Wednesday, March 19th, 1930.

HALF-PAST TEN O'CLOCK A.M.

Prayers by Mr. Speaker.

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

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

Bill (No. 42) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Hospital Act."

Bill (No. 37) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Succession Duty Act.'"

Bill (No. 39) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Civil Service Act,"

The report on Bill (No. 41) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Village Municipalities Act'" was adopted.

Bill read a third time and passed.

On the consideration of the report on Bill (No. 44) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Fisheries Act," the Hon. Mr. *Howe* moved "That the report be adopted."

Mr. Hanna moved in amendment as follows :---

That all the words of the motion after the first word "That" be struck out, and the following substituted therefor: "this report be considered this day six months hence."

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

		Messieurs	
Mackenzie, R.	Kirk	Howe	Schofield
Rutledge	Beatty	Shelly	Kennedy
Fitzsimmons	Spencer	Tolmie	Bruhn
Carson	Walkem	Pooley	Burden
Cornett	Peck	Hinchliffe	Atkinson
Kingston	Hayward	Michell	Lougheed
Berry	Twigg	MacNaughton	McKenzie, W. A.
Borden	Maitland	Manson, M.	
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Hanna	Gray	Sutherland	Buckham
MacPherson	Kergin	Pattullo	
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Report adopted on the same division.

Bill read a third time on the same division.

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The House resumed the adjourned debate on the motion moved by Mr. *Fitzsimmons* on 18th instant relating to the appointment of a Royal Commission with reference to the relations between the Province and the University of British Columbia and the University Endowment Lands.

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

The Hon. Mr. Longheed presented a Return in answer to the following question standing on the Order Paper in the name of Mr. MacPherson:—

What amount has been spent in removing snow in each electoral district since October 1st, 1928?

The Hon. Mr. *Lougheed* presented a Return in answer to the following questions standing on the Order Paper in the name of Mr. *Buckham:*---

1. What moneys were spent on roads and bridges on Lasqueti Island during the fiscal year 1929 and 1930 to date?

2. What were the dates of payment and the names of respective parties to whom the moneys were paid, and the amounts paid in each case?

3. What was the work or works on which the money was spent in each case?

The Hon. Mr. *Loughced* presented a Return in answer to the following questions standing on the Order Paper in the name of Mr. *Pearson:*—

1. What amount has been spent on (a) roads and (b) bridges in each electoral district since April 1st, 1929?

2. What amount remains unexpended for (a) roads and (b) bridges in the allotment for each electoral district?

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

And then the House adjourned at 12.27 p.m.

Wednesday, March 19th, 1930.

HALF-PAST TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Mr. Lister presented the Fourth Report of the Select Standing Committee on Agriculture, as follows:---

REPORT NO. 4.

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE ROOM, March 19th, 1930.

MR. SPEAKER:

Your Committee have heard requests from the Committee of Adjustment under the "Dairy Products Sales Adjustment Act" for some minor and technical amendments to the said Act. Evidence was also heard opposing said amendments, but your Committee recommend the amendments as requested by the Committee of Adjustment for the consideration of this House, as it appears that in order to give the Act a fair trial they are necessary.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

FRED LISTER, Chairman.

The report was read and received.

The Rules were suspended and the report adopted.

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the motion moved by Mr. *Fitzsimmons* on 18th instant, as follows :----

Whereas Mr. A. M. Manson has made a statement in this House to the effect that it was never the intention of the late Government to charge the cost of the buildings of the University of British Columbia against the University Endowment Lands at Point Grey:

And whereas in the Victoria *Daily Times*, issued on Tuesday, February 25th, 1930, Dr. R. E. McKechnie, Chancellor of the University of British Columbia, is reported to have said: "A good

many years ago, the Government set aside lands in various parts of the Province, the intention being that out of the sale of these lands costs of additional development would be defrayed.

"Afterwards, about twenty years ago, it was decided to set aside an area in Point Grey instead of scattering the parcels of land throughout the Province.

"Now, we never dreamed at any time that the cost of operating the University and completing the building scheme was to come out of the money ultimately realized by the sale of these lands.

"The most we ever hoped for was that it would meet the capital cost on the hospital buildings. It would be ridiculous to imagine it would accomplish more than that.

"The Provincial Government must be ready to do its duty in this matter. There is no use in its attempting to sidestep the responsibility it owes the people of the Province.

"It is up to the Government to complete this scheme and to provide the money for the University's operating costs out of the public funds. We have always looked to it to do this. Right now we need at least \$1,500,000":

And whereas in the Victoria *Daily Times* issued on Wednesday, November 8th, 1922, the Hon. John Oliver, who was Premier of British Columbia at that time, is reported to have said: "The Government caucus held last night was favourable to the early commencement of construction of University buildings at Point Grey.

"One of the first items will be completion of the steel and concrete building now partially erected. Plans for additional buildings will be prepared.

"A part of the Point Grey lands with which the University has been endowed will be surveyed into home-sites and placed on the market for sale at an upset price, it being the intent that while moneys immediately required for the construction of buildings will be borrowed on the credit of the Province, that the sale of these lands shall not be unduly delayed, and the proceeds of the sale will be utilized for the purpose of recouping the Provincial Treasury for the moneys advanced.

"It is expected that a sum amply sufficient for the construction of the University buildings will be easily obtained from a sale of a portion of the lands, leaving the balance of the lands available for sale at any time, the proceeds of such sale being available for endowment purposes and yielding a considerable sum for maintenance purposes.

"Two points were very clearly emphasized at the caucus meeting: one being that construction of University buildings must be carried at the cost of the lands with which the University has been endowed, and the other was that there must be no increased drain on the Provincial Treasury for maintenance purposes":

Therefore be it Resolved. That a humble petition be presented to His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, praying that he cause a full and complete inquiry to be made, either by a Royal Commission or by some other means that may seem to him to be advisable, into all the relations, both financial and otherwise, existing between the Province of British Columbia and the University of British Columbia and the University Endowment Lands.

Motion agreed to.

Bill (No. 70) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Land Registry Act'" was read a second time and committed.

Reported complete without amendment.

Report adopted.

Bill read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 71) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Administration Act'" was read a second time and committed.

Reported complete without amendment.

Report adopted.

Bill read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 73) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Sumas Drainage, Dyking, and Development District Act'" was read a second time and committed.

Reported complete without amendment.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 50) intituled "An Act relating to the Corporation of the City of Victoria" was committed.

Reported complete with amendments.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

To insert the following as section 15 and renumber following sections:-

"15. Subsection (146a) of section 163 of said chapter 55 is amended by deleting the words 'defining and ' from the first line thereof."

The amendment was negatived.

Report adopted. Bill read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 49) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Pacific Great Eastern Construction Loan Act, 1928'" was committed.

Reported complete without amendment.

Report adopted.

Bill read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 48) intituled "An Act to amend the 'British Columbia Loan Act, 1929'" was committed.

Reported complete without amendment.

Report adopted.

Bill read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 60) intituled "An Act to amend the 'British Columbia Loan (Consolidated Revenue) Act, 1929'" was committed.

Reported complete without amendment.

Report adopted.

Bill read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 68) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Municipal Act'" was committed. Reported complete without amendment. Report adopted.

