

Monday, 1st February, 1909.

TWO O'CLOCK, P.M.

Prayers by the Rev. *T. E. Holling*.

The following petitions were received :—

From the City of Vancouver, for leave to introduce a Private Bill to amend the False Creek Foreshore Act, 1904. (No. 10.)

From the Pacific Coast Coal Mines, Ltd., for leave to introduce a Private Bill granting the Company enlarged powers. (No. 13.)

From the South-East Kootenay Railway Company, for leave to introduce a Private Bill to extend the time limited for the construction of said railway. (No. 12.)

The following petitions were presented :—

By Mr. *McPhillips*—From the British Columbia Permanent Loan and Savings Company, for leave to introduce a Private Bill to incorporate its shareholders and grant additional powers to the Company. (No. 3.)

By Mr. *Shatford*—From the Pacific, Northern and Omineca Railway Company, for the suspension of the Rules and Orders, to enable it to introduce a Private Bill to amend its corporate Act, giving further powers and extending the time for commencement of work. (No. 17.)

The election returns showing the election of the Honourable *Thomas Taylor*, as a Member to represent the Revelstoke Electoral District, were read and *Ordered* placed on the Journals of the House, as follows :—

“PROVINCIAL SECRETARY'S OFFICE,

“1st February, 1909.

“Whereas a vacancy occurred in the Legislative Assembly by reason of the acceptance of office by the Honourable *Thomas Taylor*, a Member thereof for the Revelstoke Electoral District; and

“Whereas on the 22nd day of December, 1908, a Writ for the election of a Member to represent such Electoral District was duly issued to the Returning Officer of the said Electoral District.

“Now I do hereby certify that on the 1st day of February, 1909, the said Writ was returned to me by the Returning Officer, with his certificate endorsed thereon, whereby it appears that the electors of the said District have chosen the Honourable *Thomas Taylor* to represent the Revelstoke Electoral District in the Legislative Assembly.

“A. CAMPBELL REDDIE,

“Deputy Provincial Secretary.

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

The Honourable *Thomas Taylor*, the Member-elect to represent the Revelstoke Electoral District, being duly sworn, was introduced to Mr. Speaker and took his seat.

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

Mr. *Munro* moved in amendment, second by Mr. *King*,—

That the resolution be amended by adding as clause twelve (12) the following words :—  
“In view of the inadequate revenue of the municipalities of the Province we regret that Your Honour's Government has not seen fit to introduce, or to indicate its intention to introduce, legislation transferring the power to impose and collect Personal Property and Revenue taxes within municipalities to the Municipal Councils.”

Debate resumed, and adjourned until 2 P.M. to-morrow.

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

And then the House adjourned at 5:20 P.M.

Tuesday, 2nd February, 1909.

TWO O'CLOCK, P.M.

Prayers by the Rev. *T. E. Holling*.

The following petitions were received :—

From the British Columbia Permanent Loan and Savings Company, for leave to introduce a Private Bill to incorporate its shareholders and grant additional powers to the Company. (No. 3.)

From the Pacific, Northern and Omineca Railway Company, for the suspension of the Rules and Orders, to enable it to introduce a Private Bill to amend its corporate Act, giving further powers and extending the time for commencement of work. (No. 17.)

The following Private Bills were introduced and read a first time :—

By Mr. *Thomson*—Bill (No. 65) intituled “An Act to amend the ‘Corporation of Victoria Water Works Amendment Act, 1873,’ and the ‘Victoria Water Works Amendment Act,’ Chapter 64 of the Statutes of 1892, and to give additional powers.”

Referred to the Private Bills Committee.

By Mr. *Thomson*—Bill (No. 53) intituled “An Act respecting the Consolidation of the Mining Claims and Water Rights of John Hopp.”

Referred to the Private Bills Committee.

Pursuant to Order, the House resumed the adjourned debate on the Address in reply to the Speech of His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor at the opening of the Session, and the amendment thereto moved by Mr. *Munro* on the first instant, as follows :—

“That the resolution be amended by adding as clause twelve (12) the following words :— ‘In view of the inadequate revenue of the municipalities of the Province we regret that Your Honour’s Government has not seen fit to introduce, or to indicate its intention to introduce, legislation transferring the power to impose and collect Personal Property and Revenue taxes within municipalities to the Municipal Councils.’”

