

Thursday, 1st February, 1906.

TWO O'CLOCK, P.M.

Prayers by the Rev. G. K. B. Adams.

The following petitions were received :—

From *W. J. Beam*, Pacific Box Co. and *Frank N. Trites*, owners of lots abutting on the waters of False Creek, Vancouver, opposing Private Bill (No. 71) of Vancouver City to amend the "False Creek Foreshore Act, 1904." (No. 22A.)

From the Cascade Water, Power and Light Co., Limited, opposing Private Bill (No. 69) intituled "An Act to amend the 'West Kootenay Power and Light Company, Limited, Act, 1897.'" (No. 20A.)

Mr. *Houston* presented the First Report from the Printing Committee, as follows :—

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE ROOM,
February 1st, 1906.

MR. SPEAKER :

Your Select Standing Committee on Printing beg leave to report as follows :—

That the Committee met on February 1st. On motion the following were ordered printed :—

1. Return of Minute of Council and agreement relative to a grant of land made to the Grand Trunk Pacific Railway Company for terminal purposes. Presented January 11th, 1906.

2. Return of copies of all Orders in Council, agreements, grants, letters, telegrams or other papers in possession of the Government relative to the acquisition by the Grand Trunk Pacific Railway Company of lands at Kaien Island, or elsewhere in British Columbia, whether for right of way, terminal or townsite purposes, or by way of subsidy. Presented January 18th, 1906.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

JOHN HOUSTON,
Chairman.

The Report was received.

Mr. *Macgowan* presented the First Report from the Railway Committee, as follows :—

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE ROOM,
1st February, 1906.

MR. SPEAKER :

Your Select Standing Committee on Railways beg leave to report as follows :—

The preamble proved of Bill (No. 56) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Midway and Vernon Railway Company Act, 1901,'" and submit the same herewith with amendments.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

A. H. B. MACGOWAN,
Chairman.

The Report was received.

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

By the Hon. Mr. *Fulton*—Bill (No. 23) intituled "An Act to incorporate The Royal Institution for the Advancement of Learning of British Columbia."

By the Hon. Mr. *Fulton*—Bill (No. 24) intituled "An Act respecting McGill University."

On the second reading of Bill (No. 7) intituled "An Act to extend the Franchise to Women," a debate arose, which was adjourned until to-morrow.

The adjourned debate on the second reading of Bill (No. 8) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Provincial Elections Act,'" was resumed.

The debate was again adjourned until to-morrow.

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

HENRI G. JOLY DE LOTBINIÈRE,
Lieutenant-Governor.

The Lieutenant-Governor transmits herewith a Bill intituled "An Act to Ratify an Agreement which has been arrived at between the Dominion and Provincial Governments, respecting the Western Boundary of the Railway Belt," and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,
1st February, 1906.

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 a Bill (No. 22) intituled "An Act to Ratify an Agreement which has been arrived at between the Dominion and Provincial Governments, respecting the Western Boundary of the Railway Belt," and recommend the introduction of the same.

Report adopted.
Bill introduced and read a first time.
Second reading to-morrow.

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the motion moved on 31st January by Mr. *Brown*, as follows:—

That a Select Committee of this House, consisting of Messrs. *Ross, Taylor, Young, Henderson* and *Paterson*, be appointed to inquire into all matters relating to an application by Mr. *John Elliott*, as counsel, for a fiat for a petition of right to try certain questions relating to the mineral claim "Pack Train," with power to call for persons, papers and documents and to take evidence under oath, and to report the evidence and their findings to this House.

The motion was negatived.

The order for the second reading of Bill (No. 11) intituled "An Act to render ineligible as Members of the Legislative Assembly persons accepting or holding offices, contracts or employment under the Dominion Government," was discharged and the Bill withdrawn.

Bill (No. 19) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Dyking Assessments Adjustment Act, 1905,'" was committed.

Progress reported.
Committee to sit again to-morrow.

Bill (No. 21) intituled "An Act respecting Distress," was committed.
Reported complete without amendment.
Report to be considered to-morrow.

The Hon. Mr. *Fulton* presented the First Report of the Provincial Game and Forest Warden of the Province of British Columbia, 1905.

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

And then the House adjourned at 4:30 P.M.

Friday, 2nd February, 1906.

TWO O'CLOCK, P.M.

Prayers by the Rev. *G. K. B. Adams*.

The order for the consideration of the report on Bill (No. 16) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Assessment Act, 1903,'" was discharged and the Bill recommitted.

Reported complete with amendments.

Report to be considered on Monday next.

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

1. Is it the intention of the Government to re-appoint Mr. *C. J. South* as Superintendent under the Children's Protection Act?

2. Do the Government propose to make provision in the Estimates for the payment of salary for the continuance of said office of Superintendent, or any other form of remuneration, so that work should continue?

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

"1. Mr. *C. J. South* having resigned, the Superintendent of Provincial Police is performing the duties of Superintendent under the provisions of the 'Children's Protection Act.'

"2. It is the intention of the Government that any aid given shall be in the form of a money grant to the Children's Aid Society, as in former years."

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

1. The length and nature of service of the several gentlemen whose names appear on the superannuation list rendered the Province to entitle them to superannuation?

2. The nature of service each performed for the Province?

3. The rate of monthly pay each received for said service?

4. The reason of each superannuation?

5. Upon what grounds do the Government base rate of superannuation?

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

Name.	Service.	Salary.
"1. J. E. McMillan.	Assessor and Collector at Victoria, 1876-1878,	
	inclusive	\$125 00 per month.
	Sheriff, Victoria, 1884-1903, inclusive	62 50 "
	Total service, 23 years.	
A. O'Connor . . .	Guard, New Westminster Gaol, 1888-1892, in-	
	clusive	60 00 "
	1893-1896, inclusive	65 00 "
	1897-1900, "	63 50 "
	1901-1902, "	68 00 "
	Total services, 15 years.	
C. H. F. Blake .	Convict Guard, Victoria Gaol, 1882-1887, in-	
	clusive	60 00 "
	1888-1895, inclusive	70 00 "
	Total services, 14 years.	
H. O. Wellburn.	Government Agent, Cowichan, 1892	100 00 "
	1893-1896, inclusive	125 00 "
	1897-1899, "	95 00 "
	Total services, 8 years.	
George Cowan . .	Stipendiary Magistrate and Registrar, County	
	Court, Barkerville, 1890-1895, inclusive . .	125 00 "
	Total services, 6 years.	
D. Robson	Government Agent, New Westminster, 1896-	
	1905, inclusive	150 00 "
	Total services, 10 years.	

Name.	Service.	Salary.
J. Sage	Janitor, Nanaimo Court House, 1889	\$20 00 per month.
	1890	30 00 "
	1891-1893, inclusive	40 00 "
	1894-1905, "	50 00 "
	Total services, 17 years.	
W. S. Gore	Draughtsman, 1875-1877, inclusive	133 33 "
	" 1878	125 00 "
	Surveyor-General, 1879-1883, inclusive	150 00 "
	" 1884-1888, "	170 00 "
	" 1889-1891, "	180 00 "
	Deputy Commissioner of Lands and Works, 1892-1905, inclusive	200 00 "
	Total services, 29 years, 11 months.	

"2. Answered by No. 1.

"3. Answered by No. 1.

"4. *J. E. McMillan*, failing health; *A. O'Connor*, age; *D. Robson*, failing health; *J. Sage*, age and infirmity; *W. S. Gore*, age and length of service. Messrs. *Blake*, *Wellburn* and *Cowan* were superannuated by previous Governments, presumably for age, failing health or infirmity.

"5. Length and importance of service."

The Report on Bill (No. 14) intituled "An Act for the Relief and Disincorporation of the Municipality of Dewdney," was considered.

Mr. *Oliver* moved in amendment—

That clause 3 be struck out and the following inserted in lieu thereof:—

"3. Of the twenty-five thousand dollars so paid, ten thousand dollars shall be borne by the Province, and two thousand dollars, with interest thereon at three and one-half per cent. per annum, shall be raised in the manner hereinafter provided by taxation of the lands from time to time assessable under the provisions of the 'Assessment Act, 1903,' or of any provisions that may be substituted therefor. And thirteen thousand dollars with interest thereon at three and one-half per cent. per annum shall be raised by assessment of the lands described in By-law No. 4 of Dewdney Municipality, as promulgated by advertisement in the British Columbia Gazette on the 25th day of August, 1902."

Negatived on the following division:—

YEAS:

Messieurs

<i>King,</i>	<i>Jones,</i>	<i>J. A. Macdonald,</i>	<i>Wells,</i>
<i>Brown,</i>	<i>Evans,</i>	<i>Henderson,</i>	<i>Hall,</i>
<i>McNiven,</i>	<i>Tanner,</i>	<i>Munro,</i>	<i>Cameron—15.</i>
<i>Murphy,</i>	<i>Oliver,</i>	<i>Paterson,</i>	

NAYS:

Messieurs

<i>Davidson,</i>	<i>Clifford,</i>	<i>Fulton,</i>	<i>Gifford,</i>
<i>Williams,</i>	<i>Fraser,</i>	<i>Garden,</i>	<i>Macgowan,</i>
<i>Tatlow,</i>	<i>Ross,</i>	<i>Taylor,</i>	<i>Shatford,</i>
<i>McBride,</i>	<i>A. McDonald,</i>	<i>Wright,</i>	<i>Grant,</i>
<i>Cotton,</i>	<i>Green,</i>	<i>Young,</i>	<i>Manson—21.</i>
<i>Ellison,</i>			

Report adopted.

