# Thursday, 22nd May, 1902.

Two o'clock, P. M.

Prayers by the Rev. Alex. Fraser.

The following Petitions, asking for legislation regulating the business of barbering, were received:—

From W. J. Quinlan and others, residents of Nelson.

11	J. H. Matheson	11	11	11
11	$G.\ D.\ Brown$	11	11	$\mathbf{Kamloops}.$
11	W. H. Brooking	11	O.	11
11	J. F. Davison	11	11	Nanaimo.
11	W. H. Thorpe	11	11	II -
11	Wm. Fowler	11	11	Revelstoke.
11	T. W. Bain	11	11	11
11	J. J. Morgan	11	11	Greenwood.
11	$Alex.\ McIntosh$	11	11	Vancouver.
11	J. A Miller	11	11	11
11	M. F. Sloper	11	11	Grand Forks.
11	Ino. A. Williamson	11	11	H
11	David Walker	11	11	New Westminster.

Henry T. Thrift, of Hazelmere, re unprotected state of the New Westminster Southern Railway Company's line, and the damage caused thereby to stock.

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The House proceeded to the Orders of the Day, after "Questions by Members."

Mr.  $\mathit{Kidd}$  asked the Hon. the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works the following questions:—

1. What are the "schedule rates" under which a part of the work of rebuilding of the North Arm bridges, Eburne, is being done?

2. What part of the said work is being done by day labour?

The Hon. Mr. Wells replied as follows:-

"1. Schedule rates-

11 George Gibson

- "(a.) 63' spans, 'A' Truss complete, each \$650.
- "(b.) 140' " Howe Truss " \$2,500.
- "(c.) 20' " trestles, complete, per lineal foot, \$6.54.
- "(d.) Large piers, each, \$1,250. All timber dressed and treated with carbolite carbolineum.
- "(e.) Piles, cedar; fenders in foundation, masonry; pivot piers and bridge girders driven complete, each, \$6.
- "(f.) First class masonry, ashlar granite, laid in Portland cement mortar, per cubic yard, \$12.50.
- 2. Day labour-
  - "Removal of old bridge sub and superstructure; building timber caissons for masonry pivot piers; cutting off water below water foundation piles."

Mr. Tatlow asked the Hon. the Minister of Finance the following question:-

What proportion, if any, of the \$1,649,000 borrowed under the Loan Act of 1899 still remains in the hands of the underwriters?

The Hon. Mr. Prentice replied as follows:-

"Not aware that there is any; there have been no communications on the subject."

The Report on Bill (No. 46) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Supreme Court Act,'" was considered.

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Mr. Curtis moved to add the following as a new section:

"Section 14 of chapter 56 of the Revised Statutes, 1897, being the "Supreme Court

Act," is hereby amended by adding thereto the following sub-sections:

"(2.) No restraining order or injunction shall be granted on the exparte application of any plaintiff or defendant against any railway company constructing or operating a railway within the Province of British Columbia, whereby the work of actual construction or operation of the line of railway in question, or any part thereof, shall or may be impeded or delayed:

"(3.) On any application for a restraining order or injunction, where it is considered by the Judge on the hearing of the application that the case is a proper one for the granting of a restraining order or injunction, he may, in lieu of granting the same, order the railway company intended to be enjoined to pay into Court such a sum of money as will, in his opinion, be sufficient to compensate the applicant for the injunction against all loss, damage and costs

which may be sustained by him by reason of the works or other acts complained of:

"(4.) On the hearing of any such application the Judge may, as a term of the granting of such restraining order or injunction, or of the payment of said money into Court, direct the applicant for the injunction to give security to the satisfaction of the Registrar of the Court sufficient to indemnify the railway company to be enjoined from any loss, damage or costs which it may sustain by reason of any such injunction, or on account of the circumstances under which the said payment into Court is directed as aforesaid. The Judge may also from time to time order further security to be given."

Withdrawn, with leave.

The further consideration of the Report was stopped by an order that the Bill be re-committed at the next sitting of the House.

The Report on Bill (No. 49) intituled "An Act to amend the Youths' Protection Act," was adopted.

Bill read a third time and passed.

The Report on Bill (No. 51) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Game Protection Act, 1898," was considered.

Mr. Helmcken moved to add the following as a new section:—

"Section 12 of the 'Game Protection Act, 1898," is hereby amended by striking out the words 'Indians or,' on the first line thereof, and inserting the words 'or to Indians' after the word 'Province,' on the second line of the said section."

Negatived.

Mr. Ellison moved to add the following as a new section:—

"Section 12 of the 'Game Protection Act, 1898,'" is hereby amended by adding thereto the following sub-section:—

"(c.) It shall not be lawful for Indians to kill does or fawns from the first day of February until the first day of August."

Carried.

Report, as amended, adopted.

Third reading at the next sitting of the House.

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

HENRI G. JOLY DE LOTBINIÈRE, Lieutenant-Governor.

The Lieutenant-Governor transmits herewith a Bill intituled "An Act to amend the 'Columbia and Western Railway Subsidy Act, 1896,'" and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,

20th May, 1902.

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

Bill (No. 57) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Municipal Elections Act,'" was again committed.

Progress reported.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting of the House.

On the motion of Mr. Curtis, Bill (No. 90) intituled "An Act to amend the Inspection of Metalliferous Mines Act Amendment Act, 1901," was introduced and read a first time.

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

Bill (No. 68) intituled "An Act respecting Deception in procuring Workmen or Employees," was again committed.

Reported complete with amendments.

Report to be considered on Monday next.

Mr. Speaker presented the Sixth Report on the Library of the Legislative Assembly of British Columbia, 1900-1901.

Resolved, That the House, at its rising, do stand adjourned until two o'clock on Monday next, on the following division:—

		KEAS:	
		Messieurs:	
McInnes, Gilmour, Hawthornthwaite, Gifford, Hayward,	Fulton, Martin, Helmcken, Prentice, Dunsmuir,	Eberts, Smith, A. W., Ellison, Clifford, Houston.	Wells, Prior, Hall, Hunter, Mounce—20.
,	,	NAYS:	
		Messieurs	
Smith, E. C., Oliver, Neill,	$Green, \\ McBride,$	$McPhillips, \ Taylor,$	$Kidd, \\ Rogers - 9.$

And then the House adjourned at 6:45 o'clock, P. M.

## Monday, 26th May, 1902.

Two o'clock, P. M.

Prayers by the Rev.  $Henry\ J.\ Wood.$ 

By leave of the House, and with the consent of the Government, Mr. E. C. Smith moved, seconded by Mr. Hawthornthwaite, and it was Resolved,—

That whereas there has been a deplorable accident at the Fernie Coal Mines, resulting in much loss of life, and bringing very great sorrow to many homes:

Therefore, be it Resolved, That the Members of this House hereby express their deepest sympathy with the bereaved ones, and earnestly urge the Government to take prompt measures towards relieving their immediate necessities.

Mr. Oliver moved, seconded by Mr. Hawthornthwaite-

That the Standing Rules and Orders be suspended to enable the following motion to be made without notice:—

That an Order of the House be granted for a Return of copies of all correspondence, agreements, Orders in Council, or any other papers or documents in any way relating to the

surrender by the Columbia & Western Railway Company of their right to construct the fifth and sixth sections of their line of railway;

Also, for copies of all correspondence, agreements, Orders in Council, or other papers or documents in any way relating to the granting of a land subsidy for the fourth section of the before-mentioned Company's line of railway.

The motion was withdrawn, with leave of the House.

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

Henri G. Joly de Lotbinière, Lieutenant-Governor.

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

Government House, 26th May, 1902.

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

The House proceeded to the Orders of the Day, after "Questions."

Mr. Curtis asked the Government the following questions:-

- 1. Upon whose advice or at whose request did the Ministers of the Crown recommend to His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor the appointment of Frank Walker a Police Commissioner for the City of Rossland?
  - 2. When was such request made or advice given, and to which Minister or Ministers?

3. Was such request made or advice given verbally or in writing?

The Hon. Mr. Eberts replied as follows:—

- "1. Decline to answer. Ministers of His Honour assume the responsibility.
- "2. Answered as above.
- "3. Answered as above."

Mr. McBride asked the Government the following question:—

What are the past and future services performed, and to be performed, by Mr. J. N. Greenshields, K. C., as representative of the Local Government, and mentioned in the answers of the Hon. Mr. Wells to question No. 2, as per Votes and Proceedings of the 21st instant?

The Hon. Mr. Wells replied as follows:—

"The services performed were in connection with certain matters of negotiation between the Provincial and Dominion Governments. The services to be performed are in connection with all matters of negotiation between the Provincial and Dominion Governments."

Mr. McBride asked the Government the following questions:—

1. Is there any person in the Atlin District authorised to act as Sheriff or Sheriff's Deputy or Bailiff?

2. Have any requests been made to the Government to have a Sheriff or Sheriff's Deputy

appointed for the Atlin District? If so, what action has the Government taken?

