improve conditions in British Columbia will be laid before you.

Amongst other things, Bills will be submitted to you having to do with the following:—

Labour and industry.

Economic Council.

Municipal Department.

"Administration Act."

"Mortgagors' and Purchasers' Relief Act."

Exemptions from taxation in lower scale of wages and salaries.

Debt refunding.

In the short interval since the General Election in November last, it has not been considered advisable to formulate legislation in respect of a number of matters of primary importance until further study has been given to them, but these matters will receive the earnest attention of my Government during the ensuing year.

The Public Accounts for the past year and the Estimates for the coming year will be laid before you.

I now leave you with an expression of confidence and the prayer that the blessing of Almighty God may rest upon your labours.

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

Prayers by the Rev. Canon A. E. de L. Nunns.

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

The Certificate of the Deputy Provincial Secretary of the result of the election of members to represent the respective electoral districts of the Province in the Legislative Assembly at the general election was read, as follows:—

“PROVINCIAL SECRETARY'S OFFICE,
“VICTORIA, February 12th, 1934.

“Whereas His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, by Proclamation dated the first day of August, 1933, was pleased to dissolve the Legislative Assembly of the Province:

“And whereas it was necessary to hold elections to fill the vacancies caused by such dissolution:

“I have now to report that under the provisions of the 'Provincial Elections Act,' being chapter 76, 'Revised Statutes of British Columbia, 1924,' elections were held in all the several Electoral Districts of the Province:

“And I hereby certify that from the returns received, it appears that members were elected to represent the Province in the Legislative Assembly thereof for the respective Electoral Districts as is hereinafter set forth, namely, for—

ALBERNI-NANAIMO.....	George Sharratt Pearson.
ATLIN.....	William James Asselstine.
BURNABY.....	Ernest Edward Winch.
CARIBOO.....	Donald Morrison MacKay.
CHILLIWACK.....	Edward Dodsley Barrow.
COLUMBIA-REVELSTOKE.....	William Henry Sutherland.
COMOX.....	Laurence Arnold Hanna.
COWICHAN-NEWCASTLE.....	Hugh George Egieke Savage.
CRANBROOK.....	Frank Mitchell MacPherson.
DELTA.....	Robert Blatchford Swailes.
DEWDNEY.....	David William Strachan.
ESQUIMALT.....	Robert Henry Pooley.
FERNIE.....	Thomas Uphill.
FORT GEORGE.....	Harry George Thomas Perry.
GRAND FORKS-GREENWOOD.....	Dougald McPherson.
THE ISLANDS.....	Alexander McDonald.
KAMLOOPS.....	Robert Henry Carson.
KASLO-SLOCAN.....	Charles Sidney Leary.
LILLOOET.....	George Matheson Murray.
MACKENZIE.....	Ernest Bakewell.
NELSON-CRESTON.....	Frank Putnam.
NEW WESTMINSTER.....	Arthur Wellesley Gray.
NORTH OKANAGAN.....	Kenneth Cattanach MacDonald.
NORTH VANCOUVER.....	Harley Christian Erskine Anderson.
OMINECA.....	Alexander Malcolm Manson.
PEACE RIVER.....	Clive Montgomery Francis Planta.
PRINCE RUPERT.....	Thomas Dufferin Pattullo.
ROSSLAND-TRAIL.....	Richard Ronald Burns.
SAANICH.....	Norman William Whittaker.
SALMON ARM.....	Rolf Wallgren Bruhn.
SIMILKAMEEN.....	Charles Herbert Percy Tupper.
SKEENA.....	Edward Tourtellotte Kenney.
SOUTH OKANAGAN.....	Joseph Allen Harris.
VANCOUVER-BURRARD.....	{ Gerald Grattan McGeer. Helen Douglas Smith.
VANCOUVER CENTRE.....	{ Gordon McGregor Sloan. Gordon Sylvester Wismer.
VANCOUVER EAST.....	{ Harold Edward Winch. John Price.

VANCOUVER-POINT GREY.....	{ George Moir Weir. Stanley Stewart McKeen. Robert Wilkinson.
VICTORIA CITY.....	{ Byron Ingemar Johnson. John Hart. Herbert Anscomb. Robert Connell.
YALE.....	{ John Joseph Gillis.

" P. WALKER,
" Deputy Provincial Secretary.

"To the Clerk of the Legislative Assembly of British Columbia."

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. MacDonald, seconded by the Hon. Mr. Pearson, it was Resolved,—

That the Certificate of the Deputy Provincial Secretary of the result of the election of members be entered upon the Journals of the House.

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. Sloan, Bill (No. 1) 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.