Question proposed—“Shall the words proposed to be added stand part of the question,” and Resolved in the negative on the following division :—

YEAS :

Messieurs

*Naden,*  
*Hall,*  
*Eagleston,*  
*Jones,*

*Yorston,*  
*Oliver,*  
*Macdonald,*  
*Henderson,*

*Munro,*  
*Jardine,*  
*Brewster,*

*Williams,*  
*Hawthornthwaite,*  
*McInnis—14.*

NAYS :

Messieurs

*Tatlow,*  
*McBride,*  
*Bowser,*  
*Cotton,*  
*Ross,*  
*Shutford,*

*Thomson,*  
*Hunter,*  
*Fulton,*  
*Young,*  
*Taylor,*  
*Garden,*

*Macgowan,*  
*Gifford,*  
*Grant,*  
*Behnsen,*  
*Manson,*  
*Hayward,*

*McGuire,*  
*Mackay,*  
*Parson,*  
*Davey,*  
*Schafeld—23.*

Debate on main question resumed.

Mr. *Hawthornthwaite* moved in amendment, seconded by Mr. *McInnis*,—

That the resolution be amended by adding as clause twelve (12) the following words :— “In view of the wonderful prosperity enjoyed by the capitalist class in this Province during the past twelve months, and for other reasons, we regret Your Honour’s Government has not deemed it advisable to intimate its intention to abolish the Revenue Tax.”

Negatived on the following division :—

YEAS :

Messieurs

<i>Naden,</i>	<i>Jardine,</i>	<i>Hawthornthwaite,</i>	<i>McInnis—6.</i>
<i>Henderson,</i>	<i>Williams,</i>		

NAYS :

Messieurs :

<i>Hall,</i>	<i>Tatlow,</i>	<i>Fulton,</i>	<i>Manson,</i>
<i>Eagleson,</i>	<i>McBride,</i>	<i>Young,</i>	<i>Hayward,</i>
<i>Jones,</i>	<i>Bowser,</i>	<i>Taylor,</i>	<i>McGuire,</i>
<i>Yorston,</i>	<i>Cotton,</i>	<i>Garden,</i>	<i>Mackay,</i>
<i>Oliver,</i>	<i>Ross,</i>	<i>Macgowan,</i>	<i>Parson,</i>
<i>Macdonald,</i>	<i>Shatford,</i>	<i>Gifford,</i>	<i>Davey,</i>
<i>Munro,</i>	<i>Thomson,</i>	<i>Grant,</i>	<i>Schofield—31.</i>
<i>Brewster,</i>	<i>Hunter,</i>	<i>Behnsen,</i>	

Resolution agreed to.

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

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

The following Bills were introduced and read a first time :—

By Mr. *Brewster*—Bill (No. 14) intituled “An Act for the Better Securing of Certain Mine Workers’ Wages.”

Second reading to-morrow.

By the Hon. Mr. *Bowser*—Bill (No. 6) intituled “An Act to amend the ‘Ditches and Watercourses Act, 1907.’”

Referred to the Municipal Committee,

By the Hon. Mr. *Bowser*—Bill (No. 7) intituled “An Act to amend the ‘Municipal Elections Act.’”

Referred to the Municipal Committee.

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

That the Speech of His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor at the opening of the present Session be taken into consideration on Monday next.

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

That an Order of the House be granted for a Return of copies of judgments of any Court, in each case of prosecution under authority of Chapter 23, 1908, intituled “An Act to Regulate Immigration into British Columbia.

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

That an Order of the House be granted for a Return showing the receipts and expenditure for the period July 1st to December 31st, 1908.

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

That an Order of the House be granted for a Return of copies of all letters, telegrams, papers or documents between the Government of the Province of British Columbia and the Dominion Government, or the Board of Railway Commissioners, in pursuance of the Resolution of the House of April 16th, 1907.

The Hon. Dr. *Young* presented a Return of copies of all letters, telegrams, papers or documents between the Government of the Province of British Columbia and the Dominion Government, or the Board of Railway Commissioners, in pursuance of the Resolution of the House of April 16th, 1907.

Mr. *Hawthornthwaite* asked the Hon. the Provincial Secretary the following questions:—

1. Has any action been taken by the Government in respect to a resolution carried during last Session of the House memorialising the Imperial Government to appoint a Royal Commission to fully inquire into all the circumstances in connection with Oriental immigration into the Province of British Columbia?

2. If not, why not?

"In answer to the question, the Hon. the Provincial Secretary read the following documents:—

"PROVINCIAL SECRETARY'S OFFICE,

"VICTORIA, 10th March, 1908.

"SIR,—I have the honour to enclose herewith, for transmission to the Honourable the Secretary of State, a copy of an approved Minute of this date, embodying a Resolution passed during the late Session of the Legislative Assembly with respect to the question of Oriental Immigration into British Columbia, as it affects this Province and the Dominion of Canada and Japan, and which provides that application be made to the Imperial Government for the appointment of a Royal Commission to enquire into the circumstances in connection with this matter and the other matters mentioned in the Resolution.