3. In the event of no action being taken by the Government up to date, is it the intention of the Government to have a Sheriff or Sheriff's Deputy stationed in the Atlin District during the coming season?

The Hon. Mr. Eberts replied as follows:—

- "I. I am informed by the Sheriff for the County of Vancouver that it has been impossible for him to secure the services of a satisfactory Deputy to act. He has a Bailiff there, however.
  - "2. Yes. The Sheriff (whose duty it is) has been instructed to appoint a Deputy."

Order of the Day called for Committee of Supply and the adjourned debate on the motion moved by Mr. *McInnes* on 13th May, "That Mr. *Houston* do now speak," and the motion moved by Mr. *McBride*, "That Mr. *Tatlow* do now speak," on the question proposed, "That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair," and on the "Previous Question," moved by Mr. *Houston*, respectively.

Question again proposed—"That Mr. Tatlow do now speak."

Mr. A. W. Smith moved the "Previous Question," which was carried on the following division:—

division :—		YEAS:	
		Messieurs	
McInnes, Gilmour, Stables, Hayward, Helmcken,	Prentice, Dunsmuir, Eberts, Smith, A. W., Ellison,	Clifford, Houston, Wells, Prior, Hall, NAYS:	Rogers, Hunter, Dickie, Mounce—19.
		Messieurs:	
Smith, E. C., Oliver, Hawthornthwaite, Neill,	Gifford, Garden, Fulton, Curtis,	Munro, Tatlow, Green, McBríde,	$egin{aligned} McPhillips, \ Taylor, \ Kidd-15. \end{aligned}$

Question again proposed—"That Mr. Tatlow do now speak," and negatived on the same division.

Mr. Speaker then called upon Mr. Houston to take the floor, Mr. Houston having on the 13th May moved the "Previous Question" on Mr. McInnes' motion "That Mr. Houston do now speak,"

Resolved, "That the question be now put," on the same division.

Question again proposed—"That Mr. Houston do now speak," and negatived on the following division:—

following division :-		YEAS:	
		Messieurs	
McInnes,	Dunsmuir,	Houston,	Rogers,
Stables,	Eberts,	Wells,	Hunter,
Hayward,	Smith, A. W.,	Prior,	Dickie,
Helmcken,	Clifford,	Hall,	Mounce-17.
Prentice,			
		NAYS:	
		Messieurs	
Gilmour,	Gifford,	Munro,	McPhillips,
Smith, E. C.,	Garden,	Tatlow,	Taylor,
Oliver,	Fulton,	Green,	Ellison,
Hawthornthwaite.	Curtis,	McBride,	Kidd-17.
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Mr. Speaker voted with the nays.

Mr. Speaker then called upon Mr. Oliver to resume the debate on the original question, viz., "That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair."

Mr. Oliver moved in amendment, seconded by Mr. E. C. Smith,-

That all the words of the Resolution after the first word "That" be struck out, and the following words inserted in lieu thereof: "this House condemns the railway policy of the Government."

On the motion of Mr. Tatlow, the debate was adjourned until the next sitting of the House.

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 o'clock, P. M.

Neill,

# Monday, 26th May, 1902.

HALF-PAST EIGHT O'CLOCK, P. M.

The Hon. Mr. Prentice moved—That the House proceed to the Orders of the Day, beginning with "Public Bills in the Hands of Private Members."

Mr. McBride raised the point of order that the motion could not be made without suspending the Rules and Orders, and proceeded to debate the question.

Mr. Speaker *Pooley*: I rule the motion to be in order, and that the same must be put without amendment or debate. The point has already been decided. See Journals, 6th May, 1902.

Mr. McBride appealed from the ruling of the Chair.

Mr. Gilmour moved the "Previous Question," which was carried on the following division:—

YEAS:

		Messieurs	
McInnes, Gilmour, Stables, Hayward,	Prentice, Dunsmuir, Eberts, Smith, A. W.,	Clifford, Wells, Prior, Hall,	Rogers, Hunter, Dickie, Mounce—18.
Helmcken,	Ellison,	Nays:	
Smith, E. C.,	Gifford,	$Messieurs \ Munro,$	MePhillips,
Oliver, Hawthornthwaite,	$Garden, \\ Fulton,$	$Tatlow, \ Green,$	Taylor, Kidd—15.

Question proposed—"Shall the Chair be sustained," and Resolved in the affirmative on the same division.

McBride.

Resolved, That the House proceed to the Orders of the Day, beginning with "Public Bills in the Hands of Private Members."

Bill (No. 51) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Game Protection Act, 1898'" was read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 46) intituled "An Act to further amend the 'Supreme Court Act,'" was recommitted.

Reported complete with amendments.

Curtis.

Report to be considered to-morrow.

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

And the House adjourned at 11:35 o'clock, P.M.

# Tuesday, 27th May, 1902.

Two o'clock, P. M.

Prayers by the Rev. Henry J. Wood.

The House proceeded to the Orders of the Day, after "Questions."

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the motion "That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair" (for Committee of Supply), and the amendment thereto moved by Mr. Oliver, as follows:—

That all the words of the Resolution after the first word "That" be struck out, and the following words inserted in lieu thereof:—"this House condemns the railway policy of the Government."

Mr. Speaker *Pooley*: I must rule the motion out of order; the matter has already been discussed and passed upon by the House this Session. See Journals, 15th April.

The amendment is also out of order, on the ground that there are now on the Order Paper for consideration in Committee of the Whole certain Public Bills dealing with several railway schemes involved in the Policy of the Government. It is not in order for the Hon. Member, on this amendment, to anticipate the discussion on those Bills. See E. H., vol. 308, p. 1,758.

Mr. Houston moved the "Previous Question."

Mr. McPhillips raised the point of order that the "Previous Question" could not be moved on the motion to go into Committee of Supply, and especially while notices of amendments stood on the Paper.

Mr. Speaker *Pooley*: I shall follow the decision of the House given on 12th May inst. on the same question, and rule the motion to be in order.

Mr. McBride appealed from the decision of the Chair.

The Chair was sustained on the following division:-

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McInnes,	Prentice,	Clifford,	Rogers,
Gilmour,	Dunsmuir,	Houston,	Hunter,
Stables,	Eberts,	Wells,	Dickie,
Hayward,	Smith, A. W.,	Prior,	Mounce—19.
Helmcken,	Ellison,	Hall,	

### NAYS:

### Messieurs

Smith, E. C.,	Gifford,	Munro,	McPhillips,
Oliver,	Garden,	Tatlow,	Taylor,
Hawthornthwaite,	Fulton,	Green,	Kidd-15.
Neill,	Curtis,	McBride,	

Mr. McBride rose to move "That Mr. Green do now speak."

Mr. Speaker ruled the motion out of order.

Mr. McBride appealed from the decision of the Chair.

The Chair was sustained on the following division:-

### YEAS:

### Messieurs

McInnes,	Helmcken,	Ellison,	Hall.
Gilmour,	Prentice,	Clifford,	Rogers,
Stables,	Dunsmuir,	Houston,	Hunter,
Oliver,	Eberts,	Wells,	Dickie
Haw thorn thwaite,	Smith, A. W.,	Prior,	Mounce-21.
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NAYS:

Messieurs

Smith, E. C., Neill, Gifford,

Garden,

Fulton, Curtis, Munro,  $Tatlow, \ Green, \ McBride,$ 

McPhillips, Taylor, Kidd—13.

Resolved, "That the question be now put," on the following division:-

YEAS

McInnes, Prentice,
Gilmour, Dunsmuir,
Stables, Eberts,
Hayward, Smith, A. W.,
Helmcken, Ellison,

Messieurs
Clifford,
Houston,
Wells,
Prior,
Hall,

Rogers, Hunter, Dickie, Mounce—19.

NAYS:

Messieurs

Smith, E. C., Oliver, Hauthornthwaite, Neill.

Gifford, Garden, Fulton, Curtis,  $Munro,\ Tatlow,\ Green,\ McBride,$ 

McPhillips, Taylor, Kidd—15.

Resolved, "That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair," on the same division.

After some time spent in Committee, the Chairman reported progress. Committee to sit again at the next sitting of the House.

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 o'clock P. M.

# Tuesday, 27th May, 1902.

Half-past Eight o'clock, p. m.

The House proceeded to the Orders of the Day.

Order called for Committee of Supply.

Question proposed—"That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair."

Mr. Green moved in amendment, seconded by Mr. Garden,—

That all the words after "That" be struck out and the following be substituted therefor: "in view of the financial condition of the Province, this House does not approve of the proposed increase to salaries in the Civil List."

 ${\operatorname{Mr}}.$  Kidd moved the adjournment of the debate.

Leave to withdraw the motion was refused, on the following division:—

YEAS:

Messieurs

Oliver, Hawthornthwaite, Neill, Fulton, Curtis, Tatlow, McBride, McPhillips, Taylor,

Kidd, Hunter—11.

