# Monday, March 18th, 1929.

THREE O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by Mr. Speaker.

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

### (IN THE COMMITTEE.)

- 172. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$210,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Capital Account, Redemption of Debentures, to 31st March, 1930.
- 173. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$907,200 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Capital Account. Pacific Great Eastern Railway Company—Interest on Guaranteed Bonds due July 15th, 1929, and January 15th, 1930, to 31st March, 1930.
- 174. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$9,700 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Capital Account, British Columbia House, London, England—Instalment on mortgage, to 31st March, 1930.
- 175. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$5,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Capital Account, Songhees Reserve (Improvements), to 31st March, 1930.
- 171. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$1,743,541.11 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Capital Account, Sinking Funds, to 31st March, 1930.
- 2. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$1,200 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Legislation to 31st March, 1929.
- 3. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$2,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Premier's Office to 31st March, 1929.
- 3A. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$2,400 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of The Executive (Ministers without Portfolio) to 31st March, 1929.
- 9. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$1,500 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Horticultural Branch, to 31st March, 1929.
- 11. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$1,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Inspection of Imported and Exported Horticultural and Field Products, to 31st March, 1929.
- 14. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$1,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Live Stock Branch, to 31st March, 1929.
- 21. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$7,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Tubercular Cattle, to 31st March, 1929.
- 23. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$2,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Agricultural Fairs, etc., to 31st March, 1929.
- 24. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$3,500 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Farmers' Institutes, etc., to 31st March, 1929.
- 36. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$2,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Exhibits to Toronto Winter Fair, to 31st March, 1929.
- 40. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$1.200 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Western Canada Dairy Convention, to 31st March, 1929.
- 42. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$2,900 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Aid to Fruit Exhibitions and Publicity (B.C.F.G.A.), to 31st March, 1929.
- 49. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$250 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Promotion of Swine Industry, to 31st March, 1929.
- 52a. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$12,500 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Nechako Creamery, to 31st March, 1929.
- 52B. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$6,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Colonization Branch, to 31st March, 1929.
- 65. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$8,500 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, County Gaols, to 31st March, 1929.

- 66. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$1,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Girls' Industrial School, to 31st March, 1929.
- 69. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$10,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Constitutional Litigation and General Law Costs, to 31st March, 1929.
- 77. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$82,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Education, Industrial Education, to 31st March, 1929.
- 81. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$35,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Education, Per Capita Grants, to 31st March, 1929.
- 83. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$170,784 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Education, School Buildings, etc., to 31st March, 1929.
- 85. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$950 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Education, Examination of Teachers and High School Entrance Classes, to 31st March, 1929.
- 86. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$6,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Education, Conveying Children to Central Schools, to 31st March, 1929.
- 93. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$1,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Finance, Inspector of Trust Companies, to 31st March, 1929.
- 94. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$1,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Finance, Controlling and Audit Branch, to 31st March, 1929.
- 96. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$9,240 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Finance, Agent-General's Office and B.C. House, London, England, to 31st March, 1929.
- 106A. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$40,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Finance, Special Audit and Investigation, to 31st March, 1929.
- 106B. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$1,065 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Finance, Refunds re Lands erroneously sold at Tax Sales, to 31st March, 1929.
- 106c. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$46,016.50 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Finance, "Dyking Assessments Adjustment Act, 1905," to 31st March, 1929.
- 113. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$175,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Labour, Administration of "Old-age Pension Act," to 31st March, 1929.
- 153. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$500 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, "Public Libraries Act," to 31st March, 1929.
- 155. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$43,500 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Mental Hospitals, to 31st March, 1929.
- 161. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$373,358.75 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Grants to Hospitals and Charities, to 31st March, 1929.
- 169. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$25,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Assessment on Class 13 (The Crown), "Workmen's Compensation Act," to 31st March, 1929.
- 175. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$10,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Public Works, Administration, to 31st March, 1929.
- 176. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$10,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Public Works, Maintenance of Parliament Buildings and Grounds, to 31st March, 1929.
- 177. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$2,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Public Works, Government House, to 31st March, 1929.
- 178A. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$500 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Public Works, Grant to Municipality of Point Grey toward cost of concrete sidewalks, Fourth Avenue, between School for Deaf and Dumb and Imperial Street, to 31st March, 1929.

178B. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$8,723.89 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Public Works, Local Roads within Organized Territory, to 31st March, 1929.

191. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$3,500 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Capital Expenditures, Buildings Generally, to 31st March, 1929.

Schedule A. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$86,868.78 be granted to His Majesty to make good certain sums expended for the public service for the period ended 31st March, 1928, and to indemnify the several officers and persons for making such expenditures.

159L. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$75,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, "Civil Service Act"—Salary Adjustments and Reorganization, to 31st March, 1930.

159K. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$180,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, "Superannuation Act"—Government Contributions to Superannuation Fund, to 31st March, 1930.

159J. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$25,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Teachers' Pensions, to 31st March, 1930.

159M. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$325,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Hospitals and Eleemosynary Institutions, etc., to 31st March, 1930.

- 2. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$128,420 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Legislation to 31st March, 1930.
- 46. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$250 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, British Columbia Certified Seed-potato Growers' Association, to 31st March, 1930.
- 33. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$26,172 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Services hitherto paid by Dominion Government under "Agricultural Instruction Act," to 31st March, 1930.
- 103. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$8,158 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Labour, Factories Inspection, to 31st March, 1930.