Third reading on Monday next.

The Report on Bill (No. 21) intituled "An Act respecting Distress," was adopted.
Third reading on Monday next.

Bill (No. 19) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Dyking Assessments Adjustment Act, 1905,'" was again committed.

Reported complete with amendments.

Report to be considered on Monday next.

Bill (No. 22) intituled "An Act to Ratify an Agreement which has been arrived at between the Dominion and Provincial Governments, respecting the Western Boundary of the Railway Belt," was read a second time.

To be committed on Monday next.

Bill (No. 56) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Midway and Vernon Railway Company Act, 1901,'" was read a second time.

To be committed on Monday next.

The adjourned debate on the second reading of Bill (No. 7) intituled "An Act to extend the Franchise to Women," was resumed.

Negatived on the following division:—

YEAS:

Messieurs

Brown,
McNiven,
Evans,

Tanner,
Davidson,
Oliver,

Munro,
Wells,
Hall,

Cameron,
Hawthornthwaite,
Williams—12.

NAYS:

Messieurs

Murphy,
Jones,
J. A. Macdonald,
Henderson,
Paterson,
Tatlow,

McBride,
Wilson,
Cotton,
Ellison,
Fraser,
Ross,

A. McDonald,
Green,
Fulton,
Garden,
Taylor,
Wright

Young,
Gifford,
Macgowan,
Shatford,
Grant,
Manson—24.

The adjourned debate on the second reading of Bill (No. 8) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Provincial Elections Act,'" was resumed.

Mr. *Henderson* raised a point of order, viz., that the Bill dealt with revenue, and therefore could not be introduced by a Private Member.

Mr. Speaker reserved his decision on the point of order.

The debate was adjourned until the next sitting of the House.

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

And then the House adjourned at 4 P.M.

Monday, 5th February, 1906.

Prayers by the Rev. *F. T. Tapscott.*

TWO O'CLOCK, P.M.

Mr. *Fraser* presented a petition from the Canadian Bank of Commerce, Greenwood, and others, in favour of Private Bill to amend the "West Kootenay Power and Light Company Act. (No. 20B.)

Received.

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

By the Hon. Mr. *Wilson*—Bill (No. 27) intituled “An Act respecting the Cancellation and Amendment of Plans.”

By the Hon. Mr. *Wilson*—Bill (No. 25) intituled “An Act relating to the Transfer of Land, and to provide for the Registration of Titles to Land.”

By Mr. *Davidson*—Bill (No. 28) intituled “An Act regulating Hours of Labour in certain Industries.”

By Mr. *Ellison*—Bill (No. 26) intituled “An Act relating to Telephone Companies.”

Dr. *Young* presented the Thirteenth Report from the Private Bills Committee, as follows :—

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE ROOM,
February 5th, 1906.

MR. SPEAKER :

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

That the preamble of Bill (No. 58) intituled “An Act to amend the ‘Lightning Creek Gold Gravels and Drainage Company (Limited Liability) Act, 1896,’” has been proved, and the Bill ordered to be reported as amended.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

The Report was received.

H. E. YOUNG,
Chairman.

Mr. *Macgowan* presented the Second Report from the Railway Committee, as follows :—

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE ROOM,
February 5th, 1906.

MR. SPEAKER :

Your Select Standing Committee on Railways beg leave to report as follows :—

The preambles proved of—

Bill (No. 67) intituled “An Act to incorporate the Ashcroft, Barkerville and Fort George Railway Company.”

Bill (No. 62) intituled “An Act to incorporate the Bella Coola and Fraser Lake Railway Company,”

(Bill (No. 55) intituled “An Act to incorporate the British Columbia Northern and Alaska Railway Company,”

Bill (No. 53) intituled “An Act to incorporate the Kamloops and Yellowhead Pass Railway Company,”

Bill (No. 65) intituled “An Act to incorporate the St. Mary’s Valley Railway Company,”

Bill (No. 64) intituled “An Act to incorporate the St. Mary’s and Cherry Creek Railway Company.”

All of which is respectfully submitted.

The Report was received.

A. H. B. MACGOWAN,
Chairman.

On the motion of Mr. *Oliver*, seconded by Mr. *Munro*, it was *Resolved*,—

That an Order of the House be granted for a Return showing the number and names and residences of all game wardens and deputy game wardens appointed by the Government, and the remuneration each receives from the Government.

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

Has the Pacific Northern and Omineca Railway Company begun construction of its line of railway within the time specified by sub-section (*m*) of section 2, chap. 55, 1902 ?

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

“On the 21st December, 1903, a letter was received from Mr. *F. G. Vernon*, President of the Company, enclosing a copy of a letter from Mr. *Wm. G. Pinder*, C. E. and P. L. S., stating that, acting under instructions from Mr. *Vernon*, he had re-located the line for three-quarters of a mile and cross-sectioned the same, and that he had three-quarters of a mile of the right-of-way cleared for a width of one hundred feet, and that a gang of men were engaged grading and building culverts.”

Mr. *Fraser* asked the Hon. the Provincial Secretary the following question :—

What has the Provincial Government done to help recover bodies from the wreck of the *Valencia* on the West Coast of Vancouver Island?

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

“Instructions have been given to the Superintendent of Provincial Police to render all assistance in the power of the Provincial Police towards recovering bodies from the wreck of the *Valencia*.”

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

1. For what purposes did the Hon. the Attorney-General visit England last year?
2. What advantage to the Province has resulted from the Hon. Attorney-General's visit?

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

“1. To represent the Province before the Privy Council in the following appeals :—(1.) Attorney-General for the Province of British Columbia, Appellant, and Canadian Pacific Railway Company, Respondent. (2.) Attorney-General for the Province of British Columbia v. The Attorney-General for the Dominion of Canada (Deadman's Island Appeal).

“2. The first-mentioned appeal has been argued, but decision has not yet been given. The other case will not be argued until the June sitting.”

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

What were the expenses of the Hon. the Attorney-General on account of his recent trip to England?

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

“\$1,344.75.”

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

1. Has any land been leased to any company or companies for the purpose of cutting pulp timber thereon?
2. If so, how much to each company?
3. For how long a period, and on what terms?
4. Do the leased lands (if any) contain fir and cedar in quantities?
5. If so, on what terms can the company or companies cut said fir and cedar?

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

“1. Yes.

“2. Oriental Power and Pulp Company, 84,180 acres; Quatsino Power and Pulp Company, 46,628 acres.

“3. Twenty-one years. A form of lease is laid on the table.

“4. Not in the knowledge of the Department.

“5. Under the provisions of sub-section (b) of section 6 of the ‘Land Act Amendment Act, 1901.’”

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

1. Was any portion of the \$10,000 voted during the Session 1903-04 for roads and trails in Cariboo District allowed to lapse?

2. If so, what portion?

3. Was any portion of the \$20,000 voted during the Session 1903-04 for the Cariboo Main Trunk Road allowed to lapse?

4. If so, what portion?
5. Was any portion of the \$10,000 voted during the Session 1903-04 for road machinery allowed to lapse?
6. If so, what portion?
7. What road machinery was purchased by the Government under the vote mentioned in question 5 hereof?
8. Where is such road machinery at present?

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

- "1. No.
- "2. Answered by No. 1.
- "3. No.
- "4. Answered by No. 3.
- "5. Yes.
- "6. \$788.40—Shewn in Public Accounts for fiscal year ending June 30th, 1905.
- "7. Two road graders, 2 spreading waggons, 2 Bain waggons, 1 bob sleigh, 1 team horses, Cariboo District. Two road graders, 2 spreading waggons, 1 road roller, Lillooet District. Two road graders, Kamloops District. One road grader, Cranbrook District. Two road graders, Yale District. One traction engine, 1 drag saw, 1 stone elevator and 1 Champion engine, Ashcroft District.
- "8. Answered by No. 7."

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

1. Has the \$8,000 voted last Session for roads and trails in Cariboo District been expended?
2. On which roads and trails was this amount expended, and how much of it was expended on each of them?
3. Has the \$22,000 voted last Session for the Cariboo Main Trunk Road been expended?
4. What portion of this \$22,000 has been expended on that section of the Cariboo Main Trunk Road extending from the southern boundary of Cariboo District to Barkerville?
5. Of the portion mentioned in question 4 hereof, how much has been expended for wages? How much for tools? How much for horse hire? How much for purchase of horses?

The Hon. Mr. *Green* replied as follows;—

- "1. Yes.
- "2. Statement attached.
- "3. No.
- "4. \$9,945.12.
- "5. Wages, \$7,502.36; tools, supplies, feed, etc., \$2,063.76; horse hire, \$54; purchase of horses, \$325; total, \$9,945.12.

