Wednesday, March 12th, 1930.

HALF-PAST TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Davie moved,-

That Report No. 10 of the Select Standing Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills be adopted.

Mr. Hayward moved in amendment, seconded by Mr. Beatty,-

To strike out all the words after the word "Bills," and to substitute in lieu thereof the words "be referred back to the said Committee for further consideration upon new evidence to be adduced."

Amendment agreed to.

Motion as amended agreed to.

On the motion of Mr. I. A. Mackenzie, seconded by Mr. Sutherland, it was Resolved,-

That Report No. 7 of the Select Standing Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills, adopted by this House on February 21st, be amended to permit of the extension of the timelimit for receiving reports until March 19th.

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

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

Progress reported.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 52) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Vancouver Incorporation Act, 1921'" was committed.

Reported complete with amendments.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 50) intituled "An Act relating to the Corporation of the City of Victoria" was read a second time.

To be committed 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. *Tolmie*—Bill (No. 45) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Railway Act.'"

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. *Pooley*—Bill (No. 62) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Municipal Elections Act."

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. *Pooley*—Bill (No. 64) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Local Improvement Act.'"

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. Pooley—Bill (No. 63) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Mutual Fire Insurance Companies Act.""

The Hon. Mr. *Tolmie* 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 approve of an Agreement which has been arrived at between the Dominion and the Province respecting the Re-transfer

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of the Railway Belt and Peace River Block," and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House, March 11th, 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. 43) intituled "An Act to approve of an Agreement which has been arrived at between the Dominion and the Province respecting the Re-transfer of the Railway Belt and Peace River Block," 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.

J. A. MACDONALD,

Administrator.

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

Government House,

March 11th, 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. 44) initial "An Act to amend the 'Fisheries 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 Mr. Kergin, seconded by Mr. Hanna, it was Resolved,-

That an Order of this House be granted for a Return of all correspondence and documents relating to dyking, road-construction, and purchase of road allowances by the Department of Public Works on Nicomen Island since August 20th, 1928.

Mr. I. A. Mackenzie moved, seconded by Mr. Sutherland,-

That an Order of this House be granted for a Return of all correspondence between any Minister of the Crown and between any official of any department of the Government and the Liquor Control Board.

A debate arose. The motion was negatived.

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the second reading of Bill (No. 39) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Civil Service Act.'"

Bill read a second time.

To be committed at the next sitting.

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

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

Bill (No. 40) intituled "An Act to amend the 'County Courts Act.'"

Bill (No. 41) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Village Municipalities Act."

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

Mr. *Hayward* presented the Second Report of the Select Standing Committee on Municipal Matters, as follows :--

REPORT No. 2.

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE ROOM, March 12th, 1930.

MR. SPEAKER:

Your Committee has now completed its work after many meetings. We have reported our findings to the Attorney-General on matters affecting municipalities, and certain amendments have been recommended to him for his approval. An Act to amend the "Municipal Act" will no doubt be presented to the House at an early date.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

R. HAYWARD, Chairman.

The report was read and received. . . The Rules were suspended and the report adopted.

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

And then the House adjourned at 6.05 p.m.

Thursday, March 13th, 1930.

HALF-PAST TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by Mr. Speaker.

Bill (No. 35) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Interpretation Act'" was read a second time.

To be committed at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 43) intituled "An Act to approve of an Agreement which has been arrived at between the Dominion and the Province respecting the Re-transfer of the Railway Belt and Peace River Block" was read a second time and committed.

Reported complete with amendments.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

On the second reading of Bill (No. 44) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Fisheries Act'" a debate arose, which was, on the motion of Mr. *Hanna*, adjourned to the next sitting.

Bill (No. 45) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Railway Act'" was read a second time. To be committed at the next sitting.

Mr. *Davie* presented the Twelfth Report of the Select Standing Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills, as follows :—

REPORT No. 12.

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE ROOM,

March 13th, 1930.

MR. SPEAKER:

Your Select Standing Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills begs leave to report as follows:---

Your Committee, in accordance with the terms of a Resolution of the House passed on March 12th, has heard further representations in regard to Bill (No. 53) initialed "An Act to authorize and empower the Corporation of the District of Oak Bay to enter into an Agreement dated January 16th, 1930, with The Veterans' Sightseeing and Transportation Company, Limited."

Your Committee has heard no new evidence of a material nature and therefore adheres to its former conclusion in regard to this Bill, and for the reasons previously given in Report No. 10 begs to report that the preamble of the Bill has not been proved, and recommends that the Bill be not allowed to proceed.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

C. F. DAVIE, Chairman.

The report was read and received.. The Rules were suspended and the report adopted.

Mr. Spencer presented the First Report of the Select Standing Committee on Fisheries, as follows :---

REPORT No. 1.

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE ROOM, March 5th, 1930.

MR. SPEAKER:

Your Committee held twenty-three meetings, at which forty-two witnesses were heard, covering all phases of the fishing industry. It was pointed out by witnesses appearing before your Committee that the Federal Government, realizing the value of the industry and the difficulties of administration, had, since the year 1905, appointed four Commissions, of which the findings of the Sanford Evans Commission, appointed in 1917, were particularly stressed and evidently approved of.

The members of your Committee were of the opinion that, although limitation of the cannery licences seemed to be desirable for the economic operation of the industry as a whole, they felt that they were not in a position to recommend what action should be taken, as the relative positions of the two Governments concerned, created by the late Privy Council decision, has not had a fair opportunity to be determined.

The evidence brought before your Committee in connection with the conservation of salmon and pilchard showed that one of the most destructive agencies was the dogfish, and it was decided that the Government be urged to encourage the commercial manufacture of this fish, both for the purpose of building up an industry as well as ridding pilchard- and salmon-fishing grounds therefrom.

Your Committee also recommend to the Government that they urge upon the Dominion Government a more active campaign against hair-seals and sea-lions.

The evidence submitted led your Committee to conclude that no restrictive legislation be put into effect at present in regard to the pilchard industry.

The question of the unsatisfactory operation of this great industry under the dual control of the Dominion and Provincial authorities was repeatedly referred to, but your Committee feel that as "sea-coast and inland fisheries" are within the exclusive jurisdiction of the Dominion, the question is one upon which your Committee at this juncture are unable to pass any opinion. Further, your Committee is of the opinion that the Government should not issue or enforce any regulations which would interfere with the regulations governing the boat ratings or the sale of fish which existed during the fishing season of 1929.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

The report was read and received.