Bill read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 72) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Evidence Act'" was committed.Reported complete without amendment.Report adopted.Bill read a third time and passed

Bill read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 18) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Public Schools Act'" was committed. Reported complete with amendments.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 61) intituled "An Act to amend the 'British Columbia Loan Act, 1928'" was committed.

Reported complete without amendment. Report adopted. Bill read a third time and passed.

J. A. MACDONALD,

Administrator.

The Administrator transmits herewith amendments to the Supplementary Estimates of Expenditure for the Fiscal Year ending 31st March, 1930, enclosed herewith, and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House, March 15th, 1930.

(ENCLOSURE,)

Amendments to Supplementary Estimates of Expenditure for the Fiscal Year ending 31st March, 1930.

Page A 108. Vote 69—" Constitutional Litigation, etc.": Amend by striking out the figures "10,000.00," and substitute therefor the figures "15,000.00."

Page A 109. Under Department of Public Works: Add the following votes:-

Main Estimates and Special War- rants, Fiscal Year 1929–30,	No. of Vote.	Service.	Fiscal Year 1929–30.
\$12,170.00	160.	Minister's Office-Expenses	\$1,000.00
278,618.00	161.	Administration-Salaries and expenses	25,000.00
10.000.00	165.	Local Roads within Organized Territory	14.500.00

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

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

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

J. A. MACDONALD,

Administrator.

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

Government House,

March 18th, 1930.

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. 69) initialed "An Act to amend the 'Taxation Act,' " a draft of which is annexed to this Resolution.

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

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

Whereas Mr. Horace Cooper Wrinch, the honourable member for Skeena, has been unavoidably absent from attendance for a portion of this present Session:

Therefore be it Resolved, That the Clerk of the House be directed to pay the full Sessional indemnity to the said Mr. *Horace Cooper Wrinch* as if he had been present during each and every day of the Session.

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

Whereas Mr. John Walter Berry, the honourable member for Delta, has been absent from attendance for a portion of this present Session owing to disability from an accident:

Therefore be it Resolved, That the Clerk of the House be directed to pay the full Sessional indemnity to the said Mr. John Walter Berry as if he had been present during each and every day of the Session.

Mr. Speaker delivered his reserved decision on the point of order raised by Mr. A. M. Manson on the 18th instant, with reference to Bill (No. 67) intituled "An Act respecting Chiropractors and Drugless Practitioners," as follows:---

VICTORIA, 19th March, 1930.

On the 18th instant the fourth member for Victoria asked leave to introduce Bill (No. 67) intituled "An Act respecting Chiropractors and Drugless Practitioners" (hereinafter referred to as "Public Bill No. 67"). The member for Omineca rose to a point of order on the main ground that the proposed Bill was similar in many respects to a Private Bill (No. 54) intituled "An Act respecting the Practice of Drugless Physicians" (hereinafter referred to as the "Private Bill No. 54"), which had been reported upon adversely by the Select Standing Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills, whereupon I reserved my decision.

" Report No. 6.

"LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE ROOM, February 21st, 1930.

" MR. SPEAKER:

"Your Select Standing Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills begs leave to report as follows:— $~_{\circ}$

"That the preamble of the undermentioned Bill has not been proved.

"That the petitioners did not present any evidence that would enable your Committee to form any opinion as to the desirability of granting the prayer of the said petition.

"Bill (No. 54) intituled 'An Act respecting the Practice of Drugless Physicians.'

"Your Committee recommends that the Bill be not allowed to proceed.

"C. F. DAVIE, Chairman."

And that on February 27th such report was adopted by the House.

Upon perusal of both Bills it appears that while the Public Bill No. 67 proposes to deal in a somewhat different way with the practice of what are there called drugless practitioners than what was contemplated in the Private Bill No. 54, and also provides for chiropractors, it does at the same time purport to legislate for the same class of persons which the said Private Bill No. 54 was intended to affect.

With reference to the general principle affecting this question, I can do no better than to quote the rule as laid down in *May*, 13th edition, page 292:—

" It is the rule in both Houses which is essential to the due performance of their duties that no question or Bill shall be offered that is substantially the same as one on which their judgment has already been expressed in the current session."

For examples of this see May, 13th edition, pages 295 and 667; *Bourinot*, pages 328, 329, and 330, where, after treating of examples of evasions of the rule, it is stated, "such motions, however, must be very carefully considered in order to guard against the palpable violation of a wholesome rule."

It is laid down in May, 13th edition, on page 667, that "a Bill begun as a Private Bill cannot be taken up and proceeded with as a Public Bill."

And see the decision of Mr. Speaker Higgins, Speakers' Decisions, page 35.

Adverting to the general principle that the same question cannot be proposed twice during the same Session, there have been many decisions of Speakers of this House. See decision of Mr. Speaker Williams, Speakers' Decisions, page 95, where he ruled a Bill out of order on the ground that the House had already expressed its opinion on the subject during the then present Session. See also his decision (same page) upon a motion. Also the decision of Mr. Speaker Mara, pages 96 and 100; Mr. Speaker Higgins, pages 96 and 99; Mr. Speaker Pooley, pages 97 and 101; Mr. Speaker Booth, page 98. Also Rule 47 (Rules and Orders).

There is no doubt that in many respects the proposed Public Bill No. 67 is substantially the same as the Private Bill No. 54 in respect of which the judgment of the House has already been expressed this Session.

In these circumstances and in view of the authorities above mentioned, I am of opinion that the proposed Public Bill No. 67 is not in order and should not be allowed to proceed, and I so rule.

The following papers were presented :---

By the Hon, Mr. Tolmie-

Report of Helliwell, Maclachlan & Co. upon Investigation and Audit of Provincial Accounts as at August 31st, 1928.

By the Hon. Mr. Shelly-

Pacific Great Eastern Railway Company's Statement of Accounts as at December 31st, 1929. To lie upon the table.

Mr. Kergin asked the Hon. the Minister of Lands the following questions:-

1. Did the Forest Branch hire a launch during the fire season of 1929 from one R. T. Deane, Riondel?

2. On what basis was launch hired?

3. What was total sum paid to said R. T. Deane for wages and launch-hire, and over what period?

4. Was said launch wrecked?

5. If so, who was in charge of launch when the accident happened?

6. Did the Department recompense Mr. Deane for the loss of his launch?

7. If so, when, and in what amount?

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

"1. Yes.

"2. First on a trip basis and later under charter.

"3. \$207; July 20th to August 23rd.

"4. Yes.

"5. H. G. Brown, engineer.

"6. Yes.

"7. October 26th; \$533."

Mr. Carson asked the Hon, the Attorney-General the following questions:-

1. Were any convictions recorded against one Dan Hurley, Lillooet, at the time of his appointment If yes, how many and under what Acts?

2. Was a petition received by the Government asking for the appointment of one J. Carmichael?

3. Was said Carmichael a returned soldier?

4. From what person was the Liquor Store rented and what was the rent paid to him?

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

"1. Yes; under 'Game Act' and 'Liquor Act.'

"2. Yes.

"3. Yes.

"4. Liquor Store leased from Daniel Hurley and George Prosser for five years from August 15th, 1921, at \$35 per month; from Daniel Hurley for two years from August 15th, 1926, at \$35 per month; rented on a monthly basis from Daniel Hurley from August 15th, 1928, to April 15th, 1929, at \$35 per month. Board leased new premises from Paul and Eugenio Santini, three years from April 15th, 1929, at \$35 per month."