"Road, 158-Quesnel Forks	\$ 823 63
" Beaver Lake Valley-Horsefly	53 00
" Chilcotin-Hanceville	3 00
" Antler Creek Hill	1,381 50
" Goose Creek-Cariboo Lake	150 00
" Horsefly	708 09
" Springhouse	326 25
" Grouse Creek	39 00
" Mosquito Creek-Willow River	127 83
" Quesnel-Reid's Ranch	40 00
" Boat Landing, Soda Creek	83 00
" Beaver Pass-Ruchon Creek	19 50
" Cunningham Creek	32 50
" Barkerville-Richfield	6 50
" Polly Lake	36 00
" Mud Lake	56 00
" Antler-Cunningham Creek	5 00

Carried forward 3,890 80

	Brought forward	\$3,890 80
" Road,	Quesnel Forks-Quesnel Lake	34 50
"	Quesnel Forks-Horsefly	115 50
"	Sheep Creek Mountain	117 75
"	(Sleigh) Quesnel Forks-Keithley Creek	1,969 54
"	Quesnel Forks-150 M. H.	192 69
"	Chilcotin Main	333 00
"	Chilcotin-Soda Creek	40 00
Trail,	Upper Horsefly	20 50
"	Keithley-Harvey Creek	30 00
"	Hazelton	12 00
"	Cottonwood-Willow River	56 00
"	Bear Lake-Goat River	13 00
"	Bear Lake	19 50
"	8-Mile Lake	82 87
"	Summit Creek-Bear Lake	87 75
"	Barkerville-Canadian Creek	19 50
"	Quesnel Forks-Keithley Creek	84 75
"	Spanish Creek	89 30
Bridge, E. P. Lee		1 75
"	Williams Creek	51 16
"	Chilcotin	53 50
"	Kangaroo	6 50
Bridges, 3-Mile Creek and 150-Mile Creek		52 50
Fighting fire		58 00
General roads and trails		176 18
Road Superintendent		392 50
		\$8,001 04"

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

1. How much money was expended on roads on Texada Island during the year ending June, 1905?
2. How much has been expended during the current year?
3. Has value been received for the moneys expended?
4. Is the Government aware that a number of settlers have left their homes on account of having no roads?

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

" 1. \$401.50.

" 2. \$786.00.

" 3. The Government has every reason to believe so, there being no information to the contrary on record in the Department.

" 4. The Government has no information on record regarding this matter."

The Report on Bill (No. 16) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Assessment Act, 1903,'" was adopted.

Bill read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 14) intituled "An Act for the Relief and Disincorporation of the Municipality of Dewdney," was read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 21) intituled "An respecting Distress," was read a third time and passed.

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Third reading to-morrow.

Bill (No. 22) intituled "An Act to Ratify an Agreement which has been arrived at between the Dominion and Provincial Governments, respecting the Western Boundary of the Railway Belt," was committed.

Reported complete without amendment.
Report to be considered to-morrow.

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

Bill (No. 23) intituled "An Act to incorporate The Royal Institution for the Advancement of Learning of British Columbia."

Bill (No. 24) intituled "An Act respecting McGill University."

Bill (No. 56) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Midway and Vernon Railway Company Act, 1901,'" was committed.

Reported complete without amendment.
Report to be considered to-morrow.

The following Private Bills were introduced, read a first time and referred to the Private Bills Committee:—

By Mr. *Garden*—Bill (No. 61) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Vancouver Incorporation Act, 1900.'"

By Mr. *Garden*—Bill (No. 71) intituled "An Act to amend the 'False Creek Foreshore Act, 1904.'"

The adjourned debate on the second reading of Bill (No. 8) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Provincial Elections Act,'" was resumed.

Bill read a second time on the following division:—

YEAS:

Messieurs

<i>Tanner,</i>	<i>Williams,</i>	<i>A. McDonald,</i>	<i>Young,</i>
<i>Davidson,</i>	<i>McBride,</i>	<i>Garden,</i>	<i>Gifford,</i>
<i>Hall,</i>	<i>Wilson,</i>	<i>Taylor,</i>	<i>Macgowan,</i>
<i>Hawthornthwaite,</i>	<i>Bowser,</i>	<i>Wright,</i>	<i>Manson—16.</i>

NAYS:

Messieurs

<i>King,</i>	<i>Oliver,</i>	<i>Paterson,</i>	<i>Ellison,</i>
<i>Brown,</i>	<i>J. A. Macdonald,</i>	<i>Cameron,</i>	<i>Fulton,</i>
<i>Murphy,</i>	<i>Henderson,</i>	<i>Tatlow,</i>	<i>Grant—15.</i>
<i>Jones,</i>	<i>Munro,</i>	<i>Cotton,</i>	

To be committed to-morrow.

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

And then the House adjourned at 3:30 P.M.

Tuesday, 6th February, 1906.

TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by the Rev. *F. T. Tapscott*.

Mr. *Macgowan* presented the Third Report from the Railway Committee, as follows:—

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE ROOM,
February 6th, 1906.

MR. SPEAKER :

Your Select Standing Committee on Railways beg leave to report as follows:—

The preamble proved of—

Bill (No. 73) intituled "An Act to incorporate the Southern Okanagan Railway Company."

Bill (No. 70) intituled "An Act to incorporate the British Columbia Central Railway Company."

All of which is respectfully submitted.

A. H. B. MACGOWAN,
Chairman.

The Report was received.

On the motion of Mr. *Williams*, Bill (No. 29) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Master and Servant Act,'" was introduced, read a first time and *Ordered* to be read a second time to-morrow.

The Hon. Mr. *Wilson* presented the Annual Report of the Police, Gaols and Juvenile Reformatory of the Province for the year ending October 31st, 1905.

Bill (No. 19) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Dyking Assessments Adjustment Act, 1905,'" was read a third time and passed.

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The Hon. Mr. *Fulton* presented a Return showing the number and names and residences of all game wardens and deputy game wardens appointed by the Government, and the remuneration each receives from the Government.

Bill (No. 25) intituled "An Act relating to the Transfer of Land, and to provide for the Registration of Titles to Land," was read a second time.

To be committed to-morrow.

Bill (No. 27) intituled "An Act respecting the Cancellation and Amendment of Plans," was read a second time and committed.

Reported complete with amendments.

Report to be considered to-morrow.

Bill (No. 55) intituled "An Act to incorporate the British Columbia Northern and Alaska Railway Company," was read a second time.
To be committed to-morrow.

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

And then the House adjourned at 4:30 P.M.

Wednesday, 7th February, 1906.

TWO O'CLOCK, P.M.

Prayers by the Rev. *F. T. Tapscott*.

Dr. *Young* presented the Fourteenth Report from the Private Bills Committee, as follows:—

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE ROOM,
February 7th, 1906.

MR. SPEAKER :

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

That the preamble of Bill (No. 54) intituled "An Act to incorporate the Canadian Plate Glass Insurance Company," has been proved, and the Bill ordered to be reported as amended.

That the preamble of Bill (No. 66) intituled "An Act relating to the Union Steamship Company of British Columbia," has been proved, and the Bill ordered to be reported as amended.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

H. E. YOUNG,
Chairman.

The Report was received.

Mr. *Macgowan* presented the Fourth Report from the Railway Committee, as follows:—

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE ROOM,
February 7th, 1906.

MR. SPEAKER :

Your Select Standing Committee on Railways beg leave to report as follows:—

The preamble proved of Bill (No. 60) intituled "An Act respecting the British Columbia Northern and Mackenzie Valley Railway Company."

All of which is respectfully submitted.

A. H. B. MACGOWAN,
Chairman.

The Report was received.

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

1. Has the Government reserved any areas of coal lands?
2. If so, where, and what quantity?
3. What was the date of such reservation or reservations?

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

- "1. No.
- "2. Answered by No. 1.
- "3. Answered by No. 1."

Bill (No. 55) intituled "An Act to incorporate the British Columbia Northern and Alaska Railway Company," was committed.

Reported complete with amendments.

Report to be considered to-morrow.

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

Bill (No. 67) intituled "An Act to incorporate the Ashcroft, Barkerville and Fort George Railway Company."

Bill (No. 62) intituled "An Act to incorporate the Bella Coola and Fraser Lake Railway Company."

Bill (No. 58) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Lightning Creek Gold Gravels and Drainage Company (Limited Liability) Act, 1896.'"

Bill (No. 73) intituled "An Act to incorporate the Southern Okanagan Railway Company."

The Report on Bill (No. 24) intituled "An Act respecting McGill University," was adopted.

Bill read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 13) intituled "An Act respecting the Use and Manufacture, within British Columbia, of Timber cut on Lands of the Crown," was again committed.

Progress reported.

Committee to sit again to-morrow.

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

And then the House adjourned at 4:30 P.M.

Thursday, 8th February, 1906.

TWO O'CLOCK, P.M.

Prayers by the Rev. *F. T. Tapscott*.

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

By the Hon. Mr. *Wilson*—Bill (No. 30) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Coal Mines Regulation Act.'"

By the Hon. Mr. *Fulton*—Bill (No. 31) intituled "An Act further to amend the 'Vancouver General Hospital Act, 1902.'"

By the Hon. Mr. *Fulton*—Bill (No. 32) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Statutes and Journals Act.'"

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

1. How much land (if any) has been reserved to allow the Quatsino Pulp and Power Co. to select its pulp lands?
2. How much land has been leased to this Company, and on what terms?
3. Has the time expired during which the Company might select its lands?
4. If time has expired for selection, has the reserve been cancelled on lands not selected?
5. If not, why not?
6. Has the Government received any applications for pre-emption within the areas of land reserved but not selected?
7. If so, have these applications been refused?

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

- “ 1. Approximately 209,280 acres.
- “ 2. 46,628 acres. A blank form of lease is now laid on the table.
- “ 3. Yes.
- “ 4. Expired by effluxion of time.
- “ 5. Answered by No. 4.
- “ 6. Yes.
- “ 7. No application would be granted without consent of the Company, as the land within the reserve was not open to pre-emption.”