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. Pattullo, seconded by the Hon. Mr. Hart, it was Resolved,—

That the Speech of His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor be taken into consideration tomorrow, and that this Order have precedence over all other business, except the introduction of Bills, until disposed of.

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. Weir, seconded by the Hon. Mr. Gray, it was Resolved,—

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

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. Pattullo, seconded by the Hon. Mr. MacPherson, it was Resolved,—

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

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

which said Committees shall severally be empowered to examine and inquire into all such matters and things as shall be referred to them by this House, and to report from time to time their observations and opinions thereon, with power to send for persons, papers, and records, and that a Special Committee be appointed to prepare and report with all convenient speed lists of members to compose the above Select Standing Committees of this House under Standing Order 68 (1), said Committee to be composed of Messrs. Manson, D. McPherson, Johnson, Connell, and Pooley.

The following papers were presented:—

By the Hon. the Attorney-General—

Annual Report of the Liquor Control Board for the Period April 1st, 1932, to March 31st, 1933.

By the Hon. the Provincial Secretary—
Annual Report of the Provincial Museum for the Year ended December 31st, 1931.
Annual Report of the Provincial Museum for the Year ended December 31st, 1932.
Annual Report of the Mental Hospitals for the Year ended March 31st, 1933.
Annual Report of the Provincial Industrial School for Boys for the Year ended March 31st, 1933.
Annual Report of the Tranquille Sanatorium for the Year ended March 31st, 1933.
Annual Report of the Medical Inspection of Schools for the Year ended June 30th, 1933.
Annual Report of Vital Statistics for the Year 1932.
Annual Report of the Business done in pursuance of the "Superannuation Act" for the Year ended March 31st, 1933.
Annual Report of the Business done in pursuance of the "Teachers' Pensions Act" for the Year ended March 31st, 1933.

By the Hon. the Minister of Public Works—
Annual Report of the Minister of Public Works for the Year ended March 31st, 1933.

By the Hon. the Minister of Lands—
Return pursuant to Section 42 of the "Forest Act."
Return of Lands exchanged under B.C. Statutes, 1926-27, Chapter 14.

By the Hon. the Minister of Mines—
Annual Report of the Minister of Mines for the Year ended December 31st, 1932.

By the Hon. the Minister of Finance—
Public Accounts for the Fiscal Year ended March 31st, 1933.

By the Hon. the Minister of Agriculture—
Annual Report of the Department of Agriculture for the Year ended December 31st, 1933.

On the motion of the Hon. the Premier, seconded by Mr. *Pooley*, member for Esquimalt Electoral District, it was *Resolved*,—

That this House expresses its sincere regret at the death of William John Bowser, formerly a member of the Legislative Assembly, and at one time Prime Minister, who for many years devoted himself to the service of the Province; and that the Clerk do convey to the family of the late William John Bowser the condolences and sincere sympathy of the members of the Legislative Assembly.

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 3.50 p.m.

Wednesday, February 21st, 1934.

Prayers by Mr. Speaker.

HALF-PAST TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Mr. *Manson* presented a petition from the Fraser River Bridge Company, Limited, for leave to introduce a Private Bill for the purpose of amending its Private Act, B.C. Statutes, 1926-27, chapter 81.

Mr. *Johnson* presented a petition from the Corporation of the City of Victoria, for leave to introduce a Private Bill for the purpose of extending its borrowing-powers, and for other purposes.

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

Mr. *Whittaker* (Saanich) moved, seconded by Mr. *Harris* (South Okanagan),—

That the following humble Address be presented to His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor:—

“We, His Majesty’s most dutiful and loyal subjects, the Legislative Assembly of British Columbia, in Session assembled, beg leave to thank Your Honour for the gracious Speech which Your Honour has addressed to us at the opening of the present Session.”

A debate arose.

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

Mr. *Manson* presented the Report of the Special Committee appointed to prepare and report lists of members to compose the Select Standing Committees, as follows:—

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE ROOM,
February 21st, 1934.

MR. SPEAKER:

Your Special Committee appointed to prepare and report lists of members to compose the Select Standing Committees of this House for the present Session begs to report and recommend that the personnel of the Select Standing Committees of the House for the present Session be as follows:—

STANDING ORDERS AND PRIVATE BILLS.—MESSRS. *Manson, Hanna, Harris, Johnson, McGeer, Whittaker, Price, and Pooley.*

PUBLIC ACCOUNTS.—MESSRS. *Sutherland, Asselstine, Burns, Harris, Johnson, Kenney, McGeer, Wismer, H. E. Winch, Anscomb, and Bruhn.*

PRINTING.—MRS. *Smith*, and MESSRS. *Leary, D. McPherson, Wilkinson, H. E. Winch, and Savage.*

