

Tuesday, 12th December, 1922.

TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by Mr. Speaker.

Dr. K. C. MacDonald presented the Report of the Select Standing Committee on Agriculture, as follows:—

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE ROOM,
December 11th, 1922.

MR. SPEAKER:

Your Select Standing Committee on Agriculture begs leave to report as follows:—

That it has held several meetings with members of the Advisory Board of Farmers' Institutes and representatives of the U.F. of B.C., as well as several other gentlemen interested in agriculture.

Upon these occasions a number of resolutions were submitted to your Committee, with a view to bringing matters pertaining to the welfare of agriculture throughout the Province to the attention of the House. These resolutions were fairly presented and fully discussed, with the result that your Committee felt justified in recommending the following:—

- (1.) That the resolution *re* Oriental exclusion be heartily endorsed.
- (2.) That the request for exemptions to farmers under the personal-property tax be increased to \$2,000 be given consideration.
- (3.) That the words "not less than 10 acres" be struck out of the definition of "farmer" in the "Game Act."
- (4.) That the bounty on crows be discontinued except in such districts wherein the majority of the residents petition for its retention, and that the boundaries of such districts be defined by Order in Council.
- (5.) That there should be two farmers appointed as members of the Game Board.
- (6.) That a system of carefully selected immigration is essential to the proper development of the agricultural areas of the Province.
- (7.) That the Government be urged to extend the policy of appointing District Agriculturists, particularly in the more remote sections of the Province.
- (8.) That the request of the British Columbia berry-growers for assistance *re* precooling plants be given careful and sympathetic consideration.

And, further, your Committee expresses its gratification at the steady progress being made in agricultural development and production, and urges the most careful consideration of the recommendations herein submitted.

K. C. MACDONALD, *Chairman.*

The report was received.

On a point of order raised by the Hon. the Attorney-General, Mr. Speaker ruled out of order the third question of Question No. 8 standing on the Order Paper in the name of Mr. A. McDonald.

Pursuant to Order, the House resolved itself into Committee of the Whole to consider the question of the sale of malt liquors under the "Government Liquor Act, 1921," in pursuance of the Resolution moved by Mr. I. A. Mackenzie on 8th instant, and the Resolution moved in Committee by Mr. Uphill as follows:—

Whereas since the passing of the "Government Liquor Act, 1921," there has been a wide-spread demand among the electors that the Act be amended so as to make provision for the sale of malt liquors by the glass:

Therefore be it Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Honour the Administrator, praying that he cause to be passed before the House for its consideration a Bill amending the "Government Liquor Act, 1921," so as to make provision under Government control for the sale of malt liquors in standard hotels and *bona-fide* clubs, and that such Address be presented by such Members of the House as are of the Executive Council.

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

The Chairman ruled the Resolution out of order.

The Chairman's ruling was sustained on appeal.

On the motion of Mr. *Clearihue*, seconded by Mr. *Yorston*, it was *Resolved*,—

That in the opinion of this Committee it is inadvisable at this Session of the Legislature to make provision for a referendum to ascertain if the electors of the Province are in favour of amending the "Government Liquor Act, 1921," to make provision for the sale of beer by the glass in approved establishments under Government control.

The Committee rose and reported the Resolution.

The report was received.

The Hon. Mr. *Oliver* moved the adoption of the report.

The House divided, and *Resolved* in the affirmative on the following division:—

YEAS—26.

Messieurs

<i>Hanes,</i>	<i>Duncan,</i>	<i>Jones,</i>	<i>Buckham,</i>
<i>Wallinger,</i>	<i>Menzies,</i>	<i>Boicser,</i>	<i>Whiteside.</i>
<i>McRae,</i>	<i>Clearihue,</i>	<i>Pooley,</i>	<i>Smith, Mrs.</i>
<i>Catherwood,</i>	<i>Jackson,</i>	<i>Yorston,</i>	<i>Barrow.</i>
<i>Pearson,</i>	<i>Hinchliffe,</i>	<i>Oliver,</i>	<i>Sutherland,</i>
<i>McDonald, A.,</i>	<i>Lister,</i>	<i>Ramsay,</i>	<i>MacLean.</i>
<i>Esling,</i>	<i>McKenzie, W. A.,</i>		

NAYS—17.

Messieurs

<i>Neelands,</i>	<i>Hunter,</i>	<i>Farris,</i>	<i>Campbell,</i>
<i>Guthrie,</i>	<i>Perry.</i>	<i>Hart,</i>	<i>Kergin,</i>
<i>Uphill,</i>	<i>MacDonald, K. C.,</i>	<i>Manson,</i>	<i>Mackenzie, I. A.</i>
<i>Schofield,</i>	<i>Anderson,</i>	<i>Sloan,</i>	<i>Pattullo.</i>
<i>Burde,</i>			

On the third reading of Bill (No. 35) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Water Act, 1914,'" the Hon. Mr. *Pattullo* moved to amend section 4, line 8, by striking out after the word "shall" the words "from day to day."

Carried.

Mr. *Jones* moved to amend section 2, subsection (259b), line 3, by striking out the word "fifteen," and substituting therefor the word "eight."

The amendment was negatived on the following division:—

YEAS—14.

Messieurs

<i>Wallinger,</i>	<i>McDonald, A.,</i>	<i>Hinchliffe,</i>	<i>Jones,</i>
<i>McRae,</i>	<i>Esling,</i>	<i>Lister,</i>	<i>Boicser,</i>
<i>Catherwood,</i>	<i>Schofield,</i>	<i>McKenzie, W. A.,</i>	<i>Pooley,</i>
<i>Pearson,</i>	<i>Hunter,</i>		

NAYS—26.

Messieurs

<i>Hanes,</i>	<i>Yorston,</i>	<i>Manson,</i>	<i>Whiteside,</i>
<i>Neelands,</i>	<i>MacDonald, K. C.,</i>	<i>Sloan,</i>	<i>Smith, Mrs.</i>
<i>Guthrie,</i>	<i>Anderson,</i>	<i>Ramsay,</i>	<i>Barrow,</i>
<i>Duncan,</i>	<i>Paterson,</i>	<i>Kergin,</i>	<i>Sutherland,</i>
<i>Menzies,</i>	<i>Farris,</i>	<i>Mackenzie, I. A.,</i>	<i>Pattullo,</i>
<i>Clearihue,</i>	<i>Hart,</i>	<i>Buckham,</i>	<i>MacLean.</i>
<i>Perry,</i>	<i>Oliver,</i>		

Bill read a third time and passed.

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

J. A. MACDONALD,
Administrator.

The Administrator transmits herewith an amendment to Bill (No. 65) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Forest Act,'" enclosed herewith, and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,
December 12th, 1922.

(ENCLOSURE.)

To amend as follows:—

By inserting therein the following as section 4 and by renumbering the following sections:—

"4. Said chapter 17 is amended by inserting therein the following as section 29B:—

"29B. (1.) For the purpose of empowering the Lieutenant-Governor in Council to relax the strictness of the provisions of this Act relative to the making of payments in respect of special timber licences, in cases of default arising through misunderstanding, mischance, or unforeseen delays, where, without such relaxation, great loss, hardship, or injustice could not be avoided, the Lieutenant-Governor in Council, whenever he considers it right and just, may accept the payment of timber licence renewal fees, fire-prevention tax, additional sums, annual instalments, and interest payable under sections 28 and 29 at a time subsequent to the time provided for the payment thereof, together with further additional sums and interest at the like rates up to the time of payment, and may relieve from forfeiture and grant a reinstatement and renewal of the licence in respect of which the default arose.

"(2.) A return showing all licences reinstated under this section shall be submitted annually to the Legislative Assembly."

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

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

Resolved, That the Committee rise and report to the House, recommending the introduction of the proposed amendment to Bill (No. 65) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Forest Act,'" a draft of which is annexed to the Message from His Honour the Administrator.

Resolution and amendment reported.

Amendment introduced and read a first and second time.

Ordered, That the amendment be referred to the Committee of the Whole having in charge Bill (No. 65) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Forest Act.'"

Bill (No. 43) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Companies Act, 1921'" was again committed.

Reported complete with amendments.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 31) intituled "An Act to amend the 'British Columbia Fire Insurance Act'" was committed.

Reported complete with amendments.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 32) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Insurance Act'" was committed.

Reported complete with amendments.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

On the second reading of Bill (No. 85) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Succession Duty Act,'" a debate arose.

Bill read a second time on the following division:—

YEAS—24.