NELSON SPENCER, Chairman.

With the leave of the House, on the motion of Mr. *Kennedy* (in the absence of Mr. *Lister*), 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 'Produce Marketing Act' be amended, and that a Bill be brought in giving effect to this Resolution, and that Mr. Kennedy do prepare and bring in the said Bill."

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

Resolved. That it is advisable, in the opinion of this Committee, that the "Produce Marketing Act" be amended, and that a Bill be brought in giving effect to this Resolution, and that Mr. Kennedy do prepare and bring in the said Bill.

Resolved, That the Committee rise and report the Resolution.

Resolution reported and adopted.

On the motion of Mr. *Kennedy*, Bill (No. 66) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Produce Marketing Act'" was introduced, read a first time, and *Ordered* to be read a second time 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 'Teachers' Pensions Act," and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,

March 12th, 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. 46) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Teachers' Pensions 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.

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

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

165. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$12,360 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Public Works, Minister's Office, to 31st March, 1931.

166. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$339,484 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Public Works, Administration, to 31st March, 1931.

167. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$208,130 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Public Works, Maintenance of Parliament Buildings and Grounds, to 31st March, 1931.

168. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$32,028 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Public Works, Government House (Maintenance), to 31st March, 1931.

169. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$2,499,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Public Works, Roads, Bridges, Ferries, Wharves, etc., to 31st March, 1931.

170. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$10,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Public Works, Local Roads within Organized Territory, to 31st March, 1931.

171. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$400,750 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Public Works, Maintenance, Repairs, etc., to Government Buildings throughout the Province (excepting Parliament Buildings and Government House) and Rental of Offices, to 31st March, 1931.

172. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$9,650 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Public Works, Steam-boiler Inspection, to 31st March, 1931.

173. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$11,044 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Public Works, Electrical Energy Inspection, to 31st March, 1931.

5. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$14,100 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Minister's Office, to 31st March, 1931.

6. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$39,970 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, General Office, to 31st March, 1931.

7. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$3,271 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Workshop and Shipping Office, to 31st March, 1931.

8. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$3,710 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Statistics, to 31st March, 1931.

9. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$17,464 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Markets Branch, to 31st March, 1931.

10. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$26,998 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Horticultural Branch, to 31st March, 1931.

11. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$13,500 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Control of Fruit and Vegetable Pests, Diseases, etc., to 31st March, 1931.

12. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$28,390 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Plant Quarantine Branch, to 31st March, 1931.

13. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$6,630 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Plant Pathology, to 31st March, 1931.

14. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$4,950 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Entomological Branch, to 31st March, 1931.

15. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$19,998 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Live Stock Branch, to 31st March, 1931.

16. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$55,004 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, District Agriculturists, to 31st March, 1931.

17. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$24,675 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Veterinary Branch, to 31st March, 1931.

18. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$12,850 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Poultry Branch, to 31st March, 1931.

19. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$17,165 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Field Crop Branch, to 31st March, 1931.

20. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$15,194 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Dairy Branch, to 31st March, 1931.

21. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$26,484 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Colonization and Land Settlement Board, to 31st March, 1931.

22. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$15,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Tubercular Cattle, to 31st March, 1931.

23. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$10,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Automobiles and Accessories, etc., to 31st March, 1931.

24. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$25,500 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Agricultural Associations, Fairs, etc., to 31st March, 1931.

24A. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$10,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Royal Agricultural and Industrial Society, to 31st March, 1931.

24B. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$19,500 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Vancouver Exhibition Association, to 31st March, 1931.

24c. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$9,532.50 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, B.C. Agricultural and Industrial Association and Corporation of the City of Victoria (Buildings), to 31st March, 1931.

24p. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$3,500 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Armstrong and Spallumcheen Agricultural Society, to 31st March, 1931.

25. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$8,500 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Farmers' Institutes, etc., to 31st March, 1931.

26. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$7,500 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Women's Institutes, etc., to 31st March, 1931.

27. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$2,500 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Seed Improvement, etc., to 31st March, 1931.

28. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$12,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, International, National, and Provincial Exhibits, etc., to 31st March, 1931.

29. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$1,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Compensation re Foul-brood in Bees, etc., to 31st March, 1931.

30. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Control of Noxious Weeds, etc., to 31st March, 1931.

31. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$250 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Western Canada Live Stock Union, to 31st March, 1931.

32. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$17,500 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Rebates on Stumping-powder, etc., to 31st March, 1931.

33. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Gopher Extermination, etc., to 31st March, 1931.

34. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$25,000 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, 1931.

35. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$2,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Grasshopper Extermination, etc., to 31st March, 1931.

36. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, "Pound District Act," to 31st March, 1931.

37. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,500 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, In Aid of Ploughing-matches, etc., to 31st March, 1931.

38. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$500 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Canadian Council of Beef Producers, to 31st March, 1931.

39. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$500 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, British Columbia Honey Producers' Association, to 31st March, 1931.

40. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$2,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, British Columbia Dairymen's Association, to 31st March, 1931.

41. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$2,500 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, British Columba Fruit-growers' Association, to 31st March, 1931.

42. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$750 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, British Columbia Goat-breeders' Association, to 31st March, 1931.

43. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,500 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, British Columbia Poultry Associations, to 31st March, 1931.

44. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,750 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, British Columbia Beef Cattle Growers' Association, to 31st March, 1931.

45. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,500 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, British Columbia Sheep-breeders' Associations, to 31st March, 1931.

46. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$5,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Boys' and Girls' Clubs, to 31st March, 1931.

47. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$5,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Promotion of Sheep Industry, to 31st March, 1931.

48. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,250 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Promotion of Swine Industry, to 31st March, 1931.

49. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$500 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, In Aid of Tobacco Industry, to 31st March, 1931.

50. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$500 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, World's Grain Congress, to 31st March, 1931.

51. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$4,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, World's Poultry Congress, to 31st March, 1931.

52. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$37,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Extermination of Noxious Animals, to 31st March, 1931.

53. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$4,000 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, 1931.

54. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, 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.

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. Tolmie, seconded by the Hon. Mr. Shelly, it was Resolved,-

That on Saturday next and on the following days of the Session there shall be three separate sittings of the Legislature each day, one from 10 a.m. until 1 p.m., one from 2.30 p.m. until 6 p.m., and the other from 8 p.m. until adjournment, unless otherwise ordered.