RAILWAYS.—MESSRS. *MacKay, Johnson, Sutherland, Tupper, Anderson, and Planta.*

MINING.—MESSRS. *D. McPherson, Asselstine, Burns, Leary, Manson, Murray, MacKay, Wilkinson, Connell, E. E. Winch, Pooley, and Uphill.*

AGRICULTURE.—MESSRS. *Barrow, Gillis, Murray, A. McDonald, D. McPherson, Putnam, Strachan, Tupper, Swailes, Planta, and Savage.*

MUNICIPAL MATTERS.—MESSRS. *Whittaker, Carson, Hanna, McKeen, Putnam, Mrs. Smith, and MESSRS. Wismer, Anderson, Connell, and Anscomb.*

FORESTRY.—MESSRS. *Leary, Carson, A. McDonald, Strachan, Whittaker, Bakewell, and Bruhn.*

FISHERIES.—MESSRS. *Gillis, Barrow, Hanna, Kenney, McKeen, Swailes, E. E. Winch, and Pooley.*

Respectfully submitted.

A. M. MANSON, *Chairman.*

By leave of the House, on the motion of Mr. *Manson*, seconded by Mr. *D. McPherson*, the report was adopted.

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. *Pattullo*, seconded by the Hon. Mr. *Hart*, it was *Resolved*,—

That *Laurence Arnold Hanna*, member for Comox Electoral District, be appointed Deputy Speaker of this Legislative Assembly.

The Hon. Mr. *Pattullo* presented the Annual Report of the Department of Railways for the Year ended December 31st, 1932.

The Hon. Mr. *Pearson* presented the Annual Report of the Commissioner of Fisheries for the Year ended December 31st, 1932.

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

And then the House adjourned at 4 p.m.

Thursday, February 22nd, 1934.

HALF-PAST TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by Mr. Speaker.

Mr. *McKeen* (in the absence of Mr. *Wismer*) presented a petition from the Corporation of the City of Vancouver, for leave to introduce a Private Bill for the purpose of amending the "Vancouver Incorporation Act, 1921," and for other powers.

The following petitions were received:—

From the Fraser River Bridge Company, Limited, for leave to introduce a Private Bill for the purpose of amending its Private Act, B.C. Statutes, 1926-27, chapter 81.

From the Corporation of the City of Victoria, for leave to introduce a Private Bill for the purpose of extending its borrowing-powers, and for other purposes.

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

REPORT No. 1.

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE ROOM,

February 22nd, 1934.

MR. SPEAKER:

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

That the Standing Orders in connection with the undermentioned petition have not been complied with, inasmuch as the petition was deposited with the Clerk of the House on the 12th instant instead of on the 11th instant, the 11th instant being a Sunday; that otherwise the Standing Orders have been complied with.

Your Committee recommends that Standing Order 98 (3) be suspended and that the petitioner be allowed to proceed with the Bill.

No. 1—Fraser River Bridge Company, Limited.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

A. M. MANSON, *Chairman*.

The report was read and received.

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

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

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

That the question be now put.

The motion was negatived.

Debate resumed on the main motion.

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

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

J. W. FORDHAM JOHNSON,

Lieutenant-Governor.

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

Government House,

February 22nd, 1934.

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

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

Resolved, That the Committee rise and report to the House, recommending the introduction of a Bill (No. 2) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Constitution Act,' a draft of which is annexed to this Resolution.

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

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

J. W. FORDHAM JOHNSON,
Lieutenant-Governor.

The Lieutenant-Governor transmits herewith a Bill intituled "An Act respecting a certain Agreement entered into between the Government of the Province and the Ladner Bridge Company, Limited, on the Twentieth Day of May, 1933," and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,
February 22nd, 1934.

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

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

Resolved, That the Committee rise and report to the House, recommending the introduction of a Bill (No. 3) intituled "An Act respecting a certain Agreement entered into between the Government of the Province and the Ladner Bridge Company, Limited, on the Twentieth Day of May, 1933," a draft of which is annexed to this Resolution.

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

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

J. W. FORDHAM JOHNSON,
Lieutenant-Governor.

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

Government House,
February 22nd, 1934.

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

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

Resolved, That the Committee rise and report to the House, recommending the introduction of a Bill (No. 5) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Agent-General Act,'" a draft of which is annexed to this Resolution.

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

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

J. W. FORDHAM JOHNSON,
Lieutenant-Governor.

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

Government House,
February 22nd, 1934.

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

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

Resolved, That the Committee rise and report to the House, recommending the introduction of a Bill (No. 4) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Moving Pictures 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.

By leave of the House, on the motion of Mr. *Manson*, Bill (No. 50) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Fraser River Bridge Company, Limited, Act, 1927'" was introduced, read a first time, and referred to the Select Standing Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills.