Bill (No. 8) intituled “ An Act to amend the ‘ Provincial Elections Act,’ ” was committed. The Committee rose without report.

On the second reading of Bill (No. 28) intituled “ An Act regulating Hours of Labour in certain Industries,” a debate arose, which was adjourned until to-morrow.

The Report on Bill (No. 27) intituled “ An Act respecting the Cancellation and Amendment of Plans,” was adopted.

Bill read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 23) intituled “ An Act to incorporate The Royal Institution for the Advancement of Learning of British Columbia,” was again committed.

Reported complete with amendments.

Report to be considered on Monday next.

Bill (No. 25) intituled “ An Act relating to the Transfer of Land, and to provide for the Registration of Titles to Land,” was committed.

Progress reported.

Committee to sit again to-morrow.

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

And then the House adjourned at 5:30 P.M.

Friday, 9th February, 1906.

TWO O'CLOCK, P.M.

Prayers by the Rev. *F. T. Tapscott*.

On the motion of Dr. *Young*, Bill (No. 33) intituled “ An Act to amend the ‘ Placer Mining Act,’ ” was introduced, read a first time and *Ordered* to be read a second time on Monday next.

Mr. *Macgowan* presented the Fifth Report from the Railway Committee, as follows :—

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE ROOM,
9th February, 1906.

MR. SPEAKER :

Your Select Standing Committee on Railways beg leave to report as follows :—

The preambles proved of—

Bill (No. 57) intituled “ An Act to Revive, Ratify and Confirm the Cowichan, Alberni and Fort Rupert Railway Company Act.”

Bill (No. 63) intituled "An Act to incorporate the South-East Kootenay Railway Company."

All of which is respectfully submitted.

A. H. B. MACGOWAN,
Chairman.

The Report was received.

The following papers were presented:—

By the Hon. the Attorney-General—The report of *J. P. Babcock*, Fisheries Commissioner for British Columbia, for the year 1905.

By the Hon. the Minister of Finance—Statement of Special Warrants signed by His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, together with the expenditure incurred thereon, between 17th February, 1905, and the 9th February, 1906, as required by the Revenue Act.

By the Hon. the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works—A Return of all correspondence between the Government and the New Denver Water-works Company and any other person, in connection with the water record granted to said Company in 1905.

Bill (No. 25) intituled "An Act relating to the Transfer of Land, and to provide for the Registration of Titles to Land," was again committed.

Progress reported.

Committee to sit again on Monday next.

The order for the third reading of Bill (No. 22) intituled "An Act to Ratify an Agreement which has been arrived at between the Dominion and Provincial Governments, respecting the Western Boundary of the Railway Belt," was discharged and the Bill recommitted.

Reported complete with amendments.

Report adopted.

Bill read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 31) intituled "An Act further to amend the 'Vancouver General Hospital Act, 1902.'" was read a second time and committed.

Reported complete without amendment.

Report to be considered on Monday next.

Bill (No. 32) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Statutes and Journals Act,'" was read a second time.

To be committed on Monday next.

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

And then the House adjourned at 5 P.M.

Monday, 12th February, 1906.

TWO O'CLOCK, P.M.

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

Bill (No. 25) intituled "An Act relating to the Transfer of Land, and to provide for the Registration of Titles to Land," was again committed.

Reported complete with amendments.

Report to be considered to-morrow.

Bill (No. 32) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Statutes and Journals Act,'" was committed.

Reported complete without amendment.
Report to be considered to-morrow.

Bill (No. 62) intituled "An Act to incorporate the Bella Coola and Fraser Lake Railway Company," was committed.

Reported complete with amendment.
Report to be considered to-morrow.

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

Bill (No. 53) intituled "An Act to incorporate the Kamloops and Yellowhead Pass Railway Company."

Bill (No. 65) intituled "An Act to incorporate the St. Mary's Valley Railway Company."

Bill (No. 64) intituled "An Act to incorporate the St. Mary's and Cherry Creek Railway Company."

Bill (No. 70) intituled "An Act to incorporate the British Columbia Central Railway Company."

Bill (No. 54) intituled "An Act to incorporate the Canadian Plate Glass Insurance Company."

Bill (No. 66) intituled "An Act relating to the Union Steamship Company of British Columbia, Limited."

Bill (No. 60), intituled "An Act respecting the British Columbia Northern and Mackenzie Valley Railway Company."

Bill (No. 57) intituled "An Act to Revive, Ratify and Confirm the Cowichan, Alberni and Fort Rupert Railway Company Act."

Bill (No. 63) intituled "An Act to incorporate the South-East Kootenay Railway Company."

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

And then the House adjourned at 3:35 P.M.

Tuesday, 13th February, 1906.

TWO O'CLOCK, P.M.

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

Mr. *Evans* presented a petition from *Richard Shert* and others, *re* labour in smelters.

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. *Fulton*, Bill (No. 34) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Public Schools Act,'" was introduced, read a first time and *Ordered* to be read a second time to-morrow.

The Report on Bill (No. 32) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Statutes and Journals Act,'" was adopted.

Third reading to-morrow.

The Report on Bill (No. 55) intituled "An Act to incorporate the British Columbia Northern and Alaska Railway Company," was adopted.

Third reading to-morrow.

Bill (No. 73) intituled "An Act to incorporate the Southern Okanagan Railway Company," was committed.

Progress reported.

Committee to sit again to-morrow.

Bill (No. 53) intituled "An Act to incorporate the Kamloops and Yellowhead Pass Railway Company," was committed.

Reported complete without amendment.

Report to be considered to-morrow.

Bill (No. 70) intituled "An Act to incorporate the British Columbia Central Railway Company," was committed.

Reported complete with amendments.

Report to be considered to-morrow.

Bill (No. 54) intituled "An Act to incorporate the Canadian Plate Glass Insurance Company," was committed.

Reported complete with amendments.

Report to be considered to-morrow.

Bill (No. 66) intituled "An Act relating to the Union Steamship Company of British Columbia, Limited," was committed.

Progress reported.

Committee to sit again to-morrow.

Bill (No. 60) intituled "An Act respecting the British Columbia Northern and Mackenzie Valley Railway Company," was committed.

Progress reported.

Committee to sit again to-morrow.

Bill (No. 57) intituled "An Act to Revive, Ratify and Confirm the Cowichan, Alberni, and Fort Rupert Railway Company Act," was committed.

Reported complete without amendment.

Report to be considered to-morrow.

Bill (No. 63) intituled "An Act to incorporate the South-East Kootenay Railway Company," was committed.

Reported complete with amendments.

Report to be considered to-morrow.

The Standing Rules and Orders were suspended, and then on motion of Mr. J. A. Macdonald, Mr. T. W. Paterson was appointed in the place of Mr. C. W. Munro as a Member of the Select Committee, *re* Kaien Island.

Mr. Manson presented a petition from the Vancouver, Westminster and Yukon Railway Company, opposing Private Bill (No. 71) intituled "An Act to amend the 'False Creek Fore-shore Act, 1904.'" (No. 22B.)

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

And then the House adjourned at 4:50 P.M.

Wednesday, 14th February, 1906.

TWO O'CLOCK, P.M.

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

The following petitions were presented and received :—

By Mr. *Davidson*—From *Anthony Mayhaver* and others, *re* labour in smelters.

By Mr. *Manson*—From the Vancouver Gas Company and others, opposing Private Bill to amend the Vancouver City Act. (No. 61A.)

By Mr. *Manson*—From the B. C. Mills Timber and Trading Company, opposing Private Bill to amend the False Creek Foreshore Act, 1904. (No. 22c.)

By Mr. *Fraser*—From *T. Riddle* and others, *re* labour in smelters.

On the motion of Mr. *Ellison*, Bill (No. 35) intituled “An Act for the Extermination of Wild Horses,” was introduced, read a first time and *Ordered* to be read a second time to-morrow.

Mr. *Oliver* moved, seconded by Mr. *J. A. Macdonald*,—

That an Order of the House be granted for a Return of copies of all Orders in Council passed since the 30th of June, 1903.

The motion was withdrawn with leave.

On the motion of Mr. *Evans*, seconded by Mr. *Cameron*, it was *Resolved*,—

That an Order of the House be granted for a Return of the report made by *C. J. South* respecting the slave trade in girls at Cape Mudge and other districts.

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

Does the Government consider that the letter received from Mr. *F. G. Vernon*, President of the Pacific Northern and Omineca Railway Company, enclosing a copy of a letter from Mr. *Wm. G. Pinder*, C. E. and P. L. S., stating that, acting under instructions from Mr. *Vernon*, he had re-located the line for three-quarters of a mile and cross-sectioned the same, and that he had three-quarters of a mile of the right-of-way cleared for a width of one hundred feet, and that a gang of men were engaged grading and building culverts, is sufficient proof that the Company has complied with sub-section (*m*) of section 2, chap. 55, 1902?

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

“The Government has not as yet considered the matter.”

Mr. *Oliver* asked the Hon. the Premier the following question :—

Is it the intention of the Government that the Hon. the Attorney-General shall again visit England for the purpose of arguing the appeal in the case of the Attorney-General of British Columbia *v.* the Attorney-General of the Dominion (Deadman's Island Appeal)?

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

“The matter has not yet been considered by the Government.”