Messieurs

<i>Hanes,</i>	<i>Yorston,</i>	<i>Sloan,</i>	<i>Whiteside,</i>
<i>Duncan,</i>	<i>Anderson,</i>	<i>Campbell,</i>	<i>Smith, Mrs.</i>
<i>Menzies,</i>	<i>Paterson,</i>	<i>Ramsay,</i>	<i>Barrow,</i>
<i>Clearihue,</i>	<i>Hart,</i>	<i>Kergin,</i>	<i>Sutherland,</i>
<i>Jackson,</i>	<i>Oliver,</i>	<i>Mackenzie, I. A.,</i>	<i>Pattullo,</i>
<i>Perry,</i>	<i>Manson,</i>	<i>Buckham,</i>	<i>MacLean.</i>

NAYS—18.

Messieurs

<i>Neelands,</i>	<i>Gatherwood,</i>	<i>Burde,</i>	<i>Jones,</i>
<i>Guthrie,</i>	<i>Pearson,</i>	<i>Hunter,</i>	<i>Bowser,</i>
<i>Uphill,</i>	<i>McDonald, A.,</i>	<i>Hinchliffe,</i>	<i>Pooley,</i>
<i>Wallinger,</i>	<i>Esling,</i>	<i>Lister,</i>	<i>MacDonald, K. C.</i>
<i>McRae,</i>	<i>Schofield,</i>		

Bill *Ordered* to be committed at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 55) intituled "An Act to provide for the Control of the Codling-moth" was read a second time.

To be committed at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 59) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Revenue Act'" was read a second time.

To be committed at the next sitting.

On the second reading of Bill (No. 61) intituled "An Act to borrow the Sum of Three million five hundred thousand Dollars for the Purposes therein specified" a debate arose, which was, on the motion of Mr. *Jones*, adjourned to the next sitting.

Bill (No. 76) intituled "An Act to amend and consolidate certain Acts relating to the Assessment, Levy, and Collection of Taxes on Property and Income" was read a second time.

To be committed at the next sitting.

On the second reading of Bill (No. 86) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Constitution Act'" a debate arose, which was, on the motion of Mr. *Pooley*, adjourned to the next sitting.

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

1. Is the Department aware that J. D. Watson, who drew money from the Department as foreman of the road-work in the Skeena District in June and July, was at that same time working for the Wales Island Cannery as master of a tug-boat?

2. If the Department is not aware of this, will the Department make inquiries and launch prosecutions if the facts justify it?

The Hon. Dr. *Sutherland* replied as follows:—

"1. District Engineer wires as follows: 'Watson denies absolutely having drawn pay from both Government and Cannery Company for the same time, and that he was on our work continuously as per pay-rolls until July 7 included.'

"2. Answered by No. 1. Further investigations will be made."

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

1. What is the proposed expenditure for roads, streets, and trails in the various electoral ridings for year 1923-24?

2. By whom were the various estimates prepared in the different electoral ridings?

The Hon. Dr. *Sutherland* replied as follows:—

"1. Alberni, \$47,500; Atlin, \$35,000; Cariboo, \$71,000; Chilliwack, \$34,500; Columbia, \$38,700; Comox, \$58,500; Cowichan, \$40,500; Cranbrook, \$50,500; Delta, \$21,500; Dewdney, \$40,000; Esquimalt, \$29,000; Fernie, \$35,000; Fort George, \$75,500; Grand Forks, \$23,500; Greenwood,

\$24,000; Islands, \$33,000; Kamloops, \$76,000; Kaslo, \$33,000; Lillooet, \$55,600; Nanaimo, \$13,600; Nelson, \$2,500; Newcastle, \$21,500; New Westminster, \$1,800; North Okanagan, \$52,000; North Vancouver, \$21,000; Omineca, \$77,000; Prince Rupert, \$63,500; Revelstoke, \$35,500; Richmond, \$10,000; Rossland, \$7,000; Saanich, \$6,000; Similkameen, \$41,000; Slocan, \$28,000; South Okanagan, \$33,000; South Vancouver, \$8,900; Trail, \$39,500; Yale, \$43,000; total, \$1,326,500. The above does not include expenditures which may be made from Highway Loan.

"2. District Engineer."

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

1. Is one Edward Cook, lately connected with the Engineering Department of the Sooke line of the Canadian National Railway, now working on the Ymir Road?
2. If not, when did he cease work?
3. If he is still working, what is his position and what remuneration is he receiving?
4. Who is paying the salary of said Cook?

The Hon. Dr. *Sutherland* replied as follows:—

- "1. E. F. Cooke employed as instrument-man at \$7 per day on Nelson-Ymir Road.
- "2. Completed work on November 30th.
- "3. Answered by Nos. 1 and 2.
- "4. The Government."

Resolved, That the House, at its rising, do stand adjourned until 8.30 o'clock p.m. to-day.

And then the House adjourned at 6 p.m.

Tuesday, 12th December, 1922.

HALF-PAST EIGHT O'CLOCK P.M.

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

Order for the Committee of Supply called.

The House again resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

72. *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—Salaries and expenses, to 31st March, 1923.

252. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$191,879 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Public Works, Steamboats, Ferries, and Bridge-tenders, to 31st March, 1924.

251. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$2,184,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Public Works, Roads Streets, Bridges, and Wharves, to 31st March, 1924.

112. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$40,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Finance, Surveyor of Taxes—Timber-cruising, equalization, etc., to 31st March, 1923.

20. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$15,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Tubercular cattle—compensation, supplies, temporary assistance, etc., to 31st March, 1924.

86c. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$3,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Revision of Statutes—Legislative Counsel, to 31st March, 1923.

206. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$4,500 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Provincial Board of Health—New engine and repairs for quarantine boat "Sanita," to 31st March, 1923.

239A. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$25,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Returned Soldiers' Aid Commission, etc., to 31st March, 1924.

192A. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$50,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands, Immigration, to 31st March, 1924.

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 10.30 o'clock a.m. to-morrow.

And then the House adjourned at 11.25 p.m.

Wednesday, 13th December, 1922.

HALF-PAST TEN O'CLOCK A.M.

Prayers by Mr. Speaker.

Mr. *Esling* moved, seconded by Mr. *Schofield*,—

That an Order of the House be granted for a Return of all correspondence between the Premier or Minister of Railways and the Chief Engineer, between the Premier and the Accountant, and between the Premier and any other official or clerk in the office of the Department of Railways during the period from October 1st, 1919, to March, 1920.

A debate arose, which was, on the motion of the Hon. Mr. *Oliver*, adjourned to the next sitting.

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the second reading of Bill (No. 34) intituled "An Act to ratify and make Provision for the Carrying-out of an Agreement between His Majesty in Right of the Dominion and His Majesty in Right of the Province relating to the Examination of Iron-ore Deposits in British Columbia."

Bill read a second time on the following division:—

YEAS—28.

Messieurs

<i>Hanes,</i>	<i>Perry,</i>	<i>Oliver,</i>	<i>Buckham,</i>
<i>Neelands,</i>	<i>Yorston,</i>	<i>Manson,</i>	<i>Whiteside,</i>
<i>Guthrie,</i>	<i>MacDonald, K. C.,</i>	<i>Sloan,</i>	<i>Smith, Mrs.</i>
<i>Duncan,</i>	<i>Anderson,</i>	<i>Campbell,</i>	<i>Barrow,</i>
<i>Menzies,</i>	<i>Paterson,</i>	<i>Ramsay,</i>	<i>Sutherland,</i>
<i>Clearihue,</i>	<i>Farris,</i>	<i>Henniger,</i>	<i>Pattullo,</i>
<i>Jackson,</i>	<i>Hart,</i>	<i>Mackenzie, I. A.</i>	<i>MacLean.</i>

NAYS—10.

Messieurs

<i>Wallinger,</i>	<i>Esling,</i>	<i>Hinchliffe,</i>	<i>Jones,</i>
<i>Catherwood,</i>	<i>Schofield,</i>	<i>McKenzie, W. A.,</i>	<i>Bowser.</i>
<i>McDonald, A.,</i>	<i>Hunter,</i>		

To be committed at the next sitting.

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the second reading of Bill (No. 73) intituled "An Act to provide for the Regulation of Passenger Rates chargeable by the British Columbia Electric Railway Company."

Bill read a second time.

To be committed at the next sitting.

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the second reading of Bill (No. 83) intituled "An Act respecting Notaries Public."

Bill read a second time.

To be committed at the next sitting.

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the second reading of Bill (No. 61) intituled "An Act to borrow the Sum of Three million five hundred thousand Dollars for the Purposes therein specified."

Bill read a second time on the following division:—

YEAS—25.