Mr. I. A. Mackenzie asked the Hon. the Minister of Lands the following questions :---

1. How many parcels and what amount of acreage in the South Okanagan Irrigation Project were sold during 1929?

2. What was total sale price, the average price per acre, and terms and conditions of sale?

3. Are any water charges in this project outstanding, and how much?

4. How many town lots at Oliver were sold during 1929?

5. What was total sale price and terms and conditions of sale?

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

"1. 109 parcels; 1,585.31 acres.

"2. \$70,463.35; average over all classes of acreage, \$44 per acre; irrigable acreage, \$60 per acre; 20 per cent. cash, 6 per cent. interest on unpaid balance. If agreement not completed

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by end of tenth year, accrued interest will be funded and added to balance of principal owing; combined total then to be paid in ten equal annual serial payments. For British Columbia returned soldiers terms are 10 per cent. cash and \$500 rebate where the purchase price is not less than \$1,000; otherwise terms and conditions similar.

"3. Yes; \$12,342.60.

"4. One.

"5. \$1,000; paid in full."

Mr. I. A. Mackenzie asked the Hon. the Minister of Lands the following questions:-

1. Was one E. L. Knott employed in connection with the investigation into the University Endowment Lands?

2. If so, in what capacity, and on whose recommendation?

3. How long was said E. L. Knott employed?

4. What was the total of his remuneration?

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

"1. Yes.

"2. With his car to bring to the office former employees and witnesses. He was not recommended by any one for this work.

"3. Six days and work in connection with taking photographs.

"4. \$66.60."

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

1. What was the total mileage of roads constructed by day-labour during 1929?

2. What was the average cost per yard of each class of material moved?

3. What was the total cost per mile of such road-construction?

4. What was the total road mileage, exclusive of trails, in the Province on August 28th, 1928?

5. What was the total road mileage, exclusive of trails, in the Province on December 31st, 1929?

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

"1. 537.41 miles.

"2. The following figures represent arithmetical averages only, and are therefore meaningless: Earth, 53 cents; hard-pan, 70 cents; gravel, 68 cents; loose rock, 84 cents; solid rock, \$1.71.

"3. No intelligent answer can be given to this question as the type of construction ranged from high-class concrete pavement to farm and settlement roads.

"4. 17,650.53 miles.

"5. 18,248.98 miles."

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 6.30 p.m.

Wednesday, March 19th, 1930.

HALF-PAST EIGHT O'CLOCK P.M.

On the motion of Mr. Carson, seconded by Mr. Berry, it was Resolved,-

That this House do forthwith resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole for the purpose of considering the following Resolution:—

"That it is advisable, in the opinion of this Committee, that the 'Dairy Products Sales Adjustment Act' be amended, and that a Bill be brought in giving effect to this Resolution, and that Mr. Lister do prepare and bring in the said Bill."

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

Resolved, That it is advisable, in the opinion of this Committee, that the 'Dairy Products Sales Adjustment Act' be amended, and that a Bill be brought in giving effect to this Resolution, and that Mr. Lister do prepare and bring in the said Bill."

Resolution reported. Report adopted.

On the second reading of Bill (No. 69) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Taxation Act'" a debate arose, which was, on the motion of Mr. *Pattullo*, adjourned to the next sitting.

Bill (No. 35) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Interpretation Act'" was committed. Reported complete without amendment. Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 30) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Medical Act'" was committed. Progress reported.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

On the Order being called for Committee of the Whole on Bill (No. 17) initialed "An Act to amend the 'Attachment of Debts Act," Mr. Speaker made the following statement:—

On the 4th instant Mr. *Twigg*, as Chairman of the Committee of the Whole on Bill (No. 17) initialed "An Act to amend the 'Attachment of Debts Act,'" reported to me that Mr. *Mac-Pherson* had moved the following amendment:---

To insert the following as section 3 and renumber following section :----

"3. Said chapter 17 is amended by adding thereto the following as sections 23 and 24:----

"'(23.) The Government of British Columbia may be garnisheed under the provisions of this Act with regard to moneys due or accruing due to persons employed or paid by the Government of British Columbia.

" (24.) Such garnishee process shall be served upon the Minister of Finance, Deputy Minister of Finance, or the Chairman or Secretary of any Board or Commission forming a department of Government as may be appropriate in the circumstances."

That he, the Chairman, had ruled the amendment out of order as tending to interfere with the administration of the revenue of the Crown, and as therefore not competent for a private member to move without the consent of the Government, and that from this ruling Mr. A. M. Manson had appealed.

The question for the decision of the House is, "Shall the ruling of the Chairman of the Committee be sustained?"

On the question being put, it was Resolved in the affirmative.

Bill (No. 17) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Attachment of Debts Act'" was again committed.

Reported complete without amendment.

Report adopted.

Bill read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 38) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Noxious Weeds Act'" was committed. Reported complete with amendment.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 4) initialed "An Act to provide for the Licensing of Real-estate Agents and Real-estate Salesmen" was committed.

Progress reported.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 51) intituled "An Act respecting The London and Western Trusts Company, Limited, and The Standard Trusts Company" was again committed.

Reported complete with amendments.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

The report on Bill (No. 73) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Sumas Drainage, Dyking, and Development District Act'" was adopted.

Third reading at the next sitting.

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

And then the House adjourned at 11.30 p.m.

Thursday, March 20th, 1930.

HALF-PAST TEN O'CLOCK A.M.

Prayers by Mr. Speaker.

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

J. A. MACDONALD,

Administrator.

The Administrator transmits herewith a Bill intituled "An Act to provide for the Imposition and Collection of a Tax on Fuel-oil," and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,

March 19th, 1930.

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. 78) intituled "An Act to provide for the Imposition and Collection of a Tax on Fuel-oil," a draft of which is annexed to this Resolution.

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

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the second reading of Bill (No. 69) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Taxation Act.'"

Bill read a second time.

To be committed at the next sitting.

On the second reading of Bill (No. 47) intituled "An Act to borrow the Sum of Nine million seven hundred and forty thousand Dollars for the Purposes therein specified" a debate arose, which was, on the motion of Mr. *Kergin*, adjourned to the next sitting.

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. *Hinchliffe*, the Order for the consideration of the report on Bill (No. 18) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Public Schools Act'" was discharged, and the Bill recommitted.

Reported complete with amendments. Report to be considered at the next sitting. Mr. Carson asked the Hon. the Minister of Lands the following questions :---

1. What was the cost of maintaining the Southern Okanagan Development Area in 1928?

2. What revenue was received from the Southern Okanagan Development Area in 1928?

3. What was the condition of the fruit-trees in the Southern Okanagan Development Area at the date of sale to G. W. Ward?

4. Was any improvement in the economic position of the Southern Okanagan Development Area anticipated at the date of this sale?

5. What was the loss to the Government on the development area during 1928?

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

"1. \$11,762.24.

"2. \$531.

"3. Fair.

"4. No immediate prospect of returns equalling proper ratio of cost.

"5. \$11,231."

Mr. Sutherland asked the Hon, the Minister of Lands the following questions:-

1. What was the cost of planting and cultivating the Government Development Area on the South Okanagan Project from inception to date of sale?

2. When was development-work started?

3. When was it estimated that trees would bear a crop?

4. On what date was area sold; on what terms; at what price; and to whom?

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

"1. Planting, \$43,122.40; cultivating, \$57,792.70.