"I am, Your Honour's Obedient Servant,

(Signed)

"H. E. YOUNG,

"Provincial Secretary.

"His Honour The Lieutenant-Governor."

"The 16th of March, 1908.

"At Government House, Victoria, B. C.,

"SIR,—I am directed by His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 10th instant, enclosing copy of an approved Minute of the 10th instant, requesting that application be made to the Imperial Government for the appointment of a Royal Commission to enquire into the question of Oriental Immigration into this Province.

"I have etc.,

(Signed)

"H. J. S. MUSKETT,

"Private Secretary.

"The Honourable The Provincial Secretary."

"The 28th day of January, 1909,

"At the Government House, Victoria, B. C.,

"Dear Sir,—In reply to your memo. of the 27th instant, with regard to a Resolution having reference to Oriental Immigration, which was forwarded by His Honour to Ottawa on the 16th March last, the only correspondence thereon received from the Secretary of State was a letter dated the 23rd March, informing His Honour that it had been submitted to His Excellency the Governor-General in Council.

"I am, Sir,

"Yours truly,

"H. J. S. MUSKETT,

"Private Secretary.

"The Deputy Provincial Secretary."

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

1. What did the beach road in Cowichan cost to construct, and what has it cost the Government yearly since completion to keep it in repair?
2. How many miles of roads do each of the five road foremen have to maintain in South Cowichan, and how many men do each employ?
3. What men did *Reid* employ, and what sums did he pay in wages to each man in 1907 and 1908?
4. How much per yard does it cost the Government to gravel the roads in *Reid's* division of the road district?

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

“ 1. \$5,200 : approximately, \$175.

“ 2. Approximately, 43 miles ; *T. B. Barry*, 8 to 30 men.  
 “            “            18   “   *Alex. Reid*, 5   “ 18   “  
 “            “            20   “   *P. Carvell*, 5   “ 15   “  
 “            “            8   “   *W. J. Shearing*, 7   “ 12   “  
 “            “            18   “   *R. S. Cavin*, 5   “ 15   “

NAME.	1907.	1908.
“ 3. <i>A. Reid</i> .....	\$302 75.....	\$171 00
<i>T. Shaddick</i> .....	210 03.....	128 99
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<i>J. Astle</i> .....	24 00.....	100 62
<i>D. Ford</i> .....	47 74.....	68 73
<i>W. J. Lowrie</i> .....	1 37.....	.....
<i>J. Dougan</i> .....	1 37.....	.....
<i>G. Bartlett</i> .....	2 75.....	2 00
<i>M. Ordano</i> .....	12 37.....	.....
<i>G. Brookes</i> .....	77 87.....	61 62
<i>J. Spears</i> .....	1 37.....	.....
<i>O. Ford</i> .....	55 50.....	.....
<i>W. Weeks</i> .....	6 00.....	24 00
<i>W. Moulton</i> .....	1 37.....	1 37
<i>J. Parker</i> .....	75 62.....	47 22
<i>J. Bain</i> .....	64 12.....	46 62
<i>W. Forrest</i> .....	94 50.....	151 37
<i>A. Excell</i> .....	.....	60 74
<i>G. Cary</i> .....	.....	35 74
<i>T. L. Forrest</i> .....	.....	43 99
<i>J. Patterson</i> .....	.....	2 00

“ 4. Average, about 22 cents.”

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

1. Did the Government employ Mr. *Alexander Cruickshank*, of Chilliwack, to do any dredging in Coquitlam Dyking District during the year 1908?
2. If so, what work and for what purpose?
3. Was the work done by contract or day's work?
4. What was the amount paid, or to be paid, for such work?
5. To what vote was this expenditure charged?
6. What authority had the Government for making this expenditure?
7. At whose request was the work done?
8. Are there any arrears of charges against lands in the Coquitlam Dyking District?
9. If so, against what lands are such arrears charged, and for what period are such arrears due?

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

“ 1. Yes.

“ 2. Drainage ditch to enable water to reach pump house.

“ 3. By contract.

“ 4. \$2,200.

"5. No. 131.

"6. The authority of the Executive Council, based on a report from the Inspector of Dykes."

"7. Answered by question 6.

"8. No.

"9. Answered by 8."

The Message from His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor transmitting Bill (No. 4) intituled "An Act to License Clubs to sell intoxicating Liquor," was again considered in Committee of the Whole.

