

JOURNALS
OF THE
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY
OF THE PROVINCE OF
BRITISH COLUMBIA.
SESSION 1914

Thursday, 15th January, 1914.

THREE O'CLOCK P.M.

This being the first day of the second meeting of the Thirteenth Parliament or Legislative Assembly of the Province of British Columbia, for the dispatch of business, pursuant to a Proclamation of His Honour THOMAS WILSON PATERSON, Lieutenant-Governor of the Province, dated the 6th day of December, 1913, the Members having been sworn took their seats.

HIS HONOUR THOMAS WILSON PATERSON, Lieutenant-Governor of the Province, having entered the House, took his seat on the Throne, and was pleased to deliver the following gracious Speech:--

Mr. Speaker and Gentlemen of the Legislative Assembly:

In welcoming you to the Second Session of the Thirteenth Parliament of British Columbia, it affords me pleasure to state that the Province has enjoyed a large share of advancement and prosperity during the past year.

Prevailing conditions in the money market have delayed the payment to the Government of large sums outstanding on account of the sale of townsite and district lands; but these amounts are bearing a profitable rate of interest. Treasury notes have been issued for the sum of \$1,500,000, and legislation affecting the "Revenue Act" and providing for a Provincial loan will be submitted to you. The high standing of British Columbia's credit, I am pleased to observe, still continues.

Under authority of the legislation enacted last year, the Auditor-General's office has been instituted.

The liberal appropriations made by you at the last Session for public works have enabled further extensions to be made to the highways of the Province, and, as well, have aided in opening up the central and northern parts of British Columbia. Suitable public buildings have been constructed, where necessary, in order to increase the efficiency of the public service.

Negotiations for the site of the Provincial Building in London have been concluded, and work is in progress preparatory to the erection of the structure. The new Mental Hospital at Essondale has been completed and is occupied. Satisfactory progress has been made on the additions to the Parliament Buildings; a portion of these will be available for use in a short time.

While there have been unfortunate troubles in the coal-mining districts of Vancouver Island, the output of our mines during the year has been most satisfactory. Based on reliable information, reports indicate that the outlook for increased development in this industry is most assuring.

Vigorous work has been carried on by the Department of Lands. Under the supervision of the Surveyor-General, surveys of large sections of the public domain have been carried out and new maps compiled. The Water and Forest Branches, now regularly organized, have already given most valuable results. Measures will be submitted for your approval dealing with the water and timber resources.

For the more effective working of the laws with regard to the registration of land, it is proposed to amend the present Act.

Following the Report of the Municipal Commission, you will be asked to consider a Bill to amend and consolidate the laws relating to municipalities, including provision for the establishment of a Municipal Department under the Government.

Among other important measures to be laid before you will be one dealing with Trust Companies; also an amendment to the "Schools Act"; and the consolidation of the game laws.

The Royal Commission on Agriculture has been steadily prosecuting its inquiries and is now engaged in preparing a report. Much good has attended the endeavours of the Agricultural Department to bring about co-operation among the growers in respect to shipping and marketing farm products; on the whole, the progress of this important industry throughout the Province has been most substantial.

The inquiry into the conditions of labour has been completed by the Royal Commission charged with that duty; the evidence collected and findings arrived at will be placed before you during the present Session.

It is expected that the report of the Commissioner appointed under the "Public Inquiries Act" to investigate matters affecting the price of coal in the Province will be duly laid before the House.

The organization of the new Provincial University at Point Grey has been proceeded with, the governing body formed, and the President appointed. You will be asked to sanction an appropriation toward the erection of University buildings.

The output of the fisheries of British Columbia now ranks first in the Dominion. Various questions affecting this industry, submitted jointly by the Province and the Dominion, relative to certain constitutional rights have been settled by the Privy Council. The effect of this judgment does not impair nor limit the usefulness of the Provincial Department.

The "Civil Service Act," having been in force for a sufficient time to test its utility, is found to be working beneficially.

The First Minister with the Minister of Lands attended, as representatives of British Columbia, the Conference of the Provinces held in Ottawa in October last, and a report of the proceedings will be presented to the House.

The construction of railways in the Province has progressed most satisfactorily. You will be asked to consider measures aimed at facilitating the object of the legislation already approved.

By virtue of an Order in Council approved by His Royal Highness the Governor-General, Mr. Z. A. Lash, K.C., of Toronto, and Mr. E. V. Bodwell, K.C., of Victoria,

have been selected to represent respectively the Federal and Provincial interests on the Commission presently to assemble for the purpose of investigating the claims of the Province for Better Terms. A request has been formally made to the Colonial Secretary for the appointment of the third member. So soon as this is complied with it is expected that the inquiry will be undertaken. Meanwhile the case for the Province has been prepared and filed with the Secretary of the Commission.

The Public Accounts for the past fiscal year will be laid before you, and the Estimates of Expenditure will also be submitted for your consideration.

These and all other matters which may be brought before you will, I feel assured, receive your careful and earnest attention.

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

Prayers by His Lordship the Bishop of Columbia.

A certificate of the election of a Member to represent the Islands Electoral District was read, and *Ordered* to be placed on the Journals of the House.

“PROVINCIAL SECRETARY’S OFFICE,
“VICTORIA, December, 1913.

“Whereas a vacancy occurred in the Legislative Assembly by reason of the resignation of the Honourable *Albert Edward McPhillips* of his seat as a Member of the Assembly for the Islands Electoral District; and

“Whereas on the 17th day of November, 1913, a Writ for the election of a Member to represent such District was duly issued to the Returning Officer of the said Electoral District:

“This is to certify that the Writ was returned to me with the certificate of the Returning Officer attached, whereby it appears that the electors of the District have chosen *William Wasbrough Foster* to represent the Islands Electoral District in the Legislative Assembly.