Messieurs

<i>Menzies,</i>	<i>Paterson,</i>	<i>Campbell,</i>	<i>Whiteside,</i>
<i>Burde.</i>	<i>Farris,</i>	<i>Ramsay,</i>	<i>Smith, Mrs.</i>
<i>Clearihue,</i>	<i>Hart,</i>	<i>Henniger,</i>	<i>Barrow,</i>
<i>Jackson,</i>	<i>Oliver,</i>	<i>Kergin,</i>	<i>Sutherland,</i>
<i>Perry,</i>	<i>Manson,</i>	<i>Mackenzie, I. A.,</i>	<i>Pattullo,</i>
<i>Yorston,</i>	<i>Sloan,</i>	<i>Buckham,</i>	<i>MacLean,</i>
<i>Anderson,</i>			

NAYS—15.

Messieurs

<i>Neelands,</i>	<i>Catherwood,</i>	<i>Schofield,</i>	<i>Jones,</i>
<i>Guthrie,</i>	<i>Pearson,</i>	<i>Duncan,</i>	<i>Bowser,</i>
<i>Wallinger,</i>	<i>McDonald, A.,</i>	<i>Hunter,</i>	<i>Pooley,</i>
<i>McRae,</i>	<i>Esling,</i>	<i>Hinchliffe,</i>	

To be committed at the next sitting.

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the second reading of Bill (No. 86) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Constitution Act.'"

Bill read a second time on the following division:—

YEAS—23.

Messieurs

<i>Menzies,</i>	<i>Anderson,</i>	<i>Campbell,</i>	<i>Smith, Mrs.</i>
<i>Clearihue,</i>	<i>Paterson,</i>	<i>Ramsay,</i>	<i>Barrow,</i>
<i>Jackson,</i>	<i>Hart,</i>	<i>Kergin,</i>	<i>Sutherland,</i>
<i>Perry,</i>	<i>Oliver,</i>	<i>Mackenzie, I. A.,</i>	<i>Pattullo,</i>
<i>Yorston,</i>	<i>Manson,</i>	<i>Buckham,</i>	<i>MacLean,</i>
<i>MacDonald, K. C.,</i>	<i>Sloan,</i>	<i>Whiteside,</i>	

NAYS—14.

Messieurs

<i>Wallinger,</i>	<i>McDonald, A.,</i>	<i>Burde,</i>	<i>Jones,</i>
<i>McRae,</i>	<i>Esling,</i>	<i>Hunter,</i>	<i>Bowser,</i>
<i>Catherwood,</i>	<i>Schofield,</i>	<i>Hinchliffe,</i>	<i>Pooley,</i>
<i>Pearson,</i>	<i>Duncan,</i>		

To be committed at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 87) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Health Act'" was read a second time.

To be committed at the next sitting.

Mr. *Esling* asked the Hon. the Minister of Railways the following questions:—

1. At the termination of arrangements between the Pacific Great Eastern and Northern Construction Company on October 31st last, what was the net price paid by the Pacific Great Eastern for the equipment and supplies taken over from the Construction Company?

2. What was the total yardage allowed the Northern Construction Company for ballast from the date when construction commenced in 1918 to the end of 1920?

3. How much ballast yardage to the end of 1920 was paid for on the original unit price, and what was this original price?

4. How much ballast yardage to the end of 1920 was paid for at the increased unit price, and what was this increased price?

5. What was the total ballast overhaul to that date?

6. How many purchases of ties have been made by the Pacific Great Eastern from the Northern Construction Company for replacement purposes?

7. What was the date of each purchase and the price paid?

The Hon. Dr. *MacLean* replied as follows:—

"1. The original cost of equipment and supplies taken over from the Northern Construction Company by the Pacific Great Eastern Railway Company as at October 31st last was \$255,448.06. This is not a payment made to the Northern Construction Company at that time; it is an accounting item for the purpose of ascertaining the amount due to the Northern Construction Company.

"2. 277,416 yards.

"3. Ballast yardage estimated to the end of 1920 was 98,416 yards, which was paid for at actual cost and not at unit prices. Advances were made to the Northern Construction Company on the basis of unit price—namely, 60 cents per yard.

"4. Estimated ballast yardage allowed to the Northern Construction Company to the end of 1920, to the amount of 179,000 yards, was paid for at actual cost, advances being made to the Northern Construction Company on the unit price basis of 78 cents per cubic yard.

"5. Total ballast overhaul to the end of October 31st, 1922, was 2,278,893 cubic yards.

"6. None.

"7. Answered by No. 6."

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

1. Was one John Scott employed on the Pitt River Bridge?

2. If so, how long was he so employed?

3. Was he discharged, and when, and for what reason?

4. How much notice was given him?

5. Was one Macrae employed on the Pitt River Bridge?

6. If so, how long was he so employed?

7. Was he discharged, and when, and for what reason?

8. How much notice was given him?

The Hon. Dr. *Sutherland* replied as follows:—

"1. Yes.

"2. April 1st, 1916, to April 1st, 1922.

"3. Yes. April, 1922. Replaced by returned soldier who lost his leg in France.

"4. One month.

"5. Yes.

"6. September 1st, 1916, to September 30th, 1922.

"7. Yes; September 18th, 1922. It was considered at the time one man could do the work; on account of greater activity on the river and longer hours required for bridge-tender, the Department is now considering providing additional help.

"8. Twelve days."

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 12.30 p.m.

Wednesday, 13th December, 1922.

HALF-PAST TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

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

J. A. MACDONALD,
Administrator.

The Administrator transmits herewith a Bill intituled "An Act to confer certain Powers upon the Corporation of the City of Nanaimo," and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,
December 13th, 1922.

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. 90) intituled "An Act to confer certain Powers upon the Corporation of the City of Nanaimo," a draft of which is annexed to this Resolution.

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

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

J. A. MACDONALD,
Administrator.

The Administrator transmits herewith a Bill intituled "An Act respecting the List of Voters for the Trail Electoral District," and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,
December 13th, 1922.

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. 92) intituled "An Act respecting the List of Voters for the Trail Electoral District," a draft of which is annexed to this Resolution.

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

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

J. A. MACDONALD,
Administrator.

The Administrator transmits herewith a Bill intituled "An Act to provide for the Establishment and Maintenance of a Provincial Home for Persons afflicted with Incurable Bodily Disease or Disability," and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,
December 13th, 1922.

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. S9) intituled "An Act to provide for the Establishment and Maintenance of a Provincial Home for Persons afflicted with Incurable Bodily Disease or Disability," a draft of which is annexed to this Resolution.

Resolution and Bill reported.

Bill introduced and read a first time.

Second reading at the next sitting.

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

J. A. MACDONALD,
Administrator.

The Administrator transmits herewith a further amendment to Bill (No. 36) intituled "An Act to consolidate and amend the 'Public Schools Act,'" enclosed herewith, and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,
December 13th, 1922.

(ENCLOSURE.)

To amend as follows:—

Section 73, subsection (1): To strike out all the words of the subsection down to the word "become" in the fifteenth line, and substitute therefor the words "Where school taxes become in arrears in respect of any lands outside the boundaries of any municipality which are embraced within a municipal school district by reason of the extension of its boundaries, the Collector of the municipality shall send to the Provincial Collector in whose collecting district the lands are situate a certificate stating the names of the assessed persons liable for the taxes, a description of the lands, and the amount of school taxes due and unpaid in respect of the lands, without the addition of interest or penalties, and upon receipt of said certificate the Provincial Collector shall add the said lands and taxes to his roll, and the taxes shall thereupon be deemed to be delinquent taxes and."

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

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

Resolved, That the Committee rise and report to the House, recommending the introduction of the proposed amendment to Bill (No. 36) intituled "An Act to consolidate and amend the 'Public Schools Act,'" a draft of which is annexed to the Message from His Honour the Administrator.

Resolution and amendment reported.

Amendment introduced and read a first and second time.

Ordered, That the amendment be referred to the Committee of the Whole having in charge Bill (No. 36) intituled "An Act to consolidate and amend the 'Public Schools Act.'" "

The Hon. the Attorney-General presented an account of the administration of the "Mothers' Pensions Act," with receipts and expenditures for period ending March 31st, 1922.

The report was received.

Mr. Jackson presented the report of the Select Committee on Bill (No. 28) intituled "An Act respecting Chiropractic," as follows:—

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE ROOM,
December 13th, 1922.

MR. SPEAKER:

Your Select Committee of Messrs. Jackson, Kergin, Schofield, Burde, Pearson, Yorston, Guthrie, Paterson, Duncan, and McKrae, to inquire into Bill No. 28, begs to report as follows:—

That the objection of the chiropractors to the privilege opened to them by the amendment to the "Medical Act," chapter 38 of the Statutes of 1921, is in respect of their being required to submit to examination by the Medical Council as to their qualifications.

That from the comparison of Bill No. 28, advanced on behalf of the chiropractors, with chapter 38 of the Statutes of 1921, it is apparent that the chiropractors agree upon the propriety of their submitting to examination in the subjects of anatomy, physiology, chemistry, pathology, gynecology, histology, and physical diagnosis, but your Committee is of opinion that the additional subject of hygiene should be included.