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

*Resolved*, That the Committee rise and report to the House, recommending the introduction of a Bill (No. 4) intituled "An Act to License Clubs to sell Intoxicating Liquor," a draft of which is annexed to this Resolution.

Report adopted.

Bill introduced and read a first time.

Second reading to-morrow.

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

That an Order of the House be granted for a Return of copies of regulations issued by the Government under the "British Columbia Fisheries Act;" also showing the names of officials appointed under authority of said Act; the length of service of each official; the rate and the amount of pay of each official; the travelling expenses or other allowances of each official; the names of firms obtaining licences, and the amounts paid in each case; the number of licences issued to individual fishermen, and the amounts collected; the names of persons proceeded against for infractions of the Fisheries Act and Regulations; the offence charged in each case; the results of prosecution in each case; the amount of cost in each case; by whom such costs were paid; names of prosecuting attorney in each case; the amount of fees paid to prosecuting attorney in each case; the amount, if any, still due to prosecuting attorney in each case; the travelling and other expenses of prosecuting attorney in each case; the total amount received from issue of licences, and the total expenditure in connection with the enforcement of the Act.

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

1. What amounts of moneys were paid during the fiscal year 1907-8 to *C. W. Gamble*, and for what service in each case?

2. What amount of moneys were paid to *C. W. Gamble* during the six months ending December 31st, 1908, and for what purpose in each case?

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

"1. \$1,878.20.

1,200.00—Assistant Engineer, 10 months' salary.

129.85—Expenses.

61.60—Superintending erection 'Sand Blast' plant, Westminster Bridge.

10.70—Superintending erection 'Sand Blast' plant, Westminster Bridge.

24.00—Soundings, North Arm Bridge.

63.75—Survey, etc., Canoe Pass Bridge.

5.00—North Arm Bridge.

371.44—Designing machinery, supervising installation, purchase of material, paid assistance, Pitt River Ferry.

11.86—Supplies, Pitt River Ferry.

"2. \$1,340.25.

84.80—Savonas Bridge, purchase of material.

9.85—Canoe Pass Bridge, services and expenses.

19.90—

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9.35—

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- \$ 46.85—Savonas and Illecillewaet Bridges, expenses.  
 25.00—Savonas Bridge, inspection and report.  
 25.00—Illecillewaet Bridge.  
 50.00—North Arm Bridge, superintending setting and giving levels pier 190-foot span.  
 35.00—North Arm Bridge, levels, pivot pier, and erection and design pile cutting machine.  
 55.00—Bridge 3rd St., North Vancouver, survey, drawings, bill materials, etc.  
 11.35—Westminster Bridge, making drawing of rail joint end of swing.  
 50.80—Westminster Bridge, services *re* machinery and interlocking plant.  
 133.00—Lillooet Bridge, survey, etc.  
 64.65—Survey road at Merritt.  
 166.00—Survey bridge sites, Fernie and Cranbrook District, expenses.  
 101.25— " " "  
 100.00—Lower Squamish Road survey, Gibson Landing Road survey, Hopkinson's Wharf survey site and soundings (plotting work, etc.).  
 11.00—Locating Johnson Road, continuation of Point Grey.  
 332.10—Survey, assistance, etc., road, Lower Squamish, and Wharf at Hopkinson's and road Gibson's Landing."

Dr. *Kergin* asked the Hon. the Minister of Finance the following questions:—

1. What amount was collected from Timber Royalties and Timber Licences from the District of Skeena during the fiscal year ended 30th June, 1907?
2. What amount was collected from Timber Royalties and Timber Licences from the District of Skeena during the fiscal year ended June 30th, 1908?

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

- " 1. Timber royalty, \$3,397; timber licences, \$86,140.  
 " 2. Timber royalty, \$3,406.95; timber licences, \$252,140."

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

And then the House adjourned at 5:45 P.M.

Wednesday, 3rd February, 1909.

TWO O'CLOCK, P.M.

Prayers by the Rev. *T. E. Holling*.

Dr. *Kergin* presented a petition from *Timothy F. Hopkins* and *M. I. Stewart*, for leave to introduce a Private Bill to incorporate the Portland Canal Short Line Railway Company. (No. 18.)

Mr. *Davey* presented a petition from the South-East Kootenay Railway Company, for leave to oppose Bill (No. 50) intituled "An Act to Incorporate the Flathead Valley Railway Company. (No. 50A.)

Received and referred to the Railway Committee.

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

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE ROOM,  
February 3rd, 1909.

MR. SPEAKER :

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

The preamble proved of—

Bill (No. 64) intituled “An Act to Incorporate the Victoria and Barclay Sound Railway Company.”