The Hon. Mr. *Pooley* presented a Return pursuant to section 5 of chapter 203, R.S.B.C. 1924, "Probates Recognition Act."

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

- 1. Is one F. A. Turner employed by the Department in Salmon Arm District?
- 2. What is his position and rate of pay?
- 3. Did he go overseas with the Canadian forces?
- 4. Is he a British subject?
- 5. If so, since what date?

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

- "1. Yes.
- "2. Mechanic, \$5 per day.
- "3. Served overseas with A.E.F.
- "4. Yes, so far as the Department is aware.
- "5. See answer to No. 4."

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

1. Has one W. H. S. Dickson been appointed to a position under the Department?

2. If so, to what position?

3. On what date was he appointed?

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

"1. No record of one W. H. S. Dickson; but one W. H. S. Dixon appointed to a position.

"2. Judge of Court of Revision and Appeal, Vancouver Assessment District.

"3. January 2nd, 1929."

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

1. Is any work now being carried on of new construction on the highway between Whonnock and Ruskin, Dewdney Electoral District?

- 2. If so, were tenders called for this work, and who was the successful tenderer?
- 3. If tenders were not called, upon what basis is this work being done?
- 4. What is the estimated cost of the work?

5. By whom is the work being carried out?

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

- "1. No; work completed.
- "2. No.
- "3. Day-labour,
- "4. Work cost \$\$\$,487.69.
- "5. See answer to question No. 3."

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

1. Was John Parkington, aged 16, dismissed from the service of the Department?

- 2. Was his father killed in action?
- 3. What were his educational qualifications?
- 4. Who was appointed in his place?
- 5. What were his successor's educational qualifications?

The Hon. Mr. Lougheed replied as follows :-

- "1. Services dispensed with owing to lack of aptitude for the position.
- "2. No information.
- "3. Two years high school.
- "4. Mark Coppinger.
- "5. One year high school."

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

1. Was one W. A. Adams appointed usher in the Court-house, Vancouver, during 1928?

- 2. Was he afterwards dismissed?
- 3. If so, why?
- 4. If so, did he receive one month's salary in lieu of notice?
- 5. If not, why not?
- 6. On whose recommendation was he appointed?
- 7. On whose recommendation was he dismissed?
- 8. Was he a returned soldier?

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

- "1. Yes.
- "2. Yes.
- "3. Services unsatisfactory.
- "4. Yes.
- "5. Answered by No. 4.
- "6. Minister of Department.
- "7. Minister of the Department.
- "8. Yes; successor also returned soldier from Corps of Commissionaires."

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

1. Were any road-survey parties sent into Portland Canal District during the year 1929?

2. If so, who was engineer in charge of said party or parties?

3. Who were employed on said parties; for how long; and at what rate of pay in each case?

4. What was the total expenditure?

5. What work was done?

6. What was domicile of each man engaged?

7. Were expenses of each paid from his home to field of operation?

8. If so, what was cost in each case?

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

"1. Yes.

"2. C. W. J. Ellison.

"3. Name, domicile, time, and monthly rate and board as follows: C. W. J. Ellison, Prince Rupert, 6 months, \$200; J. Parker, Prince Rupert, 3 months 5 days, \$100; B. Gwyer, Prince Rupert, 1 month 19 days, \$90; T. Orme, Prince Rupert, 1 month 19 days, \$50; D. McLellan, Stewart, 3 months 17 days, \$110; P. Anderson, Anyox, 3 months 17 days, \$110; D. Rice, Prince Rupert, 2 months, \$60; T. Sherman, Prince Rupert, 3 months 23 days, \$125; G. Anderson, Anyox, 34 days, \$35.

"4. \$5,365.96.

"5. Road survey from 14-Mile, Bear River Road, Stewart, to cabin on north side of Bear River Glacier; approximately 11 miles, in addition to alternative location, 3.6 miles; total location, 14.6 miles.

"6. See answer to No. 3.

"7. No.

"8. Total travelling expenses paid Ellison and four men amounted to \$149.60; this included transportation of baggage and instruments to American Creek."

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

1. What amounts are at the credit of Superannuation Fund in the various classes?

2. How much of total of said sums has been invested for which securities are now held in the Treasury vault?

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

"1. As at December 31st, 1929:--

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B.C. Government-		
Employees	\$1,059,861.05	
Employer		
		\$2,119,722.10
Cities and Municipalities—		
Employees		
Employer		
School Boards-		$706,\!119.32$
Employees		
Employer		01 111 70
Part V		61,111.76
Employees	\$577.36	
Employer		
		1,154.72
Voluntary contributions-		
Government	\$23,133.77	
Municipal	413.18	
		23,546.95
Total		\$2,911,654.85

"2. As at December 31st, 1929, \$1,081,463.44.

"Note.—In addition, a further amount of \$286,702.71 has been invested since January 1st, 1930, making the total principal cost of securities held as at February 26th, 1930, \$1,368,166.15."

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

What was the total amount paid out for mothers' pensions for the six months' period from April 1st to September 30th, 1929?

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 6.15 p.m.

Thursday, March 13th, 1930.

HALF-PAST EIGHT O'CLOCK P.M.

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

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. Atkinson, the Order for the third reading of Bill (No. 11) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Creameries and Dairies Regulation Act'" was discharged, and the Bill recommitted.

Reported complete with amendments.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

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

Bill (No. 28) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Fire Marshal Act.'"

Bill (No. 5) intituled "An Act to provide for the Licensing of Collection Agents."

Bill (No. 24) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Legal Professions Act.'"

Bill (No. 2) intituled "An Act to provide for the Education of Soldiers' Dependent Children."

Bill (No. 10) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Official Guardian Act.'"

Bill (No. 43) intituled "An Act to approve of an Agreement which has been arrived at between the Dominion and the Province respecting the Re-transfer of the Railway Belt and Peace River Block."

The report on Bill (No. 31) initialed "An Act to consolidate and amend the Law relating to Highways and the Traffic thereon" was adopted.

Third reading at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 66) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Produce Marketing Act'" was read a second time.

To be committed at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 45) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Railway Act'" was committed. Progress reported.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 46) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Teachers' Pensions Act'" was read a second time.

To be committed at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 15) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Distress Act'" was committed. Reported complete with amendment.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

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

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

96. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$41,922 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Finance, General Office, to 31st March, 1931.

97. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$11,390 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Finance, Inspector of Trust Companies, Probate and Succession Duties, to 31st March, 1931.

98. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$71,240 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Finance, Controlling and Audit Branch, to 31st March, 1931.

99. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$116,500 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Finance, Surveyor of Taxes, to 31st March, 1931.

100. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$14,894 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Finance, Agent-General's Office, B.C. House, and Overseas Markets Branch, London, England, to 31st March, 1931.

101. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$614,931 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Finance, Government Agents and Assessors, etc., to 31st March, 1931.

102. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$121,750 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Finance, Miscellaneous Votes, to 31st March, 1931.

75. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$12,570 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Education, Minister's Office, to 31st March, 1931.

76. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$32,360 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Education, General Office, to 31st March, 1931.

77. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$114,842 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Education, Free Text-book Branch, to 31st March, 1931.

78. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$25,255 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Education, Correspondence Courses, to 31st March, 1931.

79. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$82,480 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Education, Industrial Education, to 31st March, 1931.

80. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$94,510 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Education, Inspection of Schools, to 31st March, 1931.

81. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$74,015 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Education, Normal Schools, to 31st March, 1931.

82. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$30,445 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Education, School for the Deaf and the Blind, to 31st March, 1931.

83. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,665,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Education, *Per Capita* Grants, to 31st March, 1931.

84. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$725,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Education, Teachers' Salaries, to 31st March, 1931.

85. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$135,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Education, School Buildings, to 31st March, 1931.

86. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$3,500 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Education, Rural Female Teachers' Welfare Officer—Salary and Expenses, to 31st March, 1931.

87. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$12,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Education, Education of Soldiers' Dependent Children and Expenses, to 31st March, 1931.

88. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$4,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the Expenses of Department of Education, Grants to Libraries, to 31st March, 1931.

89. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$20,500 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Education, Examination of Teachers and High School Entrance Classes, to 31st March, 1931.

90. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$62,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Education, Conveying Children to Central Schools, to 31st March, 1931.

91. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$24,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Education, Summer Schools, to 31st March, 1931.

92. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$750 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Education, B.C. Musical Festival Association, to 31st March, 1931.

93. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$6,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Education, 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.

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

And then the House adjourned at 11.12 p.m.

Friday, March 14th, 1930.

HALF-PAST TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by Mr. Speaker,

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

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the second reading of Bill (No. 44) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Fisheries Act.'"

Bill read a second time.

To be committed at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 66) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Produce Marketing Act'" was committed. Reported complete without amendment.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

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

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

95. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$12,960 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Finance, Minister's Office, to 31st March, 1931.

1. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$5,248,160.58 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Debt to 31st March, 1931.

176. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,939,927.75 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Capital Account, Sinking Funds, to 31st March, 1931.

177. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$210,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Capital Account, Redemption of Debentures, to 31st March, 1931.

178. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$907,200 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Capital Account, Pacific Great Eastern Railway Company—Interest on Guaranteed Bonds due July 15th, 1930, and January 15th, 1931, to 31st March, 1931.

179. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$9,700 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Capital Account, British Columbia House, London, England—Instalment on Mortgage, to 31st March, 1931.

180. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$5,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Capital Account, Songhees Reserve (Improvements), to 31st March, 1931.

181. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$11,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Capital Account, Censor of Moving Pictures—Sound-picture Equipment, Installation, etc., to 31st March, 1931.

146. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$11,010 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Minister's Office, to 31st March, 1931.

147. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$16,328 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, General Office, to 31st March, 1931.

148. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$34,897 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Postal Branch, to 31st March, 1931.

149. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$125,346 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Provincial Board of Health, to 31st March, 1931.

150. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$33,794 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Provincial Library and Archives, to 31st March, 1931.

151. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$22,570 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, "Public Libraries Act," to 31st March, 1931.

152. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$11,680 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Provincial Museum, to 31st March, 1931.

153. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$842,180 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Mental Hospitals, to 31st March, 1931.

154. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$24,661 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Provincial Home, Kamloops, to 31st March, 1931.

155. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$310,011 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Tubercular Hospital and Farm, to 31st March, 1931.

156. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$79,988.20 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Boys' Industrial School, to 31st March, 1931.

157. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$69,941 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Administration of "Infants Act," to 31st March, 1931.

The Committee rose and reported the Resolutions.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

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

1. Is there a Mr. Southcott employed at the Court-house, Vancouver?

2. If so, what is his position; when was he appointed; and at what salary?

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

"1. Yes.

"2. Temporarily employed in Sheriff's office; October 15th, 1929; \$175 per month."

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

1. Was a sale of lands in arrears for taxes held in Omineca Assessment District in 1928?

2. If so, where was sale held?

3. If so, was list of lands to be sold published in newspapers published within Omineca Assessment District?

4. If so, in which papers?

5. If not, why not?

6. Was said list published in any paper published outside of Omineca Assessment District? 7. If so, why?

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

"1. Yes; on October 12th and October 13th, 1928.

"2. Tax sale was held at Smithers on October 12th, 1928, and at Burns Lake on October 13th, 1928.

"3. Yes.

"4. Omineca Herald, New Hazelton.

"5. Answered by Nos. 3 and 4.

"6. Yes; Nechako Chronicle, Vanderhoof.

"7. To inform public in that portion of assessment district in which paper circulates."

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

1. Under which department of the Government were the University buildings at Point Grey built?

2. What is the total cost of the University buildings, both temporary and permanent, including interest, up to December 31st, 1929?

3. Under which department of the Government was the University development area carried on?

4. What has been the total cost incurred by the Government for the development of the University area, including interest, up to December 31st, 1929?

5. What has been the total number of lots sold under the University development area during the years 1926, 1927, 1928, and 1929, respectively?

6. What is the total value of lots sold to date?

7. What is the total cash payment received from the sale of such lots?

8. How many lots have been leased in the area as at December 31st, 1929?

9. What was the amount collected from taxes imposed under the "Taxation Act" on lands and improvements in the University area during 1928 and 1929, respectively?

10. What is the total amount received from payments from purchasers of lots on account of local improvements?

11. What is the total amount that has been advanced by way of loans to purchasers in the University area?

12. Are any payments in arrears of principal and interest? If so, what is the total amount?

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

"1. Department of Public Works.

" 2. \$4,537,964.82.

"3. Department of Lands.