"2. March 23rd, 1922.

"3. 1928 and 1929.

"4. October 9th, 1929. Terms made in 1925 are as follows: 20 per cent. of the purchase price to be paid at the time of sale. Interest on the unpaid balance of the purchase price to be charged at the rate of 6 per cent. per annum. No interest will be collected for the first two years after date of sale, but the same will accrue. After the first two years and for the succeeding three years half the interest accruing shall be payable annually. The full rate of 6 per cent. interest will be payable from the end of the fifth year annually to the end of the tenth year. At the end of the tenth year the accrued interest will be funded and added to the balance of the principal remaining unpaid. The said balance of principal and funded interest, together with interest at 6 per cent., shall be payable in ten equal annual serial payments. Upon fulfilment of all the aforementioned terms, title to the lands will be issued to the purchaser. \$37,954; George Washington Ward."

Mr. Pattullo asked the Hon. the Minister of Lands the following questions :---

1. On what dates were lands in the Oliver Project revalued?

2. By whom were revaluations made?

3. Have some areas been revalued more than once since August 20th, 1928?

4. What was the valuation of Oliver Project lands at August 20th, 1928?

5. What was total valuation of said lands at December 31st, 1929?

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

"1. Revaluations approved August 7th, 1925; February 23rd, 1926; April 2nd and 23rd, 1929; and August 19th, 1929; also January 30th, 1930.

"2. General 25 per cent. reduction by Minister of Lands in 1925; certain lots again revalued in 1926 and revaluation carried out by R. T. Penrose, supervised by W. H. Gaddes, 1929-30.

"3. No; but a few corrections have been made in the April list.

"4. Value of the portion of the project surveyed and offered for sale, both sold and unsold lots, originally placed at \$867,570.70.

"5. \$409,034.26 at January 30th, 1930, on revaluation."

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

And then the House adjourned at 12.28 p.m.

Thursday, March 20th, 1930.

HALF-PAST TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. *Pooley*, Bill (No. 77) initialed "An Act to amend the 'Police and Prisons Regulation Act'" was introduced, read a first time, and *Ordered* to be read a second time at the next sitting.

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. *Pooley*, Bill (No. 81) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Summary Convictions Act'" was introduced, read a first time, and *Ordered* to be read a second time at the next sitting.

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

J. A. MACDONALD,

Administrator.

The Administrator transmits herewith a Bill intituled "An Act to amend certain Acts providing for the Imposition and Collection of a Tax on Gasoline," and recommends the same to the Legislatitve Assembly.

Government House, *

March 19th, 1930.

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

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

Resolved, That the Committee rise and report to the House, recommending the introduction of a Bill (No. 75) intituled "An Act to amend certain Acts providing for the Imposition and Collection of a Tax on Gasoline," a draft of which is annexed to this Resolution.

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

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

J. A. MACDONALD,

Administrator.

The Administrator transmits herewith a Bill intituled "An Act to borrow the Sum of Five million forty-one thousand three hundred Dollars," and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,

March 19th, 1930.

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. 76) intituled "An Act to borrow the Sum of Five million forty-one thousand three hundred Dollars," a draft of which is annexed to this Resolution.

Resolution and Bill reported. Report adopted. Bill introduced and read a first time. Second reading at the next sitting. Pursuant to Order, the House again resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

104. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$480 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Labour, Minister's Office, to 31st March, 1931.

105. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$18,396 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Labour, General Office, to 31st March, 1931.

106. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$5,767 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Labour, Minimum Wage Board, to 31st March, 1931.

107. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$41,966 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Labour, Employment Service, to 31st March, 1931.

108. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$8,288 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Labour, Factories Inspection, to 31st March, 1931.

134. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$13,325 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Mines, Minister's Office, to 31st March, 1931.

135. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$22,058 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Mines, General Office, to 31st March, 1931.

136. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$43,842 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Mines, Mines Inspection Branch, to 31st March, 1931.

137. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$18,930 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Mines, Bureau of Mines, to 31st March, 1931.

138. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$14,130 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Mines, Mine-rescue and Training Stations, to 31st March, 1931.

139. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$8,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Mines, Grants, to 31st March, 1931.

140. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$120,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Mines, "Mines Development Act," Supplementary, to 31st March, 1931.

141. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$49,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Mines, "Mineral Survey and Development Act," Supplementary, to 31st March, 1931.

142. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$2,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Mines, Lectures on Practical Geology and Mineralogy, to 31st March, 1931.

143. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$3,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Mines, Subsidy *re* Explosives to assist *Bona-fide* Mineral Prospectors, to 31st March, 1931.

144. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$11,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Mines, Advertising, Incidentals and Contingencies, to 31st March, 1931.

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

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

J. A. MACDONALD,

Administrator.

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

Government House,

March 20th, 1930.

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

Resolution and Bill reported.

Report adopted.

Bill introduced and read a first time.

Second reading at the next sitting.

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

J. A. MACDONALD,

Administrator.

The Administrator transmits herewith a Bill intituled "An Act respecting the West Nicomen Dyking District," and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House.

March 20th, 1930.

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. 80) intituled "An Act respecting the West Nicomen Dyking District," a draft of which is annexed to this Resolution.

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

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

J. A. MACDONALD,

Administrator.

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

Government House,

March 20th, 1930.

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

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

The Hon. Mr. *Howe* presented the Report of the Royal Commission under the "Public Inquiries Act" to inquire into certain allegations against John L. Barge, of Queen Charlotte City.

The Hon. Mr. Burden presented the Annual Report of the Forest Branch for the Year ended December 31st, 1929.

Mr. Uphill asked the Hon. the Minister of Agriculture the following questions :-

1. At what date did the Live Stock Commissioner send out the advance notices with particulars and date of the contest for boys' and girls' judging-teams at New Westminster, at which entrants for competition at the Royal were to be selected?

2. To whom were such notices sent?

3. Why were none of the clubs notified till October 10th, with less than a week to elapse before the contest was held?

4. What was the standing of the Cranbrook Pig Club in the competitions in East Kootenay?

5. What was the standing of the Jaffray Club in the same?

6. Why were Jaffray Club winners given no opportunity to compete?

7. Who was responsible for this?

8. Why has the East Kootenay branch office of the Live Stock Branch been without an agent since early November?

9. Is East Kootenay being charged with his salary during this long absence?

10. How long is this to continue?

11. Why cannot East Kootenay have an agriculturist who knows something of range and local problems?

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

"1. On October 9th, 1929, notices were sent by telegram to District Agriculturists at Williams Lake, Courtenay, Grand Forks, and Cranbrook; on October 10th to District Agriculturist at Smithers; on October 12th by letter to District Agriculturists at New Westminster and Kamloops.

"2. Answered by No. 1.

"3. Delay was occasioned through awaiting approval of Agricultural Representatives at Winnipeg of Canadian National and Canadian Pacific Railways before interclub competitions could be arranged for New Westminster.

"4. Seventh.

"5. Second.

"6. Federal Representative did not notify Provincial Department of standing of Jaffray Club members until too late for competition at New Westminster.

"7. Answered by No. 6.

"8. Expert knowledge of animal nutrition possessed by District Agriculturist at Cranbrook was urgently needed in other districts of the Province and his services were made available for the winter months.