“A. CAMPBELL REDDIE,
Deputy Provincial Secretary.

“*To the Clerk of the Legislative Assembly of British Columbia.*”

Mr. *William Wasbrough Foster*, the Member elected to represent the Islands Electoral District, having been sworn, was introduced by the Hon. Sir *Richard McBride* and Mr. *Thomson* and took his seat.

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

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

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

1. On Standing Orders and Private Bills;
2. On Public Accounts;
3. On Printing;
4. On Railways;
5. On Mining;

6. On Agriculture;

7. On Municipal Matters;

which said Committees shall severally be empowered to examine and inquire into all such matters and things as shall be referred to them by the House, and to report from time to time their observations and opinions thereon, with power to send for papers, persons, and records.

Resolved, That if it shall appear that any person hath been elected or returned a Member of this House, or endeavoured so to be, by bribery or other corrupt practices, this House will proceed with the utmost severity against all such persons as shall have been wilfully concerned in such bribery or other corrupt practices.

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. *Bowser*, Bill (No. 1) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Milk Act'" was introduced and read a first time.

To be read a second time at the next sitting of the House.

On the motion of the Hon. Sir *Richard McBride*, seconded by the Hon. *Price Ellison*,—

Resolved, That the Speech of His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor be taken into consideration on Friday next.

The Hon. the Minister of Finance presented the Public Accounts of the Province for the fiscal year ending 31st March, 1913.

The Hon. the Provincial Secretary presented the Forty-second Annual Report of the Public Schools of the Province, 1912-1913.

The Hon. the Provincial Secretary presented a copy of the Minutes of the Proceedings in Conference of the Representatives of the Provinces, October, 1913.

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

And then the House adjourned at 3.30 p.m.

Friday, 16th January, 1914.

TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by the Very Rev. Dean of Columbia.

Mr. *Thomson* presented a petition from the Corporation of the City of Victoria, for leave to introduce a Private Bill giving enlarged powers. (No. 1.)

Laid on the table.

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

Mr. W. J. Manson (Dewdney) moved, seconded by Mr. W. W. Foster (The Islands),—

That an humble Address be presented to His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, thanking His Honour for his gracious Speech at the opening of the present Session, and further assuring His Honour that:—

1. It affords us great pleasure to learn that the Province has enjoyed a large share of advancement and prosperity during the past year.

2. We note that prevailing conditions in the money market have delayed the payment to the Government of large sums outstanding on account of the sale of townsite and district lands, but are pleased to learn that these amounts are bearing a profitable rate of interest. We also note that Treasury notes have been issued for the sum of \$1,500,000, and that legislation affecting the "Revenue Act" and providing for a Provincial loan will be submitted. It is very satisfactory to learn that the high standing of British Columbia's credit still continues.

3. We are glad to learn that under authority of the legislation enacted last year the Auditor-General's office has been instituted.

4. It is gratifying to know that the liberal appropriations made at the last Session for public works have enabled further extensions to be made to the high-ways of the Province, and, as well, have aided in opening up the central and northern parts of British Columbia, and that suitable public buildings have been constructed, where necessary, in order to increase the efficiency of the public service.

5. We note with pleasure that negotiations for the site of the Provincial Building in London have been concluded and that work is in progress preparatory to the erection of the structure; that the new Mental Hospital at Essondale has been completed and is now occupied; that satisfactory progress has been made on the additions to the Parliament Buildings, and that a portion of these will be available for use in a short time.

6. While deploring the unfortunate troubles in the coal-mining districts of Vancouver Island, we are glad to learn that the output of our mines during the year has been most satisfactory, and that reports, based on reliable information, indicate that the outlook for increased development in this industry is most assuring.

7. It is gratifying to learn that vigorous work has been carried on by the Department of Lands; that under the supervision of the Surveyor-General, surveys of large sections of the public domain have been carried out and new maps compiled; that the Water and Forest Branches, now regularly organized, have already given most valuable results, and that measures will be submitted for approval dealing with the water and timber resources.

8. We note that for the more effective working of the laws with regard to the registration of land, it is proposed to amend the present Act.

9. We are pleased to learn that, following the Report of the Municipal Commission, we will be asked to consider a Bill to amend and consolidate the laws relating to municipalities, including provision for the establishment of a Municipal Department under the Government.

10. We receive with satisfaction the information that among other important measures to be laid before us will be measures dealing with Trust Companies, an amendment to the "Schools Act," and the consolidation of the game laws.

11. We are pleased to learn that the Royal Commission on Agriculture has been steadily prosecuting its inquiries and is now engaged in preparing a report; that much good has attended the endeavours of the Agricultural Department to bring

about co-operation among the growers in respect to shipping and marketing farm products, and that, on the whole, the progress of this important industry throughout the Province has been most substantial.

12. It is satisfactory to learn that the inquiry into the conditions of labour has been completed by the Royal Commission charged with that duty, and that the evidence collected and findings arrived at will be placed before us during the present Session.

13. We note that it is expected that the report of the Commissioner appointed under the "Public Inquiries Act" to investigate matters affecting the price of coal in the Province will be duly laid before the House.

14. We are happy to be informed that the organization of the new Provincial University at Point Grey has been proceeded with, the governing body formed, and the President appointed. We will give careful consideration to any proposal to sanction an appropriation toward the erection of University buildings.

15. It is a matter of congratulation that the output of the fisheries of British Columbia now ranks first in the Dominion; that the various questions affecting this industry, submitted jointly by the Province and the Dominion, relative to certain constitutional rights have been settled by the Privy Council, and that the effect of this judgment does not impair or limit the usefulness of the Provincial Department.