"4. \$2,339,629.50.

"5. 1926, 15 lots; 1927, 23 lots; 1928, 14 lots; 1929, 17 lots.

"6. Total value of lots sold to March 12th, 1930, \$190,225 (including nineteen lots sold in 1925).

"7. \$137,874.10.

"8. Fifty-four lots.

"9. 1928, \$2,317.23; 1929, \$3,606.21.

"10. \$28,096.24.

"11. \$387,123.51.

"12. Yes; \$11,695.29."

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

1. Was a sale of lands in arrears for taxes held in Omineca Assessment District in 1929?

2. If so, where was sale held?

3. If so, was list of lands to be sold published in newspapers published within Omineca Assessment District?

4. If so, in which papers?

5. If not, why not?

6. Was said list published in any paper published outside of Omineca Assessment District?7. If so, why?

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

"1. Yes; on September 11th and September 13th, 1929.

"2. Tax sale was held at Smithers on September 11th, 1929, and at Burns Lake on September 13th, 1929.

"3. Yes.

"4. Omineca Herald, New Hazelton. Tax sale at Burns Lake also advertised in the Nechako Chronicle, Vanderhoof.

"5. Answered by Nos. 3 and 4.

"6. Yes; Nechako Chronicle, Vanderhoof.

"7. To inform public in that portion of assessment district in which paper circulates."

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

What was the floating or current liability of the Province as at January 15th, 1930, for payment of which no provision had been made either by borrowings upon Treasury bills or borrowings under any Loan Act?

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

"The books never have shown and do not now show the current or floating liability of the Province as at January 15th in any fiscal year."

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

1. How many accounts are carried by the Government at the Canadian Bank of Commerce, Victoria?

2. What are these accounts, and what was the credit balance at each as at December 31st, 1929?

3. Are any accounts kept in the Treasury Department for which there are no corresponding accounts kept in the bank?

4. Is there cash on hand or in bank to cover all accounts which are kept in the bank and in the Treasury Department? If not, what is the shortage?

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

And then the House adjourned at 6 p.m.

Friday, March 14th, 1930.

HALF-PAST EIGHT O'CLOCK P.M.

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

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

158. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$20,152 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Provincial Home for Incurables, to 31st March, 1931.

159. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,192,982 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Grants to Hospitals and Charities, to 31st March, 1931.

160. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$15,947 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Civil Service Commission, to 31st March, 1931.

161. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$37,500 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Grants *re* Civil Service, to 31st March, 1931.

162. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$10 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, King's Printer, to 31st March, 1931.

163. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$6,212 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Government House, to 31st March, 1931.

164A. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$15,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Registration of Voters, to 31st March, 1931.

164B. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$125,000 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, 1931.

164c. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$10,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Grant to Canteen Fund Trustees, to 31st March, 1931.

164b. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$5,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Contingencies, Incidentals, and Entertainments, etc., to 31st March, 1931.

164E. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$25,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Teachers' Pensions, to 31st March, 1931.

164F. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$220,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, "Superannuation Act"—Government Contributions to Superannuation Fund, to 31st March, 1931.

1646. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$10,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Departmental Commissioner—Administration Expenses, to 31st March, 1931.

164H. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$14,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Expenses—State Health Insurance and Maternity Benefits Commission, to 31st March, 1931.

3. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$18,570 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Premier's Office to 31st March, 1931.

4. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,980 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of The Executive (Ministers without Portfolio) to 31st March, 1931.

174. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$24,548 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Railways, General Office, to 31st March, 1931.

175. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$40,300 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Railways, Fraser River Bridge, New Westminster, to 31st March, 1931.

56. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$25,744 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, General Office, to 31st March, 1931.

57. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$23,403 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Companies and Insurance Branch, to 31st March, 1931.

58. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$10 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, "Fire Marshal Act," to 31st March, 1931.

59. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$7,946 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Municipal Branch, to 31st March, 1931.

60. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$12,720 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Censor of Moving Pictures, to 31st March, 1931.

61. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$27,295 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Sheriffs' Offices, to 31st March, 1931.

62. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$8,165 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Official Administrator, Vancouver, to 31st March, 1931.

63. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$3,138 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Official Guardian, to 31st March, 1931.

64. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$172.474 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Land Registry Offices, to 31st March, 1931.

65. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$67,475 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Supreme and County Courts, to 31st March, 1931.

66. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$609,118 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Provincial Police, to 31st March, 1931.

67. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$126,064 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, County Gaols, to 31st March, 1931.

68. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$28,135 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Girls' Industrial School, to 31st March, 1931.

69. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$201,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Game Branch, to 31st March, 1931.

70. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$91,850 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Administration of Justice, to 31st March, 1931.

71. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$15,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Coroners' Inquests and Inquiries, to 31st March, 1931.

72. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$10,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Constitutional Litigation and General Law Costs, to 31st March, 1931.

73. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,500 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Promotion of Uniformity of Legislation in Canada, to 31st March, 1931.

74. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,350 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Incidentals and Contingencies (not otherwise provided for), to 31st March, 1931.

109. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$12,465 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands, Minister's Office, to 31st March, 1931.

110. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$510,360 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands, Salaries, to 31st March, 1931.

111. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$12,500 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands, Temporary Assistance, to 31st March, 1931.

112. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$166,250 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands, Expenses (including General Offices and Branches), to 31st March, 1931.

113. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$480,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands, Forest Protection Fund, to 31st March, 1931.

114. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$20,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands, Lumber Trade Extension, to 31st March, 1931.

115. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$10,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands, Reconnaissance and Cruising, to 31st March, 1931.

116. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$10,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands, Insect Damage: Investigation and Control, to 31st March, 1931.

117. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$18,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands, Forest Research, to 31st March, 1931.

118. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$15,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands, Reforestation and Forest Nursery, to 31st March, 1931.

119. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$5,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands, Land Classification, to 31st March, 1931.

120. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$5,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands, Grazing: Range Improvement, to 31st March, 1931.

121. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$2,500 be granted to His Majesty to defray the

expenses of Department of Lands, Grazing: Extermination of Wild Horses, to 31st March, 1931. 122. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$42,500 be granted to His Majesty to defray the

expenses of Department of Lands, Water Surveys, to 31st March, 1931.

123. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$7,500 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands, B.C. Hydrometric Survey, to 31st March, 1931.

124. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$15,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands, "Soldiers' Land Act," Chap. 80, 1918, to 31st March, 1931.

The House continued to sit after midnight.

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125. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$140,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands, Land Surveys, to 31st March, 1931.

126. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$30,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands, Photo-topographic Surveys, to 31st March, 1931.

127. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$15,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands, Lithograph Maps, to 31st March, 1931.

128. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$2,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands, Refunds under "Land Act"; Refunds under "Revenue Act Amendment Act, 1920," to 31st March, 1931.

129. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$50,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands, Adjustment of Rebate on Purchase Price of South Okanagan Lands, to 31st March, 1931.

130. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$1,500 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands, Allowance to James Wyllie for Improvements made on Lots Nos. 56 and 76, which is to be applied to Completion of Purchase Price of Lots 277 and 279, all Subdivision of Lot 2450 (S.) (Similkameen), Southern Okanagan Irrigation Project, to 31st March, 1931.

131. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$5,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands, Publicity, to 31st March, 1931.

132. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$10,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands, General Investigations, to 31st March, 1931.

133. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding \$10,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands, Incidentals and Contingencies, to 31st March, 1931.

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

With the leave of the House, on the motion of Mr. *Pearson*, the following notice of motion standing in his name was withdrawn:—

That an Order of this House be granted for a Return of all correspondence between any official or officials of the Department of Finance, or the Minister thereof, and the Guarantee Savings and Loan Association. And that an Order of this House be granted for a Return of all reports of any official of the Department of Finance (including the Inspector of Savings and Loan Associations) with regard to the conduct of the affairs of the said Guarantee Savings and Loan Association.

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

1. Is one Lars Nelson employed on relief-work at Squilax Bridge in Salmon Arm District?

2. Is he a British subject?

3. Are Lars Nelson's two sons also employed on said work?

4. At what rate are Lars Nelson and his two sons being paid?

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

"1. Not on relief-work.

"2. Yes.

"3. Yes.

"4. \$5.50 per day less \$1.50 for board, sub-foreman; \$4.50 per day less \$1.50 for board."

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

1. Was one Peter H. Donaldson employed as General Foreman, with headquarters at Grand Forks, when the present Government assumed office?

2. How long had the said Donaldson been so employed?

3. Were the services of the said Donaldson dispensed with by the present Government?

4. If so, when, and for what reason?

5. Who was appointed his successor?

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

"1. Yes.

"2. April, 1922, to September 30th, 1928.

"3. Yes.

"4. September, 1928. Reorganization.

"5. J. B. McDonald."

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

1. Has one Jean Pierre Gachain been employed as foreman on road-maintenance work in the Beaverdell section of the Grand Forks-Greenwood Electoral District since the present Government assumed office?

2. If so, when was the said Gachain first so employed?

3. Who was the predecessor of the said Gachain in this position?

4. What was the reason for making the change?

5. Upon whose recommendation was the said Gachain given this appointment?

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

"1. No.

"2 to 5. Answered by No. 1."

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

1. Was one Herbert W. Gregory employed as General Foreman, with headquarters at Greenwood, when the present Government assumed office?

2. How long had the said H. W. Gregory been employed in that position?

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3. Is he still so employed?

4. If not, when were his services terminated?

5. What was the reason for such termination?

The Hon. Mr. Lougheed replied as follows:-

"1, Yes.

"2. From August, 1925, to September 30th, 1928.

"3. No.

"4. September 30th, 1928.

"5. Reorganization."

Resolved, That the House, at its rising, do stand adjourned until 3.30 o'clock p.m. on Monday next.

And then the House adjourned at 12.30 a.m.

Monday, March 17th, 1930.

HALF-PAST THREE O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by the Rev. Dr. J. K. Unsworth.

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

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the second reading of Bill (No. 22) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Savings and Loan Associations Act."

Bill read a second time.

To be committed at the next sitting.

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

Bill (No. 62) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Municipal Elections Act.'"

Bill (No. 64) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Local Improvement Act."

Bill (No. 63) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Mutual Fire Insurance Companies Act.'"

Bill (No. 30) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Medical Act.'"

Bill (No. 41) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Village Municipalities Act'" was committed. Progress reported.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 42) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Hospital Act'" was committed. Reported complete without amendment. Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 44) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Fisheries Act'" was committed. Progress reported. Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

The Hon. Mr. Atkinson presented the Annual Report of the Department of Agriculture for the Year 1929.

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 5.52 p.m.

Monday, March 17th, 1930.

QUARTER-PAST EIGHT O'CLOCK P.M.

The Clerk informed the House of the unavoidable absence of Mr. Speaker, whereupon Mr. Twigg, Deputy Speaker, took the chair pursuant to the Statute in that case made and provided.

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 Nine million seven hundred and forty thousand Dollars for the Purposes therein specified," and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,

March 12th, 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. 47) initialed "An Act to borrow the Sum of Nine million seven hundred and forty thousand Dollars for the Purposes therein specified," 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 amend the 'British Columbia Loan Act, 1928," and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,

March 12th, 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. 61) intituled "An Act to amend the 'British Columbia Loan Act, 1928,'" 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 amend the 'Pacific Great Eastern Construction Loan Act, 1928,'" and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House, March 12th, 1930.

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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. 49) initialed "An Act to amend the 'Pacific Great Eastern Construction Loan Act, 1928," 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 amend the 'British Columbia Loan Act, 1929," and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,

March 12th, 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. 48) intituled "An Act to amend the 'British Columbia Loan Act, 1929,'" 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 amend the 'British Columbia Loan (Consolidated Revenue) Act, 1929,'" and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,

March 12th, 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. 60) initialed "An Act to amend the 'British Columbia Loan (Consolidated Revenue) Act, 1929," 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 amend the 'Municipalities Aid Act,'" and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,

March 13th, 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. 65) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Municipalities Aid 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.

Bill (No. 39) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Civil Service Act'" was committed. Reported complete without amendment. Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 37) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Succession Duty Act'" was committed. Reported complete without amendment. Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 40) intituled "An Act to amend the 'County Courts Act'" was committed. Reported complete without amendment. Report to be considered at the next sitting. Bill (No. 14) intituled "An Act respecting the Solemnization of Marriage" was again committed.

Reported complete with amendments.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

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

And then the House adjourned at 11 p.m.

Tuesday, March 18th, 1930.

Prayers by Mr. Speaker.