"9. Salary charged to general vote for District Agriculturists.

"10. Official in question is returning this week to Cranbrook from bull-sale at Kamloops.

"11. Present District Agriculturist has fair knowledge of local problems."

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

1. How much money was spent each month during the summer of 1929 on the portion of the Edgewood-Vernon Road between Edgewood and Kettle River Crossing?

2. How much money was spent each month during the summer of 1929 on road between Edgewood and Needles known as the Lakeshore Road?

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

"1. Edgewood-Vernon Road: May, \$477.05; June, \$515.30.

"2. Edgewood-Needles Road: May, \$681.40; June, \$2,419.54; July, \$2,035.85; August, \$395.80."

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

1. Was one William S. Phillips employed as foreman on road-maintenance work at or about Cascade under the late Liberal Government?

2. If so, how long?

3. Has the said Phillips been employed under the present Administration?

4. If so, how long?

5. Who is now the recognized foreman succeeding Phillips?

6. When was he so appointed?

7. Upon whose recommendation was this appointment made?

The Hon, Mr. Lougheed replied as follows:-

"1. Yes.

"2. Nine and a half years; left the service voluntarily, September, 1928.

"3 and 4. See answer to No. 2.

"5. S. W. Handy.

"6. April, 1929.

"7. General Foreman."

Resolved, That the House, at its rising, do stand adjourned until 9.15 o'clock p.m. to-day.

And then the House adjourned at 5.53 p.m.

Thursday, March 20th, 1930.

QUARTER-PAST NINE O'CLOCK P.M.

On the motion of Mr. *Lister*, Bill (No. 89) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Dairy Products Sales Adjustment Act'" was introduced, read a first time, and *Ordered* to be read a second time at the next sitting.

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

J. A. MACDONALD,

Administrator.

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

Government House,

March 20th, 1930.

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. 82) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Mineral Survey and Development Act,'" a draft of which is annexed to this Resolution.

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

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

J. A. MACDONALD,

Administrator.

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

Government House, March 20th, 1930.

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. 86) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Placer-mining Act,'" a draft of which is annexed to this Resolution.

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

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

J. A. MACDONALD,

Administrator.

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

Government House,

March 20th, 1930.

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

Resolution and Bill reported. Report adopted.

Bill introduced and read a first time.

Second reading at the next sitting.

Administrator.

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

Government House,

March 20th, 1930.

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. 83) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Mines Development Act,'" a draft of which is annexed to this Resolution.

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

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

J. A. MACDONALD,

Administrator.

The Administrator transmits herewith a Bill intituled "An Act creating a Mineral Reserve within the Watershed Area of Greater Vancouver Water District," and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House, March 20th, 1930. 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. 84) intituled "An Act creating a Mineral Reserve within the Watershed Area of Greater Vancouver Water District," a draft of which is annexed to this Resolution.

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

Bill (No. 30) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Medical Act'" was again committed. Reported complete with amendments. Report to be considered at the next sitting.

The House continued to sit after midnight.

FRIDAY, MARCH 21st, 1930.

That this House regrets, a Minister of the Crown having purported to file a Return of an Interim Report and Report made by one A. N. Daykin, a Commissioner appointed to make certain inquiries under the "Departmental Inquiries Act" and of the evidence taken under oath by the said A. N. Daykin, that the said Minister has misled this House by omitting to file the whole of the said evidence taken under oath by him in the course of his inquiry as Commissioner.

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

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

And then the House adjourned at 12.06 a.m.

Friday, March 21st, 1930.

Prayers by Mr. Speaker.

HALF-PAST TEN O'CLOCK A.M.

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the motion moved by Mr. A. M. Manson on February 3rd, as follows:---

That this House regrets, a Minister of the Crown having purported to file a Return of an Interim Report and Report made by one A. N. Daykin, a Commissioner appointed to make certain inquiries under the "Departmental Inquiries Act" and of the evidence taken under oath by the said A. N. Daykin, that the said Minister has misled this House by omitting to file the whole of the said evidence taken under oath by him in the course of his inquiry as Commissioner.

With the leave of the House the motion was withdrawn.

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the motion moved by Mr. Uphill on March 18th, as follows :---

Whereas it is advisable that employees of public utilities should be able to obtain the benefits of the "Superannuation Act":

Be it Resolved, That this House respectfully recommend to the Executive Council that the "Superannuation Act" be amended to provide that the employees of public utilities authorized to carry on business by this Legislature be entitled to demand and obtain the benefits of the "Superannuation Act" of this Province.

The motion was negatived.

On the motion of Mr. Pattullo, seconded by Mr. Sutherland, it was Resolved,-

That an Order of this House be granted for a Return of the names of all Civil Servants who have received increases in salary since January 1st, 1929; showing salary at January 1st, 1929; present salary; amount paid as arrears of increase; length of time in the Service; and duties in each case.

Mr. Pattullo moved, seconded by Mr. Sutherland,-

This House regrets the improvident sale by the Government of accretion of 88.20 acres to Iona Island, situate in the North Arm of the Fraser River, at the price of \$5 per acre.

A debate arose.

The motion was negatived on the following division :---

		YEAS-14.	
		Messieurs	
Uphill	Gillis	Kergin	Pattullo
Hanna	Wrinch	Mackenzie, I. A.	Manson, A. M.
Pearson	Gray	Sutherland	Buckham
MacPherson	Cornett		
		NAYS-27.	
		Messieurs	
Mackenzie, R.	Lister	Howe	Kennedy
Fitzsimmons	Beatty	Shelly	Bruhn
Carson	Walkem	Pooley	Burden
Kingston	Peck	Hinchliffe	Atkinson
Berry	Hayward	MacNaughton	Lougheed
Borden	Twigg	Manson, M.	McKenzie, W. A.
Kirk	Maitland	Schofield	

On the motion of Mr. Borden, seconded by Mr. Lister, it was Resolved,--

Whereas it is desirable to perpetuate the memory of the glorious deeds and sacrifices of the members of His Majesty's Canadian Expeditionary Forces:

Be it therefore Resolved, That this House is of opinion that the Government of the Province of British Columbia seriously consider observance of Armistice Day, November 11th, as the national day of commemoration and thanksgiving, and take all necessary steps to achieve this end; and that a copy of this Resolution be forwarded to the Dominion Government.

On the motion of Mr. Berry, seconded by Mr. Gray, it was Resolved,-

Whereas this Legislature believes that the soldier settlers in British Columbia are a valuable asset to the Province, and that it is most desirable that the said settlers should be able to retain and remain upon the lands they have taken up:

Therefore be it Resolved, That the Government of the Dominion of Canada be petitioned to reduce the payments required from the soldier settlers in British Columbia on account of the lands they have taken up under the Soldier Settlement Board to an amount commensurate with the productive capacity of their respective holdings; and generally to extend to the said settlers the greatest possible measure of relief in regard to the payments due or accruing due to the said Government in respect of the lands held by such settlers.

And be it further Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, praying that a copy of the Resolution hereinbefore set out be transmitted to the Honourable the Secretary of State for Canada, or other proper official at Ottawa, for presentation to His Excellency the Governor-General of Canada.

The report on Bill (No. 35) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Interpretation Act'" was adopted.

Bill read a third time and passed.