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 8 o'clock p.m. to-day.

And then the House adjourned at 5.42 p.m.

## Monday, March 18th, 1929.

EIGHT O'CLOCK P.M.

On the motion of Mr. Spencer, Bill (No. 83) intituled "An Act to provide for the Taking of a Census in the City of Vancouver" was introduced, read a first time, and Ordered to be read a second time at the next sitting.

Mr. Twigg moved, seconded by Mr. Peck,-

That this House do forthwith resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole to consider the draft Standing Orders as amended and reported to the House by the Select Committee on the 12th instant.

With the leave of the House the motion was withdrawn.

Bill (No. 73) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Superannuation Act'" was committed. Reported complete with amendments.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 72) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Forest Act'" was committed.

Reported complete without amendment.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 79) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Trust Companies Act'" was committed. Reported complete with amendments.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 78) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Water Act'" was committed.

Progress reported.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 27) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Pacific Great Eastern Railway Taxation Exemption Act'" was committed.

Reported complete with amendments.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 70) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Taxation Act'" and amendments thereto introduced by Message on March 14th were committed.

Reported complete with amendments.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the second reading of Bill (No. 81) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Succession Duty Act.'"

Bill read a second time.

To be committed at the next sitting.

The Report on Bill (No. 66) intituled "An Act to borrow the Sum of Nine million five hundred thousand Dollars for the Purposes therein specified" was adopted.

Bill read a third time and passed.

The Report on Bill (No. 67) intituled "An Act to borrow the Sum of Three million Dollars for the Purposes therein specified" was adopted.

Bill read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 40) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Motor-vehicle Act'" was again committed. Reported complete with amendments.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 9) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Moving Pictures Act'" was again committed. Reported complete with amendments.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 68) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Government Liquor Act'" was committed.

Reported complete with amendments.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. Maitland, the Report on Bill (No. 25) intituled "An Act respecting Companies" was discharged, and the Bill recommitted.

Reported complete with amendments.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

The Report on Bill (No. 64) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Village Municipalities Act'" was adopted.

Bill read a third time and passed.

On the motion of Mr. *Twigg*, the Twenty-second Report of the Select Standing Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills was adopted.

On the motion of the Hon, the Minister of Finance, seconded by the Hon, the Provincial Secretary, it was Resolved,—

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

The Report on Bill (No. 51) intituled "An Act respecting the Canadian North-Eastern Railway Company" was adopted.

Third reading at the next sitting.

The amended Report on Bill (No. 31) intituled "An Act to incorporate the Hairdressers of British Columbia" was adopted.

Bill read a third time and passed.

The Report on Bill (No. 39) intituled "An Act respecting the Practice of Chiropody" was adopted.

Bill read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 80) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Hours of Work Act, 1923'" was committed. Reported complete without amendment.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 82) intituled "An Act respecting a Minimum Wage for Male Employees" was committed.

The House continued to sit after midnight.

TUESDAY, MARCH 19TH.

Progress reported.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 34) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Barbers Act'" was committed.

Reported complete with amendments.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

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

And then the House adjourned at 12.45 a.m.

# Tuesday, March 19th, 1929.

HALF-PAST TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by Mr. Speaker.

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

The Reports on the following Bills were adopted, and the Bills read a third time and passed:—

Bill (No. 25) intituled "An Act respecting Companies."

Bill (No. 40) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Motor-vehicle Act.'"

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

Bill (No. 68) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Government Liquor Act.'"

Bill (No. 73) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Superannuation Act.'"

Bill (No. 72) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Forest Act.'"

Bill (No. 79) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Trust Companies Act.'"

Bill (No. 27) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Pacific Great Eastern Railway Taxation Exemption Act."

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Bill (No. 70) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Taxation Act.'"

Bill (No. 62) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Municipal Act'" was again committed.

Reported complete with amendments.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 78) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Water Act'" was again committed.

Reported complete with amendments.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 65) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Municipal Elections Act'" was committed. Reported complete without amendment.

Report adopted.

Bill read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 81) intituled "An Act to, amend the 'Succession Duty Act'" was committed, Reported complete without amendment.

On the consideration of the Report, Mr. Pattullo moved in amendment, seconded by Mr. A. M. Manson, as follows:—

That section 3 be deleted and the following section renumbered.

The amendment was negatived on the following division:-

## Yeas-9.

### Messieurs

Pearson	Kergin	Sutherland	Manson, A. M.
Gillis	Mackenzie, I. A.	Pattullo	Buckham
Gray			

### NAYS-28.

#### Messieurs

Mackenzie, R.	Walkem	Tolmie	Schofield
Carson	Peck	Pooley	Kennedy
Uphill	Hayward	Hinchliffe	Davie
Cornett	Twigg	Michell	Bruhn
Berry	Maitland	Dick	Burden
Lister	Howe	MacNaughton	Atkinson
Spencer	Shelly	Manson, M.	McKenzie, W. A.

#### PAIRS:

### Messieurs

Lougheed	MacPherson
Kirk	Wrinch
Borden	Hanna

Report adopted.

Bill read a third time and passed.