That your Committee is unanimous in recommending that the examinations as to qualifications of chiropractors be conducted by the Senate of the University of British Columbia.

That your Committee, by a majority, but not unanimously, recommends that the examinations be conducted by the Senate of the University of British Columbia, and that the Examining Board be composed of two duly qualified members of the College of Physicians and Surgeons in good standing and two members of the British Columbia Chiropractors' Association in good standing, and of one additional examiner to be a duly qualified member of the College of Physicians and Surgeons in good standing, to be appointed by the Chief Justice of the Court of Appeal.

That your Committee recommends that Bill No. 28 be not proceeded with, but that chapter 38 of the Statutes of 1921 be amended to carry out your Committee's recommendation as to the body upon whom shall devolve the responsibility of examining candidates in chiropractic as to their qualifications in the subjects enumerated and deemed necessary.

Your Committee recommends that it be provided that the first examination for chiropractors to qualify be held within three months, and in the meantime no prosecution be initiated against any chiropractors merely because of their not having complied with the terms of the Act, chapter 38 of the Statutes of 1921, within such period of three months, and that pending prosecutions be stayed, and that convictions and sentences heretofore made and pending against chiropractors be set aside.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

M. B. JACKSON, *Chairman.*

The report was received.

Bill (No. 50) intituled "An Act to create and perpetuate certain Building Restrictions in that Portion of the Municipality of the Corporation of Point Grey known as Shaughnessy Heights" was read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 51) intituled "An Act relating to the Corporation of the City of Victoria" was committed.

Progress reported.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

The Hon. Mr. Manson presented to Mr. Speaker a Message from His Honour the Administrator, which read as follows:—

J. A. MACDONALD,
Administrator.

The Administrator transmits herewith a Bill intituled "An Act to amend the 'Government Liquor Act,'" and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,

December 13th, 1922.

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. 91) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Government Liquor Act,'" a draft of which is annexed to this Resolution.

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

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the second reading of Bill (No. 42) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Coal-mines Regulation Act.'"

Second reading negatived on the following division:—

YEAS—13.

Messieurs

<i>Hanes,</i>	<i>Wallinger,</i>	<i>Schofield,</i>	<i>Lister,</i>
<i>Neelands,</i>	<i>McRae,</i>	<i>Burde,</i>	<i>McKenzie, W. A.,</i>
<i>Guthrie,</i>	<i>Catherwood,</i>	<i>Hinchliffe,</i>	<i>Jones.</i>
<i>Uphill,</i>			

NAYS—30.

Messieurs

<i>Pearson,</i>	<i>Bowser,</i>	<i>Oliver,</i>	<i>Buckham,</i>
<i>McDonald, A.,</i>	<i>Perry,</i>	<i>Manson,</i>	<i>Whiteside,</i>
<i>Esling,</i>	<i>Yorston,</i>	<i>Sloan,</i>	<i>Smith, Mrs.</i>
<i>Duncan,</i>	<i>MacDonald, K. C.,</i>	<i>Campbell,</i>	<i>Barrow,</i>
<i>Menzies,</i>	<i>Anderson,</i>	<i>Ramsay,</i>	<i>Sutherland,</i>
<i>Clearihue,</i>	<i>Paterson,</i>	<i>Kergin,</i>	<i>Pattullo,</i>
<i>Jackson,</i>	<i>Farris,</i>	<i>Mackenzie, I. A.</i>	<i>MacLean.</i>
<i>Hunter,</i>	<i>Hart,</i>		

Bill (No. 43) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Companies Act, 1921'" was read a third time and passed.

The Report on Bill (No. 31) intituled "An Act to amend the 'British Columbia Fire Insurance Act'" was adopted.

Third reading at the next sitting.

The Report on Bill (No. 32) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Insurance Act'" was adopted.
Third reading at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 53) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Trust Companies Act'" was again committed.
Progress reported.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

The Report on Bill (No. 58) intituled "An Act to incorporate the Greater Victoria Water District" was adopted.

Bill read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 54) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Adoption Act'" was again committed.

Reported complete without amendment.

Report adopted.

Third reading at the next sitting.

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. *Oliver*, the Order for the Report on Bill (No. 36) intituled "An Act to consolidate and amend the 'Public Schools Act'" was discharged, and the Bill recommitted.

Progress reported.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 77) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Administration Act'" was committed.
 Progress reported.
 Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 78) intituled "An Act to amend the 'County Courts Act'" was committed.
 Reported complete without amendment.
 Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 80) intituled "An Act to amend the 'West Vancouver Incorporation Act'" was committed.
 Reported complete without amendment.
 Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 6) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Shops Regulation Act'" was read a second time and committed.
 Reported complete with amendments.
 Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 81) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Married Women's Property Act'" was read a second time and committed.
 Reported complete without amendments.
 Report adopted.
 Bill read a third time and passed.

The Hon. Mr. *Barrow* presented to Mr. Speaker a Message from His Honour the Administrator, which read as follows:—

J. A. MACDONALD,
Administrator.

The Administrator transmits herewith a Bill intituled "An Act to amend the 'Trespass Act,'" and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,
December 13th, 1922.

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

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

The Hon. Mr. *Manson* presented to Mr. Speaker a Message from His Honour the Administrator, which read as follows:—

J. A. MACDONALD,
Administrator.

The Administrator transmits herewith a Bill intituled "An Act to amend the 'Municipal Act,'" and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,
December 13th, 1922.

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

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

The Hon. Mr. *Hart* presented to Mr. Speaker a Message from His Honour the Administrator, which read as follows:—

J. A. MACDONALD,
Administrator.

The Administrator transmits herewith an amendment to the Estimates of Revenue and Expenditure for the fiscal year ending 31st March, 1924, enclosed herewith, and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,
December 13th, 1922.

(ENCLOSURE.)

Amendment to "Estimates of the Revenue and Expenditure for the Fiscal Year ending March 31st, 1924."

Page E 81, "Department of Provincial Secretary—Miscellaneous Votes": Amend "Grant to Provincial Royal Jubilee Hospital" by inserting the figures "236" immediately preceding and the figures "44,000" immediately succeeding.

And to amend all statements of totals and sums carried or brought forward in said Estimates so far as such amendments are necessary in consequence of the above-mentioned amendment.

Ordered, That the said Message, and the amended Estimates accompanying the same, be referred to the Committee of Supply forthwith.

The House resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

Resolved, That the Estimates of the Revenue and Expenditure for the Fiscal Year ending 31st March, 1924, be amended as follows:—

Page E 81, "Department of Provincial Secretary—Miscellaneous Votes." "Grant to Provincial Royal Jubilee Hospital," by inserting the figures "236" immediately preceding and the figures "44,000" immediately succeeding.

And that all statements of totals and sums carried or brought forward in said Estimates be amended so far as such amendments are necessary in consequence of the above-mentioned amendment.

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

Mr. *Ewing* asked the Hon. the Minister of Railways the following questions:—

1. Has the Government or the Pacific Great Eastern Railway Company entered into any contract with the Northern Construction Company, or arrangement with any official or shareholder of the Northern Construction Company, or with anybody else, for the completion of the Pacific Great Eastern in whole or in part?

2. If so, with whom has the contract been made and particulars of same?

3. Of the total sum approved for payment to the Northern Construction Company by the Pacific Great Eastern from the date when the Government took over the road up to October 31st last, how much represents: (a) Expenditures for general construction; (b) expenditures for material and supplies?

The Hon. Dr. *MacLean* replied as follows:—

- "1. No.
- "2. Answered by No. 1.
- "3. Information required not yet segregated."

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

1. On what date was the Nurses' Home at Tranquille completed and ready for occupancy?
2. Were any extras allowed contractors in connection with this building in addition to the contract price?
3. If so, what did such extras consist of, with particulars and cost of each item?
4. What is the total amount of money due or paid Smith Brothers and Wilson, Ltd., on account of this contract?

The Hon. Dr. *Sutherland* replied as follows:—

- "1. June 24th, 1922.
- "2. Yes.
- "3. Bracket fixtures complete, \$600; transoms over bedroom doors, \$264; alteration of partition to social hall, \$80; light in baggage-room complete with switch, \$13.70; fixture with hemisphere canopy chain hanger complete, \$13.20; iron plug outlet complete, \$32.94; altering position of receptacle, \$8.31; partition in trunk-room, \$38; fire-gongs, \$35.75.
- "4. Paid \$30,155.95, due \$3,230."

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

1. Did the Government award a contract for a school building at Salmon Arm during the year 1921 or 1922?
2. If so, how many class-rooms are provided in the new building?
3. Who tendered, what was the amount of each tender, and to whom was contract awarded?
4. Were any extras allowed contractors?
5. If so, what was the amount allowed, with particulars?
6. What has been the total cost of the building?