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

1. Did the Premier or the Finance Minister make any statement when at Montreal, or any other place, to any person or persons in any way affecting the question as to whether the Midway and Vernon Railway Company were or were not entitled to a subsidy under the terms of the “Midway and Vernon Subsidy Act, 1902?”

2. If so, what was the statement or statements made, and by whom and what person?

3. For what reason were such statement or statements made?

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

“1 and 2. While in Montreal the Finance Minister stated in reply to an inquiry by the General Manager of the Bank of Montreal that the Government had informed the holders of

the Midway and Vernon Railway charter that the Government was not prepared to admit the liability of the Province under the Midway and Vernon Subsidy Act until a reference had been made to the Courts.

“3. In reply to an inquiry on the subject.”

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

What are the details of expenditure of \$916.15, under the head of Transport, set opposite the name of *J. P. Babcock*, as per Public Accounts, page B93.

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

“June 6th to 30th, 1904.—Expenses accompanying Hon. *F. J. Fulton* to Ottawa in *re* fisheries :—

Return fares, sleeper, &c	\$193 00	
Living expenses, &c	140 00	
Expressage, typewriting, telegrams, &c	11 50	
		————— \$344 50

“July 27th to August 10th, 1904.—Trip inspecting Seton Lake Hatchery :—

Fares on rail and stage	\$ 36 95	
Living expenses	32 00	
		————— 68 95

“August 11th to 17th, 1904.—Meeting Hon. Mr. Prefontaine, Dominion Minister of Marine and Fisheries, at Field :—

Return fare, Victoria to Field	\$ 46 70	
Living expenses and baggage	28 50	
		————— 75 20

“September 10th to October 15th, 1904.—Trip inspecting construction of fish-way at Quesnel Lake dam and Fraser River spawning grounds :—

Fares on rail and stage	\$131 60	
Living expenses and telegrams	146 80	
		————— 278 40

“May 21st to 31st, 1905.—Trip inspecting Quesnel Lake dam :—

Fares on rail and stage	\$ 26 90	
Living expenses and telegrams	42 25	
		————— 69 15

“June 29th to July 10th, 1905.—Trip inspecting Quesnel Lake dam :—

Fares on rail and stage	\$ 31 95	
Living expenses	48 00	
		————— 79 95

————— \$916 15”

Bill (No. 55) intituled “An Act to incorporate the British Columbia Northern and Alaska Railway Company,” was read a third time and passed.

The Report on Bill (No. 62) intituled “An Act to incorporate the Bella Coola and Fraser Lake Railway Company,” was adopted.

Third reading to-morrow.

The Report on Bill (No. 53) intituled “An Act to incorporate the Kamloops and Yellow-head Pass Railway Company,” was considered.

Mr. *Garden* moved the following amendment :—

To amend section 17, line three, by striking out the word “to” between the words “and” and “alienate,” and insert the word “may” in place thereof.

Carried.

Mr. *Garden* moved the following amendment :—

To amend section 23 by striking out the last figure “5,” and inserting figure “6” in place thereof.

Carried.

Report, as amended, adopted.

Third reading to-morrow.

The Report on Bill (No. 70) intituled "An Act to incorporate the British Columbia Central Railway Company," was adopted.

Third reading to-morrow.

The Report on Bill (No. 54) intituled "An Act to incorporate the Canadian Plate Glass Insurance Company," was adopted.

Third reading to-morrow.

The Report on Bill (No. 57) intituled "An Act to Revive, Ratify and Confirm the Cowichan, Alberni and Fort Rupert Railway Company Act," was adopted.

Third reading to-morrow.

The Report on Bill (No. 63) intituled "An Act to incorporate the South-East Kootenay Railway Company," was adopted.

Third reading to-morrow.

Bill (No. 73) intituled "An Act to incorporate the Southern Okanagan Railway Company," was again committed.

Reported complete with amendments.

Report to be considered to-morrow.

Bill (No. 66) intituled "An Act relating to the Union Steamship Company of British Columbia, Limited," was again committed.

Reported complete with amendments.

Report to be considered to-morrow.

Hon. Mr. *Green* presented the Report of the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works of the Province, for the fiscal year 1904-05.

Bill (No. 60) intituled "An Act respecting the British Columbia Northern and Mackenzie Valley Railway Company," was again committed.

Reported complete with amendments.

Report to be considered to-morrow.

Bill (No. 67) intituled "An Act to incorporate the Ashcroft, Barkerville and Fort George Railway Company," was committed.

Progress reported.

Committee to sit again to-morrow.

Bill (No. 65) intituled "An Act to incorporate the St. Mary's Valley Railway Company," was committed.

Reported complete with amendments.

Report to be considered to-morrow.

Bill (No. 64) intituled "An Act to incorporate the St. Mary's and Cherry Creek Railway Company," was committed.

Reported complete with amendments.

Report to be considered to-morrow.

Bill (No. 32) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Statutes and Journals Act,'" was read a third time and passed.

The Order for the consideration of the Report on Bill (No. 31) intituled "An Act further to amend the 'Vancouver General Hospital Act, 1902,'" was discharged and the Bill re-committed.

Reported complete with amendments.

Report to be considered to-morrow.

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

Bill (No. 18) intituled “ An Act to amend the ‘ Land Act.’ ”

Bill (No. 30) intituled “ An Act to amend the ‘ Coal Mines Regulation Act.’ ”

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

And then the House adjourned at 5:05 P.M.

Thursday, 15th February, 1906.

TWO O’CLOCK, P.M.

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

On the motion of Mr. *Hawthornthwaite*, Bill (No. 38) intituled “ An Act to amend the ‘ Vancouver Island Settlers’ Rights Act, 1904,’ ” was introduced, read a first time and *Ordered* to be read a second time to-morrow.

The Hon. Mr. *Fulton* presented a Return of the report made by *C. J. South* respecting the slave trade in girls at Cape Mudge and other districts.

Dr. *Young* presented the Fourteenth Report from the Private Bills Committee, as follows :—

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE ROOM,
February 15th, 1906.

MR. SPEAKER :

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

That the time limited for the presentation of Reports be extended until the 23rd day of February (inclusive), and beg to recommend the same accordingly.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

H. E. YOUNG,
Chairman.

The Report was received.

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

Dr. *Young* presented the Fifteenth Report from the Private Bills Committee, as follows :—

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE ROOM,
February 15th, 1906.

MR. SPEAKER :

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

That the preamble of Bill (No. 72) intituled “ The Granby Consolidated Mining, Smelting and Power Company Act, 1901, Amendment Act, 1906,’ ” has been proved, and the Bill ordered to be reported without amendment.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

H. E. YOUNG,
Chairman.

The report was received.

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

1. How many (if any) Crown grants issued under authority of chap. 54, 1903-04, have been registered as an indefeasible fee?
2. How many (if any) of said Crown grants have been registered as an absolute fee?

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

- “ 1. None.
- “ 2. None.”

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

1. Why was the Cowichan River bridge, on Indian Reserve near Duncan, not re-built last summer during low water in river?
2. Why were the tenders called for last fall afterwards withdrawn?
3. Is it the intention of the Government to proceed with the immediate construction of said bridge?

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

- “ 1. Decision regarding the rebuilding had not been arrived at.
- “ 2. In the interests of the public service.
- “ 3. Yes; this spring.”

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

1. What part of the \$3,000 appropriated for Greenwood Riding for the year ending June, 30th, 1906, has been expended?
2. On what roads or works was the expenditure made, and the amount expended on each of them?

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

“ 1. \$2,265.64.	
“ 2. Road, Greenwood-Skylark Camp	\$ 149 65
“ “ Eholt	253 37
“ “ Midway	685 77
“ “ Phoenix	199 27
“ “ Copper Camp	27 00
“ Midway-Rock Creek	641 30
“ “ Upper Ingram Creek	173 58
“ Long Lake-Eholt Creek	74 50
Roads, generally	43 45
Bridge, Midway	17 75
	\$2,265 64”

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

1. How many railway charters have been granted by the Legislature since April 2nd, 1901?
2. How many companies have complied with section 21 of the “ Model Railway Bill?”
3. What amount has been received for forfeitures under section 21, “ Model Railway Bill?”
4. How many miles of railway have been constructed on B. C. charters since April 2nd, 1901?

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

- “ 1. 24; and renewals, 1; and extension of time, 3. Total, 28.
- “ 2. 7.
- “ 3. None.
- “ 4. 120, approximate.”

The adjourned debate on the second reading of Bill (No. 9) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Coal Mines Regulation Act,'" was resumed.

Bill read a second time and committed.

Reported complete with amendments.

Report to be considered to-morrow.

The adjourned debate on the second reading of Bill (No. 28) intituled "An Act regulat- ing Hours of Labour in certain Industries," was resumed.

The debate was again adjourned until to-morrow.

On the second reading of Bill (No. 26) intituled "An Act relating to Telephone Com- panies." a debate arose, which was adjourned until to-morrow.

On the second reading of Bill (No. 29) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Master and Servant Act,'" a debate arose, which was adjourned until to-morrow.

The Report on Bill (No. 23) intituled "An Act to incorporate The Royal Institution for the Advancement of Learning of British Columbia," was considered.

The Hon. Mr. *Fulton* moved to amend section 8 by striking out, in line 10, the word "convey"; and by striking out, in line 11, the word "property," and substituting therefor the word "equipment."

Carried.

Mr. *Hawthornthwaite* moved the following as a new section:—

"9. Nothing contained in this Act shall confer upon the McGill University College of British Columbia any special privileges or powers or any control of the public educational institutions of this Province."