16. We note with pleasure that the "Civil Service Act," which has been in force for a sufficient time to test its utility, is found to be working beneficially.

17. We note that the First Minister with the Minister of Lands attended, as representatives of British Columbia, the Conference of the Provinces held in Ottawa in October last, and that a report of the proceedings will be presented to the House.

18. We learn with satisfaction that the construction of railways in the Province has progressed most satisfactorily, and note that we will be asked to consider measures aimed at facilitating the object of the legislation already approved.

19. We notice with pleasure that by virtue of an Order in Council approved by His Royal Highness the Governor-General, Mr. Z. A. Lash, K.C., of Toronto, and Mr. E. V. Bodwell, K.C., of Victoria, have been selected to represent respectively the Federal and Provincial interests on the Commission presently to assemble for the purpose of investigating the claims of the Province for Better Terms; that a request has been formally made to the Colonial Secretary for the appointment of the third member, and that so soon as this is complied with it is expected that the inquiry will be undertaken, and that meanwhile the case for the Province has been prepared and filed with the Secretary of the Commission.

20. We are grateful to His Honour for the assurance that the Public Accounts for the past fiscal year will be laid before us, and that the Estimates of Expenditure will also be submitted for our consideration.

21. These and all other matters which may be brought before us will receive our careful and earnest attention.

A debate arose, which was adjourned until the next sitting of the House.

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

THOMAS W. PATERSON,
Lieutenant-Governor.

The Lieutenant-Governor transmits herewith a Bill intituled "An Act to authorize the Payment of certain Expenses in connection with Commissions issued under the Great Seal," and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,
16th January, 1914.

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

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

Resolved, That the Committee rise and report to the House, recommending the introduction of a Bill (No. 2) intituled "An Act to authorize the Payment of certain Expenses in connection with Commissions issued under the Great Seal," a draft of which is annexed to this Resolution.

Resolution and Bill reported.

Bill introduced and read a first time.

Second reading on Monday next.

The following papers were presented by the Hon. Dr. *Young*:--

The Annual Report of the Provincial Museum of Natural History for the Year 1913.

The Forty-second Report of the Hospital for the Insane for the Year ending 31st December, 1913.

The Sixteenth Annual Report of the Provincial Board of Health for the Year ending 31st March, 1913.

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

And then the House adjourned at 5 p.m.

Monday, 19th January, 1914.

TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by Rev. *John Gibson Inkster*.

The petition from the Corporation of the City of Victoria, for leave to introduce a Private Bill giving enlarged powers (No. 3), was received.

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

On the motion of Mr. *Wood*, the debate was again adjourned until the next sitting of the House.

Mr. *Williams* moved, seconded by Mr. *Place*,--

That whereas Rule No. 110 of this House provides that upon a division the Yeas and Nays shall not be entered upon the Journals unless demanded by three Members:

And whereas said rule operates to prevent the Opposition in present House from securing a record of the will of the House without first having secured the consent of the Government:

And whereas said rule was not designed or intended to have any such effect:

Therefore, be it Resolved, That said Rule 110 of this House be amended by striking out the word "three" where it occurs in the third line, and inserting the word "two" in lieu thereof.

Negatived on the following division:—

YEAS—2.			
Messieurs			
<i>Place,</i>		<i>Williams.</i>	
NAYS—28.			
Messieurs			
<i>Watson,</i>	<i>Manson, Wm.,</i>	<i>McBride,</i>	<i>Ross,</i>
<i>Fraser,</i>	<i>Tisdall,</i>	<i>Thomson</i>	<i>Macgowan,</i>
<i>MacKenzie,</i>	<i>Callanan,</i>	<i>Schofield,</i>	<i>Gifford,</i>
<i>Manson, Michael,</i>	<i>Miller,</i>	<i>Hunter</i>	<i>McGuire,</i>
<i>MacLean,</i>	<i>Jackson,</i>	<i>Campbell,</i>	<i>Mackay,</i>
<i>Wood,</i>	<i>Cawley,</i>	<i>Young,</i>	<i>Davey,</i>
<i>Forster, H. E.,</i>	<i>Bowser,</i>	<i>Taylor,</i>	<i>Behnsen.</i>

Mr. *Williams* asked the Hon. the Acting Minister of Finance the following question:—

1. What sum was paid for expenses of the Hon. Premier's visit to the Fort George locality in financial year 1912-13?

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

"The Honourable the Premier has not visited Fort George since August, 1910. The expenses at that time for himself and party were \$1,617."

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

1. What sums have been paid, and to whom, on behalf of cost of Commission to Inquire into Matters relating to Indians and Indian Reserves?

2. At what date were such payments made?

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

"1. No sums have been paid by Provincial Government.

"2. Answered by No. 1."

Bill (No. 2) intituled "An Act to authorize the Payment of certain Expenses in connection with Commissions issued under the Great Seal" was read a second time.

To be committed to-morrow.

The Hon. the Attorney-General presented the Report of W. Donaldson, Superintendent of the Provincial Industrial School, Vancouver, for the Year 1913.

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

And then the House adjourned at 4.45 p.m.

Tuesday, 20th January, 1914.

TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by the Rev. *John Gibson Inkster*.

The following petitions were presented:—

By Mr. *Watson*—From the City of North Vancouver, for leave to introduce a Private Bill to validate certain by-laws. (No. 10.)

By Mr. *Macgowan*—From the Institute of Chartered Accountants of British Columbia, for leave to introduce a Private Bill to amend the "Chartered Accountants Act, 1905." (No. 2.)

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

On the motion of Mr. *Williams*, the debate was again adjourned until to-morrow.

On the motion of Mr. *Williams*, seconded by Mr. *Place*, it was *Resolved*,—

That an Order of the House be granted for a Return showing the total sums overdue the Treasury from—

1. The sale of townsite lots.
2. Sale of agricultural land.
3. Timber licences.
4. Timber royalty.
5. Purchase, lease, and rental of coal and petroleum lands.