All of which is respectfully submitted.

The report was received.

A. E. MCPHILLIPS,  
*Chairman.*

Mr. *Ross* presented the Third Report from the Private Bills Committee, as follows :—

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE ROOM,  
3rd February, 1909.

MR. SPEAKER :

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

That the Standing Orders in connection with the undermentioned Petitions have been complied with :—

Petition No. 13—An Act respecting the Pacific Coast Coal Mines, Limited.

Petition No. 12—An Act respecting the South-East Kootenay Railway Company, Limited.

And your Committee further recommend that the prayer to Petition No. 17, whereby the Pacific, Northern and Omineca Railway Company ask leave to present a petition to the House, be granted.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

The report was received.

The Standing Rules were suspended and the report adopted.

WM. R. ROSS,  
*Chairman.*

The Hon. Dr. *Young* presented the Report of the Provincial Board of Health on Milk Supply for the year 1908.

The following Private Bills were introduced and read a first time :—

By Mr. *Thomson*—Bill No. 62) intituled “An Act to Authorise the Pacific Coast Coal Mines, Limited, Non-Personal Liability, to Construct Railways and conferring other Powers.” Referred to the Railway Committee.

By Mr. *Shatford*—Bill (No. 56) intituled “An Act to enable the Coldstream Estate Company, Limited, and the White Valley Irrigation and Power Company, Limited, to amalgamate their Water Rights.”

Referred to the Private Bills Committee.

The following Bills were introduced and read a first time :—

By the Hon. Mr. *Bowser*—Bill (No. 9) intituled “An Act to amend the ‘Provincial Elections Act.’”

Second reading to-morrow.

By the Hon. Mr. *Bowser*—Bill (No. 8) intituled “An Act to amend the ‘Municipal Clauses Act.’”

Referred to the Municipal Committee.

By the Hon. Mr. *Bowser*—Bill (No. 13) intituled “An Act to amend the ‘Fire Insurance Policy Act.’”

Second reading to-morrow.

By the Hon. Mr. *Bowser*—Bill (No. 15) intituled “An Act to amend the ‘Supreme Court Act.’”

Second reading to-morrow.



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

That an Order of the House be granted for a Return of copies of all leases granted under the provisions of sub-section (5) of Chapter 30, Statutes of 1901; also, for copies of all correspondence, telegrams or other papers or documents between the Government, or any member thereof, and any other person or persons, in relation to such leases; also, for copies of any regulations, restrictions and conditions established by the Lieutenant-Governor in Council in connection with such leases.

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

How many new liquor licences were issued during the calendar year 1908?

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

“Six.”

Dr. *Kergin* asked the Hon. the Attorney-General the following questions:—

1. Was the commission to *Robert L. McIntosh*, of Prince Rupert, as Stipendiary Magistrate, cancelled?

2. If so, for what cause?

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

“1. Yes.

“2. In the public interest.”

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

1. How many acres of land have been granted in each land district to holders of South African war scrip?

2. What number of scrip have been applied to the purchase of land?

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

“1. Coast, 62,731; Highland, 320; Renfrew, 957; Sayward, 873; Rupert, 1,233; Cassiar, 4,293.62; Westminster, 3,678.76; Yale, 960; Lillooet, 2,942; Cariboo, 9,000; Osoyoos, 7,270; Kootenay, 14,400; Clayoquot, 2,018.

“2. 766.”

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

Bill (No. 1) intituled “An Act to amend the ‘Magistrates’ Act.’”

Bill (No. 5) intituled “An Act to Authorise the Revision of the Statutes of British Columbia.”

Bill (No. 4) intituled “An Act to License Clubs to sell intoxicating Liquor.”

Bill (No. 3) intituled “An Act to amend the ‘Horticultural Board Act.’”

On the second reading of Bill (No. 14) intituled “An Act for the Better Securing of Certain Mine Workers’ Wages,” a debate arose, which was adjourned until the next sitting of the House.

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

And then the House adjourned at 3:50 P.M.

Thursday, 4th February, 1909.

TWO O'CLOCK, P.M.

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

The following petitions were presented :—

By Mr. *Thomson*—From the Pacific, Northern and Omineca Railway Company, for leave to introduce a Private Bill to amend its Corporate Act by granting further powers. (No. 19.)

By Mr. *Macgowan*—From *John McKay* and others, for leave to introduce a Private Bill to incorporate the "Westminster Hall" Educational Institution. (No. 20.)

The petition from *Timothy F. Hopkins* and *M. I. Stewart*, for leave to introduce a Private Bill to incorporate the Portland Canal Short Line Railway Company (No. 18) was received.