Negatived on the following division:—

YEAS :

Messieurs

<i>Brown,</i>	<i>Evans,</i>	<i>J. A. Macdonald,</i>	<i>Cameron,</i>
<i>McNiven,</i>	<i>Tanner,</i>	<i>Henderson,</i>	<i>Hawthornthwaite,</i>
<i>Murphy,</i>	<i>Davidson,</i>	<i>Paterson,</i>	<i>Ellison—15.</i>
<i>Jones,</i>	<i>Oliver,</i>	<i>Hall,</i>	

NAYS :

Messieurs

<i>King,</i>	<i>Clifford,</i>	<i>Fulton,</i>	<i>Young,</i>
<i>Taitlov,</i>	<i>Bowser,</i>	<i>Garden,</i>	<i>Macgowan,</i>
<i>McBride,</i>	<i>Ross,</i>	<i>Taylor,</i>	<i>Grant,</i>
<i>Wilson,</i>	<i>A. McDonald,</i>	<i>Wright,</i>	<i>Manson—18.</i>
<i>Cotton,</i>	<i>Green,</i>		

Mr. *Oliver* moved to add as a new clause:—

"9. The agreements referred to in the preceding section shall be for the term of one year only, but may be renewed from time to time."

Negatived on the following division:—

YEAS :

Messieurs

<i>Brown,</i>	<i>Tanner,</i>	<i>Henderson,</i>	<i>Cameron,</i>
<i>McNiven,</i>	<i>Davidson,</i>	<i>Paterson,</i>	<i>Hawthornthwaite,</i>
<i>Jones,</i>	<i>Oliver,</i>	<i>Hall,</i>	<i>Ellison—14.</i>
<i>Evans,</i>	<i>J. A. Macdonald,</i>		

NAYS :

Messieurs

<i>King,</i>	<i>Bowser,</i>	<i>Fulton,</i>	<i>Young,</i>
<i>Tatlow,</i>	<i>Ross,</i>	<i>Garden,</i>	<i>Macgowan,</i>
<i>McBride,</i>	<i>A. McDonald,</i>	<i>Taylor,</i>	<i>Grant,</i>
<i>Cotton,</i>	<i>Green,</i>	<i>Wright,</i>	<i>Manson—17.</i>
<i>Clifford,</i>			

Mr. *Oliver* moved to add as a new section :—

“9. Nothing contained in this Act shall be deemed to confer upon ‘The Royal Institution’ any prior or exclusive rights of any nature whatsoever.”

Negatived on the following division :—

YEAS :

Messieurs

<i>Brown,</i>	<i>Tanner,</i>	<i>Henderson,</i>	<i>Cameron,</i>
<i>McNiven,</i>	<i>Davidson,</i>	<i>Paterson,</i>	<i>Hawthornthwaite,</i>
<i>Jones,</i>	<i>Oliver,</i>	<i>Hall,</i>	<i>Ellison—14.</i>
<i>Evans,</i>	<i>J. A. Macdonald,</i>		

NAYS :

Messieurs

<i>King,</i>	<i>Bowser,</i>	<i>Fulton,</i>	<i>Young,</i>
<i>Tatlow,</i>	<i>Ross,</i>	<i>Garden,</i>	<i>Macgowan,</i>
<i>McBride,</i>	<i>A. McDonald,</i>	<i>Taylor,</i>	<i>Grant,</i>
<i>Cotton,</i>	<i>Green,</i>	<i>Wright,</i>	<i>Manson—17.</i>
<i>Clifford,</i>			

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

Mr. *Cotton* moved the previous question, which was negatived.

Debate resumed and adjourned until to-morrow.

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

The Hon. Mr. *Green* presented a Return of all correspondence between any Member of the Government, employee of the Lands and Works Department, Member of the Legislative Assembly, manager of a chartered bank, *C. F. Walmsley, W. E. C. Koch* and others, in regard to applications for timber leases and timber leases on Little Slocan River, Little Slocan Lake and Slocan River, in West Kootenay District, between the 21st May, 1905, and the 29th of January, 1906.

And then the House adjourned at 6 P.M.

Friday, 16th February, 1906.

TWO O'CLOCK, P.M.

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

Mr. *Oliver* moved, seconded by Mr. *Brown,*—

That an humble Address be presented to His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, praying that he will cause copies of all Orders in Council passed since the first day of June, 1903, to be presented to this House forthwith.

Negatived on the following division :—

YEAS :

Messieurs

<i>King,</i>	<i>Evans,</i>	<i>J. A. Macdonald,</i>	<i>Wells,</i>
<i>Brown,</i>	<i>Tanner,</i>	<i>Henderson,</i>	<i>Hall,</i>
<i>McNiven,</i>	<i>Oliver,</i>	<i>Paterson,</i>	<i>Cameron—13.</i>
<i>Jones,</i>			

NAYS :

Messieurs

<i>Davidson,</i>	<i>Wilson,</i>	<i>A. McDonald,</i>	<i>Gifford,</i>
<i>Hawthornthwaite,</i>	<i>Cotton,</i>	<i>Fulton,</i>	<i>Macgowan,</i>
<i>Williams,</i>	<i>Clifford,</i>	<i>Garden,</i>	<i>Shatford,</i>
<i>Tatlow,</i>	<i>Fraser,</i>	<i>Taylor,</i>	<i>Grant,</i>
<i>McBride,</i>	<i>Ross,</i>	<i>Young,</i>	<i>Manson—20.</i>

On the motion of Mr. *Davidson*, seconded by Mr. *Taylor*, it was *Resolved*,—

That an Order of the House be granted for a Return showing the number of timber leases and licences granted during the years 1903, 1904 and 1905, covering limits in that section of the Province known as the Big Bend, lying north of the town of Revelstoke, with the names of holders, the date of issue, the number of acres held in each case, the amount of fees and bonus paid for each lease or licence during the three years in question.

On the motion of Mr. *Brown*, seconded by Mr. *Oliver*, it was *Resolved*,—

That an Order of the House be granted for a Return setting forth—

1. Amount of Royalties collected on timber cut within the Esquimalt and Nanaimo Railway belt in the years 1899, 1900, 1901, 1902, 1903, 1904 and 1905.
2. From whom such Royalties were collected.
3. Quantity of timber cut within said limits in the years above-mentioned.
4. The quantity of timber which was cut in each of said years on lands owned by the Esquimalt and Nanaimo Railway Company, and by whom and under what authority, and also the acreage covered.
5. The quantity of timber which was cut by the Esquimalt and Nanaimo Railway Company for use on its own railway.
6. All correspondence between any Member of the Government and any other person in relation to the matters mentioned in paragraph 4.
7. The assessed value of the acreage mentioned in paragraph 4, and the amount of taxes paid thereon in each of said years.
8. The quantity of timber which has been exported unmanufactured out of the timber referred to in paragraph 3, and by whom was same cut and exported.

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

1. Did Mr. *J. P. Babcock* accompany a deputation of salmon canners to Ottawa to interview the Minister of Marine and Fisheries in respect to salmon fishing?
2. If so, did Mr. *Babcock* receive the consent of the Government to proceed to Ottawa?
3. Who paid Mr. *Babcock's* expenses on this trip?

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

- “1. No.
- “2. Answered by No. 1.
- “3. Answered by No. 1.”

The adjourned debate on the consideration of the Report on Bill (No. 23) intituled “An Act to incorporate The Royal Institution for the Advanement of Learning of British Columbia,” was resumed.

Mr. *Henderson* raised a point of order to the Bill proceeding further, on the ground that clause 8 proposed to deal with revenue and change the designation of the same.

Mr. Speaker *Pooley*: The Bill is not a Revenue Bill. It does not propose a tax of any kind, but only refers to the expenditure of moneys the payment of which has been authorised by another Act. The objection is not well taken.

Report adopted.

Third reading on Monday next.

Bill (No. 30) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Coal Mines Regulation Act,'" was committed.

Reported complete without amendment.

Report to be considered on Monday next.

On the second reading of Bill (No. 34) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Public Schools Act,'" a debate arose, which was adjourned until Monday next.

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

Bill (No. 62) intituled "An Act to incorporate the Bella Coola and Fraser Lake Railway Company."

Bill (No. 53) intituled "An Act to incorporate the Kamloops and Yellowhead Pass Railway Company."

Bill (No. 70) intituled "An Act to incorporate the British Columbia Central Railway Company."

Bill (No. 54) intituled "An Act to incorporate the Canadian Plate Glass Insurance Company."

Bill (No. 57) intituled "An Act to Revive, Ratify and Confirm the Cowichan, Alberni and Fort Rupert Railway Company Act."

Bill (No. 63) intituled "An Act to incorporate the South-East Kootenay Railway Company."

The Report on Bill (No. 73) intituled "An Act to incorporate the Southern Okanagan Railway Company," was adopted.

Third reading on Monday next.

The Report on Bill (No. 60) intituled "An Act respecting the British Columbia Northern and Mackenzie Valley Railway Company," was adopted.

Third reading on Monday next.

The Report on Bill (No. 65) intituled "An Act to incorporate the St. Mary's Valley Railway Company," was adopted.

Third reading on Monday next.

The Report on Bill (No. 64) intituled "An Act to incorporate the St. Mary's and Cherry Creek Railway Company," was adopted.

Third reading on Monday next.