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

1. What sum (if any) has the Member for Cowichan received from the Provincial Treasury as expenses or travelling incidentals while engaged in work of Royal Commission on Agriculture?

2. What was the amount, and when was such sum (if any) paid?

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

"1. \$1,352.95.

"2. March 31st, 1913, \$330.50; June 9th, 1913, \$291.50; June 9th, 1913, \$164.40; July 31st, 1913, \$566.55; total, \$1,352.95."

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

1. What sum (if any) has the Member for Yale received from the Provincial Treasury as expenses or travelling incidentals while engaged in work of Royal Commission on Agriculture?

2. What was the amount, and when was such sum (if any) paid?

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

"1. \$1,068.75.

"2. March 31st, 1913, \$230; June 9th, 1913, \$231.25; June 9th, 1913, \$280; July 16th, 1913, \$327.50; total, \$1,068.75."

Bill (No. 2) intituled "An Act to authorize the Payment of certain Expenses in connection with Commissions issued under the Great Seal" 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 two o'clock to-morrow.

On the motion of the Hon. Sir *Richard McBride*, seconded by the Hon. Dr. *Young*, it was *Resolved*,—

That *A. H. B. Macgowan*, Esq., fourth Member for Vancouver City, be appointed Deputy Chairman (Chairman of Ways and Means).

And then the House adjourned at 4.25 p.m.

Wednesday, 21st January, 1914.

TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by Rev. *W. L. Clay*.

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

Thornton Fell, K.C., the Clerk of the House, read the title to the following Bill:—

(No. 2) An Act to authorize the Payment of certain Expenses in connection with Commissions issued under the Great Seal.

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

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

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

On the motion of the Hon. the Premier, seconded by Mr. *Williams*, it was *Resolved*,—

That this House has learned with deep regret of the death of the Right Honourable Lord Strathcona and Mount Royal, High Commissioner for Canada, and desires to express its high appreciation of the great services he rendered, during a long and honoured career, to the Dominion and to the Empire:

That on behalf of the people of British Columbia, this House desires to extend its sympathy to the Baroness Strathcona and Mount Royal and the other members of the family:

And that His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor be requested to forward, through the proper channels, to His Royal Highness the Governor-General of Canada and to the Baroness Strathcona and Mount Royal, copies of this Resolution.

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

And then the House adjourned at 3.35 p.m.

Thursday, 22nd January, 1914.

TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by the Rev. *W. L. Clay*.

The following petition was presented:—

By Mr. *Watson*—From the Dominion Trust Company, for leave to introduce a Private Bill to amend its corporate Act. (No. .)

The following petitions were received:—

From the City of North Vancouver, for leave to introduce a Private Bill to validate certain by-laws. (No. 10.)

From the Institute of Chartered Accountants of British Columbia, for leave to introduce a Private Bill to amend the "Chartered Accountants Act, 1905." (No. 2.)

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

On the motion of the Hon. the Premier, the debate was again adjourned until to-morrow.

The Standing Committees for the Session were appointed as follows:—

Private Bills and Standing Orders—Messrs. *Miller, Campbell, Shatford, Shaw, Tisdall, and Place*.

Mining—Messrs. *Campbell, Mackay, MacLean, Fraser, McDonald, Wood, Hunter, and Place*.

Railways—Messrs. *Schofield, Caven, Callanan, Watson, Jackson, Manson (Comox), Forster (Columbia), Hunter, and Place*.

Public Accounts—Messrs. *Manson (Dewdney), Lucas, Forster (Columbia), Fraser, Shatford, Williams, and Place*.

Municipal Matters—Messrs. *Manson (Skeena), Davey, Pooley, Gifford, Cawley, MacKenzie, MacLean, Schofield, Foster (Islands), and Williams*.

Agriculture—Messrs. *Lucas, Cawley, Jackson, Wood, Manson (Comox), and Williams*.

Printing—Messrs. *McGuire, Behusen, and Foster (Islands)*.

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

THOMAS W. PATERSON,
Lieutenant-Governor.

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

Government House,
21st January, 1914.

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

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

Resolved, That the Committee rise and report to the House, recommending the introduction of a Bill (No. 3) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Benevolent Societies Act,'" a draft of which is annexed to this Resolution.

Resolution and Bill reported.

Bill introduced and read a first time.

Second reading to-morrow.

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

THOMAS W. PATERSON,
Lieutenant-Governor.

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

Government House,
21st January, 1914.

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

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

Resolved, That the Committee rise and report to the House, recommending the introduction of a Bill (No. 4) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Charitable Associations Act,'" a draft of which is annexed to this Resolution.

Resolution and Bill reported.

Bill introduced and read a first time.

Second reading to-morrow.

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

THOMAS W. PATERSON,
Lieutenant-Governor.

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

Government House,
21st January, 1914.

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

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

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

Resolution and Bill reported.

Bill introduced and read a first time.

Second reading to-morrow.

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

THOMAS W. PATERSON,
Lieutenant-Governor.

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

Government House,
21st January, 1914.

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

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

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

Resolution and Bill reported.
Bill introduced and read a first time.
Second reading to-morrow.

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

THOMAS W. PATERSON,
Lieutenant-Governor.

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

Government House,
21st January, 1914.

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

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

Resolved, That the Committee rise and report to the House, recommending the introduction of a Bill (No. 7) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Literary Societies Act,'" a draft of which is annexed to this Resolution.

Resolution and Bill reported.
Bill introduced and read a first time.
Second reading to-morrow.

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

THOMAS W. PATERSON,
Lieutenant-Governor.