### NAYS:

### Messieurs

Helmcken, Prentice, Dunsmuir, Eberts, Smith, A. W., Ellison, Clifford, Houston, Wells, Prior, Hall, Dickie—12.

The motion to adjourn the debate was negatived.

Debate resumed.

Mr. McPhillips objected to certain words used by Mr. Hall as being disorderly, and requested that the said words be taken down.

The Clerk took down the words objected to as follows:—"It is an ill bird that fouls its own nest, and that's what the Hon. Member" (meaning Mr. McPhillips) "is doing."

Mr. Speaker: I think the words are disorderly, and that the Hon. Member using them should apologise to the House for so doing.

Mr. Hall declined to make any apology.

Mr. Speaker: Unless some Hon. Member is prepared to make a motion, I must call upon Mr. McBride to resume the debate.

Debate resumed.

The House continued to sit after midnight.

WEDNESDAY, 28TH MAY.

On the motion of Mr. Houston, the debate was adjourned until to-morrow.

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

And then the House adjourned at 2 o'clock, A. M.

# Wednesday, 28th May, 1902.

Two o'clock, P. M.

Prayers by the Rev. Henry J. Wood.

Mr. McBride rose and proceeded to discuss, as a question of privilege, an article appearing in the Victoria Colonist newspaper severely criticising the conduct of the Opposition.

Mr. Speaker *Pooley*: The Hon. Member is not complaining of a report of his speech, and does not intend to follow up his complaint with a motion. He is, therefore, out of order in discussing the matter. See May, 10th ed., 87.

Mr. McBride appealed from the ruling of the Chair.

Mr. McPhillips rose to debate the question.

Mr. Speaker *Pooley*: No debate is allowed after an appeal has been taken from the ruling of the Chair. See Rule 14, and Bourinot, 1st ed., page 367.

Mr. McBride moved, seconded by Mr. Green,—

That this House do now adjourn.

The object of this motion is to discuss an article appearing in the daily issue of the Victoria Colonist of May 28th instant, directly concerning the privileges of this House.

Mr. Speaker *Pooley*: The motion is out of order, as it does not disclose a matter of public urgent importance requiring immediate consideration. (See May, 10th ed., 260.) It is not a question of privilege, and if it was could only be dealt with by motion proceeding against the offending parties, as was done in the "Kennedy case." (Speakers' Decisions, p. 105.)

The House proceeded to the Orders of the Day, beginning with "Public Bills in the hands of Private Members," after "Questions."

Mr. Garden asked the Hon. the Minister of Finance the following question:-

How much money has been paid out of the Provincial Treasury since 1885 to aid the unfortunate families of the victims of the various coal mining disasters in the Province, giving particulars of the times, places and amounts.

The Hon. Mr. Prentice replied as follows:—

"\$5,500.

"Year 1885—Wellington Colliery, Wellington, \$500."
1888—Vancouver Nanaimo, \$5,000."

The report on Bill (No. 68) intituled "An Act respecting Deception in procuring Workmen or Employees" was considered.

Mr. Hunter moved to add the following to section 2:—

"2. (a.) It shall be unlawful for any person, society, association, or organisation of any kind existing, or doing business in this Province by himself or itself or by his agent, or its agent, or attorney, to induce, influence, or persuade a workman not to change from one place to another in this Province, or to induce, influence, or persuade a workman of any calling or class to keep away from this Province, through or by means of deceptive representations, false advertising or false pretences concerning the kind and character of the work to be done, or amount and character of the compensation to be paid for such work, or the sanitary or other conditions of the employment, or as to the existence or non-existence of a strike or other trouble then pending between employer or employees."

A debate arose.

The further consideration of the report was adjourned until the next sitting of the House.

The report on Bill (No. 46) intituled "An Act to further amend the 'Supreme Court Act'" was adopted.

Bill read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 57) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Municipal Elections Act'" was again committed.

Progress reported.

Committee to sit again to-night.

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 6:05 o'clock, P. M.

# Wednesday, 28th May, 1902.

HALF-PAST EIGHT O'CLOCK, P. M.

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

HENRI G. JOLY DE LOTBINIÈRE,
Lieutenant-Governor.

The Lieutenant-Governor transmits herewith a Bill intituled "An Act to aid the Construction of a Railway from Kitimaat Inlet to Hazelton," and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House, 28th May, 1902. Ordered, That the said Message, and the Bill accompanying the same, be referred to a Committee of the Whole House to-morrow.

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

Henri G. Joly de Lotbinière, Lieutenant-Governor.

The Lieutenant-Governor transmits herewith a Bill intituled "An Act to aid the Construction of a Railway from Midway to Vernon," and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House, 28th May, 1902.

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

The House proceeded to the Orders of the Day, beginning with "Public Bills in the hands of Private Members," after "Questions put by Members."

Bill (No. 57) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Municipal Elections Act,'" was again committed.

Reported complete with amendments.

Report to be considered to-morrow.

Bill (No. 67) intituled "An Act further to amend the 'Legal Professions Act'" was committed.

Progress reported.

Committee to sit again to-morrow.

Bill (No. 69) intituled "An Act further to amend the 'Provincial Elections Act'" was committed.

Progress reported.

Committee to sit again to-morrow.

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the second reading of Bill (No. 10) intituled "An Act respecting Actions against Trade Unions and Kindred Associations."

The debate was again 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 11:20 o'clock, P. M.

# Thursday, 29th May, 1902.

Two o'clock, P. M.

Prayers by the Rev. Henry J. Wood.

The Hon. Mr. *Eberts* presented a copy of the correspondence relating to the disallowance of "An Act to Incorporate the Lake Bennett Railway Company."

The House proceeded to the Orders of the Day, after "Questions."

Mr. McBride asked the Government the following questions:—

1. What services—with full particulars—were performed by Mr. *Greenshields* as representative of the Local Government in connection with negotiations between the Federal and Local Governments?

2. What services—with full particulars—are to be performed by Mr. Greenshields for the

Province?

3. What instructions regarding Dominion Government railway subsidies have been given Mr. Greenshields  $\ell$ 

The Hon. Mr. Wells replied as follows:—

"I, 2 and 3. Answers to these questions are declined."

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the second reading of Bill (No. 10) intituled "An Act respecting Actions against Trade Unions and Kindred Associations."

The second reading of the Bill was negatived on the following division:-

### Yeas:

		Messieurs	
Smith, E. C., Oliver, Hawthornthwaite,	$Neill, \ Gifford, \ Fulton,$	$Curtis, \ Tatlow, \ Nays:$	Green, Helmcken—10.
		Messieurs	
McInnes, Gilmour, Stables, Hayward, Martin, Munro,	McBride, McPhillips, Prentice, Dunsmuir, Eberts, Smith, A. W.,	Ellison, Clifford, Kidd, Houston, Wells, Prior,	Hall, Rogers, Hunter, Dickie, Mounce—23.

The second reading of Bill (No. 66) intituled "An Act further to amend the 'Supreme Court Act'" was negatived on the following division:—

#### YEAS:

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Gilmour, Stables, Smith, E. C.,	Hawthornthwaite, Gifford, Martin,	$Curtis, \ Tatlow, \ McBride,$	McPhillips, Dunsmuir, Prior—12.
		NAYS:	
	N	Iessieurs	
McInnes	Eberts	Kidd	Hainton

McInnes,	Eberts,	Kidd,	Hunter,
Hayward,	Smith, A. W.,	Houston.	Dickie,
Helmcken,	Ellison,	Wells,	Mounce-15.
Prentice,	Clifford,	Rogers,	

Bill (No. 74) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals Incorporation Act'" was read a second time on the following division:—

#### YEAS:

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McInnes,	Green,	Clifford,	Hall,
Stables,	McPhillips,	Kidd,	Rogers,
Hawthornthwaite,	Taylor,	Houston,	Hunter,
Garden,	Helmcken,	Wells,	Dickie,
Curtis,	Eberts,	Prior,	Mounce—20.

### NAYS:

### Messieurs

Gilmour, Smith, E. C., Oliver. Neill, Hayward, Fulton,  $Martin, \ Munro, \ McBride,$ 

Prentice, Smith, A. W.—11.

To be committed to-morrow.

Bill (No. 80) intituled "An Act to amend the Law relating to Trade Unions," was read a second time on the following division:—

### YEAS:

### Messieurs

McInnes, Gilmour, Stables, Smith, E. C., Oliver, Hawthornthwaite, Neill, Gifford, Garden, Martin,

Curtis, Tatlow, Green, McBride, Taylor, Helmcken, Houston, Wells—18.

NAYS:

### Messieurs:

Hayward, McPhillips, Prentice, Dunsmuir, Eberts, Smith, A. W., Ellison, Clifford, Kidd,

Prior, Rogers, Dickie—12.

To be committed at the next sitting of the House.

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

Bill (No. 73) intituled "An Act to amend the "Highway Traffic Regulation Act."