The Hon. Dr. *Sutherland* replied as follows:—

- "1. Yes, in 1921.
- "2. Five rooms.
- "3. Bennett & White Construction Company, \$32,400; M. Vistaunet, \$32,434; McDougall, McNeill, Albert, \$34,900; T. Carson, \$35,000; P. Tardif & Co., \$35,797; M. A. Clark, \$36,404; H. J. Davies, \$38,531; Broley & Martin, \$39,982; Hodgson, King & Marble, \$40,412; Smith Bros. & Wilson, \$41,740; E. J. Ryan Construction Co., \$44,989; Johnston & Co., Ltd., \$45,961.30; Robertson & Partners, \$46,844; Western Construction Co., \$49,478; Okanagan Plumbing & Heating Co. (heating only), \$5,000. Contract awarded to M. Vistaunet.
- "4. No.
- "5. Answered by No. 4.
- "6. \$28,454."

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

1. What amount of money was spent during the year 1922 on the Agassiz-Harrison Mills Road?
2. What did the work consist of and what did it cost?
3. Is it the intention of the Department to continue work on the mountain section of this road during the year 1923?
4. If so, what amount of money has been allocated for this road?

The Hon. Dr. *Sutherland* replied as follows:—

- "1. \$1,037.65 spent to date on trail between Harrison Bay and Agassiz.
- "2. Clearing and grading, not completed.
- "3. Matter under consideration.
- "4. Answered by No. 3."

Mr. Jones asked the Hon. the Minister of Lands the following questions:—

1. Does the Government publish or grant aid towards publishing a journal called "Root and Branch"?
2. If yes, what for?
3. What is the cost to the Government?
4. Who prints the journal?
5. If published by the Government, how many persons are employed on said work?
6. What are their names, and what salary does each person receive?

The Hon. Mr. Pattullo replied as follows:—

"1. No. 'Root and Branch' is the name given to a monthly service bulletin issued by the staff of the Forest Branch, and devoted solely to the promotion of co-operation throughout the field organization.

"2. Answered by No. 1.

"3. Approximately \$20 per month.

"4. Only the covers are printed, by the King's Printer. The contents are mimeographed.

"5. None; the work is done after office hours.

"6. Answered by No. 5."

Resolved, That the House, at its rising, do stand adjourned until 8.30 o'clock p.m. to-day.

And then the House adjourned at 6 p.m.

Wednesday, 13th December, 1922.

HALF-PAST EIGHT O'CLOCK P.M.

The Hon. the Minister of Lands presented the Summary Report of Exploration for Oil and Gas in the Peace River District.

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

Bill (No. 90) intituled "An Act to confer certain Powers upon the Corporation of the City of Nanaimo."

Bill (No. 92) intituled "An Act respecting the List of Voters for the Trail Electoral District."

Bill (No. 89) intituled "An Act to provide for the Establishment and Maintenance of a Provincial Home for Persons afflicted with Incurable Bodily Disease or Disability."

Bill (No. 91) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Government Liquor Act.'"

Bill (No. 88) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Trespass Act.'"

Bill (No. 93) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Municipal Act.'"

Bill (No. 53) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Trust Companies Act'" was again committed. Reported complete without amendment. Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 1) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Inferior Courts Practitioners Act'" was again committed.

Reported complete without amendment.

Report adopted.

Bill read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 11) intituled "An Act to provide for the Maintenance of Children of Unmarried Parents" was again committed.

Progress reported.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 8) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Fire Marshal Act'" was again committed.
Reported complete without amendment.
Report adopted.
Bill read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 65) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Forest Act'" was again committed.
Progress reported.
Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 67) intituled "An Act to amend the 'British Columbia Railway Act'" was committed.
Reported complete without amendment.
Report adopted.
Bill read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 84) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Motor-vehicle Act'" was committed.
Reported complete without amendment.
Report adopted.
Bill read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 86) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Constitution Act'" was committed.
Reported complete without amendment.
Report adopted.
Bill read a third time and passed.

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 11.55 p.m.

Thursday, 14th December, 1922.

HALF-PAST TEN O'CLOCK A.M.

Prayers by Mr. Speaker.

The Hon. Mr. *Sloan* presented the Report of the Commissioner of Fisheries for the Year 1922.

The Hon. Mr. *Sloan* presented the Report of C. P. Williams on the Iron and Steel Industry in British Columbia, with Appendix to such Report.

The Hon. Dr. *MacLean* presented the Twenty-sixth Annual Report of the Provincial Board of Health for the Year ending June 30th, 1922.

On the motion of Dr. *K. C. MacDonald*, the report of the Select Standing Committee on Agriculture was adopted.

Mr. *Jackson* moved the adoption of the report of the Select Committee on Bill (No. 28) intituled "An Act respecting Chiropractic."

Mr. *Mensies* moved in amendment that the report be amended by striking out the words "to be a qualified member of the College of Physicians and Surgeons in good standing" in the seventeenth and eighteenth lines, and substituting in lieu thereof the words "other than a medical man or a chiropractor."

The amendment was lost.

The report was adopted on the following division:—

YEAS—30.

Messieurs

<i>Wallinger,</i>	<i>Jackson,</i>	<i>MacDonald, K. C.</i>	<i>Kergin,</i>
<i>McRae,</i>	<i>Hunter,</i>	<i>Paterson,</i>	<i>Buckham,</i>
<i>Catherwood,</i>	<i>Hinchliffe,</i>	<i>Hart,</i>	<i>Whiteside,</i>
<i>Pearson,</i>	<i>Lister,</i>	<i>Oliver,</i>	<i>Barrow,</i>
<i>McDonald, A.,</i>	<i>Bowser,</i>	<i>Manson,</i>	<i>Sutherland,</i>
<i>Estling,</i>	<i>Pooley,</i>	<i>Campbell,</i>	<i>Pattullo,</i>
<i>Schofield,</i>	<i>Perry,</i>	<i>Henniger,</i>	<i>MacLean.</i>
<i>Clearihue,</i>	<i>Yorston,</i>		

NAYS—10.

Messieurs

<i>Guthrie,</i>	<i>Menzies,</i>	<i>Sloan,</i>	<i>Mackenzie, I. A.,</i>
<i>Uphill,</i>	<i>McKenzie, W. A.,</i>	<i>Ramsay,</i>	<i>Smith, Mrs.</i>
<i>Duncan,</i>	<i>Jones,</i>		

With leave of the House, on the motion of the Hon. Mr. *Manson*, Bill (No. 94) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Medical Act'" was introduced, read a first time, and *Ordered* to be read a second time at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 54) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Adoption Act'" was read a third time and passed.

The Report on Bill (No. 6) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Shops Regulation Act'" was adopted.

Bill read a third time and passed.

The Report on Bill (No. 78) intituled "An Act to amend the 'County Courts Act'" was adopted.

The Report on Bill (No. 80) intituled "An Act to amend the 'West Vancouver Incorporation Act'" was adopted.

Bill read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 29) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Optometry Act'" was again committed.

Reported complete with amendments.

Report adopted.

Third reading at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 77) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Administration Act'" was again committed.

Reported complete with amendments.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 45) intituled "An Act to ratify and confirm an Agreement bearing Date the Fifteenth Day of November, A.D. 1922, between the Corporation of the City of Duncan, the Corporation of the District of North Cowichan, and the Board of School Trustees of the Duncan (City) School District" was committed.

Reported complete with amendments.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 26) intituled "An Act to prohibit the Erection of Advertising Hoardings" was committed.

The Committee rose without Report.

Bill (No. 62) intituled "An Act relating to Sewers belonging to the Corporation of the City of Victoria and the Corporation of the District of Oak Bay" was committed.

Reported complete with amendments.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 63) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Woodman's Lien for Wages Act'" was committed.

Progress reported.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

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

1. Did the Department of Public Works call for tenders for construction of a road between Spanish Creek and Keathley, Cariboo constituency?

2. What was the length of road to be constructed?

3. What were the specifications outlined for the road?

4. What persons tendered, and what was the amount of each tender?

5. To whom was the tender given?

6. Did the Department supply teams, machinery, or any outfit to the successful tenderer? If so, state what was given to him, and why?

7. Did the specifications call for clearing and burning the brush on each side of the road? If so, was this done?

The Hon. Dr. Sutherland replied as follows:—

"1. Yes.

"2. 3.8 miles.

"3. The Department's general specification for clearing and grading amended to suit local conditions.

"4. E. H. Allcock, \$4,800; J. W. Sackner, \$6,500; A. F. Curtis, \$6,946; Robertson, Lowden & Robertson, \$7,500; O. Erickson, \$7,275; G. Erickson, \$13,000; W. Lyne, \$13,500.