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

And then the House adjourned at 5.07 p.m.

Friday, February 23rd, 1934.

HALF-PAST TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by Mr. Speaker.

Mr. *Hanna* presented a petition from Herschel Roads Harrison, for leave to introduce a Private Bill for the purpose of enabling the petitioner to practise law in the Province of British Columbia.

The petition from the Corporation of the City of Vancouver, for leave to introduce a Private Bill for the purpose of amending the "Vancouver Incorporation Act, 1921," and for other powers, was received.

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

The debate continued.

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

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

On the second reading of Bill (No. 2) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Constitution Act'" a debate arose, which was, on the motion of Mr. *Pooley*, adjourned to the next sitting.

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. *Hart*, seconded by the Hon. Mr. *Pattullo*, it was *Resolved*,—
That the Public Accounts for the fiscal year 1932-33 be referred to the Select Standing Committee on Public Accounts.

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

J. W. FORDHAM JOHNSON,
Lieutenant-Governor.

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

Government House,
February 23rd, 1934.

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

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

Resolved, That the Committee rise and report to the House, recommending the introduction of a Bill (No. 6) intituled "An Act to amend and consolidate the 'Male Minimum Wage Act,'" a draft of which is annexed to this Resolution.

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

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

J. W. FORDHAM JOHNSON,
Lieutenant-Governor.

The Lieutenant-Governor transmits herewith a Bill intituled "An Act to provide for the Investigation of Matters of Economic Importance, and for the Creation of an Economic Council," and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,
February 23rd, 1934.

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

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

Resolved, That the Committee rise and report to the House, recommending the introduction of a Bill (No. 7) intituled "An Act to provide for the Investigation of Matters of Economic Importance, and for the Creation of an Economic Council," a draft of which is annexed to this Resolution.

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

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

And then the House adjourned at 5.14 p.m.

Monday, February 26th, 1934.

HALF-PAST TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by the Rev. Father A. B. Wood.

Mr. Wismer presented a petition from Columbia Agencies, Limited, for leave to introduce a Private Bill for the purpose of enlarging the scope of the British Columbia Insurance Company,

The petition from Herschel Roads Harrison, for leave to introduce a Private Bill for the purpose of enabling the petitioner to practise law in the Province of British Columbia, was received.

By leave of the House, on the motion of Mr. *McGeer*, seconded by Mr. *Savage*, it was *Resolved*,—

That the Public Accounts Committee of this House take under consideration the legislation recently introduced by the Hon. E. N. Rhodes, the Dominion Minister of Finance, in the Parliament of Canada, wherein it is proposed to establish the Bank of Canada as a privately owned corporation, for the purpose of reporting to this House such recommendations as the Public Accounts Committee may deem advisable under the circumstances.

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

The debate continued.

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

Mr. Speaker presented the Annual Report of the Provincial Library and Archives for the Year ended December 31st, 1933.

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the second reading of Bill (No. 2) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Constitution Act.'"

The debate continued.

Bill read a second time on the following division:—

YEAS—30.

Messieurs

<i>Asselstine</i>	<i>Wismer</i>	<i>Pattullo</i>	<i>Johnson</i>
<i>McDonald, A.</i>	<i>McPherson, D.</i>	<i>Sloan</i>	<i>Wilkinson</i>
<i>Kenney</i>	<i>Leary</i>	<i>Wcir</i>	<i>McKeen</i>
<i>MacKay</i>	<i>Smith, Mrs.</i>	<i>Tupper</i>	<i>McPherson, F. M.</i>
<i>Planta</i>	<i>Barrow</i>	<i>Carson</i>	<i>Pearson</i>
<i>Strachan</i>	<i>Sutherland</i>	<i>Whittaker</i>	<i>Gray</i>
<i>Harris</i>	<i>Manson</i>	<i>Putnam</i>	<i>MacDonald, K. C.</i>
<i>Burns</i>	<i>Hart</i>		

NAYS—12.

Messieurs

<i>Savage</i>	<i>Swailes</i>	<i>Anscomb</i>	<i>Winch, H. E.</i>
<i>Bakewell</i>	<i>Winch, E. E.</i>	<i>Pooley</i>	<i>Price</i>
<i>Anderson</i>	<i>McGeer</i>	<i>Connell</i>	<i>Hanna</i>

PAIRS :

Messieurs

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To be committed at the next sitting.

The following papers were presented:—

By the Hon. Mr. *Sloan*—

Annual Report of the Commissioner of Provincial Police for the Year ended December 31st, 1932.

Annual Report of the Fire Marshal for the Year ended December 31st, 1932.

Annual Report of the Inspector of Municipalities for the Year ended December 31st, 1932.

Annual Report of the Superintendent of Insurance for the Year ended December 31st, 1932.