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

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE ROOM,  
February 4th, 1909.

MR. SPEAKER :

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

The preamble proved of—

Bill (No. 51) intituled "An Act to Incorporate the Meadow Creek Railway Company."

Bill (No. 50) intituled "An Act to Incorporate the Flathead Valley Railway Company."

All of which is respectfully submitted.

A. E. McPHILLIPS,  
*Chairman.*

The report was received.

On the motion of Mr. *Davey*, Private Bill (No. 61) intituled "An Act to extend the Time for the Expenditure of Ten Per Cent. on the Amount of the Capital of the South-East Kootenay Railway Company," was introduced and read a first time.

Referred to the Railway Committee.

On the motion of the Hon. the Attorney-General, Bill (No. 16) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Arbitration Act,'" was introduced and read a first time.

Second reading to-morrow.

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

1. What amount of revenue was derived from taxes on wild lands during the years 1905-6, 1906-7, 1907-8?
2. What amount of revenue was derived from taxes on coal lands during the same period?
3. What amount of revenue was derived from taxes on timber lands during the same period?

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

"1. Wild land tax collectible for the year ending 31st December, 1906, by the Assessment Roll, was \$73,456.41. Same period 1907, \$91,098.34. Same period 1908, \$137,526.83.

"2. Coal land tax collectible for the year ending 31st December, 1906, by the Assessment Roll, was \$23,478.62. Same period, 1907, \$23,999; Same period, 1908, \$18,448.02.

"3. Timber land tax collectible for the year ending 31st December, 1906, by the Assessment Roll, was \$38,150.93. Same period, 1907, \$46,325.97. Same period, 1908, \$80,222.44."

"NOTE.—All the above amounts were subject to a discount of 10 % if paid before 30th June.

Mr. *Oliver* asked the Hon. the Commissioner of Lands the following questions, *re* cancellation of reserve on Lot 7,946, Group 1, Kootenay :—

1. What are the particulars of the reason why a sale of Lot 7,946, Group 1, Kootenay, should be effected to *Edgar S. Home*?

2. For what reason was the reserve of December 24th, 1907, placed upon this lot?

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

"1. To enable the East Kootenay Lumber Company to secure a mill site.

"2. The reserve of December 24th, 1907, was a general reserve on Crown lands covered by timber licences and timber leases."

On the second reading of Bill (No. 11) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Inspection of Metalliferous Mines Act, 1899,'" a debate arose, which was adjourned until to-morrow.

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

Progress reported.

Committee to sit again to-morrow.

Bill (No. 5) intituled "An Act to Authorise the Revision of the Statutes of British Columbia," was committed.

Progress reported.

Committee to sit again to-morrow.

Bill (No. 3) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Horticultural Board Act,'" was committed

Reported complete with amendments.

Report to be considered to-morrow.

Bill (No. 9) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Provincial Elections Act,'" was read a second time on the following division :—

YEAS :

Messieurs

<i>Eagleson.</i>	<i>Brewster,</i>	<i>McPhillips,</i>	<i>Gifford,</i>
<i>Jones,</i>	<i>Tatlow,</i>	<i>Thomson,</i>	<i>Hayward,</i>
<i>Yorston,</i>	<i>McBride,</i>	<i>Fulton,</i>	<i>McGuire,</i>
<i>Oliver,</i>	<i>Bowser,</i>	<i>Young,</i>	<i>Mackay,</i>
<i>Macdonald,</i>	<i>Cotton,</i>	<i>Taylor,</i>	<i>Parson,</i>
<i>Munro,</i>	<i>Ross,</i>	<i>Garden,</i>	<i>Davey—27.</i>
<i>Jardine,</i>	<i>Shatford,</i>	<i>Macgowan,</i>	

NAYS.

Messieurs

*Williams,* *Hawthornthwaite,* *McInnis—3.*

PAIRS FOR THE DAY.

Messieurs

<i>Ellison,</i>	<i>Kergin,</i>
<i>Schofield,</i>	<i>Henderson,</i>
<i>Hunter,</i>	<i>Naden,</i>
<i>Manson,</i>	<i>King,</i>
<i>Grant,</i>	<i>Hall.</i>

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

Bill (No. 13) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Fire Insurance Policy Act.'"

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

Bill (No. 64) intituled "An Act to Incorporate the Victoria and Barclay Sound Railway Company," was read a second time.

To be committed to-morrow.

Mr. *McKay* presented a petition from the Esquimalt Water Works Company, opposing Bill (No. 65) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Corporation of Victoria Water Works Amendment Act, 1873,' and the 'Victoria Water Works Amendment Act,' Chapter 64 of the Statutes of 1892, and to give additional powers."