On the motion of the Hon. the Minister of Finance, seconded by the Hon. the Premier, it was Resolved,—

That the Resolutions reported from the Committee of Supply on 1st, 4th, 5th, 6th, 7th, 11th, 12th, 13th, and 18th March be received and read a first time.

That the Resolutions be now read a second time and taken as read.

That the Resolutions be read a third time, taken as read, and agreed to.

On the motion of the Hon. the Minister of Finance, seconded by the Hon. the Attorney-General, it was Resolved.—

That this House resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole forthwith to consider the Ways and Means for raising the Supply to be granted to His Majesty.

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

Resolved, That towards making good the Supply granted to His Majesty the following sums be granted out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund of the Province of British Columbia:—

\$86,868,78 for the finacial year ended March March 31st, 1928.

1,111,088.14 for the financial year ending March 31st, 1929.

25,280,729.51 for the financial year ending March 31st, 1930.

\$26,478,686.43

The Committee reported the Resolution.

Resolution considered forthwith and adopted.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 51) intituled "An Act respecting the Canadian North-Eastern Railway Company" was read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 53) intituled "An Act to amend the 'West Kootenay Power and Light Company, Limited, Act, 1927'" was read a second time.

To be committed at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 45) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Produce Marketing Act'" was read a third time and passed.

The Report on Bill (No. 80) inituled "An Act to amend the 'Hours of Work Act, 1923'" was adopted.

Bill read a third time and passed.

On the motion of Mr. Davie, the Order for Report on Bill (No. 84) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Barbers Act'" was discharged, and the Bill Ordered to be recommitted at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 82) intituled "An Act respecting a Minimum Wage for Male Employees" was again committed.

Reported complete with amendment.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 76) intituled "An Act for the Relief of Dairy-farmers" was committed.

Progress reported.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

On the motion for the second reading of Bill (No. 83) intituled "An Act to provide for the Taking of a Census in the City of Vancouver," Mr. A. M. Manson moved the adjournment of the debate to the next sitting of the House.

The motion was negatived.

Bill read a second time.

To be committed at the next sitting.

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

- 1. What sum of money was expended during the year 1928 clearing rocks and slides off the Cariboo Highway between Hope and Lytton?
- 2. What sum of money was expended during the year 1928 on that portion of the Cariboo Highway known as Jackass Mountain?
- 3. What is the total sum expended during the years 1926, 1927, and 1928 in clearing rocks and slides off the Caribo Highway between Hope and Lytton?

The Hon. Mr. Lougheed replied as follows:-

- "1. \$21.131.16.
- "2. \$2,260,58.
- "3. \$2,495.03; \$16,773.22; \$21,131.16."

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

- 1. What is the toll rate collected on the Alexandra Bridge, Cariboo Highway?
- 2. What is the total amount of tolls collected on the bridge in the fiscal year 1927-28?
- 3. What is the estimated total amount of tolls to be collected in the fiscal year 1929-30?
- 4. What is the total amount of operating expenses, including salary of toll-collector, etc., for fiscal year 1927-28?
- 5. Did the Department ever officially announce that it contemplated increasing the toll charges on the Cariboo Highway from \$1 to \$5?
- 6. What was the total amount expended in repairs and maintenance on the Cariboo Highway in the fiscal year 1927-28?
- 7. What is the estimated amount for repairs and maintenance on the Cariboo Highway for the fiscal year 1929-30?

The Hon. Mr. Lougheed replied as follows:-

- "1. Minimum, \$1 per car. (For details see Gazette notice dated May 25th, 1928.)
- "2. Cariboo Highway—Toll Section, Comparative Statements of Profit and Loss as follows:—

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lows:—	Fiscal Yea	r 1927–28.	Fiscal Year	r 1928–29.
"Toll receipts		\$7,844.91		\$9,199.70
"Expense—				
Cost of collections—				
Toll-keeper's salaries	\$1,822.58		\$1,500.00	
Office expenses	73.10		206.78	
Clerical work (headquarters)	200.00		200.00	
Total cost of collections	\$2,095.68		\$1,906.78	
"Maintenance—				
Labour	16,616.28		23,679.87	
Supplies	4,023.26		4,298.36	
Sundry expenses	1,730.01		1,711.77	
Equipment rental	5,992.38		3,653.22	
Total maintenance	\$28,361,93		\$33,343.22	
Deficit	***************************************	$22,\!612.70$	***********	26,050.30
	\$30,457.61	\$30,457.61	\$35,250.00	\$35,250.00

<sup>&</sup>quot;3, \$10,000 (assuming continuance of previous toll rates).

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

- 1. What was the total amount allocated for road maintenance throughout the Province in the various electoral ridings for the fiscal year 1928-29?
- 2. Of that total amount so granted, what was the total amount expended as of August 20th, 1928?

The Hon. Mr. Lougheed replied as follows:-

<sup>&</sup>quot;4. Answered by No. 2.

<sup>&</sup>quot;5. No.

<sup>&</sup>quot;6, Answered by No. 2.

<sup>&</sup>quot;7. \$35,000 for Fraser Canyon section."

<sup>&</sup>quot;1. \$1.915.655.

<sup>&</sup>quot;2. Approximately 65 per cent.

<sup>&</sup>quot;Note,-August 20th is not a closing date."