By the Hon. Mr. *Pearson*—

Annual Report of the Department of Labour for the Year ended December 31st, 1932.

Bulletin No. 1, 1933, "Placer-mining in British Columbia."

Bulletin No. 2, 1933, "Summary and Review of the Mineral Industry of British Columbia for the Six Months ended June 30th, 1933."

Bulletin No. 3, 1933, "Preliminary Report on the Mineral Industry of British Columbia for the Year 1933."

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

1. Is the school at Kyuquot closed to pupils at present?
2. If so, why?
3. Is it the intention of the Education Department to reopen the school at Kyuquot?
4. If so, when?

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

"1 to 4. The Kyuquot School was closed for several weeks. The Inspector was then appointed Official Trustee of the school district and the school was reopened about two weeks ago."

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

And then the House adjourned at 4.53 p.m.

Tuesday, February 27th, 1934.

HALF-PAST TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by Mr. Speaker.

Mr. *Manson* presented a petition from the Canadian North-Eastern Railway Company, for leave to introduce a Private Bill for the purpose of amending its Private Acts.

The petition from Columbia Agencies, Limited, for leave to introduce a Private Bill for the purpose of enlarging the scope of the British Columbia Insurance Company, was received.

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

The debate continued.

On the motion of Mrs. *Smith*, the debate was adjourned to the next sitting.

On the Order being called for "Questions put by Members," Mr. Speaker delivered the following ruling:—

Honourable Members,—My attention has been called to question No. 2 on the Order Paper of to-day, February 27th, 1934, in the name of the honourable first member for Vancouver East.

Paragraph 1 is ruled out as being vague, as there is no indication as to who may have made the request or recommendation. (B.C. Journals, 1932, p. 22 *et seq.*; *Campion*, pp. 128-129; 3 Hans. Deb., pp. 45, 869.)

Paragraph 2 is consequent upon paragraph 1 and disappears automatically.

Paragraph 3. This is an objectionable form of question and the question paper is not the proper medium for such inquiries. The remuneration of a Civil Servant can be ascertained by reference to the Public Accounts or to the Department. (B.C. Speakers' Decisions, Vol. II., pp. 49, 53; *Campion*, p. 128.)

Paragraphs 4 and 5 relate to matters of Government policy and the Government cannot be called upon to declare its policy through the medium of questions on the Order Paper. (B.C. Speakers' Decisions, Vol. II., pp. 51, 53; Vol. I., p. 128; *Campion*, p. 128; *May*, p. 240.)

The questions are accordingly ruled out and ordered dropped from the Order Paper.

H. G. PERRY, *Speaker*.

Bill (No. 2) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Constitution Act'" was committed.

Reported complete without amendment.

Bill read a third time and passed.

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

J. W. FORDHAM JOHNSON,

Lieutenant-Governor.

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

Government House,

February 27th, 1934.

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. 8) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Conditional Sales Act,'" a draft of which is annexed to this Resolution.

Resolution and Bill reported.

Report adopted.

Bill introduced and read a first time.

Second reading at the next sitting.

The following papers were presented:—

By the Hon. Mr. *MacPherson*—

Report pursuant to "Public Works Act Amendment Act, 1930."

By the Hon. Mr. *Pearson*—

Annual Report of the Workmen's Compensation Board for the Year ended December 31st, 1933.

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. *Pearson*, seconded by the Hon. Mr. *MacPherson*, it was *Resolved*,—

That this House authorize the Select Standing Committee on Mining to consider and deal with any and all matters affecting the mining industry in the Province, and to report its recommendations to this House.

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

1. Has the Government received any resolution from Vancouver City Council in regard to so-called company towns in British Columbia?
2. What action, if any, has been taken in regard to said resolution?
3. If none, is any action contemplated?

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

“ 1. No.

“ 2 and 3. Answered by No. 1.”

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

And then the House adjourned at 5.08 p.m.

Wednesday, February 28th, 1934.

HALF-PAST TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by Mr. Speaker.

FORTY-NINE MINUTES PAST TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

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

William H. Langley, Esquire, the Clerk of the House, read the title to the following Bill:—
(No. 2) An Act to amend the “ Constitution Act.”

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

The said assent was announced by the Clerk of the House in the following words:—

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

His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor then left the House, and Mr. Speaker resumed the chair.

The petition from the Canadian North-Eastern Railway Company, for leave to introduce a Private Bill for the purpose of amending its Private Acts, was received.

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

The debate continued.

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

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

REPORT No. 2.

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE ROOM,
February 28th, 1934.

MR. SPEAKER:

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

That the Standing Orders have been complied with in respect of the undermentioned petitions.

No. 1—The Corporation of the City of Vancouver.