Bill (No. 52) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Municipal Clauses Act.'"

Bill (No. 82) intituled "An Act to encourage the manufacture of Steel Rails in Canada."

On the second reading of Bill (No. 88) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Medical Act, 1898," a debate arose, which was adjourned until the next sitting of the House.

On the second reading of Bill (No. 90) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Inspection of Metalliferous Mines Act Amendment Act, 1901,'" a debate arose, which was adjourned until the next sitting of the House.

Mr. Tatlow asked the Hon. the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works the following questions:—

- I. Is it the policy of the Government to protect the wages of men employed on Government works?
- 2. Is the Chief Commissioner aware that one Max. S. Wilson has not received wages due for painting the Government Buildings at Princeton, although the work was done in October last?
- 3. And, if so, will steps be taken to secure for Max.~S.~Wilson the said wages, amounting to \$216?

The Hon. Mr. Wells replied as follows:-

"1. In so far as the Government is able and warranted in doing so.

"2. The Chief Commissioner has received an intimation that wages of Max. S. Wilson were not paid.

"3. No steps can be taken by the Government."

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

> HENRI G. JOLY DE LOTBINIÈRE, Lieutenant-Governor.

The Lieutenant-Governor transmits herewith a Bill intituled "An Act to amend the 'British Columbia Fisheries Act, 1901," and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House, 27th May, 1902.

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

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

By the Hon. Mr. Eberts—Bill (No. 89) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Evidence Act." By Mr. Martin-Bill (No. 95) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Investment and Loan Societies Act.'"

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 o'clock, P.M.

# Thursday, 29th May, 1902.

HALF-PAST EIGHT O'CLOCK, P. M.

The House proceeded to the Orders of the Day.

The report on Bill (No. 57) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Municipal Elections Act'" was considered.

Mr. McPhillips moved to strike out section 2.

Negatived.

Mr. Martin moved to strike out of line 2 of sub-section (a) of section 6, as proposed to be enacted by section 2, the words "a resident," and to substitute therefor the word "the."

Carried.

Mr. McPhillips moved to strike out sub-section (c) of section 2. Negatived.

The further consideration of the Report was adjourned until to-morrow.

Bill (No. 67) intituled "An Act further to amend the 'Legal Professions Act'" was again committed.

Progress reported.

Committee to sit again to-morrow.

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

And then the House adjourned at 10:50 o'clock, P. M.

# Friday, 30th May, 1902.

Two o'clock, P. M.

Prayers by the Rev. Henry J. Wood.

The House proceeded to the Orders of the Day, after "Questions."

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

1. Of the land grant made by virtue of chapter 14 of the British Columbia Statutes of 1884 to secure the building of the Esquimalt and Nanaimo Railway, what acreage has been sold by the Esquimalt and Nanaimo Railway Company, and is now assessed and taxed?

2. Of the unsold lands still held by such Company-

(a.) What acreage is now "used by the Company for other than railroad purposes," and thereby, under said chapter 14, made liable to taxation?

(b.) What is this acreage used for?(c.) For what amount is it assessed?

(d.) What was the amount of the taxes payable thereon for the year 1901? and

(e.) Have these taxes for such year been paid?

3. What acreage of such unsold lands—

(a.) Are leased?

(b.) Are occupied?

(c.) Are alienated, respectively, and thereby, under said chapter 14, made liable to taxation, and what is the assessed value, and the tax thereon, for the year 1901, and how much of such tax has been paid?

4. What acreage of such unsold land is rented or under permit to any person or corporation to cut timber thereon, and for what amount is it assessed, and what was the amount of tax thereon for the year 1901, and has such tax been paid, or is it disputed? If not assessed, why not?

5. What acreage of said land grant was held in the year 1899 by companies or persons mining coal; what were the names of such companies or persons; the acreage held by each; the assessed value and taxes payable on such acreages, respectively, for the year 1899?

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

"1. At 30th June, 1901, the date of the last annual return made by the Company in virtue of the 'Railway Assessment Act,' section  $3=275,957\frac{32}{100}$  acres, exclusive of  $86,346\frac{30}{100}$  acres alienated by the Crown prior to the date of the Act. (See section 5 of the Act.)

"2. There are no lands held by the Company 'used by the Company for other than railroad purposes' liable to taxation. (a), (b), (c), (d), (e) are answered by this general answer.

"3. Answered by answer to question 2.

"4 and 5. The Government has no official knowledge."

Mr. Curtis asked the Hon. the Minister of Finance the following question:—

Of the \$131,953.65 real property tax, of the \$73,358.07 wild land tax, of the \$78,694.71 personal property tax, and of the \$32,323.06 income tax levied for the year 1901, how much of each such taxes was collected during the year ending 31st December, 1901?

The Hon. Mr. Prentice replied as follows:—

"The amount actually collected for assessed taxes, under the following heads, for the year ending 31st December, 1901, was as follows:—

Real property	29,	including arrears.
Wild land	41	11
Personal property 85,533	28	H H
Income tax	19	(1

\$289,622 17

"No separate account is kept showing what proportion is arrears. An accurate answer to the question cannot be given until each Assessor's 'triplicate' receipts are checked and a statement prepared therefrom."

Pursuant to Order, the House resumed the adjourned debate on the motion "That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair" (for Committee of Supply), and the amendment thereto moved by Mr. Green, as follows:—

That all the words after "That" be struck out and the following substituted therefor:—
"in view of the financial condition of the Province, this House does not approve of the

proposed increase to salaries in the Civil List."

Question proposed—"Shall the words proposed to be struck out stand part of the question?" and Resolved in the affirmative on the following division.

### YEAS:

#### Messieurs

McInnes,	Prentice, Dunsmuir, Eberts, Smith, A. W.,	Clifford,	Rogers,
Gilmour,		Houston,	Hunter,
Stables,		Wells,	Dickie,
Hayward,		Prior,	Mounce—19.
Helmcken,	Ellison,	Hall,	111000000000000000000000000000000000000

#### NAYS:

#### Messieurs

Smith, E. C.,	Gifford,	Munro,	McPhillips,
Oliver,	Garden,	Tatlow,	Taylor,
Hawthornthwaite,	Fulton,	Green,	Kidd—15.
Neill,	Curtis,	McBride,	

Resolved, "That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair."

After some time spent in Committee, the Chairman reported progress.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting of the House.

Bill (No. 35) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Creditors' Trust Deeds Act, 1901,'" was read a third time and passed.

The Report on Bill (No. 8) intituled "An Act to amend Chapter 33 of the Statutes of 1899, being the 'Judgments Act, 1899," was considered.

Mr. Martin moved to strike out section 3 thereof and substitute the following:

"3. All judgments registered under the provisions of said Chapter 33 and amending Acts, after the coming into force of this Act, shall rank pari passu as to the proceeds of any lands sold under any judgment, but this section shall not in way affect judgments registered under the provisions of the 'Land Registry Act' and amending Acts, nor judgments registered under said Chapter 33 and amending Acts, prior to the coming into force of this Act.

"(a.) Registration shall include re-registrations and renewals."

Carried.

Mr. Martin moved to add the following:

"Section 8 of said chapter 33 is hereby amended by adding thereto the following subsection:—

"(a.) When the debtor or person to pay is dead, such motion to show cause shall call upon the person or persons to whom the interest of the deceased in the land in question has passed, and upon any trustee or other person having the legal estate therein, and any notice of motion or order made thereon under this section may, in any case where in the opinion of the Court or a Judge thereof, personal service cannot be reasonably effected, be served in such manner as the said Court or a Judge thereof may direct."

#### Carried.

Report, as amended, adopted.

Bill read a third time and passed.

Pursuant to Order, the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole to consider the Message of His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor transmitting Bill (No. 85A) intituled "An Act to aid the Construction of a Railway from Victoria to Yellowhead Pass."

### (IN THE COMMITTEE.)

On 21st May the Hon. the Attorney-General moved-

That the Committee rise and report to the House, recommending the introduction of Bill (No. 85A) intituled "An Act to aid the construction of a Railway from Victoria to Yellowhead Pass."

Mr. Oliver moved in amendment, seconded by Mr. Hawthornthwaite:-

That all the words of the Resolution after the first word "That" be struck out, and the following substituted therefor:—"this Committee (having in view the fact that the Government have on previous occasions this Session placed before the House, first, a draft contract for the construction of the Canadian Northern Railway; second, a signed agreement with the Edmonton and Yukon Railway Co. for the construction of a railway from the Yellowhead Pass to Bute Inlet; third, a signed agreement with McLean Bros. for the construction of a line of railroad from Vancouver to Midway, and also submitted, by Message of His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, a Bill to ratify agreements entered into between the Government and the Edmonton and Yukon Railway Co., and between the Government and McLean Bros.; and the beforementioned agreements not being in the best interests of the Province, and having in view the fact that the Government has no well-defined railway policy) rise and report to the House that this Committee considers it inadvisable to entrust the Government with any such powers as those contained in the proposed Bill."