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

1. What are the annual deficits of the former Government from the fiscal years 1917-18 to 1927-28?

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- 2. What are the annual surpluses of the former Government from the fiscal years 1917-18 to 1927-28?
  - 3. What is the accumulated deficit covering this period?
  - 4. Has any borrowing been made by former Government against these accumulated deficits?
  - 5. If so, what amount?
  - 6. What is the cash deficit as at March 31st, 1928?
  - 7. If any, give particulars?

The Hon. Mr. Shelly replied as follows:-

- - "2. 1919-20, \$351,330.96; 1925-26, \$100,793.32.
  - "3. \$13,242,370.44.
  - "4. Yes.
  - "5. \$8,500,000.
  - "6. \$4,742,966.85.
  - "7. Particulars as follows:-

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	Shortage due to excess current expenditures over current revenue, including Sinking Fund appropriations	
	Shortage due to excess capital expenditures over capital borrow-	
	ings and capital receipts	
		\$5,366,741.16
	Less increase in accounts payable	2,895,300.30
	Excess of expenditures over receipts	\$2,471,440.86
	Excess of advances made over repayments  Excess of advances of special funds over repayments	
	(Scaling and Forest Protection)	
	Cash deficit on operations	\$2,645,700.43
	Agricultural Association, Sinking Fund deposit \$78,147.56	10%
	Dyking Debentures	
	\$234,552.21	
	Other special deposits	
		2,097,266.42
	Total cash deficit	\$4,742,966.85 "

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

- 1. What amounts have been authorized from the various road loans since January 1st, 1928, for each electoral district?
  - 2. On what roads or other work have these authorizations been made (if any)?
- 3. What are the amounts authorized and expended to date on each respective road or other work in each electoral district?
  - 4. Have any of these road loan authorizations been cancelled?
  - 5. If so, what are the dates of cancellation, and for what reason were they cancelled?

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

"1 to 5. Return tabled."

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

- 1. What sum of money was allocated to the Electoral Riding of Revelstoke by the Department for the fiscal year 1928-29?
  - 2. What sums were actually expended?
- 3. During which months of the year was such money expended, with the amount expended for each month?
  - 4. What sum was allocated to the Riding of Revelstoke for the year from the Loan Bill?
  - 5. What amount was expended?
  - 6. During which months was the money expended, with the amount for each month?
- 7. What was the total overexpenditure (if any) in the Revelstoke Riding during the fiscal year 1928-29: (a) For maintenance; (b) from Loan Bill?

The Hon. Mr. Lougheed replied as follows:-

- "1 and 2. See reply to question No. 9, Orders of the Day No. 10.
- "3 to 6. Return tabled.
- "7. (a) \$20,248.22; (b) \$30,496.54. There was no overexpenditure of Loan Bill or General Districts vote, but it was necessary to increase the local appropriations from Reserve Account in order to meet unauthorized expenditure."

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

- 1. Was an amount of \$50,000 apportioned to Revelstoke District from Vote 178 for fiscal year ending March 31st, 1929?
  - 2. If not, what amount was apportioned?
  - 3. What amount was expended as at July 31st, 1928, from the amount apportioned?
  - 4. What is the total expenditure to date?
  - 5. Has there been any overexpenditure of the amount apportioned to this district?

The Hon. Mr. Lougheed replied as follows:-

- "1. Yes; additional authorizations, \$33,137.
- "2. Answered by No. 1.
- "3, \$48,172.10.
- "4. \$83.614.56.
- "5. Yes, of the local allocation to the amount of \$33,614, but not General Districts vote."

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

- 1. What was the total expenditure for salaries of the administration staff of the Public Works Department for the fiscal year 1913-14?
  - 2. How many were employed?
  - 3. What are the names, rank, and salaries of each official?
- 4. What was the total amount expended on works and buildings, roads, streets, bridges, wharves, and ferries for the fiscal year 1913-14?
- 5. What was the estimated expenditure for salaries of the administration staff for the fiscal year 1928-29?
  - 6. How many are employed?
  - 7. What are the names, rank, and salaries of each official?
- 8. What is the estimated expenditure for works and buildings, roads, streets, bridges, wharves, and ferries for the fiscal year 1928-29?

The Hon. Mr. Lougheed replied as follows:-

- "1 to 4. See Public Accounts, 1913-14.
- "5. See Estimates, 1928-29.
- "6. See answer to No. 7.
- "7. Return tabled.
- "8. See Estimates, 1928–29, and 'B.C. Loan Act, 1928,' section 6 (a) \$4,000,000, and section 6 (b) \$250,000, to which should be added the following unexpended balances of Loan Acts as at March 31st, 1928: 'B.C. University Loan Act, 1920,' and Amendment Act, 1925, \$3,161.95;
- B.C. Loan Act, 1922, section 6 (a), \$5.760.82; B.C. Loan Act, 1923, section 6 (c), \$42,762.25;
- $\hbox{`B.C. Loan Act, 1927,' section 6 $(b)$, $860,585.34; \'endown Act, 1924,' section 6 $(b)$, $1,095.55;}\\$
- B.C. Loan Act, 1925,' section 6 (a), \$7,128.70; 'B.C. Loan Act, 1927,' section 6 (a), \$575,691.12."
  - "Note.—Loan funds are not necessarily estimated expenditure for the fiscal year 1928-29."