The report on Bill (No. 30) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Medical Act'" was adopted. Bill read a third time and passed. Bill (No. 82) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Mineral Survey and Development Act'" was read a second time and committed.

Reported complete without amendment.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 83) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Mines Development Act'" was read a second time and committed.

Reported complete with amendment.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

On the second reading of Bill (No. 84) intituled "An Act creating a Mineral Reserve within the Watershed Area of Greater Vancouver Water District" a debate arose, which was, on the motion of Mr. *Pattullo*, adjourned to the next sitting.

On the second reading of Bill (No. 85) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Mineral Act'" a debate arose, which was, on the motion of Mr. A. M. Manson, adjourned to the next sitting.

Bill (No. 86) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Placer-mining Act'" was read a second time and committed.

Reported complete without amendment.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

On the motion of Mr. *Hayward*, the Order for consideration of the report on Bill (No. 50) intituled "An Act relating to the Corporation of the City of Victoria" was discharged, and the Bill recommitted.

Reported complete with amendment.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

The report on Bill (No. 51) intituled "An Act respecting The London and Western Trusts Company, Limited, and The Standard Trusts Company" was adopted.

Bill read a third time and passed.

The report on Bill (No. 66) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Produce Marketing Act'" was adopted.

Bill read a third time and passed.

Mr. A. M. Manson moved, seconded by Mr. Buckham,-

That an Order of this House be granted for a Return disclosing the details of all moneys paid to one Dai Thomas by A. F. Griffiths, Commissioner investigating the operations of the Liquor Control Board, showing amounts paid, the circumstances under which said moneys were paid, and the amount thereof.

A debate arose.

The motion was negatived on the following division :---

YEAS-12. Messieurs Kergin Pattullo Gillis Hanna Mackenzie, I. A. Manson. A. M. Pearson Wrinch MacPherson 1997 Gray Sutherland Buckham NAYS-28. Messieurs Manson, M. Borden Maitland Mackenzie, R. KirkHowe Schofield Rutledge Kennedy Fitzsimmons Lister Shelly Bruhn Tolmie Carson Beatty Pooley Burden Cornett PeckAtkinson Kingston Hayward Hinchliffe Berry Twigg MacNaughton McKenzie, W. A. Mr. Sutherland asked the Hon. the Minister of Lands the following questions:-

1. Have any members of the staff of the Department of Lands worked overtime since April 1st, 1929?

2. If so, how many; for how many hours; and at what rate of pay for overtime? The Hon, Mr. *Burden* replied as follows:—

"1. Various members of the staff have worked overtime from time to time, of which no record is kept or remuneration paid.

"2. Answered by No. 1."

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

And then the House adjourned at 12.48 p.m.

Friday, March 21st, 1930.

HALF-PAST TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Bill (No. 4) intituled "An Act to provide for the Licensing of Real-estate Agents and Real-estate Salesmen" was again committed.

Reported complete with amendments.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 22) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Savings and Loan Associations Act'" was committed.

Reported complete with amendments.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 69) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Taxation Act'" was committed. Progress reported.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the second reading of Bill (No. 47) intituled "An Act to borrow the Sum of Nine million seven hundred and forty thousand Dollars for the Purposes therein specified."

Bill read a second time.

To be committed at the next sitting.

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

To be committed at the next sitting.

On the second reading of Bill (No. 36) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Forest Act'" a debate arose, which was, on the motion of the Hon. Mr. Bruhn, adjourned to the next sitting.

The report on Bill (No. 50) intituled "An Act relating to the Corporation of the City of Victoria" was adopted.

Bill read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 89) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Dairy Products Sales Adjustment Act'" was read a second time.

To be committed at the next sitting.

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the second reading of Bill (No. 84) intituled "An Act creating a Mineral Reserve within the Watershed Area of Greater Vancouver Water District."

Bill read a second time.

To be committed at the next sitting.

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the second reading of Bill (No. 85) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Mineral Act.'"

Bill read a second time and committed. Reported complete without amendment. Report adopted. Third reading at the next sitting.

On the second reading of Bill (No. 65) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Municipalities Aid Act'" a debate arose, which was, on the motion of Mr. *Gray*, adjourned to the next sitting.

Bill (No. 77) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Police and Prisons Regulation Act'" was read a second time and committed.

Reported complete without amendment. Report adopted. Bill read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 81) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Summary Convictions Act'" was read a second time and committed.

Reported complete without amendment. Report adopted. Bill read a third time and passed.

The Hon. Mr. Shelly presented a Return in reply to the following questions standing on the Order Paper in the name of Mr. Wrinch:—

1. What was the total assessed value of (a) land and (b) improvements in each assessment district at January 15th, 1929?

2. What was the total assessed value of (a) land and (b) improvements in each assessment district at January 15th, 1930?

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

And then the House adjourned at 6 p.m.

Friday, March 21st, 1930.

QUARTER-PAST EIGHT O'CLOCK P.M.

Bill (No. 73) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Sumas Drainage, Dyking, and Development District Act'" was read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 85) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Mineral Act'" was read a third time and passed.

The reports on the followings Bills were adopted, and the Bills read a third time and passed :---

Bill (No. 18) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Public Schools Act.'"

Bill (No. 38) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Noxious Weeds Act."

Bill (No. 82) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Mineral Survey and Development Act."

Bill (No. 83) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Mines Development Act."

Bill (No. 86) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Placer-mining Act.'"

Bill (No. 4) intituled "An Act to provide for the Licensing of Real-estate Agents and Real-estate Salesmen."

Bill (No. 22) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Savings and Loan Associations Act."

Bill (No. 75) intituled "An Act to amend certain Acts providing for the Imposition and Collection of a Tax on Gasoline" was read a second time.

To be committed at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 80) intituled "An Act respecting the West Nicomen Dyking District" was read a second time and committed.

Reported complete without amendment.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Mr. Pattullo moved, seconded by Mr. A. M. Manson,-

That whereas the investigation and audit of Provincial accounts made by Messrs. Helliwell, Maclachlan & Co., and bearing date the 25th day of June, 1929, and forwarded by the said firm of Helliwell, Maclachlan & Co. to the Hon. the Minister of Finance on the 25th day of June, 1929, was deliberately withheld by the Government from this House until the 19th day of March, 1930, being a day within a few days of the close of the Session:

And whereas the Select Standing Committee on Public Accounts now has no opportunity of making examination of the said investigation and audit on account of the fact that the House is now sitting three sessions a day, and the said report is voluminous and will require on the part of the members of the House careful perusal and examination:

And whereas it appears from the Public Accounts of the Province tabled by the Hon. the Minister of Finance that there has been paid from the Provincial Treasury to the said Messrs. Helliwell, Maclachlan & Co. for the said investigation and audit the sum of \$50,000:

And whereas the Government made no contract in writing with the said Messrs. Helliwell, Maclachlan & Co. in advance of their undertaking the said audit and investigation:

And whereas the said sum of \$50,000 appears to have been an exorbitant and unreasonable amount for the services rendered in comparison with the amount of \$18,000 paid to Messrs. Price, Waterhouse & Co. for a similar and more extensive audit in the year 1917, which latter audit included an audit of the accounts of the Pacific Great Eastern Railway and the accounts of the Agent-General's Office in London:

Now, therefore, be it Resolved, That this House do express its condemnation and disapproval of the conduct of the Government, and particularly of the Minister of Finance in his failure to make available for examination by the House the said investigation and audit in the opening days of this Session.