Received and referred to the Private Bills Committee.

The Hon. Mr. *Fulton* presented the Fourth Report of the Provincial Game and Forest Warden for 1908.

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

And then the House adjourned at 4:15 P.M.

Friday, 5th February, 1909.

TWO O'CLOCK, P.M.

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

The following petitions were received :—

From the Pacific, Northern and Omineca Railway Company, for leave to introduce a Private Bill to amend its Corporate Act by granting further powers. (No. 19.)

From *John McKay* and others, for leave to introduce a Private Bill to incorporate the "Westminster Hall" Educational Institution. (No. 20.)

The following petitions were presented :—

By Mr. *Garden*—From *C. T. Dunbar* and others, for leave to introduce a Private Bill to incorporate the Vancouver and Northern Railway Company. (No. 21.)

By Mr. *Mackay*—From Oak Bay Municipality, opposing Bill (No. 65) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Corporation of Victoria Water Works Amendment Act, 1873,' and the 'Victoria Water Works Amendment Act,' Chapter 64 of the Statutes of 1892, and to give additional powers." (No. 65B.)

Mr. *Ross* presented the Fourth Report from the Private Bills Committee, as follows :

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE ROOM,  
5th February, 1909.

MR. SPEAKER :

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

That the preamble of Bill (No. 60) "An Act to Incorporate the Goat River Water, Power and Light Company, Limited," has been proved, and the Bill ordered to be reported with amendments.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

WM. R. ROSS,  
*Chairman.*

The report was received.

The Hon. Mr. *Tatlow* presented an Abstract of the Revenue and Expenditure of the Province for the six months ending 31st December, 1908.

The following Bills were introduced, read a first time and *Ordered* to be read a second time on Monday next :—

By the Hon. Mr. *Bowser*—Bill (No. 17) intituled “ An Act to amend the ‘ Public Inquiries Act.’ ”

By the Hon. Mr. *Bowser*—Bill (No. 18) intituled “ An Act to amend the ‘ Court of Appeal Act, 1907.’ ”

By the Hon. Mr. *Tallow*—Bill (No. 19) intituled “ An Act to amend the ‘ Succession Duty Act.’ ”

By Mr. *Hayward*—Bill (No. 20) intituled “ An Act to amend the ‘ Dairy and Live Stock Associations Act.’ ”

Bill (No. 3) intituled “ An Act to amend the ‘ Horticultural Board Act,’ ” was read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 5) intituled “ An Act to Authorise the Revision of the Statutes of British Columbia,” was again committed.

Reported complete with amendments.

Report to be considered on Monday next.

Bill (No. 13) intituled “ An Act to amend the ‘ Fire Insurance Policy Act,’ ” was again committed.

Reported complete without amendment.

Report to be considered on Monday next.

Bill (No. 15) intituled “ An Act to amend the ‘ Supreme Court Act,’ ” was committed.

Reported complete without amendment.

Report to be considered on Monday next.

Bill (No. 16) intituled “ An Act to amend the ‘ Arbitration Act,’ ” was read a second time.

To be committed on Monday next.

Bill (No. 64) intituled “ An Act to Incorporate the Victoria and Barclay Sound Railway Company,” was committed.

Report complete with amendments.

Report to be considered on Monday next.

The following Bills were read a second time and *Ordered* to be committed on Monday next :—

Bill (No. 50) intituled “ An Act to Incorporate the Flathead Valley Railway Company.”

Bill (No. 51) intituled “ An Act to Incorporate the Meadow Creek Logging Railway Company.”

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

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

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE ROOM,

5th February, 1909.

MR. SPEAKER :

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

That the Standing Orders in connection with the undermentioned Petitions have been complied with :—

Petition No. 9—From the Corporation of the City of Vancouver.

Petition No. 10—From the Corporation of the City of Vancouver relative to “ False Creek Foreshore Act, 1904.”

Your Committee further beg leave to report relative to Petition No. 14, Graham Island Railway, that the Standing Orders have not been complied with relating to publication.

We recommend the suspension of the Standing Rules and Orders to allow the Bill to proceed.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

WM. R. ROSS,  
*Chairman.*

The report was received.

The Rules were suspended and the report adopted.

Mr. *Munro* asked the Hon. the Commissioner of Works the following questions:—

1. Who was caretaker of Chilliwack dyke from October 1st, 1907, to September 30th, 1908?

2. What salary was paid to caretaker for said period?

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

“1. *A. A. Cruickshank.*

“2. \$366.70.”