- Mr. Peck asked the Hon. the Minister of Public Works the following questions:-
- 1. What was the estimated cost of the Cariboo Highway from Lytton to Spences Bridge?
- 2. What is the total amount expended upon the Cariboo Highway since reconstruction was first started by the Government, including cost of surveys?
  - 3. Is the road completed to Spences Bridge?
  - 4. If so, when was it completed? If not, when will it be completed and open for traffic?
  - 5. What is the estimated cost of completion?
  - 6. How many miles of the Cariboo Road have been graded from Lytton eastward?
  - 7. How many miles have been surfaced and completed?
- 8. How many miles of the Cariboo Highway have been graded from Spences Bridge westward?
  - 9. How many miles have been surfaced and completed?
- 10. What has been the total cost of the work referred to in the four preceding questions as at January 1st, 1929?
  - 11. How many miles remain to be completed between Lytton and Spences Bridge?
  - 12. What is the estimated cost to complete this work?
- 13. What is the total sum of money expended on survey and engineering work on the road between Lytten and Spences Bridge since January 1st, 1920, up to December 31st, 1928?

The Hon. Mr. Lougheed replied as follows:-

- "1. \$615,011.33, contract only; \$745,000, including surveying, engineering, etc.
- "2. Construction, 1924, to date, \$2,723,906.13; maintenance, \$50,113.59.
- "3 and 4. Completed, excepting surfacing between Lytton to Spences Bridge, which it is anticipated will be finished and the whole road from Hope to Spences Bridge open for traffic in May, 1929.
  - " 5. \$45,000.
  - "6. 24 miles.
  - "7. See answers to Nos. 3 and 4.
  - "8. 97 miles.
  - "9. 73 miles.
  - "10. See answer to No. 2.
  - "11. See answers to Nos. 3 and 4.
  - "12. \$45,000.
  - "13. \$60.073.13."

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

- 1. Was an amount of \$76,000 apportioned to Omineca District from Vote 178 for the fiscal year ending March 31st, 1929?
  - 2. If not, what amount was apportioned?
  - 3. What amount was expended as at July 31st, 1928, from this amount?
  - 4. What has been the total expenditure to date?
  - 5. Has there been any overexpenditure of the amount apportioned to this district?

The Hon. Mr. Lougheed replied as follows:-

- "1 and 2. Yes. In addition to the \$76,000, there was transferred from Vote 178, Bridges, various amounts totalling \$3,810 to cover expenditure on fills replacing bridges.
  - "3. \$57,635.37.
  - "4, \$79,452.03.
  - "5. No."
  - Mr. I. A. Mackenzie asked the Hon. the Minister of Public Works the following questions:-
  - 1. How many were employed by the Department of Public Works on August 20th, 1928?
  - 2. How many of these were returned soldiers?
  - 3. How many are employed by the Public Works Department at the present time?
  - 4. How many of these are returned soldiers?
- 5. How many returned soldiers have been appointed to the Public Works Department since August 20th, 1928?
- 6. How many returned soldiers have been dismissed or discharged or asked for their resignations in the Public Works Department since August 20th, 1928?

The Hon. Mr. Lougheed replied as follows:-

- "1. 3,493.
- "2, 982.
- "3, 1.117, January 31st, 1929.
- "4. 400.
- " 5. 354.
- "6. Twenty-three."

Resolved, That the House, at its rising, do stand adjourned until 8.15 o'clock p.m. to-day.

And then the House adjourned at 6.10 p.m.

# Tuesday, March 19th, 1929.

QUARTER-PAST EIGHT O'CLOCK P.M.

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The Hon, the Minister of Finance presented Bill (No. 84) intituled "An Act for granting certain Sums of Money for the Public Service of the Province of British Columbia."

Ordered, That the same be referred to a Committee of the Whole forthwith.

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

Resolved, That the Committee rise and report to the House, recommending the introduction of Bill (No. 84) intituled "An Act for granting certain Sums of Money for the Public Service of the Province of British Columbia," a draft of which is annexed to this Resolution.

Resolution and Bill reported.

Report adopted.

Bill read a first time.

Bill read a second time and committed.

Reported complete without amendment.

Report adopted.

Bill read a third time and passed.

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

The Report on Bill (No. 62) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Municipal Act'" was adopted.

Bill read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 53) intituled "An Act to amend the 'West Kootenay Power and Light Company, Limited, Act, 1897'" was committed.

Reported complete without amendment.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

The Report on Bill (No. 82) intituled "An Act respecting a Minimum Wage for Male Employees" was adopted.

Bill read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 49) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Medical Act'" was again committed.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 76) intituled "An Act for the Relief of Dairy-farmers" was again committed. Reported complete with amendments.

Report adopted.

Progress reported.

Third reading at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 34) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Barbers Act'" was again committed. Reported complete with amendments.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 83) intituled "An Act to provide for the Taking of a Census in the City of Vancouver" was committed.

Committee rose without report.

On the consideration of the Report on Bill (No. 78) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Water Act,'" the Hon, Mr. Maitland moved in amendment as follows:—

To strike out the first three lines of section 141s, and to substitute therefor the following:—
"141s. For the purpose of determining any question arising in any application under this Division, the Board shall have power."