The motion was negatived on the following division :---

		YEAS-9.	
		Messieurs	
MacPherson	Kergin	Sutherland	Manson, A. M.
Gillis	Mackenzie, I. A.	Pattullo	Buckham
Wrinch			
		NAYS-20.	
		Messieurs	
Mackenzie, R.	Howe	Michell	Bruhn
Rutledge	Shelly	MacNaughton	Burden
Kingston	Tolmie	Manson, M.	Atkinson
Beatty	Pooley	Schofield	Lougheed
Hayward	Hinchliffe	Kennedy	McKenzie, W.A.
		PAIRS :	
		Messieurs	
	Borden	Hanna	
	Kirk	Pearson	
	Cornett	Gray	

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

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

103. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$45,050 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Fisheries, to 31st March, 1931.

55. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$12,540 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Attorney-General's Office, to 31st March, 1931. 94. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$587,700 be granted to His Majesty to defray the

expenses of Department of Education, University of British Columbia, to 31st March, 1931.

2. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,100 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Legislation to 31st March, 1930.

163. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$603 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Public Works, Government House, to 31st March, 1930.

168A. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,153.50 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Public Works, Inspector of Dykes, to 31st March, 1930.

168B. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$6,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Public Works, Automobile Club of B.C., to 31st March, 1930.

168c. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$9,368 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Public Works, Corporation of the District of Kent, to 31st March, 1930.

168D. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,770.37 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Public Works, Corporation of the District of Summerland, to 31st March, 1930.

168E. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$1,500 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Public Works, Dewdney Dyking Commission, to 31st March, 1930.

168F. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$7,615 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Public Works, Corporation of the City of New Westminster, to 31st March, 1930.

3. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$2,200 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Premier's Office to 31st March, 1930.

5. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$2,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, General Office, to 31st March, 1930.

8. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$4,500 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Markets Branch, to 31st March, 1930.

11. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$1,250 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Inspection of Imported and Exported Horticultural and Field Products, to 31st March, 1930.

15. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$3,250 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, District Agriculturists, to 31st March, 1930.

16. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$2,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Veterinary Branch, to 31st March, 1930.

17. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$750 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Poultry Branch, to 31st March, 1930.

21. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$5,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Tubercular Cattle, to 31st March, 1930.

23. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$17,500 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Agricultural Fairs, etc., to 31st March, 1930.

24. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$6,500 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Farmers' Institutes, etc., to 31st March, 1930.

25. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$1,500 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Women's Institutes, etc., to 31st March, 1930.

33. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$3,500 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Services hitherto paid by Dominion Government under "Agricultural Instruction Act," to 31st March, 1930.

34. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$3,250 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Grasshopper Extermination, etc., to 31st March, 1930.

52A. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$1,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, British Boys' Farm Settlement, to 31st March, 1930.

52B. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$3,500 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Transportation of Pure-bred Live Stock from United Kingdom, to 31st March, 1930.

52c. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$2,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Nechako Creamery, to 31st March, 1930.

58. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$250 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Censor of Moving Pictures, to 31st March, 1930. 59. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$2,500 be granted to His Majesty to defray the

expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Sheriffs' Offices, to 31st March, 1930.

61. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$900 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Land Registry Offices, to 31st March, 1930.

62. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$2,400 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Supreme and County Courts, to 31st March, 1930.

63. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$20,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Provincial Police, to 31st March, 1930.

64. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$30,500 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, County Gaols, to 31st March, 1930.

68. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$5,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Coroners' Inquests and Inquiries, to 31st March, 1930.

69. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$15,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Constitutional Litigation, etc., to 31st March, 1930.

71. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$750 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Incidentals and Contingencies, to 31st March, 1930.

74. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$712 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Education, General Office, to 31st March, 1930.

76. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$18,503 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Education, Correspondence Courses, to 31st March, 1930.

77. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$10 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Education, Industrial Education, to 31st March, 1930.

82A. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$5,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Education, Assisted Schools, to 31st March, 1930.

83. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$40,911 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Education, School Buildings, etc., to 31st March, 1930.

85. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$2,850 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Education, Examination of Teachers and High School Entrance Classes, to 31st March, 1930.

86. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$3,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Education, Conveying Children to Central Schools, to 31st March, 1930.

87. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$10 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Education, Summer Schools, to 31st March, 1930.

91. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$750 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Finance, Minister's Office, to 31st March, 1930.

92. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$2,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Finance, General Office, to 31st March, 1930.

94. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$3,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Finance, Controlling and Audit Branch, to 31st March, 1930.

The House continued to sit after midnight.

SATURDAY, MARCH 22ND, 1930.

95. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$10,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Finance, Surveyor of Taxes, to 31st March, 1930.

97. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$25,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Finance, Government Agents and Assessors, to 31st March, 1930.

98 (i). Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$630 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Finance, Refunds of Taxes collected in Kootenay Park, to 31st March, 1930.

109. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$7,500 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands, Lumber Trade Extension, to 31st March, 1930.

118. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$5,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands, "Soldiers' Land Act," Chap. 80, 1918, to 31st March, 1930.

145. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$3,500 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Provincial Board of Health, to 31st March, 1930.

146. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$5,500 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Provincial Library and Archives, to 31st March, 1930.

148. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$1,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Provincial Museum, to 31st March, 1930.

149. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$38,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Mental Hospitals, to 31st March, 1930.

151 (b). Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$6.000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Tranquille Sanatorium Farm, to 31st March, 1930.

155 (c). Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$8,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, In Aid of Destitute Poor and Sick, etc., to 31st March, 1930.

157 (a). Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$1,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Gratuities under Sec. 46, "Civil Service Act," and Retiring Allowances, etc., to 31st March, 1930.

159B. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$200 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Grant to City of Greenwood, to 31st March, 1930.

159c. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$2,400 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Grant to City of Rossland, to 31st March, 1930.

159E. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$50,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Assessment on Class 13 (The Crown), "Workmen's Compensation Act," to 31st March, 1930.

159L. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$35,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, "Civil Service Act," to 31st March, 1930.

160. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Public Works, Minister's Office, to 31st March, 1930.

161. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$25,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Public Works, Administration, to 31st March, 1930.

165. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$14,500 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Public Works, Local Roads within Organized Territory, to 31st March, 1930.

170. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Railways, Fraser River Bridge, New Westminster, to 31st March, 1930.

Schedule A. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$110,056.17 be granted to His Majesty to make good certain sums expended for the public service for the period ended 31st March, 1929, and to indemnify the several officers and persons for making such expenditures.

The Committee rose and reported the Resolutions. Report to be considered at the next sitting. Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

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

That the Resolutions reported from the Committee of Supply on 11th, 13th, 14th, 15th, 20th, and 21st March be received and read a first time.

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

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

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

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

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

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

\$110,056.17 for the financial year ended March 31st, 1929.

483,085.87 for the financial year ending March 31st, 1930.

28,072,715.03 for the financial year ending March 31st, 1931.

The Committee reported the Resolution. Resolution considered forthwith and adopted. Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

The Hon, the Minister of Finance presented Bill (No. 79) intituled "An Act for granting certain Sums of Money for the Public Service of the Province of British Columbia."