The Report on Bill (No. 9) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Coal Mines Regulation Act,'" was adopted.

Bill read a third time and passed.

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

And then the House adjourned at 5:10 P.M.

Monday, 19th February, 1906.

TWO O'CLOCK, P.M.

Prayers by the Rev. *J. H. S. Sweet*.

Mr. *Davidson* presented a petition from *E. Miller* and others, *re* labour in smelters. Laid on the table.

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. *Wilson*, Bill (No. 37) intituled "An Act to amend the 'County Courts Act,'" was introduced, read a first time and *Ordered* to be read a second time to-morrow.

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. *Green*, Bill (No. 39) intituled "An Act to amend the 'British Columbia Land Surveyors Act, 1905,'" was introduced, read a first time and *Ordered* to be read a second time to-morrow.

Mr. *Hawthornthwaite* moved, seconded by Mr. *Davidson*,—

That Bill (No. 8) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Provincial Elections Act,'" be placed upon the Orders of the Day for consideration of Committee of the Whole House on Thursday next.

Carried on the following division:—

YEAS:

Messieurs

<i>Tanner,</i>	<i>Wilson,</i>	<i>Green,</i>	<i>Gifford,</i>
<i>Davidson,</i>	<i>Houston,</i>	<i>Garden,</i>	<i>Macgowan,</i>
<i>Hall,</i>	<i>Bowser,</i>	<i>Taylor,</i>	<i>Shatford,</i>
<i>Hawthornthwaite,</i>	<i>Fraser,</i>	<i>Wright,</i>	<i>Grant,</i>
<i>Williams,</i>	<i>Ross,</i>	<i>Young,</i>	<i>Manson—22.</i>
<i>McBride,</i>	<i>A. McDonald,</i>		

NAYS:

Messieurs

<i>Drury,</i>	<i>Jones,</i>	<i>Henderson,</i>	<i>Cameron,</i>
<i>King,</i>	<i>Evans,</i>	<i>Munro,</i>	<i>Tatlow,</i>
<i>Brown,</i>	<i>Oliver,</i>	<i>Paterson,</i>	<i>Ellison,</i>
<i>Murphy,</i>	<i>J. A. Macdonald,</i>	<i>Wells,</i>	<i>Clifford—16.</i>

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

1. Did the Government inform the holders of the Pacific Northern and Omineca Railway Company's Charter "That the Government was not prepared to admit the liability of the Province under the Pacific Northern and Omineca Subsidy Act until a reference had been made to the Courts"?

2. If not, why not; and if not, what is the reason that this Company has not been treated in the same manner as the Midway and Vernon Railway Company?

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

"1. No.

"2. The Company has never approached the Government in the matter."

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

1. When were the holders of the Midway and Vernon Railway Charter informed that the Government was not prepared to admit the liability of the Province under the Midway and Vernon Subsidy Act?

2. Was this information conveyed in writing? If not, how and when, to whom, and at whose request was such information conveyed?

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

“1. On 14th March, 1905.

“2. This information was conveyed verbally to Mr. *Robert Wood* and his solicitor, Mr. *Robertson*, by myself.”

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

1. Has the present Government entered into any agreement with the Columbia and Western Railway Company in respect to lands already granted to the Company, or in respect to lands claimed by the Company on subsidy account?

2. If so, will the Government state in writing the terms of such agreement, when made, and under what authority?

The Hon. Mr. *Green* replied as follows;—

“1. Yes.

“2. Copies of the Orders in Council are submitted herewith.

“*Copy of a Report of a Committee of the Honourable the Executive Council, approved by His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor on the 18th day of February, 1905.*

“That in pursuance of the provisions of the ‘Columbia and Western Railway Subsidy Act, 1896,’ certain lands were reserved and set apart by notices published in the British Columbia Gazette, and dated 7th May, 1896, and 5th June, 1896, respectively.

“That on authority of an Order in Council, approved by His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor on the 4th September, 1901, Crown Grants were issued to the Company covering a portion of the lands to which it was entitled in respect to the construction of sections 1 and 3 of the railway, leaving a deficiency of 808,872 acres yet to be selected.

“That on the 14th September, 1904, the Company selected blocks of land within the reserved area to make up the said deficiency.

“That the lands so Crown-granted and so selected have not yet been surveyed by the Company.

“That a further continuance of the said reservations is prejudicial to the public interests. And in order to obviate all complications which might arise through the administration of Government lands within the said reserved area, in consequence of the Company’s blocks being unsurveyed, the Company desiring to co-operate, for the purpose of encouraging settlement, has agreed that in all cases where lands are sold, pre-empted, leased or otherwise alienated by the Government, under the provisions of the Land Act, and are subsequently found, upon the survey of the Company’s blocks, to lie wholly or in part within such blocks, then that the Company will deal with such purchasers, pre-emptors, lessees or others, in precisely the same manner as the Government would under the terms of the Land Act, except in respect to timber lands on the Company’s blocks, which shall be subject to the regulations issued by the Company relative to the cutting of timber on the Columbia and Western Land Grant.

“And to recommend that the said reservations be rescinded, and that the Crown lands within that area be thrown open to sale, settlement, and other disposition, under the provisions of the Land Act, three months after the date of the first publication of a notice to that effect in the British Columbia Gazette, but subject to the agreement with the Company as above outlined; and that a certified copy of this Minute, if approved, be forwarded to Mr. J. S. Dennis, Land Commissioner for the Canadian Pacific Railway Company.

“Dated this 10th day of February, A.D. 1905.

(Signed) “R. F. GREEN,

“*Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works.*

“Approved this 10th day of February, A.D. 1905.

(Signed) “F. CARTER-COTTON,

“*Presiding Member of the Executive Council.*

“ Copy of a Report of a Committee of the Honourable the Executive Council, approved by His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor on the 2nd day of May, 1905.

“ To His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor in Council :

“The undersigned has the honour to report as follows :

“That by chapter 54 of the Statutes of 1896, the Columbia and Western Railway Company was incorporated and empowered to construct a line of railway, of standard or narrow gauge, from a point at or near the mouth of Trail Creek to a point at or near the Town of Penticton. The Company was authorised to divide its undertaking into six sections, to be known as the first, second, third, fourth, fifth and sixth sections respectively, as follows :—

“The first section to consist of that portion of the line extending from a point at or near the mouth of Trail Creek, on the Columbia River ; thence westerly to a point at or near the town of Rossland.

“The second section to consist of that portion of the line or extension thereof extending from a point at or near the mouth of Trail Creek aforesaid, in an easterly or south-easterly direction, not more than twenty miles in a direct line.

“The third section to consist of that portion of the line extending from such point at or near the town of Rossland to a point at or near Christina Lake.

“The fourth section to consist of that portion of the line extending from such point at or near Christina Lake to a point at or near the Town of Midway.

“The fifth section to consist of that portion of the line extending from a point at or near the said Town of Midway to a point half-way or more to the Town of Penticton.

“The sixth section to consist of that portion of the line extending from such half-way point to a point at or near the Town of Penticton.

“That the Company has constructed a narrow gauge railway upon section one, and a standard gauge railway upon sections three and four. That no construction has taken place upon sections two, five and six.

“That under the provisions of Chapter 8 of the Statutes of 1896, hereinafter called the Subsidy Act, the Company has earned in respect of sections one and three an area amounting to 1,603,312 acres of land, of which 794,440 acres have already been granted to the Company, leaving a balance of 808,872 acres earned but not granted.

“The Company is now applying for a grant of the last-mentioned area of land from the blocks coloured green on the plan hereto annexed, but it appears that the Lieutenant-Governor has not now the power to make said grant, in virtue of the provision of section 5 of the Subsidy Act that no lands shall be granted to the Company which have not been designated and surveyed by the Company within seven years from the passage of the Subsidy Act, which was enacted and came into force on the 17th April, 1896.

“The Company urges that the said aid has been duly earned, and that the delay in surveying the lands has arisen from the fact that negotiations with regard to this aid were carried on between the Company and the Executive of the Province for a long time, and finally resulted in the passage of an Order in Council bearing date the 10th day of August, A.D. 1901 (which Order in Council was subsequently rescinded), by which an area of land in South-East Kootenay, smaller by some 167,031 acres than the said balance now claimed, was to be conveyed to the Company in full settlement of its said claim for aid in respect of said sections one and three of its railway.

“The undersigned has the honour to submit that the Company is justly entitled to obtain the full measure of aid earned by it as aforesaid under its Subsidy Act, and to recommend that an assurance should be given to the Company that, at the next session of the Legislature an Act will be introduced by the Government to grant to the Company the said 808,872 acres of land, provided the Company has, before that time, completed the survey of the said lands.

“The undersigned further recommends that a certified copy of this Minute, if approved, be delivered to the representative of the Company.

“Dated this 2nd day of May, A. D. 1905.

(Signed) FREDK. J. FULTON,

“ For Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works.

“Approved this 2nd day of May, A. D. 1905.

(Signed) “F. CARTER COTTON,

“ Presiding Member of the Executive Council.”

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

1. Has the Columbia and Western Railway Company made application to the Government for lands claimed by way of subsidy on account of the construction of section 3 of its line of railway ?

2. If so, when was such application made ?

3. How many acres are claimed by the Company ?

4. Has the Government taken any action regarding such claim, and if so, what action ?

5. What lands, if any, have been surveyed by the Company in respect to section 3 ?

6. What surveys, if any, have been accepted by the Government ?

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

“ 1. Yes.