To strike out subsection (b) of said section 141F, and to substitute therefor the following:—
"(b) To require the power company or any party to the application to produce before the Board, on the hearing of the application, the books, records, or documents of such party containing any record or entry relative to the question before the Board."

The amendment was carried.

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Mr. Pattullo moved in amendment as follows:-

To insert the following as section 6 and renumber following sections:-

"6. Said chapter 271 is amended by inserting therein the following as section 76a:

"'76A. Notwithstanding any of the provisions of this Act, no rights to the use of water shall be granted to any person in excess of the quantity of water necessary to develop forty thousand horse-power without the sanction of the Legislative Assembly of the Province of British Columbia by resolution."

The amendment was negatived on the following division:-

YEAS-10.

Messieurs

HannaGraySutherlandManson, A. M.PearsonKerginPattulloBuckhamGillisMackenzie, I. A.

NAYS-29.

Messieurs

Mackenzie, R. Beatty Shelly Schofield Rutledge Spencer Tolmie Kennedy Fitzsimmons Walkem Pooleu DavieCarsonPeckHinchliffe BruhnCornettTwiggDickBurdenMaitland Kingston MacNaughton Atkinson BerryHoweManson, M. McKenzie, W. A.

PAIRS:

Messieurs

Wrinch Lougheed MacPherson Borden

Mr. I. A. Mackenzie moved in amendment as follows:-

Section 12, 141c: To strike out the words after "fair return" in the first line, and to substitute therefor the words "upon the capital honestly and prudently invested by such power company in property devoted to the public use, and the Board in determining any toll shall have due regard to that principle."

The amendment was negatived on the following division:-

Yeas—10.

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Nays-28. Messieurs

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PAIRS: Messieurs

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Report as amended adopted.

Third reading at the next sitting.

The Hon. Mr. Hinchliffe moved, seconded by the Hon. Mr. Pooley,—

Whereas the Government of British Columbia did, on the 2nd day of January, 1929, petition the Government of Canada, setting forth, among other things, the fact that the Government of Canada had provided annually for a period of ten years a certain sum to assist the Provinces in promoting vocational and educational training and in establishing technical schools; and, further, that such vocational and educational training would assist materially in the industrial expansion of the country; and that the period of ten years above referred to expires on March 31st, 1929; and in the said petition the Government of British Columbia did petition the Government of Canada to extend for a period of years the financial assistance rendered by it in the past for the purposes specified:

Be it Resolved, That this Legislature not only approves the action of the Government of British Columbia, but also concurs in and reiterates the petition so made to the Government of Canada.

And be it further Resolved, That an humble petition be presented to His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, praying that copies of this Resolution and the preamble thereto be forwarded to the Honourable the Secretary of State and other proper officials of the Government of Canada.

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

On the motion of the Hon. the Attorney-General, seconded by Mr. Pattullo, it was Resolved,— That this House has much pleasure in placing on record its appreciation of the earnest and conscientious manner in which Mr. Mouat has discharged the onerous duties of his office as

Comptroller-General of the Province of British Columbia; to pay tribute to his undoubted ability, and to wish him health and strength to enjoy a rest well earned.

The Hon. Mr. Tolmic made the following announcement:-MR. SPEAKER:

I beg to announce that in accordance with the terms of the Resolution passed in this House on Friday, February 1st, of this Session, a Commission of members of this Legislative Assembly, consisting of Messrs. Davie, Kennedy, Borden, Pearson, and Gillis, will be appointed under the "Public Inquiries Act" to inquire into the subjects of maternity benefits and State health insurance; and to report its findings and recommendations to this Legislature at its next Session.

Mr. MacPherson asked the Hon. the Minister of Mines the following questions:-

1. What has been the gross tonnage of each of the base metals and the ounces of precious metals produced by all the mines in British Columbia, compared with those located or situated in that portion of British Columbia contained within and reporting through the Fort Steele Mining Division, per year and each year, since the commencement of British Columbia governmental records of same, to close of the last year (1928), with placer-mines production shown

Amount.

separately from the lode mines, and each shipping mine or valley producing placers also shown segregated from the others as a whole?

- 2. What have been the respective values per year in each case in regard to the production covered by previous question?
- 3. What quantities of base metals have been smelted in each year of operation of the smelter formerly located at Marysville, B.C.?
- 4. What quantities of precious metals were recovered at the smelter referred to in preceding question?
- 5. Where were the ores, smelted at Marysville smelter, produced and in what respective quantities?
- 6. Was any effort made by the British Columbia Government at the time to prevent the cessation of smelting ores at Marysville or to aid in the continuation of same? What results accrued from such efforts (if any)?
- 7. How many "prospects" or "undeveloped or partially-developed" mining properties have the British Columbia Mining Engineers in the employ of the British Columbia Government since the inception of such, "favourably reported as worthy of further exploration by capitalists with a view to exploitation "? How many unfavourably reported?
- 8. How many favourable reports and unfavourable reports referred to in previous question applied to mining properties situated in the Fort Steele Mining Division?
- 9. How much financial aid has been advanced towards providing roads to aid the prospectors obtaining access to their properties within Cranbrook Electoral District, and which properties and to what extent in each case and what tonnage was produced from the respective mines as a direct result or indirectly of such financial aid?
- 10. In what years were the aids referred to (if any) in preceding question granted? How much of such aids (if any) were provided by the Department of Mines?
- 11. What has been the aggregate revenue from royalties, taxes, and licences, recording fees, and similar charges by Government collected from the productive mines, both lode and placers respectively, which are situated in Cranbrook Electoral District, from the date of earliest records to end of 1928? What has been the aggregate cost of collecting the revenue referred to in previous question?