No. 2—Herschel Roads Harrison.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

A. M. MANSON, *Chairman*.

The report was read and received.

The Rules were suspended and the report adopted.

The following Bills were introduced, read a first time, and *Ordered* to be referred to the Select Standing Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills:—

On the motion of Mr. *Wismer*—Bill (No. 52) intituled “An Act to amend the ‘Vancouver Incorporation Act, 1921.’”

On the motion of Mr. *Hanna*—Bill (No. 53) intituled “An Act to authorize Herschel Roads Harrison to practise Law.”

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

And then the House adjourned at 5.25 p.m.

Thursday, March 1st, 1934.

HALF-PAST TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by Mr. Speaker.

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

The debate continued.

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

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

REPORT No. 3.

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE ROOM,

March 1st, 1934.

MR. SPEAKER:

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

That the petition of Columbia Agencies, Limited, has been found not to be in order.

That your Committee recommends that leave be granted to the petitioner to present an amended petition.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

A. M. MANSON, *Chairman*.

The report was read and received.

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

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

J. W. FORDHAM JOHNSON,

Lieutenant-Governor.

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

Government House,

March 1st, 1934.

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

Resolution and Bill reported.

Report adopted.

Bill introduced and read a first time.

Second reading at the next sitting.

By leave of the House, Mr. *Wismer* presented the amended petition of Columbia Agencies, Limited, for leave to introduce a Private Bill for the purpose of enlarging the scope of the British Columbia Insurance Company.

On the motion of Mr. *Manson*, seconded by Mr. *Gillis*, it was *Resolved*,—

That Mr. *Wismer* be added to the personnel of the Select Standing Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills, and that Mr. *Harris* be added to the personnel of the Select Standing Committee on Agriculture.

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. *Sloan*, Bill (No. 9) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Administration Act'" was introduced, read a first time, and *Ordered* to be read a second time at the next sitting.

By leave of the House, on the motion of the Hon. Mr. *MacDonald*, seconded by the Hon. Mr. *Gray*, it was *Resolved*,—

That this House authorize the Select Standing Committee on Agriculture to consider such matters affecting the agricultural industry as may be laid before it by the Advisory Board of Farmers' Institutes, and to report its recommendations to this House.

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

1. Have any appointments in the Government Service throughout the Province been made since November 15th, 1933?
2. If yes, for what offices have such appointments been made?
3. State name of appointee and salary in each case, together with salary of previous incumbent?

What new positions, if any, have been created in the Government Service since November 15th, 1933, with names of appointees and salaries in each case?

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

1. Are twelve-hour shifts now being worked by attendants at the Mental Hospital, Saanich?
2. If yes, what steps have been taken by the Government to put into operation an eight-hour day?
3. If this has not yet been done, when does the Government propose to take the necessary action?

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

"1, 2, and 3. Day attendants have twelve-hour shift, with one and a half hours off for meals, and seven and a half days a month—averaging slightly under eight hours per working-day. Attendants, while on three months' night duty, with time off, average eight and a half hours. In addition, all attendants get an annual vacation of two or three weeks, according to length of service, on full pay. No change in the arrangement is proposed in the near future, as the present distribution of time is generally preferable to all concerned and the nature of the work is not suitable to the substitution of eight-hour shifts."

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

And then the House adjourned at 4.33 p.m.

Friday, March 2nd, 1934.

HALF-PAST TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by Mr. Speaker.

The amended petition of Columbia Agencies, Limited, for leave to introduce a Private Bill for the purpose of enlarging the scope of the British Columbia Insurance Company, was received.

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

The debate continued.

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

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

1. Has the Labour Department given any instruction or authority to Constable Broughton, or other Relief Officer, to reduce the monthly scale of relief for all married men by \$1.40 and single men by \$2 in those districts for which he, or they, are acting as Relief Officers within the Electoral District of Kaslo-Slocan?

2. If yes, for what reason?

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

"1. No.

"2. Answered by No. 1."

Mr. *H. E. Winch* asked the Hon. the Minister of Labour the following questions:—

1. Was a complaint lodged with the Department by the loggers in the employ of Bloedel, Welch & Stewart as to short scale on piece-work?

2. If so, was a Government scaler sent in to investigate?

3. If one was sent, what was the percentage of increase, if any, in scale found by the Government scaler?

4. Is the scaler employed by this company a licensed scaler under the Forestry Department regulations?

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

"1. No.

"2, 3, and 4. Answered by No. 1."

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

And then the House adjourned at 4.50 p.m.

Monday, March 5th, 1934.

HALF-PAST TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by the Rev. Dr. *Wilson*.

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

The debate continued.

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

The Hon. Mr. *Weir* presented the Annual Report of the Civil Service Commission for the Year ended March 31st, 1933.