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

Government House,
21st January, 1914.

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

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

Resolved, That the Committee rise and report to the House, recommending the introduction of a Bill (No. 8) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Mutual Fire Insurance Companies Act,' " a draft of which is annexed to this Resolution.

Resolution and Bill reported.

Bill introduced and read a first time.

Second reading to-morrow.

On the motion of the Hon. the Premier, seconded by the Hon. Dr. *Young*, it was *Resolved*,---

That *W. H. Hayward*, Esquire, Member for Cowichan, be appointed Deputy Speaker of the House.

The Hon. the Attorney-General presented the Report of the Auditor-General of British Columbia for 1913-14.

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

And then the House adjourned at 5.30 p.m.

Friday, 23rd January, 1914.

TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by the Rev. *W. L. Clay*.

Mr. *Wm. Manson* presented a petition from the Methodist Church in Canada, for leave to introduce a Private Bill to apply to British Columbia an Act, cap. 106, of the Statutes of Canada of 1884 respecting the union of certain Methodist Churches. (No. 4.)

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

On the motion of Mr. *H. E. Forster*, the debate was again adjourned until Tuesday next.

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

And then the House adjourned at 4.25 p.m.

Tuesday, 27th January, 1914.

TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by the Rev. *Charles T. Scott*.

The following petitions were presented:—

By Mr. *Cawley*—From J. L. Atkinson and others, Commissioners of Sumas Dyking District, for leave to introduce a Private Bill to amend the “Sumas Development Company Act, 1905.” (No. 11.)

By Mr. *Carter-Cotton*—From Francis W. Rounsefell and others, for leave to introduce a Private Bill to incorporate the Corporation of the District of Shaughnessy. (No. 6.)

By Mr. *W. Manson*—From J. H. MacCormick and others, for leave to introduce a Private Bill to incorporate the Northern Telephone Company. (No. 5.)

By Mr. *W. Manson*—From the Columbian Methodist College, for leave to introduce a Private Bill to amend the “Columbian Methodist College Act, 1893.” (No. 1.)

Mr. *Miller* presented the First and Second Reports from the Private Bills Committee, as follows:—

REPORT No. 1.

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE ROOM,
27th January, 1914.

MR. SPEAKER:

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

That the following petition has complied with the Standing Orders:—

No. 3—City of Victoria.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

ERNEST MILLER,
Chairman.

The report was received.

REPORT No. 2.

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE ROOM,
27th January, 1914.

MR. SPEAKER:

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

That the time be extended for presenting petitions to the House from January 26th to February 10th, 1914.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

ERNEST MILLER,
Chairman.

The report was received.

The Standing Rules and Orders were then suspended, and the report adopted.

The petition from the Methodist Church in Canada, for leave to introduce a Private Bill to apply to British Columbia an Act, cap. 106, of the Statutes of Canada of 1884 respecting the union of certain Methodist Churches (No. 4), was received.

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

On the motion of Mr. *Tisdall*, the debate was again adjourned until to-morrow.

Mr. *Place* asked the Hon. the Attorney-General the following question:—

How many special constables are at present employed at the following places: (a) Nanaimo, (b) Ladysmith, (c) Cumberland, (d) Extension, (e) South Wellington?

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

“(a) 81, (b) 20, (c) 48, (d) 21, (e) 21; total, 191.”

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

1. Has an arrangement been made for an official report of the proceedings of the House this Session?
2. If so, what arrangement has been made?

The Hon. Sir *Richard McBride* replied as follows:—

“Arrangements have been made with the Colonist Printing and Publishing Company to have a verbatim report made of the speech of any member who may give notice beforehand to the Chief Government Whip.”

The Hon. the Attorney-General presented the Final Report of the Commissioners appointed to Revise the Statutes.

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

THOMAS W. PATERSON,
Lieutenant-Governor.

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

Government House,
23rd January, 1914.

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

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

Resolved, That the Committee rise and report to the House, recommending the introduction of a Bill (No. 10) intituled “An Act to amend the ‘Investment and Loan Societies Act,’” a draft of which is annexed to this Resolution.

Resolution and Bill reported.

Bill introduced and read a first time.

Second reading to-morrow.

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

THOMAS W. PATERSON,
Lieutenant-Governor.

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

Government House,
23rd January, 1914.

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. 9) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Co-operative Associations Act,'" a draft of which is annexed to this Resolution.

Resolution and Bill reported.
Bill introduced and read a first time.
Second reading to-morrow.

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

And then the House adjourned at 4.40 p.m.

Wednesday, 28th January, 1914.

QUARTER-PAST THREE O'CLOCK P.M.

The following petition was presented:—

By Mr. *W. W. Foster*—From the Municipality of Saanich, for leave to introduce a Private Bill intituled "The Saanich Water and Sewer Act, 1914." (No. 12.)

The following petitions were received:—

From *Francis W. Rounsefell* and others, for leave to introduce a Private Bill to incorporate the Corporation of the District of Shaughnessy. (No. 6.)

From *J. H. MacCormick* and others, for leave to introduce a Private Bill to incorporate the Northern Telephone Company. (No. 5.)

From the *Columbian Methodist College*, for leave to introduce a Private Bill to amend the "Columbian Methodist College Act, 1893." (No. 1.)

Mr. *Miller* presented the Third and Fourth Reports from the Private Bills Committee, as follows:—

REPORT No. 3.

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE ROOM,
28th January, 1914.

MR. SPEAKER:

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

That the Standing Orders in connection with the undermentioned petitions have been complied with, namely:—

No. 2—Chartered Accountants.

No. 10—City of North Vancouver.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

ERNEST MILLER,
Chairman.

The report was received.

REPORT No. 4.

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE ROOM,
28th January, 1914.