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

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

Resolved, That the Committee rise and report to the House, recommending the introduction of a Bill (No. 79) initial "An Act for granting certain Sums of Money for the Public Service of the Province of British Columbia," a draft of which is annexed to this Resolution.

Resolution and Bill reported. Report adopted. Bill read a first time. Bill read a second time and committed. Reported complete without amendment. Report adopted. Bill read a third time and passed.

The Hon. Mr. *Shelly* presented a Return in answer to the following questions standing on the Order Paper in the name of Mr. *Gray:*—

1. What were the total grants to municipalities: (a) For the year ended March 31st, 1928;

(b) for the year ended March 31st, 1929?2. What constituted these grants?

3. What was the amount of each grant?

4. Which of these grants were paid to municipalities direct?

5. What was the total amount of such direct grants: (a) For the year ended March 31st, 1928; (b) for the year ended March 31st, 1929?

Mr. I. A. Mackenzie asked the Hon. the Minister of Public Works the following questions:-

1. Did the Public Works Department construct or improve a road leading from or near Okanagan Landing, southerly along Okanagan Lake, to or near Cameron's Point, during the year 1929?

2. If so, what was the total length of the said road and the cost, as follows: (a) Surveys; (b) construction; (c) compensation paid for lands, giving the particulars of each parcel and the names of persons to whom sums were paid; and (d) any other costs; (e) total cost?

3. Is the said work completed; and, if not, what are the totals to January 31st, 1930?

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

"1. Yes.

"2. (a) \$120; (b) \$13,057.19; (c) R. Peters, \$150 for 1.66 acres; (d) none; (e) \$13,327.19. "3. Yes, except for some surfacing and fencing. Total cost to January 31st, 1930, is

\$13,327.19."

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

1. Who is Road Foreman at Appledale?

2. When was he appointed, and at what salary?

3. Was his appointment recommended by the local branch of the Canadian Legion?

4. Who recommended his appointment, and when?

5. Has he on any previous occasion held the same position?

6. If yes, did he resign, or was he discharged?

7. If discharged, why?

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

"1. David F. Peters.

"2. August, 1928; at \$5 per day.

"3. Neither recommended nor opposed.

"4. No information; appointment made by General Road Foreman.

"5. Yes.

"6. Discharged.

"7. Discharged on the representation of the member for the district, April 12th, 1927."

Resolved, That the House, at its rising, do stand adjourned until 10.30 o'clock a.m. on Monday next.

And then the House adjourned at 12.48 a.m.

Monday, March 24th, 1930.

HALF-PAST TEN O'CLOCK A.M.

Prayers by Mr. Speaker.

J. A. MACDONALD,

Administrator.

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

Government House,

March 19th, 1930.

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

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

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

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. Burden-Bill (No. 90) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Water Act."

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. *Pooley*—Bill (No. 92) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Companies Act.'"

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. *Pooley*—Bill (No. 91) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Partnership Act.'"

Bill (No. 32) intituled "An Act for the Prevention of Fraud in connection with the Sale of Securities was again committed.

Progress reported.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 69) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Taxation Act'" was again committed. Reported complete with amendments. Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 26) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Court of Appeal Act'" was committed. Reported complete with amendments. Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 47) intituled "An Act to borrow the Sum of Nine million seven hundred and forty thousand Dollars for the Purposes therein specified " was committed.

Reported complete without amendment.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 84) intituled "An Act creating a Mineral Reserve within the Watershed Area of Greater Vancouver Water District" was committed.

Reported complete with amendments.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

The Hon. Mr. *Howe* presented the Annual Report of the King's Printer for the Year ended March 30th, 1929.

Mr. Pattullo asked the Hon. the Minister of Lands the following questions:-

1. What is the amount in arrears on timber licences which are in arrears for one year or less after annual date of renewal?

2. What is the amount in arrears on timber royalties?

3. What amount is in arrears on water rentals and recording fees, and by whom owing?

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

"1. There are no arrears, licence fees being payable in advance at the option of the licensee. "2. At January 31st, 1930, outstanding royalty, \$356,197.99.

"3. No arrears of recording fees. About 1,554 licences, none of which are Class C for power purpose, are in arrears for sums varying from 50 cents to \$155 per annum, the approximate total of which is \$11,432.66.

"NOTE.—A list of the 1,554 licences so in arrears can be prepared if still required."

Mr. Kennedy asked the Hon, the Minister of Lands the following question:-

What was the amount of arrears on timber royalties on January 31st in the years 1927, 1928, and 1929?

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

"January 31st, 1927, \$380,880.29; January 31st, 1928, \$333,197.04; January 31st, 1929, \$325,018.54."

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

1. What was the total yardage removed in connection with the East Creston irrigation-work?

2. What was the cost per yard?

3. What was the total length of pipe, size of pipe, and price of pipe per foot used in this work?

4. Who supplied the plant used, and in what manner was it charged against the work?

The Hon, Mr. Burden replied as follows :---

"1 to 4. No information in the Department. Work not completed and is being done by the East Creston Irrigation District."

Mr. Pattullo asked the Hon. the Minister of Lands the following questions:----

1. Was contract let for the carrying-out of East Creston irrigation-work to cover which the Department loaned \$150,000?

2. If so, were tenders called for?

3. Who were tenderers and in what amounts?

4. Who was successful tenderer?

5. If not done by contract, on what basis was work done?

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

"1. Not by Government.

"2. Answered by No. 1.

"3. Answered by No. 1.

"4. Answered by No. 1.

"5. The work is being done by the East Creston Irrigation District."

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

1. On what basis are Mining Recorders and Deputy Mining Recorders paid?

2. Are any Mining Recorders and Deputy Mining Recorders given an allowance for house-rent?

3. If so, which Recorders and Deputy Recorders, and where located?

4. Are any Mining Recorders or Deputy Mining Recorders allowed light and fuel, or either? 5. If so, which Recorders and Deputy Recorders; where located; and what allowance?

The Hon. Mr. Shelly replied as follows:-

"1. Salary and commission,

"2. No.

"3. Answered by No. 2.

"4. Yes.

"5. H. J. Gunterman; Beaton, B.C.; \$30 per annum for fuel and light."

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

1. Who was Mining Recorder at Hope prior to August 20th, 1928?

2. What salary was paid said Recorder?

3. Who has been appointed Mining Recorder at Hope since August 20th, 1928, and at what salary?

4. Who is Mining Recorder at Hope at present, and what is his salary?

5. What amount in fees was collected by the Mining Recorder at Hope during the year 1929? The Hon. Mr. *Shelly* replied as follows:—

"1, D. A. Hazelton, Provincial Constable,

"2. \$40 a month.

"3. Chas. Robert MacDonnell, \$40 a month, January 5th, 1929, to April 30th, 1929; F. H. C. Wilson, clerk from Ashcroft office, May 1st to May 31st, without additional salary.

"4. C. A. W. Lethbridge, June 1st, 1929; salary, \$40 per month and 10 per cent. commission on mining recording fees.

"5. Calendar year 1929, \$8,202.30."

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

1. Were any sums of money paid by any member of the Government; any official of any Department of the Government, including the Liquor Control Board or any Commissioner employed by the Government, to any member of the Vancouver City Police Force during the year 1929?

2. If so, what sums; on what date or dates; and by whom?

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

"1 and 2. Not in the public interest to answer these questions at the present time."

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

And then the House adjourned at 1 p.m.