The debate was now resumed. The amendment was negatived.

Mr. Neill moved, in amendment, to add the following words:—

"but whereas this Committee has already received this Session a Message from His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, transmitting a Bill for the ratification of a contract made between the Government and the Edmonton and Yukon Railway Company for the construction of a railway from Bute Inlet to the eastern boundary of British Columbia, this Committee is of opinion that the Bill to ratify said contract should be disposed of before any other Bills should be considered, giving the Government authority to make another contract for the construction of said railway."

The amendment was negatived. Original motion put and carried.

Mr. Hunter, Chairman of the Committee, reported the Resolution and the Bill.

Report adopted.

Bill introduced and read a first time.

Second reading on Monday next.

Bill (No. 27) intituled "An Act to Incorporate the Vancouver General Hospital," was again committed.

Reported complete with amendments.

Report to be considered at the next sitting of the House.

Pursuant to Order, the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole on the Message of His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor transmitting Bill (No. 86) intituled "An Act to aid the Construction of a Railway from Vancouver to Midway."

### (IN THE COMMITTEE.)

Resolved, That the Committee rise and report to the House recommending the introduction of Bill (No. 86) intituled "An Act to aid the Construction of a Railway from Vancouver to Midway."

Resolution reported and adopted.

Bill read a first time.

To be read a second time on Monday next.

Pursuant to Order, the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole to consider the Message of His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor transmitting Bill (No. 93) intituled "An Act to aid the Construction of a Railway from Midway to Vernon."

(IN THE COMMITTEE).

Resolved, That the Committee rise and report to the House recommending the introduction of Bill (No. 93) intituled "An Act to aid the Construction of a Railway from Midway to Vernon."

Resolution reported and adopted.

Bill read a first time.

To be read a second time on Monday next.

Pursuant to Order, the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole to consider the Message of His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor transmitting Bill (No. 94) intituled "An Act to aid the Construction of a Railway from Kitimaat Inlet to Hazelton."

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

Resolved, That the Committee rise and report to the House recommending the introduction of Bill (No. 94) intituled "An Act to aid the Construction of a Railway from Kitimaat Inlet to Hazelton."

Resolution reported and adopted.

Bill read a first time.

To be read a second time on Monday next.

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 o'clock, P. M.

### Friday, 30th May, 1902.

HALF-PAST EIGHT O'CLOCK, P. M.

Mr. Rogers presented the Report of the Select Committee appointed to inquire into the charges made against J. D. Graham, Gold Commissioner, Atlin, by C. W. Sawers, as follows:—

VICTORIA, B. C., 30th May, 1902.

To the Honourable the Speaker,

Legislative Assembly of British Columbia:—

SIR,—The Select Committee appointed to inquire into the charges made against J. D. Graham, Gold Commissioner, Atlin, by C. W. Sawers, have the honour to report as follows:—

Charge 1.—That Mr. Graham himself owned the building in question. The Committee cannot upon the evidence hold that Mr. Graham was the owner of the building.

Charge 2.—That during the moving he stated he was lending it to the Government.

Mr. Graham did not deny making this statement, but that, if made, it was made in a jocular way.

Charge 3.—That it could not have been sold at the time for \$100.

The Committee cannot say that there was any market for the building at the time of the sale.

Charge 4.—That a building of similar construction could have been erected for less than \$200, and in one day.

The Committee are not of the view that the building could ever have been erected for less

than \$200, and in one day.

Charge 5.—That it was not used for the fever patients, but as a kitchen and living room for the nurse, the patients being confined in a large tent.

The Committee find that the building was acquired at the request of Dr. Lewis, the Medical Officer, and was at first used for fever patients; later it was used as a kitchen and living room for the nurse, the patients being confined thereafter in a large tent.

Charge 6.—That at the time it was not a necessity—during the previous winters tents were used for hospital purposes, and this building was not used until after the 28th day of

April, 1901.

The Committee hold that as the building was required by the Medical Officer, Mr.

Graham proceeded rightly in acquiring same.

To sum up, the Committee hold that with the knowledge Mr. Graham had of the condition of affairs at Atlin at that time and the number of buildings unoccupied and for sale, that although he is protected by the appraisement and award, that notwithstanding same his duty was such that in the view of the Committee the buildings in question were acquired at a price much greater than the real worth of the buildings, and the Committee cannot but feel that the circumstances all go to prove that Mr. Graham was not as diligent in the public interest as he might have been.

S. A. ROGERS, Chairman of Committee.

The Report was received

The House proceeded to the Orders of the Day, beginning with "Public Bills in the Hands of Private Members."

The report on Bill (No. 57) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Municipal Elections Act," was further considered.

Mr. Martin moved to strike out the word "is," in the second line of section 2, and substitute therefor the words "and amendments thereto are."

Carried.

Mr. Houston moved to strike out sub-section (c), section 2, and in lieu thereof insert the

following:

"(c.) A resident owner of real estate, a holder of a trade licence, and a householder shall, where a municipality is divided into wards, be entered on the Voters' List for the ward in which he or she resides; a non-resident owner of real estate shall, where a municipality is divided into wards, be entered on the Voters' List for the ward in which he or she has the largest amount of property in value according to the assessment roll. No person shall be entitled to have his or her name twice entered on the annual Voters' List as a voter in a municipality; and it shall be unlawful to twice enter the name of any person on the Voters' List for any one year as a voter."

Question proposed—"Shall the words proposed to be struck out stand part of the question?" and Resolved in the negative.

Question proposed—"Shall the words proposed to be inserted stand part of the question?" and Resolved in the affirmative on the following division:

### YEAS:

### Messieurs

Gilmour. Martin, Dunsmuir, Clifford. Smith, E. C., Eberts, Curtis, Houston, Oliver,Prentice. Smith, A. W., Dickie-13. Neill.

NAYS:

Messieurs

McBride, Taylor, Kidd. Hall—6. McPhillips. Helmcken,

The further consideration of the report was adjourned to Monday next.

Bill (No. 67) intituled "An Act further to amend the 'Legal Professions Act,'" was again committed.

Progress reported.

Committee to sit again on Monday next.

Resolved, That the House, at its rising, do stand adjourned until 2 P.M. on Monday next. And then the House adjourned at 11:40 o'clock, P. M.

# Monday, 2nd June, 1902.

Two o'clock, P. M.

The House proceeded to the Orders of the Day, after "Questions."

Mr. Clifford ask the Hon. the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works the following questions:—

1. At what date does the time given to the Cassiar Central Railway Company to select their blocks of land expire?

2. How many blocks have they selected, and where ?

3. Are the blocks selected clearly defined and boundary lines surveyed?

4. Are the lands comprised in the Cassiar Central Railway Company's land grant, and not selected, open to free miners?

5. Is it the intention of the Government to extend the time originally fixed for the selection of blocks of land by the Company?

The Hon. Mr. Wells replied as follows:-

"1. May 8th, 1902.

"2. Eleven; on Thibert Creek, Dease Lake, McDame Creek, Rosella Creek, Dease Creek,

Ground Hog Creek and Copper Creek.

"3. The blocks are defined in the manner provided by Order in Council of 26th June, 1897, and published in the British Columbia Gazette, 1897, folio 2.743. The boundary lines of one block only, situated on Dease Lake, have been surveyed.

"4. Yes.

"5. The Government has the matter under consideration."

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

1. What is the present indebtedness to the Government of the Victoria and Sidney Railway Co. for interest guaranteed on the bonds of the Company?

2. What action, if any, does the Government intend to bring to recover such indebtedness?

The Hon. Mr. Prentice replied as follows:—

"1. \$57,932 to 30th June, 1902.

"2. The guarantee of interest being governed by the provisions of the 'Victoria and Sidney Railway Subsidy Act, 1890,' the Government has no redress against the Company for the recovery, beyond the profits of the road."

Mr. McBride asked the Government the following questions:—

1. Has any application been sent to the Department of Education by Miss *Helen Troupe Archibald*, or by any person on her behalf, for a review of the examination papers submitted by her at the last examination held at the Vancouver Normal School?

2. If so, what action has been taken thereon by the Government?

3. In the event of the Government having refused a review, as mentioned in question one, what are the reasons for such action?

The Hon. Mr. Prentice replied as follows:—

"1. On the 8th of May, W. Myers Gray, barrister, of New Westminster, forwarded to the Education Department a declaration from Miss Helen Troupe Archibald, the gist of which was that her drawing and practical teaching (subjects in which this young lady appears to have failed) should have been ranked as high as those of several other students who were granted Normal School diplomas. Mr. Gray, in her behalf, urged a reconsideration of her application for a diploma.

"Since this diploma is granted by the Normal School staff, not on a final written examination, but on the result of each day's work done by the student during the term, the Department declined to entertain Miss Archibald's application, on the grounds that if appeals of this

kind were allowed the best interests of the Normal School would be subverted.

"2 and 3. Answered by reply to No. 1."