MR. SPEAKER:

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

That the Standing Orders in connection with the undermentioned petition have not been complied with, inasmuch as the advertising has not been completed. But as the subject-matter does not request additional powers to the petitioners, and the public interests are not affected, your Committee would recommend that the Standing Orders be suspended to enable the petitioners to proceed with the Bill.

No. 8—Dominion Union Trust Company.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

ERNEST MILLER,
Chairman.

The report was received.

The report was, on suspension of the Rules, adopted.

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

On the motion of Mr. *W. Manson*, the debate was again adjourned until to-morrow.

The following Bills were introduced, read a first time, and *Ordered* to be read a second time to-morrow:—

By Mr. *Williams*—Bill (No. 13) intituled “An Act to amend the ‘Master and Servant Act.’”

By Mr. *W. W. Foster*—Bill (No. 11) intituled “An Act respecting the British Columbia Association of Architects.”

By Mr. *MacKenzie*—Bill (No. 12) intituled “An Act to amend the ‘Dentistry Act.’”

Mr. *Place* asked the Hon. the Minister of Lands the following question:—

How many acres of unsurveyed land have been staked by agents from January, 1908, to December 31st, 1913?

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

“No record has been made of land stakings effected by agents. As the privilege of staking by agency has always obtained, there appeared no reason for making a record of the occasions upon which it has been exercised.”

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

1. What sum has been paid to the Colonist Printing and Publishing Co. for all services during financial year 1912-13?

2. What sums have been paid to the Herald Publishing Co., Nanaimo, during same period?

3. What sums have been paid to the *News-Advertiser*, Vancouver, for all services during same period?

The Hon. *Price Ellison* replied as follows:—

“(1.) \$28,978.12. (2.) \$397.56. (3.) \$7,857.15.”

Mr. *Place* asked the Hon. the Attorney-General the following question:—

What proof of citizenship (if any) is required of special constables?

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

“Instructions are given to all Chief Constables that all specials, as well as regulars, must be British subjects, and when sworn in must take the oath of allegiance.”

The Hon. Mr. *Ross* presented a Return to an Order of the House, showing the total sums overdue the Treasury from—

1. The sale of townsite lots.
2. Sale of agricultural land.
3. Timber licences.
4. Timber royalty.
5. Purchase, lease, and rental of coal and petroleum lands.

The Hon. Dr. *Young* presented the Report of the Commissioner on the Coal Commission under the “Public Inquiries Act” of British Columbia.

On the motion of Mr. *Thomson*, Bill (No. 52) intituled “An Act to confer upon the Council of the Corporation of the City of Victoria certain Powers in addition to those conferred by the ‘Municipal Act,’ and to enact Provisions in aid of Municipal Government particularly applicable to the City of Victoria” was introduced and read a first time.

Referred to the Private Bills Committee.

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

And then the House adjourned at 4.50 p.m.

Thursday, 29th January, 1914.

QUARTER TO THREE O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by the Rev. *H. A. Carson*.

Mr. *M. Manson* presented a petition from the Corporation of the District of Penticton, asking leave to introduce a Private Bill giving increased corporate powers. (No. 9.)

The following petition was received:—

From the Municipality of Saanich, for leave to introduce a Private Bill intituled "The Saanich Water and Sewer Act, 1914." (No. 12.)

Mr. *Miller* presented the Fifth Report from the Private Bills Committee, as follows:—

REPORT No. 5.

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE ROOM,
29th January, 1914.

MR. SPEAKER:

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

That the undermentioned petition has complied with the Standing Orders of the House:—

No. 1—Columbian Methodist College.
All of which is respectfully submitted.

ERNEST MILLER,
Chairman.

The report was received.

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

On the motion of Mr. *Mackay*, the debate was again adjourned until to-morrow.

The Hon. Dr. *Young* presented a Return under the "Probates Recognition Act."

On the motion of the Hon. Sir *Richard McBride*, Bill (No. 15) intituled "An Act to ratify an Agreement made between the Corporation of the City of Victoria and the Corporation of the Township of Esquimalt respecting Construction and Maintenance of a Joint Sewer" was introduced, read a first time, and *Ordered* to be read a second time to-morrow.

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

1. Why was a refund of \$2,000 paid to John Hopp on construction of "Jack of Clubs" Road, as appears on page C 148, Public Accounts ending 31st March, 1912?
2. Was there any agreement made with Hopp before the work was done? If so, what?

3. What evidence was there to show what work was done?

4. What were the names of the men employed, wages paid, and materials furnished to show what the work cost Hopp.

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

“1. Mr. Hopp constructed the road at a cost of \$3,922.32, the Government agreeing to pay \$2,000.

“2. Yes. Agreement made between the Road Superintendent and Mr. Hopp.

“3. Certificates of Government Agent and Road Superintendent.

“4. The names of the men employed are not in the Department, but the Government Agent at Barkerville has been instructed to transmit copy of time-sheet. Wages paid, \$3,257.43; material, \$664.89.”

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

1. What amount of money has been spent during the four years prior to December 31st last on Pacific highway from New Westminster to Blaine, Wash.?

2. How many miles in length is said road?

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

“1. 1910-11, \$33.75; 1911-12, \$34,092.76; 1912-13, \$39,965; 1913-14 (to date), \$47,881.30; total, \$121,972.81.

“2. Twenty-one miles.”

On the second reading of Bill (No. 11) intituled “An Act respecting the British Columbia Association of Architects” a debate arose, which was adjourned until to-morrow.

On the second reading of Bill (No. 12) intituled “An Act to amend the ‘Dentistry Act’” a debate arose, which was adjourned until to-morrow.

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

And then the House adjourned at 4.40 p.m.

Friday, 30th January, 1914.

THREE O’CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by the Rev. *T. W. Gladstone*.