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. *Hart* (in the absence of the Hon. Mr. *Pattullo*), seconded by the Hon. Mr. *Sloan*, it was *Resolved*,—

That on this and all following days of the Session there shall be two distinct sittings in each day, one from 2 p.m. to 6 p.m. and the other from 8 p.m. until adjournment, unless otherwise ordered.

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

J. W. FORDHAM JOHNSON,
Lieutenant-Governor.

The Lieutenant-Governor transmits herewith a Bill intituled "An Act to give Further Power to Courts with respect to Recovery of Money secured by Mortgage and Similar Matters," and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,
March 5th, 1934.

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. 13) intituled "An Act to give Further Power to Courts with respect to Recovery of Money secured by Mortgage and Similar Matters," 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.

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

Bill (No. 11) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Jury Act.'"
Bill (No. 12) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Legal Professions Act.'"

Resolved, That the House, at its rising, do stand adjourned until 2.30 o'clock p.m. to-morrow.
And then the House adjourned at 5.10 p.m.

Tuesday, March 6th, 1934.

HALF-PAST TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by Mr. Speaker.

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

The debate continued.

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

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

J. W. FORDHAM JOHNSON,
Lieutenant-Governor.

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

Government House,
March 6th, 1934.

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. 14) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Public Schools 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.

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

And then the House adjourned at 4.55 p.m.

Wednesday, March 7th, 1934.

HALF-PAST TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by Mr. Speaker.

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

Report of the Comptroller-General, pursuant to the "Audit Act," Chapter 19, R.S.B.C. 1924, from April 1st to December 31st, 1933.

Return of Refunds, pursuant to Section 124A, "Taxation Act."

Return of Revenues, Refunds, etc., under Section 43, "Revenue Act."

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

The debate continued.

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

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

On the motion of Mr. *Tupper*—Bill (No. 18) intituled "An Act respecting Drugless Physicians."

On the motion of Mr. *Murray*—Bill (No. 17) intituled "An Act respecting Chiropractors."

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

J. W. FORDHAM JOHNSON,

Lieutenant-Governor.

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

Government House,

March 7th, 1934.

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. 16) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Horse-breeders' Registration and Lien Act,'" a draft of which is annexed to this Resolution.

Resolution and Bill reported.

Report adopted.

Bill introduced and read a first time.

Second reading at the next sitting.

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

J. W. FORDHAM JOHNSON,
Lieutenant-Governor.

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

Government House,

March 7th, 1934.

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. 15) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Stock-brands Act,'" a draft of which is annexed to this Resolution.

Resolution and Bill reported.

Report adopted.

Bill introduced and read a first time.

Second reading at the next sitting.

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

Bill (No. 1) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Interpretation Act.'"

Bill (No. 4) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Moving Pictures Act.'"

Bill (No. 9) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Administration Act.'"

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

And then the House adjourned at 4.47 p.m.

Thursday, March 8th, 1934.

HALF-PAST TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by Mr. Speaker.

The Certificate of the Deputy Provincial Secretary of the result of the election of a member to represent the Columbia Electoral District was read as follows:—

"PROVINCIAL SECRETARY'S OFFICE,
"VICTORIA, March 8th, 1934.

"Whereas a vacancy occurred in the Legislative Assembly by reason of the constitution of the Columbia Electoral District, pursuant to the provisions of the 'Constitution Act Amendment Act, 1934'; and

"Whereas on the 28th day of February, 1934, a writ for the election of a member to represent such electoral district was duly issued to the Returning Officer of the said district:

"Now I do hereby certify that on the 8th day of March, 1934, the said writ was returned to me by the Returning Officer, with his certificate endorsed thereon, whereby it appears that the electors of the said district have chosen Thomas King to represent the Columbia Electoral District in the Legislative Assembly.

"P. WALKER,
"Deputy Provincial Secretary.

"To the Clerk of the Legislative Assembly."

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. *Hart*, seconded by Mr. *Sutherland*, it was *Resolved*,—

That the Certificate of the Deputy Provincial Secretary of the result of the election in the Electoral District of Columbia be entered upon the Journals of the House.

Thomas King, Esquire, having been duly sworn, was introduced by the Hon. the Minister of Finance and Mr. *Sutherland*, and took his seat.

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

REPORT No. 4.

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE ROOM,
March 8th, 1934.

MR. SPEAKER:

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

That the Standing Orders in connection with the undermentioned petitions have not been complied with, inasmuch as the advertising has not been fully completed.

Your Committee recommends that the Standing Orders be suspended, and that the petitioners be allowed to proceed with the Bills.

No. 5 (as amended)—Columbia Agencies, Limited.