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

Do the Government anticipate any claim for compensation on the part of the Edmonton, Yukon and Pacific Railway Company, under clause 25 of the agreement made with said Company on the 1st May, 1902, and which reads as follows:—"The Government agree that they will during the present Session of the British Columbia Legislature submit to said Legislature a Bill to confirm this agreement and authorise the carrying out thereof."

The Hon. Mr. Eberts replied as follows:—
"No."

The Report on Bill (No. 27) intituled "An Act to Incorporate the Vancouver General Hospital" was considered.

Mr. Garden moved to add the following as a new section:

"(25.) In the event of any patient being received and treated in a Hospital managed under the provisions of this Act, from any town or district included in the boundaries of any municipality other than the City of Vancouver, such municipality shall be liable for, and pay to the Corporation, the amount due for such care and treatment of such patient, after deducting the amount allowed by the Hospital Aid Act, 1902, if he or she is unable to pay the amount due out of his or her own proper moneys or property, and such sum shall be recoverable at the suit of the Corporation from such municipality in any Court of competent jurisdiction in the Province."

Negatived.

Report adopted.

Bill read a third time and passed.

On the second reading of Bill (No. 85a) intituled "An Act to aid the Construction of a Railway from Victoria to Yellowhead Pass," a debate arose, which was adjourned until this evening.

On the motion of the Honourable the Premier, seconded by the Honourable the Attorney-General, it was Resolved,—

That this House, having heard with the greatest satisfaction that the war in South Africa has been brought to a successful termination, desires to extend to His Majesty's Government the most sincere and loyal congratulations upon this happy occasion.

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 o'clock, P.M.

# Monday, 2nd June, 1902.

HALF-PAST EIGHT O'CLOCK, P.M.

The House proceeded to the Orders of the Day.

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the second reading of Bill (No. 85A) intituled "An Act to aid the Construction of a Railway from Victoria to Yellowhead Pass."

Mr. McBride moved in amendment, seconded by Mr. Gifford,—

To strike out all the words after "That" and to insert in lieu thereof: "it is not advisable to pass any Bill providing for aid, leaving it to the Government to enter into the agreements with the railway companies without submission to the House for ratification; and that

the Bill should be one confirming agreements for immediate construction, and thereby prove to the country that the railways are to be immediately constructed—not the passage of a measure that means no railway construction in the immediate future."

The debate was adjourned until to-morrow.

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 10:50 o'clock, P. M.

# Tuesday, 3rd June, 1902.

HALF-PAST TEN O'CLOCK, A.M.

The House proceeded to the Orders of the Day, after "Questions."

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the second reading of Bill (No. 85A) intituled "An Act to aid the Construction of a Railway from Victoria to Yellowhead Pass," and the

amendment thereto moved by Mr. McBride, seconded by Mr. Gifford, as follows:—

To strike out all the words after "That" and to insert in lieu thereof: "it is not advisable to pass any Bill providing for aid, leaving it to the Government to enter into the agreements with the railway companies without submission to the House for ratification; and that the Bill should be one confirming agreements for immediate construction, and thereby prove to the country that the railways are to be immediately constructed—not the passage of a measure that means no railway construction in the immediate future."

The House took a recess from 1 o'clock to 2:30 P.M.

Half-past Two o'clock, P. M.

Debate resumed.

Question proposed—"Shall the words proposed to be struck out stand part of the question?" and Resolved in the affirmative on the following division:—

#### YEAS: Messieurs McInnes, Prentice, Clifford, Rogers, Gilmour, Dunsmuir, Wells, Hunter, Stables, Eberts, Prior, Dickie, Hayward, Mounce-18. Smith, A. W., Hall, Helmcken, Ellison, NAYS: Messieurs Smith, E. C., Gifford, Munro, Murphy, Oliver. McPhillips, Tatlow, Garden, Hawthornthwaite, Fulton, Green, Taylor, Neill, Curtis. McBride, Kidd—16.

Question again proposed—"That the Bill be read a second time now."

Mr. Curtis moved in amendment, seconded by Mr. Hawthornthwaite,—

To add thereto the following words:—"upon the understanding that the Bill shall at a subsequent stage be amended so that the proposed aid shall be given as a loan, free from interest for a stated term of years, and thereafter to bear interest until repaid."

Mr. Speaker *Pooley*: The amendment is out of order. After the House has decided "That the words proposed to be struck out shall stand part of the question," no amendment can be moved by way of mere addition to the question. See May, 10th ed., page 446. Members' Manual (Ontario), page 126.

Gifford,

Bill read a second time on the following division:-

### YEAS:

### Messienrs

		Messieurs	
McInnes, Gilmour, Stables, Neill, Hayward,	Helmcken, Prentice, Dunsmuir, Eberts, Smith, A. W.,	Ellison, Clifford, Wells, Prior, Hall,	Rogers, Hunter, Dickie, Mounce—19.
		Nays: Messieurs	
Smith, E. C., Oliver, Hawthornthwaite,	$Garden, \ Fulton, \ Curtis,$	$Tatlow,\ Green,\ McBride,$	McPhillips, Taylor, Kidd—15.

To be committed at the next sitting of the House.

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On the motion for the second reading of Bill (No. 86) intituled "An Act to aid the Construction of a Railway from Vancouver to Midway," a debate arose, which was adjourned until the next sitting of the House.

Murphy,

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

Bill (No. 96) intituled "An Act to amend certain Acts incorporating Railway Companies passed during the year 1901."

Bill (No. 97) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Companies Act, 1897, Amendment Act, 1901.'"

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 o'clock, P.M.

## Tuesday, 3rd June, 1902.

HALF-PAST EIGHT O'CLOCK, P. M.

The House proceeded to the Orders of the Day, after "Questions."

Mr. Curtis asked the Hon. the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works the following questions:—

1. Whether the Government, in paying for day work on roads, trails and bridges, is paying the standard rate of wages in each locality where the work is being carried on?

2. What standard rate of wages is being paid labourers—

- (a.) In the Boundary Country?
- (b.) In Trail Creek Mining Division?
- (c.) In the vicinity of Ymir?
- (d.) In the vicinity of Nelson?
- (e.) In North-East Kootenay?
  (f.) In South-East Kootenay?
- (g.) In Slocan Riding?
- (h.) In Revelstoke Riding?

The Hon. Mr. Wells replied as follows:—

"1. The intention of the Government is to pay the standard rate of wages in each locality where the work is being carried on.

"2. (a.) \$2.75 per day. (b.)2.752.50 (c.) 2.50 and \$2.75 (d.)2.50 (e.) (f.)2.50 2.75 and \$3 (g.)(h.)2.50

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the second reading of Bill (No. 86) intituled "An Act to aid the Construction of a Railway from Vancouver to Midway."

Mr. Curtis moved in amendment, seconded by Mr. Oliver,—

That all the words of the question after the first word "That" be struck out, and the following words substituted:—"whereas there are at least two companies ready to enter into a contract for the construction of the proposed railway from Vancouver to Midway: Therefore, in the opinion of this House, it is the duty of the Government to enter into a contract at once for the construction of the said proposed road as a competitive line and upon the best terms that can be secured, and to submit the said contract to this House for ratification at this Session of the Legislature; and further,

"This House affirms the principle that when a contract for aid is proposed to be made, it should not become effective until submitted to and approved of by the Legislature. This House also affirms the urgent necessity for the beginning of the construction of the Coast to Kootenay Railway during the present year."

The debate was adjourned until to-morrow.

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 11:40 o'clock, P. M.

# Wednesday, 4th June, 1902.

HALF-PAST TEN O'CLOCK, A.M.

The House proceeded to the Orders of the Day, after "Questions."

Mr.  $\mathit{Kidd}$  asked the Hon. the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works the following questions:—

1. What route did the Columbia & Western Railway Company select for their railway between Trail Creek and Penticton, under section 37 of their charter?

2. How were the six sections of the said route apportioned, and what is the mileage of the sections built?

The Hon. Mr. Wells replied as follows:—

- "1. Viâ the Columbia River, Arrow Lake, Dog Creek, McRae Creek and Christina Lake.
- "2. Section one, from Rossland to a point on the Columbia River opposite Robson, now known as Castlegar; distance, 33.09 miles.
- "Section two, from a point near the mouth of Trail Creek, in an easterly or south-easterly direction, not more than 20 miles.
  - "Section three, from Castlegar to Christina Lake; distance, 53 miles.
  - "Section four, from Christina Lake to Midway; distance, 45 miles.

"Sections five and six remain the same as provided for in the Schedule to the Act of Incorporation.

"The total mileage of the sections built is 131.09."

The Order for the House to again resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole to consider the Message of His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor of 5th May, transmitting Bill (No. 75) intituled "An Act respecting certain Railway Agreements," was discharged.

The Order for the House to resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole to consider the Message of His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor transmitting Bill (No. 85) intituled "An Act to authorise the granting of a certain Land Subsidy for and in aid of the Queen Charlotte Islands Railway Company," was discharged.