The following petitions were received:—

From J. L. Atkinson and others, Commissioners of Sumas Dyking District, for leave to introduce a Private Bill to amend the “Sumas Development Company Act, 1905.” (No. 11.)

From the Corporation of the District of Penticton. (No. 9.)

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

Resolution agreed to.

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

That the Address in reply to the Speech of His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor be presented to His Honour by such Members as are of the Executive Council.

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

THOMAS W. PATERSON,
Lieutenant-Governor.

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

Government House,
30th January, 1914.

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

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

Resolved, That the Committee rise and report to the House, recommending the introduction of a Bill (No. 16) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Creditors' Trust Deeds Act,'" a draft of which is annexed to this Resolution.

Resolution and Bill reported.

Bill introduced and read a first time.

Second reading on Monday next.

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

That the Speech of His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor at the opening of the present Session be taken into consideration on Friday next, February 6th.

On the motion of the Hon. the Attorney-General, Bill (No. 14) intituled "An Act to validate an Agreement between the Corporation of the District of Burnaby and the Corporation of the City of New Westminster for the building of a Main or Trunk Sewer" was introduced, read a first time, and *Ordered* to be read a second time on Monday next.

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

1. Did the Hon. Mr. Justice Morrison, during 1913, deliver a judgment dealing with the filing of subdivision maps?
2. How many maps were held up or awaiting action at the date of judgment?
3. How many subdivision maps were held for action on 31st December, 1913?

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

“1. (a.) Mr. Justice Morrison, on 3rd July, 1913, decided, in *ex parte Williams*, 18 British Columbia Reports, 248, that an owner might encumber any designated portion of a lot shown on a subdivision plan without necessitating a statutory resubdivision, or any division such as is contemplated by section 90 of the ‘Land Registry Act.’

“(b.) Mr. Justice Morrison, on 14th August, 1913, decided that it is not obligatory, under paragraph (a), subsection (2), section 90, of the ‘Land Registry Act,’ to show new roads or streets around the external boundaries of subdivisions; but that if same are shown they must be at least thirty-three feet in width unless the Attorney-General otherwise orders.

“2. (a.) None on 3rd July.

“(b.) Probably ten or twelve on 14th August awaiting the consideration or signature of the Attorney-General.

“3. Two hundred and seventy-four in all; one in the Attorney-General’s Department and 273 in the different Land Registry Offices. All but ten of these were held because of defects in the plans, because the title was not indefeasible, for payment of fees or for other fault of the depositor. Ten (four of which had only been deposited on 29th December) were awaiting attention and examination in the different offices. The ten were dealt with and disposed of within a few days after 31st December.”

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

1. How many applications to register (a) absolute fees, (b) indefeasible fees, (b) mortgages, were received at the Land Registry Offices at Victoria and Vancouver in 1913?

2. How many written notices with objections to register titles or charges were issued by the Land Registry Offices in Victoria and Vancouver in 1913?

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

“1. Victoria—(a) Absolute, 4,699; (b) indefeasible, 6,229; (c) mortgages, 3,467. Vancouver—(a) Absolute, 10,146; (b) indefeasible, 8,976; (c) mortgages, 5,905.

“2. Victoria, 3,861; Vancouver, 5,180.

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

1. Are the rules prepared by the Inspector of Legal Offices, and enforced in the Land Registry Offices of the Province, printed or published in any and what manner?

2. How do the people transacting business at the Land Registry Offices find out what rules are in force?

3. If said rules are changed or repealed, what notice (if any) is given or published?

4. How are the public to learn of any such alteration or repeal of said rules?

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

“1. In making uniform the practice in the different Land Registry Offices, the Inspector of Legal Offices decides which of the different practices in vogue in the different Land Registry Offices is most satisfactory, and instructs the Registrars in writing accordingly. Such instructions arise out of concrete cases and usually follow inquiries by Registrars or decisions of Judges of the Supreme Court; such instructions are communicated by the Registrars to the parties concerned. They

are not printed or published. In nearly all cases such instructions merely deal with the routine work of the offices.

" 2. Answered by No. 1.

" 3. In the same manner as when first issued.

" 4. In the same manner as when first issued; by inquiries at the Land Registry Office in connection with their application."

Mr. *Williams* asked the Hon. the Attorney-General the following question:—

How many post-cards were issued by the Land Registry Offices of Victoria and Vancouver during 1913, as the sole evidence of the registration of titles or charges?

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

" No post-cards were issued in 1913 as sole evidence or any evidence of the registration of titles or charges. Post-cards notifying applicants that their registrations had been completed were approximately as follows: Victoria, 6,250; Vancouver, 12,200."

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

And then the House adjourned at 5.30 p.m.

Monday, 2nd February, 1914.

THREE O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by the Rev. *J. B. Warnicker*.

The following Bills were read a second time, and *Ordered* to be committed to-morrow:—

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

Bill (No. 4) intituled " An Act to amend the ' Charitable Associations Act.' "

Bill (No. 6) intituled " An Act to amend the ' Industrial and Provident Societies Act.' "

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

Bill (No. 3) intituled " An Act to amend the ' Benevolent Societies Act.' "

Bill (No. 5) intituled " An Act to amend the ' Industrial Communities Act,' "

Bill (No. 8) intituled " An Act to amend the ' Mutual Fire Insurance Companies Act.' "

Bill (No. 10) intituled " An Act to amend the ' Investment and Loan Societies Act.' "

Bill (No. 9) intituled " An Act to amend the ' Co-operative Associations Act.' "

Bill (No. 15) intituled " An Act to ratify an Agreement between the Corporation of the City of Victoria and the Corporation of the Township of Esquimalt respecting Construction and Maintenance of a Joint Sewer."