No. 6—Canadian North-Eastern Railway Company.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

A. M. MANSON, *Chairman*.

The report was read and received.

Mr. *Connell* asked leave to move the adjournment of the House for the purpose of discussing a definite matter of urgent public importance, stated the subject-matter, which related to the organization by loggers of camp committees, and handed a written statement to Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker, after reading such statement, delivered the following ruling:—

"I am informed by the Hon. the Acting Prime Minister that the Hon. the Minister of Labour is now in Vancouver on this very question; that he met the operators last night, and that he is meeting the loggers this very afternoon. In view of these actions being taken at this time, I must rule that this is not a definite matter of urgent public importance, and that accordingly the motion is out of order. If the Hon. the Leader of the Opposition desires further discussion by the House, I suggest that he give the usual two days' notice of motion as required by Standing Order 48, when the matter can be fully debated."

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

The debate continued.

Motion agreed to.

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. *Hart*, seconded by the Hon. Mr. *Weir*, it was *Resolved*,—

That this House will, at its next sitting, resolve itself into a Committee to consider of the Supply to be granted to His Majesty.

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. *Hart*, seconded by the Hon. Mr. *MacPherson*, it was *Resolved*.—

That this House will, at its next sitting, resolve itself into a Committee to consider of the Ways and Means for raising the Supply to be granted to His Majesty.

On the motion of Mr. *Whittaker*, seconded by Mr. *Hanna*, it was *Resolved*.—

That Mr. *Gillis* be added to the Select Standing Committee on Municipal Matters.

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

J. W. FORDHAM JOHNSON,
Lieutenant-Governor.

The Lieutenant-Governor transmits herewith a Bill intituled "An Act to provide for the Investigation of Titles to Lands in Barkerville Townsite," and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,
March 8th, 1934.

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. 19) intituled "An Act to provide for the Investigation of Titles to Lands in Barkerville Townsite," a draft of which is annexed to this Resolution.

Resolution and Bill reported.

Report adopted.

Bill introduced and read a first time.

Second reading at the next sitting.

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

And then the House adjourned at 5 p.m.

Friday, March 9th, 1934.

HALF-PAST TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by Mr. Speaker.

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

REPORT No. 5.

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE ROOM,
March 9th, 1934.

MR. SPEAKER:

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

That the Standing Orders have been complied with in respect of the undermentioned petition.

No. 2—The Corporation of the City of Victoria.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

A. M. MANSON, *Chairman.*

The report was read and received.

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

By leave of the House, on the motion of Mr. *Manson*, Report No. 4 of the Select Standing Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills was adopted.

The following Bills were introduced, read a first time, and *Ordered* to be referred to the Select Standing Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills:—

On the motion of Mr. *Johnson*—Bill (No. 51) intituled “An Act relating to the Corporation of the City of Victoria.”

On the motion of Mr. *Wismer*—Bill (No. 54) intituled “An Act to amend ‘An Act to incorporate the British Columbia Insurance Company,’ being Chapter Fifty-seven of the Statutes of British Columbia, 1903-04.”

On the motion of Mr. *Johnson*, Bill (No. 20) intituled “An Act to amend the ‘Barbers Act’” was introduced, read a first time, and *Ordered* to be referred to the Select Standing Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills to consider same and report its findings and recommendations to the House.

Bill (No. 1) intituled “An Act to amend the ‘Interpretation Act’” was committed.
Reported complete with amendment.
To be considered as reported at next sitting.

Bill (No. 4) intituled “An Act to amend the ‘Moving Pictures Act’” was committed.
Progress reported.
Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 9) intituled “An Act to amend the ‘Administration Act’” was committed.
Reported complete without amendment.
Bill read a third time and passed.

On the second reading of Bill (No. 7) intituled “An Act to provide for the Investigation of Matters of Economic Importance, and for the Creation of an Economic Council” a debate arose, which was, on the motion of Mr. *Hanna*, adjourned to the next sitting.

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

Bill (No. 6) intituled “An Act to amend and consolidate the ‘Male Minimum Wage Act.’”

Bill (No. 8) intituled “An Act to amend the ‘Conditional Sales Act.’”

Bill (No. 13) intituled “An Act to give Further Power to Courts with respect to Recovery of Money secured by Mortgage and Similar Matters.”

Bill (No. 11) intituled “An Act to amend the ‘Jury Act.’”

The Hon. Mr. *Weir* presented the Report of the Royal Commission on Municipal Taxation, 1933.

To lie upon the table.

On the motion of Mr. *Manson*, Bill (No. 55) intituled “An Act respecting the Canadian North-Eastern Railway Company” was introduced, read a first time, and *Ordered* to be referred to the Select Standing Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills.

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

And then the House adjourned at 4.55 p.m.