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the Second Reading of Bill (No. 86) intituled "An Act to aid the Construction of a Railway from Vancouver to Midway," and the amendment thereto moved by Mr. Curtis, as follows:

That all the words of the question after the first word "That" be struck out and the following words substituted:—"whereas there are at least two companies ready to enter into a contract for the construction of the proposed railway from Vancouver to Midway: Therefore, in the opinion of this House, it is the duty of the Government to enter into a contract at once for the construction of the said proposed road as a competitive line and upon the best terms that can be secured, and to submit the said contract to this House for ratification at this Session of the Legislature; and further,

"This House affirms the principle that when a contract for aid is proposed to be made, it should not become effective until submitted to and approved of by the Legislature. This House also affirms the urgent necessity for the beginning of the construction of the Coast to

Kootenay Railway during the present year."

The House took a recess from 1 o'clock to 2:30 p.m.

HALF-PAST TWO O'CLOCK, P. M.

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Debate resumed.

Question proposed—"Shall the words proposed to be struck out stand part of the question?" and Resolved in the affirmative on the following division:-

		YEAS:	
		Messieurs	
McInnes, Gilmour, Stables, Hayward, Martin,	Helmcken, Prentice, Dunsmuir, Eberts, Smith, A. W.,	Ellison, Clifford, Wells, Prior, Hall,	Rogers, Hunter, Dickie, Mounce—19.
		NAYS:	
		Messieurs	
Smith, E. C., Oliver, Hawthornthwaite, Neill,	Gifford, Garden, Fulton, Curtis,	Munro, Tatlow, Green, McBride,	Murphy, McPhillips, Taylor, Kidd—16
Bill read a seco	ond time on the follow	ing division:—	
		Yeas:	
16 T		Messieurs	
McInnes, Gilmour, Stables, Oliver, Gifford, Hayward,	Garden, Martin, Munro, Murphy, Helmcken, Prentice,	Dunsmuir, Eberts, Smith, A. W., Ellison, Clifford, Wells,	Prior, Hall, Rogers, Hunter, Dickie, Mounce—24,

NAYS:

Messieurs

Smith, E. C., Hawthornthwaite, Neill,

Fulton, Curtis, Tatlow.

Green. McBride, McPhillips, Taylor, Kidd—11.

To be committed at the next sitting of the House.

The Standing Rules and Orders were suspended, and, on the motion of Mr. Curtis, seconded by Mr. Tatlow, it was Resolved-

That a Return be made forthwith to this House of all reports on the coal mines of the Crow's Nest Coal Company made by Mr. McGregor, Mine Inspector, and Mr. Dick, Mine Inspector, since the first day of January, 1900.

On the second reading of Bill (No. 93) intituled "An Act to aid the Construction of a Railway from Midway to Vernon," a debate arose, which was adjourned until the next sitting of the House.

The Hon. Mr. Wells presented the following papers:—

Copy contract for railroad from Coast to Penticton.

Penticton to Boundary Creek.

Boundary Creek to Robson.

Ordered to be printed.

Resolved, That the House, at its rising, do stand adjourned until 8:30 o'clock P.M., to-day.

And then the House adjourned at 5:55 o'clock, P. M.

# Wednesday, 4th June, 1902.

Half-past Eight o'clock, P.M.

The House proceeded to the Orders of the Day, after "Questions."

Mr. Kidd asked the Hon. the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works the following questions:-

1. What is the estimated cost of the reconstruction of the North Arm bridges at Eburne?

2. What is the estimated cost of the steel draw-spans and the masonry piers for the same in the said bridges?

The Hon. Mr. Wells replied as follows:—

"1. \$65,000—approximate cost.

"2. \$27,500

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the second reading of Bill (No. 93) intituled "An Act to aid the Construction of a Railway from Midway to Vernon."

Mr. McBride moved in amendment, seconded by Mr. Curtis,—

To strike out all the words after "That" and to insert in lieu thereof: "it is not advisable to pass any Bill providing for aid, leaving it to the Government to enter into the agreements with the railway companies without submission to the House for ratification; and that the Bill should be one confirming agreements for immediate construction, and thereby prove to the country that the railways are to be immediately constructed—not the passage of a measure that means no railway construction in the immediate future;

"Also, that the Bill (No. 93) should have at least made provision for the contract being made with such company or firm as would first put up the requisite security, guaranteeing the earliest construction of the railway, and that no contract should be entered into by the Government until such security were given."

Mr. McPhillips moved the adjournment of the debate, which was negatived.

Question proposed—"Shall the words proposed to be struck out stand part of the question?" and Resolved in the affirmative on the following division:—

### $Y_{\rm EAS}$ :

### Messieurs

McInnes, Dunsmuir,
Gilmour, Eberts,
Stables, Smith, A. W.,
Helmcken, Ellison,

Wells, Prior, Hall,

Rogers, Hunter, Mounce—14.

NAYS:

Messieurs

Smith, E. C., Hawthornthwaite, Curtis,  $Tatlow, \\ Green,$ 

 $McBride, \\ McPhillips,$ 

Taylor, Kidd—9.

Bill read a second time on the same division. To be committed to-morrow.

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

And then the House adjourned at 11:20 o'clock, P. M.

# Thursday, 5th June, 1902.

Two o'clock, P. M.

The House proceeded to the Orders of the Day, after "Questions."

Mr. Curtis asked the Government the following question:—What land acreage is assessed and taxed by the Province?

The Hon. Mr. *Prentice* replied as follows:—"2,941,330 acres, exclusive of town lots."

Mr. Curtis asked the Government the following questions:—

1. Does the Auditor, Mr. Goepel, make any report or reports during or at the end of the fiscal year respecting the offices visited by him, and giving the results of his examinations?

2. If so, is it the intention of the Government to submit same to the House?

The Hon. Mr. Prentice replied as follows:—

"1. The Inspector of Offices, Mr. Goepel, makes periodical reports during the fiscal year. '2. No."

Mr. Fulton asked the Hon. the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works the following questions:—

1. What are the terms of the agreement with the Western Pulp and Lumber Company, Limited, dated 14th May, 1902, providing for a reserve of 130 square miles on the North Thompson River and its tributaries?

2. What is the authorised capital of said Company?

3. Who are the Directors of said Company?

- 4. Who are the President and Secretary of said Company?
- 5. Is the Government aware whether any of the said lands reserved for said Company are agricultural or meadow lands, and suitable for settlement?

The Hon. Mr. Wells replied as follows:—

"1. The terms of the agreement are the same as appear in a Return to an Order of the House, dated 8th April, 1902."

"2. \$10,000, with power to increase.

"3. Geo. D. Scott, Robert Kelly, Robert Martin, Thos. E. Atkins and W. J. Taaffe.

"4. Thos. E. Atkins, President; Geo. D. Scott, Secretary.

"5. No."

Order called for the consideration of the Report on Bill (No. 68) intituled "An Act respecting Deception in Procuring Workmen or Employees, and the adjourned debate on the amendment moved by Mr. *Hunter* on the 28th May, as follows:—

To add the following to section 2:-

"2. (a.) It shall be unlawful for any person, society, association or organisation of any kind, existing or doing business in this Province, by himself or itself, or by his agent or its agent or attorney, to induce, influence or persuade a workman not to change from one place to another in this Province, or to induce, influence or persuade a workman of any calling or class to keep away from this Province, through or by means of deceptive representations, false advertising or false pretences concerning the kind and character of the work to be done, or amount and character of the compensation to be paid for such work, or the sanitary or other conditions of the employment, or as to the existence or non-existence of a strike or other trouble then pending between employer or employees."

The proposed amendment was withdrawn.

Mr. Curtis moved to strike out of section 2 the words "society, association or organisation of any kind," in lines one and two; also, the words "or itself," and the words "or its agent," all in line three.

Carried.

Mr. Curtis moved to strike out of section 3 the words "society, association or organisation," in lines eight and nine.

Carried.

Mr. Hunter moved to add the following new sections:--

"4. It shall be unlawful for any person doing business in this Province, by himself or by his agent or attorney, to induce, influence or persuade a workman not to change from one place to another in this Province, or to induce, influence or persuade a workman of any calling or class to keep away from this Province, through or by means of deceptive representations, false advertising or false pretences: (a) concerning the kind and character of the work to be done, or amount and character of the compensation to be paid for such work, or the sanitary or other conditions of the employment, or (b) as to the existence or non-existence of a strike or other trouble then pending between employer and employees.

"5. Any employer of this Province who has sustained any damages, by reason of any of the things prohibited in section 4 of this Act, shall have a right of action for the recovery of such damages sustained in consequence of the false or deceptive representations, false advertising and false pretences used to induce such workman not to change or to change his

place of employment, against any person directly or indirectly causing such damages."

Carried.

Report, as amended, to be considered at the next sitting of the House.

Bill (No. 67) intituled "An Act further to amend the 'Legal Professions Act' was again committed.