HALF-PAST TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

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

J. A. MACDONALD,

Administrator.

The Administrator transmits herewith an amendment to Bill (No. 18) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Public Schools Act,' n enclosed herewith, and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House, March 17th, 1930.

Add the following section :---

(Enclosure.)

"16. Said chapter 226 is amended by adding thereto the following subheading and section :----

" ' Special Taxation for School Purposes.

"'177. (1.) For the purpose of raising Provincial revenue to meet in part the expenditures of the Province for school purposes under this Act, all personal property within unorganized territory which does not form part of any school district, and all personal property within any rural school district in which the school has been closed, shall be assessed and taxed annually as provided in this section, and every person shall be taxed on his personal property which is within the scope of this section.

"'(2.) The rate of taxation on personal property under this section shall be two mills on the dollar upon its assessed value.

"'(3.) Subject to the provisions of this section, all the provisions of the "Taxation Act" shall apply to the assessment, levy, collection, and recovery of all taxes imposed under this section, and to the addition of interest to such taxes when delinquent, in like manner as to taxes imposed under the "Taxation Act"; and all such taxes when assessed shall for all purposes of that Act be deemed to be Provincial taxes imposed and assessed under that Act, and upon collection or recovery shall be paid into the Consolidated Revenue Fund.

"'(4.) Section 117 of this Act shall, mutatis mutandis, apply in respect of the assessment and taxation of personal property under this section.""

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

, (IN THE COMMITTEE.)

Resolved, That the Committee rise and report to the House, recommending the introduction of the proposed amendment to Bill (No. 18) initialed "An Act to amend the 'Public Schools Act,'" a draft of which is annexed to the Message from His Honour the Administrator.

Resolution and amendment reported.

Amendment introduced and read a first and second time.

Ordered, That the amendment be referred to the Committee of the Whole having in charge Bill (No. 18) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Public Schools Act.'" On the motion of the Hon. Mr. *Pooley*, Bill (No. 68) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Municipal Act'" was introduced, read a first time, and *Ordered* to be read a second time at the next sitting.

Mr. *Twigg* asked leave to introduce a Bill intituled "An Act respecting Chiropractors and Drugless Physicians."

Mr. A. M. Manson rose to a point of order.

Mr. Speaker reserved his decision.

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. *Pooley* (in the absence of the Hon. Mr. *Maitland*), Bill (No. 72) initialed "An Act to amend the 'Evidence Act'" was introduced, read a first time, and *Ordered* to be read a second time at the next sitting.

Mr. Fitzsimmons moved, seconded by Mr. Uphill,---

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.

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

Mr. A. M. Manson asked the Hon. the Attorney-General the following question :---

How many Coroners' inquests were held within the City of Prince Rupert each year from 1910 to 1929, inclusive?

The Hon. Mr. Pooley replied as follows:-

"1910, 7 inquests; 1911, 10 inquests, 2 inquiries; 1912, 6 inquests, 3 inquiries; 1913, 5 inquests, 6 inquiries; 1914, 7 inquests, 15 inquiries; 1915, 6 inquests, 13 inquiries; 1916, 2 inquests, 8 inquiries; 1917, 3 inquests, 22 inquiries; 1918, 1 inquest, 18 inquiries; 1919, 2 inquests, 11 inquiries; 1920, 4 inquests, 17 inquiries; 1921, 6 inquests, 18 inquiries; 1922, 4 inquests, 9 inquiries; 1923, 5 inquests, 10 inquiries; 1924, 5 inquests, 6 inquiries; 1925, 4 inquests, 10 inquiries; 1926, 8 inquests, 7 inquiries; 1927, 3 inquests, 18 inquiries; 1928, 5 inquests, 7 inquiries; total, 96 inquests, 210 inquiries.

"Note.-This answer includes both City and Provincial cases."

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Mr. I. A. Mackenzie asked the Hon, the Attorney-General the following questions:-

1. Were motor-licence plates for the year 1930 completely manufactured within the Province?

2. If not, why not?

3. Have any arrangements been made to supply motor-licence plates for 1931 by prison-labour?

4. Has a plant been purchased for this purpose? If so, from whom, and at what price?

5. What arrangements have been made for the supply of raw material for manufacturing such plates?

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

"1. No definite information.

"2. Answered by No. 1.

"3. Yes.

"4. Yes; J. R. Tacey & Son, Limited; \$14,000. The vendor at his own expense to recondition the whole plant, machinery and equipment, dismantle and erect and install same, including the erection of all shafting, belts, and pulleys necessary for power-transmission, at Oakalla Prison; to have one of its officers or employees properly supervise the complete manufacture of 30,000 pairs of motor-licence plates after the installation of said plant.

"5. Contract for necessary steel has been let. Various British Columbia firms have been asked for quotations on the necessary enamel and paint."

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 5.45 p.m.

Tuesday, March 18th, 1930.

HALF-PAST EIGHT O'CLOCK P.M.

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. McKenzic, the debate was adjourned to the next sitting.

Mr. Uphill moved, seconded by Mr. Rutledge,-

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.

A debate arose, which was, on the motion of Mr. Kingston, adjourned to 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. *Pooley*—Bill (No. 70) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Land Registry Act.'"

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. Pooley—Bill (No. 71) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Administration Act."

On the motion of the Hon, Mr. Atkinson-Bill (No. 73) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Sumas Drainage, Dyking, and Development District Act."

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Bill (No. 63) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Mutual Fire Insurance Companies Act'" was committed.

Reported complete without amendment.

Report adopted.

Bill read a third time and passed.

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

Progress reported.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

The report on Bill (No. 39) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Civil Service Act'" was adopted.

Third reading at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 46) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Teachers' Pensions Act'" was committed.Reported complete without amendment.Report adopted.Bill read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 32) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Municipal Elections Act'" was committed. Reported complete without amendment. Report adopted.

Report adopted.

Bill read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 64) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Local Improvement Act'" was committed. Reported complete without amendment.

Report adopted.

Bill read a third time and passed.

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Bill (No. 25) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Insurance Act'" was again committed.Reported complete without amendment.Report adopted.Bill read a third time and passed.

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Bill (No. 33) intituled "An Act to provide for the Control of Grasshoppers" was again committed.

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

Bill (No. 45) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Railway Act'" was again committed. Reported complete without amendment. Report adopted.

Bill read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 41) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Village Municipalities Act'" was again committed.