"5. E. H. Allcock.

"6. Three unemployed Government horses hired to contractor; also other equipment as arranged by Engineer.

"7. Specification includes clearing, but not burning."

Mr. Bowser asked the Hon. the Minister of Lands the following questions:—

1. Was notification given the Department or any of its officials in July last that a dangerous fire was raging on Lot 4355, known as Braun's Island, near Terrace, and also on timber land belonging to one McIntosh and one Keith?

2. If so, what action was taken by the Department to cope with these fires?

3. How much did the Department pay towards exterminating these fires?

4. What was the total loss to the owners of these properties?

The Hon. Mr. Pattullo replied as follows:—

"1. Yes.

"2. Situation investigated. Fire was burning on private lands, for which owner is responsible for extinguishing.

"3. Beyond cost of salary for official who investigated the fire and gave instructions to owners to put fire out, nil.

"4. 400,000 feet of timber estimated killed, all of which can be salvaged."

Mr. Uphill asked the Hon. the Minister of Lands the following questions:—

1. Was G. E. McParlon in the employ of the Government during the month immediately prior to February 6th, 1922?

2. If so, what work was he engaged in?

3. And under whose instructions?

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

“1. Yes.

“2. Timber-cruising, timber-sale inspection, trespass on grazing-area inspection, land examination, logging-operation inspection, securing mill returns, maintenance of existing improvements, scaling, and miscellaneous executive duties.

“3. District Forester.”

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 1.03 p.m.

Thursday, 14th December, 1922.

HALF-PAST TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

The Hon. Mr. *Manson* presented to Mr. Speaker a Message from His Honour the Administrator, which read as follows:—

J. A. MACDONALD,
Administrator.

The Administrator transmits herewith a Bill intituled “An Act to amend the ‘Workmen’s Compensation Act,’” and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,

December 7th, 1922.

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. 75) intituled “An Act to amend the ‘Workmen’s Compensation Act,’” a draft of which is annexed to this Resolution.

Resolution and Bill reported.

Bill introduced and read a first time.

Second reading at the next sitting.

The Hon. Mr. *Hart* presented to Mr. Speaker a Message from His Honour the Administrator, which read as follows:—

J. A. MACDONALD,
Administrator.

The Administrator transmits herewith an amendment to Bill (No. 61) intituled “An Act to borrow the Sum of Three million five hundred thousand Dollars for the Purposes therein specified,” enclosed herewith, and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,

December 13th, 1922.

(ENCLOSURE.)

Insert after the word “Province,” in the eighth line of section 6, subsection (a), the words “in the purchase of lands and the buildings thereon for use as public buildings, and.”

Ordered, That the said Message, and the amendment 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 an amendment to Bill (No. 61) intituled "An Act to borrow the Sum of Three million five hundred thousand Dollars for the Purposes therein specified," a draft of which is annexed to the Message from His Honour the Administrator.

Resolution and amendment reported.

Amendment introduced and read a first and second time.

Ordered, That the amendment be referred to the Committee of the Whole having in charge Bill (No. 61) intituled "An An Act to borrow the Sum of three million five hundred thousand Dollars for the purposes therein specified."

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the second reading of Bill (No. 27) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Provincial Elections Act.'"

Mr. *Kergin* moved the adjournment of the debate.

Resolved in the affirmative on the following division:—

YEAS—23.

Messieurs

<i>Duncan,</i>	<i>Paterson,</i>	<i>Campbell,</i>	<i>Smith, Mrs.</i>
<i>Clearihue,</i>	<i>Farris,</i>	<i>Ramsay,</i>	<i>Barrow,</i>
<i>Jackson,</i>	<i>Hart,</i>	<i>Kergin,</i>	<i>Sutherland,</i>
<i>Perry,</i>	<i>Oliver,</i>	<i>Mackenzie, I. A.,</i>	<i>Pattullo,</i>
<i>Yorston,</i>	<i>Manson,</i>	<i>Buckham,</i>	<i>MacLean.</i>
<i>MacDonald, K. C.,</i>	<i>Sloan,</i>	<i>Whiteside,</i>	

NAYS—18.

Messieurs

<i>Hanes,</i>	<i>McRae,</i>	<i>Schofield,</i>	<i>Jones,</i>
<i>Neelands,</i>	<i>Catherwood,</i>	<i>Hunter,</i>	<i>Bowser,</i>
<i>Guthrie,</i>	<i>Pearson,</i>	<i>Hinchliffe,</i>	<i>Pooley.</i>
<i>Uphill,</i>	<i>McDonald, A.,</i>	<i>McKenzie, W. A.,</i>	<i>Anderson.</i>
<i>Wallinger,</i>	<i>Esling,</i>		

On the motion of Mr. *Perry*, the Fifth Report of the Select Standing Committee on Municipal Matters was adopted.

On the motion of Mrs. *Smith*, Bill (No. 57) intituled "An Act allowing Municipalities to adopt a Town Planning and Rural Development Scheme" was *Ordered* to be placed on the Orders of the Day for second reading at the next sitting.

On the consideration of the Report on Bill (No. 53) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Trust Companies Act,'" the Hon. Mr. *Manson* moved the following amendment:—

To add the following as section 9:—

"9. Section 90 of said chapter 11 is amended by adding the following as subsection (4):—

"(4) Notwithstanding anything contained in any general or special Act of the Legislature, no municipality shall have power to impose on a company registered under this Act any licence fee or tax for carrying on its business."

The amendment was carried on the following division:—

YEAS—21.

Messieurs

<i>McRae,</i>	<i>Paterson,</i>	<i>Sloan,</i>	<i>Smith, Mrs.</i>
<i>Menzies,</i>	<i>Farris,</i>	<i>Campbell,</i>	<i>Barrow,</i>
<i>Jackson,</i>	<i>Hart,</i>	<i>Kergin.</i>	<i>Sutherland,</i>
<i>Yorston,</i>	<i>Oliver,</i>	<i>Mackenzie, I. A.</i>	<i>Pattullo,</i>
<i>MacDonald, K. C.,</i>	<i>Manson,</i>	<i>Buckham,</i>	<i>MacLean.</i>
<i>Anderson,</i>			

NAYS--15.

Messieurs

<i>Hanes,</i>	<i>McDonald, A.,</i>	<i>Hinchliffe,</i>	<i>Pooley,</i>
<i>Neelands,</i>	<i>Esling,</i>	<i>McKenzie, W. A.,</i>	<i>Ramsay,</i>
<i>Guthrie,</i>	<i>Schofield,</i>	<i>Jones,</i>	<i>Whiteside,</i>
<i>Wallinger,</i>	<i>Hunter,</i>	<i>Bowser,</i>	

Report adopted.

Third reading at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 69) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Land Registry Act'" was committed.

Reported complete without amendment.

Report adopted.

Third reading at the next sitting.

The Report on Bill (No. 5) intituled "An Act to validate a certain Order in Council respecting the Corporation of the District of South Vancouver" was adopted.

Bill read a third time and passed.

The Report on Bill (No. 36) intituled "An Act to consolidate and amend the 'Public Schools Act'" was adopted.

Bill read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 16) intituled "An Act to provide for Special Surveys" was again committed.

Reported complete with amendments.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 11) intituled "An Act to provide for the Maintenance of Children of Unmarried Parents" was again committed.

Reported complete with amendments.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 14) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Local Improvement 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 'Forest Act'" was again committed.

Reported complete with amendments.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 30) intituled "An Act to provide for the Licensing of Insurance Agents and Insurance Adjusters" was again committed.

Progress reported.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 25) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Jury Act'" was committed.

Reported complete with amendments.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 38) intituled "An Act to provide Relief in Relation to certain Licences and Leases under the 'Coal and Petroleum Act'" was committed.

Reported complete without amendment.

Report adopted.

Bill read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 46) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Co-operative Associations Act'" was committed.

Progress reported.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

The Hon. Mr. *Hart* presented to Mr. Speaker a Message from His Honour the Administrator, which read as follows:—

J. A. MACDONALD,
Administrator.

The Administrator transmits herewith a Bill intituled "An Act to amend the 'Poll-tax Act,'" and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,
December 14th, 1922.

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. 95) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Poll-tax Act,'" a draft of which is annexed to this Resolution.

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

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

1. Has the Liquor Department lately reduced its prices of wine?
2. If so, when was it done?
3. What wines were reduced, giving particulars and the prices in each case?

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

"1. Yes.

"2. September 1st, 1922. Order in Council No. 993 approved August 7th, 1922.