Reported complete with amendments.

Report to be considered at the next sitting of the House.

Bill (No. 69) intituled "An Act further to amend the 'Provincial Elections Act,'" was again committed.

Progress reported.

Committee to sit again this evening.

Resolved, That the House, at its rising, do stand adjourned until 8:30 o'clock P.M., to-day.

The Hon. Mr. *Prior* presented a Return of all reports on the coal mines of the Crow's Nest Coal Company made by Mr. *McGregor*, Mine Inspector, and Mr. *Dick*, Mine Inspector, since the 9th day of November, 1898.

Ordered to be printed.

And then the House adjourned at 6 o'clock P. M.

# Thursday, 5th June, 1902.

HALF-PAST EIGHT O'CLOCK, P. M.

The report on Bill (No. 68) intituled "An Act respecting Deception in procuring Workmen or Employees" was further considered.

Report adopted.

Bill read a third time and passed.

The report on Bill (No. 67) intituled "An Act further to amend the 'Legal Professions Act,'" was considered.

Mr. Kidd moved to add the following as a new section:—

"10. Section 100 of chapter 24 of the Revised Statutes of British Columbia, as enacted by the 'Legal Professions Act further Amendment Act, 1901,' is hereby amended by striking out the word 'month,' in the first line thereof, and inserting in lieu thereof the word 'years.'"

Negatived on the following division:-

#### YEAS:

Gifford, Fulton, Munro,	Green, Helmcken,	$\begin{array}{c} {\it Messieurs} \\ {\it Ellison}, \\ {\it Kidd}, \end{array}$	Rogers, Hunter—9.
		NAYS:	
		Messieurs:	
McInnes, Gilmour, Smith, E. C., Oliver, Hawthornthwaite,	Hayward, Martin, McBride, Murphy,	Dunsmuir, Eberts, Smith, A. W., Clifford,	Wells, Prior, Hall, Dickie—17.
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$Fulton, \ Green,$	$McPhillips,\ Helmcken,$	$Ellison,\ Kidd,$	Hunter—-7.

### NAYS:

#### Messieurs

Hawthornthwaite, Dunsmuir, Hall, McInnes, Martin. Eberts, Rogers. Gilmour, Smith, A. W., Dickie-18. Curtis, Stables, Smith, E. C., McBride, Clifford, Oliver, Murphy, Prior.

The further consideration of the report was adjourned.

Bill (No 69) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Provincial Elections Act'" was again committed.

Progress reported.

Committee to sit again to-morrow.

Bill (No. 73) intituled "An Act to amend the "Highway Traffic Regulation Act.'" was committed.

Reported complete without amendment.

Report to be considered to-morrow.

Bill (No. 74) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals Incorporation Act'" was committed.

Progress reported.

Committee to sit again to-morrow.

Bill (No. 82) intituled "An Act to encourage the manufacture of Steel Rails in Canada" was committed.

Reported complete with amendments.

Report to be considered to-morrow.

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 11:35 o'clock, P. M.

# Friday, 6th June, 1902.

HALF-PAST TEN O'CLOCK, A. M.

The House proceeded to the Orders of the Day.

The House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole to consider the Message of His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor transmitting Bill (No. 91) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Assessment Act.'"

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

Resolved, That the Committee rise and report to the House, recommending the introduction of Bill (No. 91) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Assessment Act."

Mr. Hunter, Chairman of the Committee, reported the Resolution and the Bill.

Report adopted.

Bill introduced and read a first time.

Second reading at the next sitting of the House.

The Hon. Mr. Prior moved "That Bill (No. 94) intituled 'An Act to aid the Construction of a Railway from Kitimaat Inlet to Hazelton,' be read a second time now."

A debate arose.

The House took a recess from one o'clock to 2:30 P.M.

HALF-PAST Two O'CLOCK, P.M.

Debate resumed.

Mr. McBride moved in amendment, seconded by Mr. Green,--

To strike out all the words after "That" and to insert in lieu thereof: "it is not advisable to pass any Bill providing for aid, leaving it to the Government to enter into the agreement with the railway company without submission to the House for ratification; and that the Bill should be one confirming an agreement for immediate construction, and thereby prove to the country that the railway is to be immediately constructed—not the passage of a measure that means no railway construction in the immediate future;

"Also, that the Bill (No. 94) should have at least made provision for the contract being made with such company or firm as would first put up the requisite security, guaranteeing the earliest construction of the railway, and that no contract should be entered into by the

Government until such security were given."

Mr. Speaker Pooley ruled the amendment out of order, the same motion having been moved as an amendment on the second reading of Bill (No. 93) intituled "An Act to aid the Construction of a Railway from Midway to Vernon," on the 4th June, instant, and the House having expressed its opinion thereon. May, 10th ed., page 286. E. H. 214, page 287.

Bill read a second time on the following division:-

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	messieurs	
Helmcken,	Ellison,	Hall,
Prentice,	Clifford,	Rogers,
Dunsmuir,	Wells,	Hunter,
Eberts,	Prior,	Dickie-18.
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### Messieurs

Smith, E. C.,	Garden,	Tatlow,	McPhillips,
Oliver,	Fulton,	Green,	Taylor,
Hawthornthwaite,	Curtis,	McBride,	Kidd-15.
Gifford,	Munro,	Murphy,	

To be committed at the next sitting of the House.

Bill (No. 64) intituled "An Act to regulate Immigration into British Columbia," was read a second time and committed.

Reported complete with amendments.

Report adopted.

McInnes, Gilmour, Stables, Hayward, Martin,

Bill read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 62) intituled "An Act to secure payment of Wages for labour performed in the Construction of Public Works," was read a second time.

To be committed at the next sitting of the House.

Mr. Hall presented a report from the Public Accounts Committee, referring to the accounts in connection with the Government Building erected at Princeton, B. C., last year.

Mr. Speaker Pooley ruled the report out of order, on the ground that it recommended the expenditure of public money.

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

By The Hon. Mr. *Eberts*—Bill (No. 98) intituled "An Act to regulate the Employment of Labour upon Subsidised Works."

By Mr. Martin—Bill (No. 99) intituled "An Act to provide for Trial by Jury in Cases under the 'Mineral Act.'"

By Mr. Kidd—Bill (No. 100) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Arbitration Act."

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 o'clock, P.M.

# Friday, 6th June, 1902.

HALF-PAST EIGHT O'CLOCK, P.M.

The House proceeded to the Orders of the Day, after "Questions."

Mr. Taylor asked the Hon. the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works the following question:—

Why does the Government still continue to pay a rate of wages of \$2.50 a day to the labourers on Government roads and trails in portions of the Revelstoke Riding, when a Return brought down to this House on 5th May, 1902, shows that the current rate of wages per day for labourers is \$3?

The Hon. Mr. Wells replied as follows:-

"The Government understands that \$2.50 per day is the current rate of wages in Revelstoke Riding."

Bill (No. 91) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Assessment Act'" was read a second time.

Ordered to be committed to-morrow.

The House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole to consider the Message of His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor transmitting Bill (No. 87) intituled 'An Act to amend the 'Columbia and Western Railway Subsidy Act, 1896.'"

(IN THE COMMITTEE).

The Hon. Mr. Wells moved, seconded by the Hon. Mr. Prentice,—

That the Committee rise and report to the House, recommending the introduction of Bill (No. 87) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Columbia and Western Railway Subsidy Act, 1896.'"

Mr. Hunter, Chairman of the Committee, reported progress and asked leave to sit again. Leave granted for the next sitting of the House.

The House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole to consider the Message of His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor transmitting Bill (No. 92) intituled "An Act to amend the British Columbia Fisheries Act, 1901."

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

Resolved, That the Committee rise and report to the House recommending the introduction of Bill (No. 92) intituled "An Act to amend the 'British Columbia Fisheries Act, 1901."

Mr. Hunter, Chairman of the Committee, reported the Resolution and the Bill.

Report adopted.

Bill introduced and read a first time. To be read a second time to-morrow.

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 10:50 o'clock, P. M.

# Saturday, 7th June, 1902.

HALF-PAST TEN O'CLOCK, A. M.

The House proceeded to the Orders of the Day, after "Questions."

Bill (No. 39) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Coal Mines Act'" was again committed. Progress reported.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting of the House.

Bill (No. 91) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Assessment Act," was committed. Reported complete without amendment.

Report to be considered at the next sitting of the House.

Bill (No. 85A) intituled "An Act to aid the Construction of a Railway from Victoria to Yellowhead Pass" was committed.

Progress reported.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting of the House.

The House took a recess from 1 o'clock to 2:30 p. m.

HALF-PAST TWO O'CLOCK, P. M.

Bill (No. 85A) intituled "An Act to aid the Construction of a Railway from Victoria to Yellowhead Pass," was again committed.

Progress reported.

Committee to sit again on Monday next.

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

And then the House adjourned at 5:45 o'clock, P. M.