Reported complete with amendments. Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 44) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Fisheries Act'" was again committed. Reported complete with amendments. Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 31) intituled "An Act to consolidate and amend the Law relating to Highways and the Traffic thereon" was read a third time and passed.

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

Bill (No. 11) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Creameries and Dairies Regulation Act."

Bill (No. 15) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Distress Act.'"

Bill (No. 14) intituled "An Act respecting the Solemnization of Marriage."

Bill (No. 40) intituled "An Act to amend the 'County Courts Act."

The report on Bill (No. 42) initial "An Act to amend the 'Hospital Act'" was adopted. Third reading at the next sitting,

The report on Bill (No. 37) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Succession Duty Act'" was adopted.

Third reading at the next sitting.

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

1. What work has been carried out by the Fraser Construction Company for the Department of Public Works since September 1st, 1928?

2. What amounts has the Fraser Construction Company been paid in connection with such work?

3. When was the Fraser Construction Company formed?

4. Is one Morley Alcorn connected in any capacity with the Fraser Construction Company?

5. Is this the same Morley Alcorn who was engaged in the political campaign of the present Minister of Public Works in July, 1928?

6. Has the Fraser Construction Company leased any road machinery, the property of the Department of Public Works?

7. If so, is any of this machinery in use, or has it been used, on work done by the Fraser Construction Company for the Department of Public Works?

8. What amounts has the Fraser Construction Company paid as rental for such machinery?

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

"1. Highway-protection work on Nicomen Island; construction and reconstruction of highway system on Nicomen Island; reconstruction of approximately 3 miles of Dewdney Trunk Road from Pitt River Bridge to Hunter Road; construction of Whonnock-Ruskin Diversion of Dewdney Trunk Road; and construction of roads, including protection-work, in the vicinity of Section 19, Township 20, New Westminster District. Part of the above work was carried out by contract. The balance was carried out by day-labour, using plant and equipment rented from the Fraser Construction Company by the Department. An analysis of the cost of the work covered by this question shows that unit costs by day-labour were practically the same as unit costs by contract for similar construction.

" 2. \$228,156.52.

"3. No information.

"4. No information.

" 5. No information.

"6. No.

"7 and 8. Answered by No. 6."

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

1. Since September 1st, 1928, have the General Construction Company and the Fraser Construction Company been employed in any case on the same project in Dewdney District?

2. If so, what amounts have the General Construction Company been paid in connection with such work?

3. When was the General Construction Company formed?

4. Is one John Boyd connected with the General Construction Company? If so, in what capacity?

5. Is this the same John Boyd who was engaged on Contracts 2A and 3 in connection with Cariboo Road, taken over by the General Construction Company from the A. B. Palmer Company?

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

"1. Yes.

"2. \$117,037.60.

" 3. 1923.

"4. Yes; president and general manager.

"5. Yes."

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

1. Has a new location been decided upon for any part or parts of the main Provincial Highway through Maple Ridge Municipality, in Dewdney Electoral District?

2. If so, how much new construction is involved, and between what points?

3. What is the estimated cost of such new location?

4. Has any work been already carried out, or is any work in progress on such new location?

5. If so, were tenders called for such work, and what was the amount of each tender?

6. If tenders were not called for any part, upon what basis was the work carried out, or upon what basis is it being carried out?

7. Who were the successful tenderers, or the persons or firms engaged in this work?

8. What is the estimated cost of compensating owners of property through which new road may pass; has any amount been paid out for this purpose; and what area must be acquired in this manner?

9. Has any protest or communication been received by the Minister of Public Works from residents of this district regarding this work?

10. Would such new location open up communication for any considerable number of settlers?

11. Does such new location pass through any part of that 11.21 acres, being portion of District Lot 398, Group 1, New Westminster District, Sketch 2657, of which the Stave Falls Lumber Company was registered owner on September 1st, 1929?

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

"1. Yes.

 $^{\prime\prime}\,2.$ 10.56 miles; various sections from westerly boundary of the Municipality of Maple Ridge to Ruskin.

"3. Estimated and known cost: Section (a), western boundary of municipality to Kanaka Creek, including work already done, \$162,959; Section (b), Albion to Whonnock, work partly

under contract, which is included, \$150,605; Section (c), completed, total cost \$88,487. The foregoing are for a road-bed graded to 30 feet wide, complete.

"4. Yes.

"5. Tenders were called for the section between Albion and Whonnock. Amounts of tenders received were as follows: Ellis-Cotton, Ltd., \$89,954; General Construction Co., Ltd., \$92,706; S. S. Magoffin & Co., Ltd., \$102,577.40; Vancouver Pile Driving & Contracting Co., \$107,231.22; Pacific Engineers, Ltd., \$113,903; Fraser Construction Co., Ltd., \$118,647.50. The lowest bid was accepted.

"6. By day-labour.

"7. See answer to No. 5.

"8. Full information will be made available to Public Accounts Committee of next Session."9. Yes; on one section by parties under a misapprehension as to class of highway proposed.

Understand no dissatisfaction with work as carried out.

"10. Yes; and provide better location for trunk road.

"11. Yes."

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

1. Was a Mr. Dornar employed by the Department in the Grand Forks District during 1929?

2. If so, in what capacity and at what salary?

3. For what period or periods did he work for the Department?

4. What was the total sum paid to him during the year 1929?

5. Is he a returned soldier?

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

"1. Yes. (H. Dorner.)

"2. Employed as temporary maintenance foreman, tractor-driver, bridge-carpenter, and labourer. Salary, foreman, \$5 per day; tractor-driver, \$4.50; bridge-carpenter, \$5; and labourer, \$3.75.

"3. January, 10 days; February, 12 days; March, 24¾ days; April, 25½ days; May, 10 days; June, 23 days; July, 13 days; August, 21¼ days; September, 24 days; October, 27 days; November, 8 days; December, 20 days,

"4. Total sum paid, \$1,075.75.

"5. No information."

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

1. What road allowances have been purchased since August 20th, 1928?

2. What amount was paid in each case?

3. To which vote were amounts charged?

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

"1, 2, and 3. This information will be made available for Public Accounts Committee at next Session of House."

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

1. Have any amounts been paid in compensation to property-holders since August 20th, 1928?

2. If so, what amounts in each case?

3. To which vote were said amounts charged?

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

"1, 2, and 3. This information will be made available for Public Accounts Committee at next Session of House."

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 p.m.