	Present Price.	Old Price.
"3. Moet & Chandon Champagne (quarts)	\$ 6 00	\$ 7 50
Moet & Chandon Champagne (pints)	3 25	4 50
Pommery & Greno (pints)	3 25	4 50
Heidsieck (pints)	3 25	4 50
Sparkling Moselle (pints)	2 00	2 10
Sparkling Burgundy (quarts)	4 00	4 00
Emmu, Australian Burgundy (pints)	85	85
Emmu, Australian Burgundy (quarts)	1 50	1 50
L.C.B. (quarts)	1 00	1 25
Rubicon Australian Burgundy (pints)	85	85
Rubicon Australian Burgundy (quarts)	1 40	1 50
Chablis Australian (quarts)	1 50	1 50
Chablis Australian (pints)	85	85
St. Julien (quarts)	1 00	1 85
St. Julien (pints)	60	1 10
Margeaux (quarts)	1 00	1 75
Margeaux (pints)	50	1 00
Medoc (pints)	50	90
Medoc (quarts)	1 00	1 50
Beaune (quarts)	1 75	1 85
Componac (quarts)	1 25	1 85
Componac (pints)	65	1 10
Graves (quarts)	90	1 85
Graves (pints)	50	1 10
Olivier (quarts)	1 00	1 85
Olivier (pints)	50	1 10
Pommard (quarts)	2 00	2 25

	Present Price.	Old Price.
Sauterne (quarts)	\$ 1 25	\$ 2 25
Sauterne (pints)	70	1 25
Haut Sauterne (quarts)	1 25	2 50
Haut Sauterne (pints)	75	1 50
St. Augustine (gallons)	4 00	5 00
St. Augustine (quarts)	1 25	1 25
Convide Port (quarts)	2 35	2 75
Commendator Port (quarts)	3 00	3 00
Gilbys Invalid Port (quarts)	2 40	2 40
Gonzales One Eagle Port (quarts)	2 00	2 50
Gonzales Two Eagle Port (quarts)	2 35	....
Gonzales Three Eagle Port (quarts)	2 40	2 75
Gonzales Medium Full Port (gallons)	6 50	....
Gonzales Old Tawny Port (gallons)	8 25	....
Tarragona Port (gallons)	3 25	4 00
Kopkes Victoria Port (quarts)	2 50	....
L.C.B. Gonzales Medium Full Port (quarts)	1 25	....
L.C.B. Gonzales Three Eagle Port (quarts)	2 40	....
Gonzales Old Tawny (quarts)	1 50	....
L.C.B. Tarragona Port (quarts)	90	2 25
L.C.B. Tarragona Port (pints)	60	1 50
Native Port (gallons)	3 75	....
Amontillado Sherry (quarts)	3 00	3 00
Feurheerds Corona Sherry (quarts)	2 75	2 75
Emperador Sherry (quarts)	3 25	3 25
Gilbys Invalid Sherry (quarts)	2 40	2 40
Solera Sherry (quarts)	2 00	2 00
Gonzales F.O. Pale Sherry (quarts)	1 90	....
Gonzales Full Pale Sherry (quarts)	1 85	....
Gonzales Light G. Sherry (gallons)	8 60	....
Gonzales Light G. Sherry (quarts)	1 35	....
Gonzales Sherry (gallons)	6 00	10 00
Gonzales Sherry (quarts)	1 00	2 75
Native Sherry (gallons)	3 75	....
Concord Grape (quarts)	1 00	1 00
Golden Crest Port (quarts)	1 25	1 25
Golden Crest Logan (quarts)	1 25	1 50
Concord Port (quarts)	1 00	1 00
Graham Red Port (quarts)	2 50	2 50
Golden Crest Sherry (quarts)	1 25	1 25
Niagara Falls Sherry (quarts)	1 00	1 00
Bon Vino Port (quarts)	1 00	....
Pontet Canet Claret (quarts)	1 50	....
Pontet Canet Claret (pints)	80 "

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

1. The number of settlers placed on each land settlement area to date?
2. The number placed this year on each area?
3. The acreage settled upon in each area?
4. The acreage sold in each area?
5. The average price per acre sold?
6. How many settlers are living upon land selected by them at the present time?
7. Has the Land Settlement Board closed its office at Prince George?
8. If so, for what reason?
9. Is the Land Settlement Board loaning any money to settlers at the present time?

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

"1. Area No. 1, 33; Area No. 2, 56; Area No. 4, 16; Area No. 5, 50; Area No. 6, 8; Area No. 7, 1; Area No. 8, *nil*; Area No. 9, 5; Area No. 10, 15; Area No. 11, 3; Area No. 12, 3; Area No. 13, 4; Area No. 14, *nil*.

"2. Area No. 1, 2; Area No. 2, 8; Area No. 4, 1; Area No. 5, 5; Area No. 6, 2; Area No. 7, *nil*; Area No. 8, *nil*; Area No. 9, 1; Area No. 10, 3; Area No. 11, 2; Area No. 12, 1; Area No. 13, 3; Area No. 14, *nil*.

"3. Exact figures not available outside of acreage sold as per question No. 4.

"4. Area No. 1, 4,830; Area No. 2, 8,478; Area No. 4, 2,687; Area No. 5, 7,523; Area No. 6, 924; Area No. 7, 160; Area No. 8, *nil*; Area No. 9, 793; Area No. 10, 2,333; Area No. 11, 480; Area No. 12, 479; Area No. 13, 640; Area No. 14, *nil*.

"5. Area No. 1, \$6.50; Area No. 2, \$5.50; Area No. 4, \$5; Area No. 5, \$6.50; Area No. 6, \$5.50; Area No. 7, \$3.25; Area No. 8, *nil*; Area No. 9, \$4; Area No. 10, \$7.50; Area No. 11, \$5; Area No. 12, \$5.50; Area No. 13, \$4.50; Area No. 14, *nil*.

"(NOTE.—All the above figures are exclusive of development areas.)

"6. All, so far as Department is aware.

"7. Yes.

"8. Not considered necessary to keep it open during winter months.

"9. Yes."

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

1. Is the contract for the Sumas Lake reclamation scheme let on a unit price basis?
2. If so, what is the unit price per cubic yard for earth for the various classes of work?
3. What was the estimated number of cubic yards of earth to be handled?
4. How many cubic yards have been moved or handled up to date?
5. What was the estimated yardage of the Vedder River dykes?
6. How many cubic yards have been put into the Vedder dykes up to date?
7. How many cubic yards were put into the West Vedder dyke up to May 15th, 1922?
8. How many cubic yards have been put in the West Vedder dyke since that date?
9. How many cubic yards were washed away from the West Vedder dyke by the waters from the Fraser River last spring?
10. Will this loss be borne by the Government or contractors, or property within the reclamation area?
11. What quantities of lumber and timber have been used and paid for in connection with this scheme?
12. What prices were paid for same?

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

"1. Yes.

"2. Vedder Canal and East and West Vedder Dykes, 19 cents per cubic yard; North and South Vedder Dykes, Sumas and Fraser River Dykes, Sumas River Dyke, Sumas Canal and Dam, 26 cents per cubic yard; Marshall Creek Improvement Canal, 28 cents per cubic yard; Interception Ditch, Saar to Arnold Creek, 32 cents per cubic yard; McGillivray Creek Interception Ditch, 36 cents per cubic yard; Atchelitz Dyke, 47 cents per cubic yard; Vedder Seepage Ditch, Vedder Barrage Dyke and Ditches, 50 cents per cubic yard.

"3. 4,269,500 cubic yards.

"4. 3,878,248 cubic yards to October 31st, 1922.

"5. Estimated yardage, North and South Vedder Dykes, 195,996 cubic yards; estimated yardage, Canal and East and West Vedder Dykes, 2,227,437 cubic yards.

"6. North Vedder Dyke and South Vedder Dyke, 250,000 cubic yards; Canal and East and West Vedder Dykes, 2,540,000 cubic yards; as per Engineer's figures to October 31st, 1922.

"7. Canal and East and West Vedder Dykes, 1,600,000 cubic yards.

"8. Canal and East and West Vedder Dykes, 940,000 cubic yards.

"9. No damage done to West Vedder Dyke during last spring freshet.

"10. No replacement of material required on this unit.

"11. 4,223,261 feet of lumber; 200,746 lineal feet of piling.

"12. Average price: Lumber, \$19.39 per M.; piling, 15.31 cents per lineal foot; total, \$112,629.50."

Resolved, That the House, at its rising, do stand adjourned until 8.30 o'clock p.m. to-day.

And then the House adjourned at 6 p.m.

Thursday, December 14th, 1922.

HALF-PAST EIGHT O'CLOCK P.M.

On the motion of the Hon. the Attorney-General, the House proceeded to the Orders of the Day.