Bill (No. 16) intituled " An Act to amend the ' Creditors' Trust Deeds Act.' "

Bill (No. 14) intituled "An Act to validate an Agreement between the Corporation of the District of Burnaby and the Corporation of the City of New Westminster for the Building of a Main or Trunk Sewer."

On the motion of Mr. *Macgowan*, Bill (No. 51) intituled "An Act to amend the Chartered Accountants Act, 1905," was introduced, read a first time, and referred to the Private Bills Committee.

On the motion of Mr. *Carter-Cotton*, Bill (No. 59) intituled "An Act to validate certain By-laws of the City of North Vancouver and the Proceedings of the City Council for the Year 1913" was introduced, read a first time, and referred to the Private Bills Committee.

On the motion of Mr. *Watson*, Bill (No. 57) intituled "An Act to amend the Dominion Trust Company Act, 1913" was introduced, read a first time, and referred to the Private Bills Committee.

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

And then the House adjourned at 4.30 p.m.

Tuesday, 3rd February, 1914.

THREE O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by the Rev. *D. J. O. Westham*.

Mr. *Miller* presented the Sixth Report from the Private Bills Committee, as follows:—

REPORT No. 6.

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE ROOM,
February 3rd, 1914.

MR. SPEAKER:

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

That the Standing Orders in connection with the undermentioned petition have been complied with, namely:—

No. 4—Methodist Church.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

ERNEST MILLER,
Chairman.

The report was received.

On the motion of Mr. *W. Manson*, Bill (No. 53) intituled "An Act respecting the Methodist Church" was read a first time and referred to the Private Bills Committee.

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

1. How many miles of Pacific Highway, Westminster to Blaine, U.S.A., is completed?

2. What was the cost of new portion of Victoria-Campbell River Road built by Foreman Galloway in Newcastle District during last season?

3. What is length of said new portions?

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

"1. 13 $\frac{3}{4}$ miles graded and gravelled; 2 $\frac{3}{4}$ miles macadamized.

"2. \$4,348.65.

"3. 1.05 miles."

Bill (No. 1) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Milk Act'" was committed.

Progress reported.

Committee to sit again to-morrow.

Bill (No. 4) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Charitable Associations Act'" was committed.

Progress reported.

Committee to sit again to-morrow.

Bill (No. 6) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Industrial and Provident Societies Act'" was committed.

Progress reported.

Committee to sit again to-morrow.

Bill (No. 7) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Literary Societies Act'" was committed.

Progress reported.

Committee to sit again to-morrow.

Bill (No. 3) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Benevolent Societies Act'" was committed.

Progress reported.

Committee to sit again to-morrow.

Bill (No. 5) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Industrial Communities Act'" was committed.

Progress reported.

Committee to sit again to-morrow.

Bill (No. 8) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Mutual Fire Insurance Companies Act'" was committed.

Progress reported.

Committee to sit again to-morrow.

Bill (No. 10) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Investment and Loan Societies Act'" was committed.

Progress reported.

Committee to sit again to-morrow.

Bill (No. 9) intituled "An Act to amend the Co-operative Associations Act" was committed.

Progress reported.

Committee to sit again to-morrow.

Bill (No. 15) intituled "An Act to ratify an Agreement made between the Corporation of the City of Victoria and the Corporation of the Township of Esquimalt respecting Construction and Maintenance of a Joint Sewer" was committed.

Reported complete without amendment.

Report to be considered to-morrow.

Bill (No. 14) intituled "An Act to validate an Agreement between the Corporation of the District of Burnaby and the Corporation of the City of New Westminster for the Building of a Main or Trunk Sewer" was committed.

Progress reported.

Committee to sit again to-morrow.

The following petitions were presented and received:—

By Mr. *Gifford*—From the Corporation of the City of New Westminster, for leave to introduce a Private Bill to validate certain By-laws. (No. 7.)

By Mr. *Thomson*—From the Masters and Journeymen Barbers of Victoria, *re* hours of labour, etc.

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

And then the House adjourned at 4.45 p.m.

Wednesday, 4th February, 1914.

THREE O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by the Very Rev. Dean of Columbia.

The following Bills were introduced, read a first time, and *Ordered* to be read a second time to-morrow:—

By Mr. *Place*—Bill (No. 18) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Workmen's Compensation Act.'"

By Mr. *Place*—Bill (No. 19) intituled "An Act to extend the Franchise to Women."

By Mr. *Place*—Bill (No. 20) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Coal-mines Regulation Act.'"

Mr. *Macgowan* presented a petition from J. K. Musworth and others, for leave to introduce a Private Bill to incorporate the Congregational College of British Columbia. (No. 13.)

Received.

Mr. Miller presented the Seventh Report from the Private Bills Committee, as follows:—

REPORT No. 7.

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE ROOM,
February 4th, 1914.

MR. SPEAKER:

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

That the time for presenting Bills be extended from February 5th to February 16th, 1914.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

ERNEST MILLER, *Chairman.*

The report was received and, on suspension of the Rules, adopted.

The Report on Bill (No. 15) intituled "An Act to ratify an Agreement made between the Corporation of the City of Victoria and the Corporation of the Township of Esquimalt, respecting Construction and Maintenance of a Joint Sewer" was adopted.

Third reading to-morrow.

Bill (No. 16) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Creditors' Trust Deeds Act'" was committed.

Progress reported.

Committee to sit again to-morrow.

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

THOMAS W. PATERSON,
Lieutenant-Governor.

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

Government House,
February 4th, 1914.

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. 17) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Provincial Elections Act,'" a draft of which is annexed to this Resolution.

Resolution and Bill reported.

Bill introduced and read a first time.

Second reading to-morrow.

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

And then the House adjourned at 4.10 p.m.