The Hon. Mr. McKenzie replied as follows:-

- "1. See table entitled 'Production in Detail of Metalliferous Mines' in each Annual Report, 1896 to 1927, inclusive. Annual Report for 1928 not yet issued.
  - "2. Answered by No. 1.
  - "3 and 4. No information in old Annual Reports.
- "5. Marysville smelter erected to treat Sullivan Mine ore, but after several attempts was metallurgically unsuccessful.
  - "6. No information.
  - "7. See Resident Engineers' reports from 1917 to 1927, inclusive, in the Annual Reports.
  - "8. Answered by No. 7.
  - "9 and 10. Financial aid given under authority of 'Mines Development Act,' as follows:-Fiscal Year. Road or Trail.

1917-18.	Nil	
1918–19.	Road to Dibble Mine	\$69.00
1919-20.	Road, Kimberley-North Star Mine	380.00
	Road to Society Girl Mine	49.87
1920–21.	Road to Federal Group	203.70
	Road, Kimberley-North Star Mine	766.75
	Road, Tunnel	325.50
	Trail, French Creek	28.70
	Trail, Perry Creek	249.75
	Trail, West Fork of St. Mary River	1,137.70
	Trail, Whitefish	142.50
1922-23.	Nil	
<b>1</b> 923–24.	Road to Stemwinder	2,345.00
	Road, Perry Creek	197.00
	Trail, Alki Creek	75.00

Fiscal Year.		Amount.
1924-25.	Nil	
<b>1</b> 925–26.	Road, North Star Mine	\$307.50
	Trail, Perry Creek	371.11
1926-27.	Aurora Mine Road	200.00
	Perry Creek Road	8.45
	Belleville Trail	148.00
	Hellroaring Trail	250.00
1927–28.	Perry Creek Road	470.85
	Extension of Aurora Mines Road to Grindon Group	700.03
	Smith Lake Road leading to B. & V. Group	99.85
	Standard Mine Road	134.75
1928-29.	Trail to Lead Group	151.50
	Total	\$8,812.51

"No information as to tonnage produced from the above mines as a direct or indirect result of such financial aid.

"11. Revenue and expenditure of district offices are not segregated by electoral districts."

Resolved, That the House, at its rising, do stand adjourned until 10.30 o'clock a.m. to-morrow.

And then the House adjourned at 11.10 p.m.

# Wednesday, March 20th, 1929.

HALF-PAST TEN O'CLOCK A.M.

Prayers by Mr. Speaker.

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the motion moved by the Hon. Mr. Hinchliffe on 19th instant, as follows:—

Whereas the Government of British Columbia did, on the 2nd day of January, 1929, petition the Government of Canada, setting forth, among other things, the fact that the Government of Canada had provided annually for a period of ten years a certain sum to assist the Provinces in promoting vocational and educational training and in establishing technical schools; and, further, that such vocational and educational training would assist materially in the industrial expansion of the country; and that the period of ten years above referred to expires on March 31st, 1929; and in the said petition the Government of British Columbia did petition the Government of Canada to extend for a period of years the financial assistance rendered by it in the past for the purposes specified:

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The motion was carried.

Bill (No. 78) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Water Act'" was read a third time and passed.

The Report on Bill (No. 53) intituled "An Act to amend the 'West Kootenay Power and Light Company, Limited, Act, 1897'" was adopted.

Bill read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 76) intituled "An Act for the Relief of Dairy-farmers" was read a third time and passed.

The Report on Bill (No. 34) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Barbers Act'" was adopted. Bill read a third time and passed.