On the consideration of the Report on Bill (No. 40) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Village Municipalities Act,'" the Hon. Mr. *Manson* moved the following amendment:—

Schedule: To insert the following as section 59 and renumber the following sections:—

"59. (1.) Where land situate within a municipality has become subject to forfeiture to the Crown or has been sold by a Provincial Collector or by the Inspector of Dykes to any person under the provisions of any Statute for the recovery of Provincial taxes, or school taxes, or dyking assessments, or other charges in arrear, and where there are municipal taxes in arrear in respect of the land, the Commissioners of the municipality may redeem the land at any time during the period allowed for redemption thereof by paying to the Provincial Collector or the Inspector of Dykes, as the case may be, the amount required to redeem the same as provided in the Act under which the land became subject to forfeiture or was sold. Upon the redemption of any land by the Commissioners pursuant to this section, it may add the amount of the redemption payment so made by it to the amount of municipal taxes in arrear in respect of the land, and the amount so added shall be deemed to be delinquent taxes of the municipality.

"(2.) Notwithstanding the sale of any land referred to in subsection (1) by a Provincial Collector or by the Inspector of Dykes for the recovery of taxes, assessments, or other charges in arrear, the land shall continue to be liable to taxation by the municipality in which it is situate."

The amendment was carried.

The Hon. Mr. *Manson* moved that section 28 of the Schedule be amended as follows:—

To add the following as clause (f) :—

"(f.) From road-taxes, if levied."

The amendment was carried.

Report adopted.

Third reading at the next sitting.

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

J. A. MACDONALD,
Administrator.

The Administrator transmits herewith a Bill intituled "An Act to confer on the Corporation of the District of South Vancouver certain Powers," and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,
December 14th, 1922.

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. 96) intituled "An Act to confer on the Corporation of the District of South Vancouver certain Powers," a draft of which is annexed to this Resolution.

Resolution and Bill reported.

Bill introduced and read a first time.

Second reading at the next sitting.

On the third reading of Bill (No. 69) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Land Registry Act,'"
Mr. *Pooley* moved the following amendment:—

To add the following as section 4:—

"4. Section 127 of the 'Land Registry Act,' being chapter 26 of the Statutes of 1921, is amended by striking out the proviso added by section 2 of the 'Land Registry Act, 1921' (Second Session), and substituting therefor the following:—

"'Provided that in the case of a transaction under a will the Registrar may, in his discretion, accept an application for registration of a portion of the property comprised in or dealt with by the will.'"

The amendment was negatived on the following division:—

YEAS—22.

Messieurs

<i>Hanes,</i>	<i>Catherwood,</i>	<i>Hunter,</i>	<i>Bowser,</i>
<i>Neelands,</i>	<i>Schofield,</i>	<i>Hinchliffe,</i>	<i>Pooley,</i>
<i>Guthrie,</i>	<i>Burde,</i>	<i>Lister,</i>	<i>Perry,</i>
<i>Uphill,</i>	<i>Pearson,</i>	<i>McKenzie, W. A.,</i>	<i>Anderson,</i>
<i>Wallinger,</i>	<i>McDonald, A.,</i>	<i>Jones,</i>	<i>Whiteside,</i>
<i>McRae,</i>	<i>Esling,</i>		

NAYS—22.

Messieurs

<i>Duncan,</i>	<i>Farris,</i>	<i>Ramsay,</i>	<i>Smith, Mrs.</i>
<i>Menzies,</i>	<i>Hart,</i>	<i>Henniger,</i>	<i>Barrow,</i>
<i>Clearihue,</i>	<i>Oliver,</i>	<i>Kergin,</i>	<i>Sutherland,</i>
<i>Jackson,</i>	<i>Manson,</i>	<i>Mackenzie, I. A.,</i>	<i>Pattullo,</i>
<i>Yorston,</i>	<i>Sloan,</i>	<i>Buckham,</i>	<i>MacLean,</i>
<i>MacDonald, K. C.,</i>	<i>Campbell,</i>		

The votes being equal, Mr. Speaker gave his casting vote in the negative.

Bill read a third time and passed.

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the second reading of Bill (No. 27) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Provincial Elections Act.'"

Second reading negatived on the following division:—

YEAS—20.

Messieurs

<i>Hanes,</i>	<i>McRae,</i>	<i>Schofield,</i>	<i>McKenzie, W. A.,</i>
<i>Neelands,</i>	<i>Catherwood,</i>	<i>Duncan,</i>	<i>Jones,</i>
<i>Guthrie,</i>	<i>Pearson,</i>	<i>Hunter,</i>	<i>Bowser,</i>
<i>Uphill,</i>	<i>McDonald, A.,</i>	<i>Hinchliffe,</i>	<i>Pooley,</i>
<i>Wallinger,</i>	<i>Esling,</i>	<i>Lister,</i>	<i>Anderson,</i>

NAYS—24.

Messieurs

<i>Menzies,</i>	<i>Paterson,</i>	<i>Campbell,</i>	<i>Whiteside,</i>
<i>Clearihue,</i>	<i>Farris,</i>	<i>Ramsay,</i>	<i>Smith, Mrs.</i>
<i>Jackson,</i>	<i>Hart,</i>	<i>Henniger,</i>	<i>Barrow,</i>
<i>Perry,</i>	<i>Oliver,</i>	<i>Kergin,</i>	<i>Sutherland,</i>
<i>Yorston,</i>	<i>Manson,</i>	<i>Mackenzie, I. A.,</i>	<i>Pattullo,</i>
<i>MacDonald, K. C.,</i>	<i>Sloan,</i>	<i>Buckham,</i>	<i>MacLean.</i>

Bill (No. 29) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Optometry Act'" was read a third time and passed.

The Report on Bill (No. 77) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Administration Act'" was adopted.

Bill read a third time and passed.

The Report on Bill (No. 45) intituled "An Act to ratify and confirm an Agreement bearing Date the Fifteenth Day of November, A.D. 1922, between the Corporation of the City of Duncan, the Corporation of the District of North Cowichan, and the Board of School Trustees of the Duncan (City) School District" was adopted.

Third reading at the next sitting.

The Report on Bill (No. 62) intituled "An Act relating to Sewers belonging to the Corporation of the City of Victoria and the Corporation of the District of Oak Bay" was adopted.

Bill read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 57) intituled "An Act allowing Municipalities to adopt a Town Planning and Rural Development Scheme" was read a second time.

To be committed at the next sitting.

The following Bills were read a third time and passed:—

Bill (No. 31) intituled "An Act to amend the 'British Columbia Fire Insurance Act.'"

Bill (No. 32) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Insurance Act.'"

Bill (No. 53) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Trust Companies Act.'"

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

Bill (No. 16) intituled "An Act to provide for Special Surveys."

Bill (No. 11) intituled "An Act to provide for the Maintenance of Children of Unmarried Parents."

Bill (No. 14) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Local Improvement Act.'"

Bill (No. 65) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Forest Act.'"

Bill (No. 25) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Jury Act.'"

Bill (No. 46) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Co-operative Associations Act'" was again committed.

Reported complete with amendments.

Report adopted.

Third reading at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 55) intituled "An Act to provide for the Control of the Codling-moth" was committed.

Progress reported.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 34) intituled "An Act to ratify and make Provision for the Carrying-out of an Agreement between His Majesty in Right of the Dominion and His Majesty in Right of the Province relating to the Examination of Iron-ore Deposits in British Columbia" was committed.

Reported complete without amendment.

Report adopted.

Third reading at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 87) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Health Act'" was committed.

Reported complete without amendment.

Report adopted.

Third reading at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 90) intituled "An Act to confer certain Powers upon the Corporation of the City of Nanaimo" was committed.

Reported complete without amendment.

Report adopted.

Third reading at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 92) intituled "An Act respecting the List of Voters for the Trail Electoral District" was committed.

Reported complete without amendment.

Report adopted.

Third reading at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 89) intituled "An Act to provide for the Establishment and Maintenance of a Provincial Home for Persons afflicted with Incurable Bodily Disease or Disability" was committed.

Reported complete without amendment.

Report adopted.

Third reading at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 91) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Government Liquor Act'" was committed. The House continued to sit after midnight.

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 15TH.

Progress reported.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 94) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Medical Act'" was read a second time. To be committed at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 75) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Workmen's Compensation Act'" was read a second time.

To be committed at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 95) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Poll-tax Act'" was read a second time. To be committed at the next sitting.

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. *Oliver*, Bill (No. 99) intituled "An Act respecting the Powers of the Corporation of the District of South Vancouver" was introduced, read a first time, and *Ordered* to be read a second time at the next sitting.

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

1. What amount of money was paid to the Marsh Construction Company by the Government last year?

2. Is the contract between the Government and Marsh Construction Company still in force?

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

"1. \$440,088.87.

"2. Yes."

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

And then the House adjourned at 1.50 a.m.