“ 2. August, 1901.

“ 3. 1,060,000 acres were claimed by the Company, but grants having issued for a portion of such lands the balance still claimed is 808,872 acres.

“ 4. Yes. Orders in Council were approved on the 18th February, 1905, and 2nd May, 1905.

“ 5. The Department is advised certain surveys have been made with respect to nearly all the blocks selected.

“ 6. None.”

Bill (No. 13) intituled “ An Act respecting the Use and Manufacture, within British Columbia, of Timber cut on Lands of the Crown,” was again committed.

Reported complete with amendments.

Report to be considered to-morrow.

Bill (No. 18) intituled “ An Act to amend the ‘ Land Act,’ ” was committed.

Progress reported.

Committee to sit again to-morrow.

The Report on Bill (No. 25) intituled “ An Act relating to the Transfer of Land, and to provide for the Registration of Titles to Land,” was considered.

The Hon. Mr. *Wilson* moved to insert the word “ first ” before the words “ be registered,” in third line of section 30.

Carried.

The Hon. Mr. *Wilson* moved to strike out of line five, in section 36, the word “ statutory.”

Carried.

The Hon. Mr. *Wilson* moved to strike out of lines 3 and 4, section 49, sub-section (1), the words “ hereinafter called the ‘ caveator,’ ” and strike out the word “ General,” in marginal note to sub-section (3).

Carried.

The Hon. Mr. *Wilson* moved the following amendments :—

Form L, after the heading, “ Certificate of Indefeasible Title,” add—

“ Date of application the day of A.D. .”

After the words “ (full description),” and in the same brackets, add “ and map if necessary.”

Carried.

The Hon. Mr. *Wilson* moved to amend section 64 by inserting after the word “ Registrar,” in third line, the words “ or the Registrar of Joint Stock Companies,” and strike out the words in line four “ or by the Registrar of Joint Stock Companies.”

Carried.

The Hon. Mr. *Wilson* moved the following amendment :—

First Schedule, Form A, strike out and insert new Form A.

No. " LAND REGISTRY ACT.
 " FORM A.
 " Date 190 .
 " I , of , declare that I am solicitor for or the duly
 authorised agent of , of , and that the owner in fee
 of the real estate hereunder described, and claims to be registered accordingly.

" Description of Real Estate.

TOWN OR DISTRICT.	LOT OR SECTION.	ADMEASUREMENT OR ACREAGE.

" List of Instruments.

DATE.	PARTIES.	CHARACTER OF DEED.

" And I declare that to the best of knowledge the value of the said Real Estate is dollars, and that the title deeds mentioned hereon are all those in my custody, possession or power relating to same.

" Sign here _____

" N.B.—This application must be signed by the declarant."

Carried.

The Hon. Mr. *Wilson* moved to amend section 60, lines 13 and 14 from end of section, by striking out the words "did execute the same voluntarily and is of the full age of twenty-one years," and insert in lieu thereof the words "being of the full age of twenty-one years did execute the same in his presence voluntarily."

Carried.

The Hon. Mr. *Wilson* moved to amend section 128 by adding: "(1.) This section and section 127 shall not apply to judgments registered under the 'Judgments Act, 1899.'"

Carried.

The Hon. Mr. *Wilson* moved the following amendment:—

Second Schedule—Amend the form "For Witness" by inserting after the blank space following the word "that," in line five, the words "being of the full age of twenty-one years."

Carried.

The Hon. Mr. *Wilson* moved to amend the Second Schedule, "For Maker of a Deed," by adding after the word "voluntarily," in line six, the words "and is of the full age of twenty-one years."

Carried.

The Hon. Mr. *Wilson* moved to amend section 156, line two, by inserting the letter "A" after the word "Forms."

Carried.

The Hon. Mr. *Wilson* moved to amend the Third Schedule, Form B, by striking out the figures "31," and inserting in lieu thereof the figures "49."

Carried.

The Hon. Mr. *Wilson* moved to amend the Third Schedule, Form A, by striking out the words "copy of map as filed, and certifying same" in eleventh line from the end, and inserting in lieu thereof the words "copy of map, whatever sum may be paid and fee for certificate."

Carried.

The further consideration of the Report was adjourned.

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

Bill (No. 73) intituled "An Act to incorporate the Southern Okanagan Railway Company."

Bill (No. 60) intituled "An Act respecting the British Columbia Northern and Mackenzie Valley Railway Company."

Bill (No. 65) intituled "An Act to incorporate the St. Mary's Valley Railway Company."

Bill (No. 64) intituled "An Act to incorporate the St. Mary's and Cherry Creek Railway Company."

The Report on Bill (No. 66) intituled "An Act relating to the Union Steamship Company of British Columbia, Limited," was adopted.

Third reading to-morrow.

The adjourned debate on Bill (No. 28) intituled "An Act regulating Hours of Labour in certain Industries," was resumed.

The debate was adjourned until to-morrow.

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

And then the House adjourned at 5:30 P.M.

Tuesday, 20th February, 1906.

TWO O'CLOCK, P.M.

Prayers by the Rev. *J. H. S. Sweet*.

The petition from *E. Miller* and others, *re* labour in smelters, was received.

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. *Wilson*, Bill (No. 17) intituled "An Act to give Legislative Sanction to the 'Supreme Court Rules, 1906,'" was introduced, read a first time and *Ordered* to be read a second time to-morrow.

The Hon. Mr. *McBride* presented the Fourth Annual Report of the Agent-General for British Columbia at London.

On the third reading of Bill (No. 23) intituled "An Act to incorporate The Royal Institution for the Advancement of Learning of British Columbia," a debate arose.

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

Mr. *Henderson* moved in amendment, seconded by Mr. *Brown*,—

That the Bill be not now read a third time, but be recommitted for the purpose of considering the following amendments:—

To strike out all after the word "bodies" in the sixth line of section 8.

To add a paragraph—

"9. That this Act is a Public Act."

The amendment was negatived on the following division :—

YEAS :

Messieurs

<i>Drury,</i>	<i>Jones,</i>	<i>J. A. Macdonald,</i>	<i>Wells,</i>
<i>Brown,</i>	<i>Evans,</i>	<i>Henderson,</i>	<i>Hall,</i>
<i>McNiven,</i>	<i>Tanner,</i>	<i>Munro,</i>	<i>Cameron—15.</i>
<i>Murphy,</i>	<i>Oliver,</i>	<i>Paterson,</i>	

NAYS :

Messieurs

<i>King,</i>	<i>Wilson,</i>	<i>A. McDonald,</i>	<i>Young,</i>
<i>Davidson,</i>	<i>Cotton,</i>	<i>Green,</i>	<i>Gifford,</i>
<i>Hawthornthwaite,</i>	<i>Clifford,</i>	<i>Fulton,</i>	<i>Macgowan,</i>
<i>Williams,</i>	<i>Bowser,</i>	<i>Garden,</i>	<i>Shatford,</i>
<i>Tatlow,</i>	<i>Fraser,</i>	<i>Taylor,</i>	<i>Grant,</i>
<i>McBride,</i>	<i>Ross,</i>	<i>Wright,</i>	<i>Manson—24.</i>

The Bill passed on the following division :—

YEAS :

Messieurs :

<i>King,</i>	<i>Wilson,</i>	<i>A. McDonald,</i>	<i>Young,</i>
<i>Davidson,</i>	<i>Cotton,</i>	<i>Green,</i>	<i>Gifford,</i>
<i>Hawthornthwaite,</i>	<i>Clifford,</i>	<i>Fulton,</i>	<i>Macgowan,</i>
<i>Williams,</i>	<i>Bowser,</i>	<i>Garden,</i>	<i>Shatford,</i>
<i>Tatlow,</i>	<i>Fraser,</i>	<i>Taylor,</i>	<i>Grant,</i>
<i>McBride,</i>	<i>Ross,</i>	<i>Wright,</i>	<i>Manson—24.</i>

NAYS :

Messieurs :

<i>Drury,</i>	<i>Jones,</i>	<i>J. A. Macdonald,</i>	<i>Paterson,</i>
<i>Brown,</i>	<i>Evans,</i>	<i>Henderson,</i>	<i>Wells,</i>
<i>McNiven,</i>	<i>Tanner,</i>	<i>Munro,</i>	<i>Cameron—14.</i>
<i>Murphy,</i>	<i>Oliver,</i>		

The adjourned debate on the second reading of Bill (No. 34) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Public Schools Act,'" was resumed.

Mr. *J. A. Macdonald* moved in amendment, seconded by Mr. *Evans*,—

"That all the words of the Resolution after the first word, "That," be struck out, and that the following words be substituted therefor :—

"in the opinion of this House, the interests of education in the Province would be better served by reverting to the school laws existing before the passage of the 'Public Schools Act, 1905.'"

A debate arose, which was adjourned until to-morrow.

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

Bill (No. 37) intituled "An Act to amend the 'County Courts Act.'"

Bill (No. 39) intituled "An Act to amend the 'British Columbia Surveyors Act, 1905.'"

Bill (No. 66) intituled "An Act relating to the Union Steamship Company of British Columbia, Limited," was read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 72) intituled "An Act to amend 'The Granby Consolidated Mining, Smelting and Power Company Act, 1901,'" was committed.

Reported complete without amendment.

Report to be considered to-morrow.

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

And then the House adjourned at 5:10 P.M.