## TEN MINUTES PAST TWELVE 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 titles to the following Bills:-

- (No. 1) An Act to amend the "Counties Definition Act."
- (No. 2) An Act to amend the "Game Act."
- (No. 6) An Act to amend the "Apiaries Act."
- (No. 7) An Act to amend the "University Endowment Lands Administration Act."
- (No. 8) An Act to amend the "Conditional Sales Act."
- (No. 9) An Act to amend the "Moving Pictures Act."
- (No. 10) An Act to amend the "Agricultural Act."
- (No. 11) An Act to amend the "Contagious Diseases (Animals) Act."
- (No. 12) An Act respecting Mineral Survey and Development.
- (No. 13) An Act to regulate the Working of Quarries.
- (No. 15) An Act respecting Bounties on Iron and Steel.
- (No. 16) An Act to amend the "Public Schools Act."
- (No. 19) An Act to amend the "Administration Act."
- (No. 21) An Act to amend the "Revenue Act."
- (No. 22) An Act to amend the "Audit Act."
- (No. 23) An Act to amend the "Interpretation Act."
- (No. 25) An Act respecting Companies.
- (No. 26) An Act to amend the "Coal-mines Regulation Act."
- (No. 27) An Act to amend the "Pacific Great Eastern Railway Taxation Exemption Act."
- (No. 28) An Act to amend the "Land Surveyors Act."
- (No. 29) An Act to amend the "Sumas Drainage, Dyking, and Development District Act."
- (No. 30) An Act to amend the "Stock-brands Act."
- (No. 31) An Act to incorporate the Hairdressers of British Columbia.
- (No. 32) An Act to amend the "Public Inquiries Act."
- (No. 33) An Act to amend the "British Columbia University Act."
- (No. 34) An Act to amend the "Barbers Act."
- (No. 35) An Act to amend the "Escheats Act."
- (No. 36) An Act to amend the "Sheep Protection Act."
- (No. 37) An Act to amend the "Noxious Weeds Act."
- (No. 39) An Act respecting the Practice of Chiropody.
- (No. 40) An Act to amend the "Motor-vehicle Act."
- (No. 41) An Act to amend the "Trustee Act."
- (No. 42) An Act to amend the "Lunacy Act."
- (No. 43) An Act to amend the "Small Debts Courts Act."
- (No. 44) An Act to amend the "Insurance Act."
- (No. 45) An Act to amend the "Produce Marketing Act."
- (No. 46) An Act respecting Teachers' Pensions.
- (No. 47) An Act to amend the "Co-operative Associations Act."
- (No. 48) An Act to amend the "Vancouver and Districts Joint Sewerage and Drainage Act."
- (No. 50) An Act to incorporate "North-west Telephone Company."
- (No. 51) An Act respecting the Canadian North-Eastern Railway Company.
- (No. 52) An Act to amend "The Royal Plate Glass Insurance Company of Canada Act, 1906."
- (No. 53) An Act to amend the "West Kootenay Power and Light Company, Limited, Act, 1897."
- (No. 54) An Act to amend the "Burnaby Municipality Act, 1923."

- (No. 56) An Act to ratify and confirm By-law No. 408 of the Corporation of the District of Saanich, and an Agreement and a Confirmatory Agreement both made on the 19th Day of July, 1928, between The Corporation of the District of Saanich and John Samuel Henry Matson.
- (No. 57) An Act respecting the Municipality of Delta.
- (No. 58) An Act to amend "West Vancouver Incorporation Act."
- (No. 59) An Act respecting the Corporation of the City of Prince Rupert,
- (No. 61) An Act to amend the "Highway Act."
- (No. 62) An Act to amend the "Municipal Act."
- (No. 63) An Act to amend the "Local Improvement Act."
- (No. 64) An Act to amend the "Village Municipalities Act."
- (No. 65) An Act to amend the "Municipal Elections Act."
- (No. 66) An Act to borrow the Sum of Nine million five hundred thousand Dollars for the Purposes therein specified.
- (No. 67) An Act to borrow the Sum of Three million Dollars for the Purposes therein specified.
- (No. 68) An Act to amend the "Government Liquor Act."
- (No. 69) An Act to amend the "Coroners Act."
- (No. 70) An Act to amend the "Taxation Act."
- (No. 71) An Act respecting the Dewdney Dyking District.
- (No. 72) An Act to amend the "Forest Act."
- (No. 73) An Act to amend the "Superannuation Act."
- (No. 74) An Act to amend the "Placer-mining Act."
- (No. 75) An Act to amend the "Mineral Act."
- (No. 76) An Act for the Relief of Dairy-farmers.
- (No. 77) An Act respecting the Corporation of the City of Rossland.
- (No. 78) An Act to amend the "Water Act."
- (No. 79) An Act to amend the "Trust Companies Act."
- (No. 80) An Act to amend the "Hours of Work Act, 1923."
- (No. 81) An Act to amend the "Succession Duty Act."
- (No. 82) An Act respecting a Minimum Wage for Male Employees.

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

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 these Bills."

Then the Honourable Mr. Speaker addressed His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor as follows:—

### MAY IT PLEASE YOUR HONOUR:

We, His Majesty's most dutiful and loyal subjects, the Legislative Assembly of the Province of British Columbia, in Session assembled, approach Your Honour at the close of our labours with sentiments of unfeigned devotion and loyalty to His Majesty's person and Government, and humbly beg to present for Your Honour's acceptance Bill (No. 84) intituled "An Act for granting certain Sums of Money for the Public Service of the Province of British Columbia."

To this Bill the Clerk of the Legislative Assembly, by His Honour's command, did thereupon say:—

"In His Majesty's name, His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor doth thank His Majesty's loyal subjects, accept their benevolence, and assent to this Bill."

Then His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor was pleased to deliver the following gracious Speech:—

Mr. Speaker and Members of the Legislative Assembly:

In closing this First Session of a new Parliament it is fitting that I should express my appreciation of the earnest attention you have given to the many important matters submitted for your consideration.

I trust that the various laws and amendments you have enacted will advance the interests of the Province and further the welfare of our people.

I thank you for the Supplies so generously granted for the Public Service.

In relieving you from your labours, I trust that the blessing of Providence will accompany you to your respective homes.

The Hon. Mr. Howe, Provincial Secretary, then said:-

Mr. Speaker and Members of the Legislative Assembly:

It is His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor's will and pleasure that the Legislative Assembly be prorogued until it shall please His Honour to summon the same for dispatch of business, and this Provincial Legislative Assembly is hereby prorogued accordingly.

J. W. JONES, Speaker.

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