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

1. What public works have been executed in each Electoral District and paid for under authority of Special Warrants? And what amount has been paid on account of each such work?

2. What public works have been authorised in each Electoral District to be paid for under authority of Special Warrants, beyond those mentioned in the answer to question 1?

3. Will the Government bring down a statement forthwith showing the details of the expenditures under authority of Special Warrants?

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

“1. Clearing land, Richmond District.....	\$	5,000	00
Surveys .....		88,345	90
Prince Rupert streets and sidewalks.....			
Capitol Buildings .....		6,000	00
Court House, Fernie.....		3,075	77
"    Nelson .....		13,410	69
Government Buildings, Prince Rupert.....		13,373	63
Industrial School, Vancouver.....		10,277	45
Schools, Fernie .....			
Government House, Porte Cochere .....			
Alberni District, sundry roads .....		3,035	18
Cariboo    "    Quesnel-Nechaco Road .....		5,315	93
Sundry roads .....		5,681	63
Cranbrook    "    " .....		8,123	10
Esquimalt    "    " .....		5,367	06
Newcastle    "    " .....		6,815	00
Revelstoke    "    Canoe Pass Trail .....		2,598	35
Richmond    "    Point Grey Road and Hastings Townsite, Dis- trict Lot 301 .....		58,803	76
Skeena    "    Sundry roads .....		17,355	06
Ymir    "    Rossland Trail Road.....		8,066	17
Sundry roads .....		5,496	76
Cariboo Main Road.....		18,926	88
Bridges throughout the Province.....		58,035	20
Wharves, generally .....		17,716	16
		\$360,819	68

“2. None.

“3. Answered by Number 1.”

Mr. *Brewster* asked the Hon. the Commissioner of Works the following questions :—

1. What sums were paid one *Duncan McMillan*, of Parksville, out of the grant for roads, bridges, etc., of last year?
2. For what services were such moneys paid?
3. How much money did his son, *Preston McMillan*, of same place, receive, and for what services?
4. What was the total cost expended on the works that these two men were employed upon?

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

- "1. Foreman, \$422.47. Use of horse and rig, \$53.
- "2. Answered by Number 1.
- "3. \$238.74. Labour, \$35.74; team, \$199.50; use of horse and rig, \$3.50.
- "4. \$4,205.36."

The following Bills were introduced and read first time :—

By Mr. *Macgowan*—Bill (No. 58) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Vancouver Incorporation Act, 1900.'"

Referred to the Private Bills Committee.

By Mr. *Macgowan*—Bill (No. 59) intituled "An Act to amend the 'False Creek Fore-shore Act, 1904.'"

Referred to the Private Bills Committee.

And then the House adjourned at 4:20 P.M.

Monday, 8th February, 1909.

Two o'clock, P.M.

Prayers by the Rev. *Christopher Burnett*.

Mr. *Behnsen* presented a petition from *James Charles Shields*, of Kamloops, and *Alfred Bauman*, of same place, opposing Bill (No. 55) intituled "An Act to Incorporate the Shuswap and Thompson Rivers Boom Company. (No. 55A.)"

Read and received.

The following petitions were received :—

From *C. T. Dunbar* and others, for leave to introduce a Private Bill to incorporate the Vancouver and Northern Railway Company. (No. 21.)

From Oak Bay Municipality, opposing Bill (No. 65) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Corporation of Victoria Water Works Amendment Act, 1873,' and the 'Victoria Water Works Amendment Act,' Chapter 64 of the Statutes of 1892, and to give additional powers." (No. 65B.)

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

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE ROOM,

8th February, 1909.

MR. SPEAKER :

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

That the Standing Orders in connection with the undermentioned Petitions have not been complied with, but your Committee recommend the suspension of Standing Rules and Orders to allow the Bills to proceed :—

Petition No. 18—From the Portland Canal Short Line Railway Company.

Petition No. 19—The Pacific Northern and Omineca Railway Company.

Your Committee further recommend that the time limited for the receiving of Petitions for Private Bills be extended until February 15th.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

WM. R. ROSS,  
*Chairman.*

The report was received.

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

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

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE ROOM,  
8th February, 1909.

MR. SPEAKER :

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

That the Standing Orders in connection with the undermentioned Petition have not been complied with :—

Petition No. 20—*Re* "Westminster Hall" Educational Institution.

Your Committee recommend that as the Bill accompanying this Petition is a Bill in the public interests, dealing with education, that Standing Rules and Orders be suspended, and that fees be remitted so that the Bill be proceeded with.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

WM. R. ROSS,  
*Chairman.*

The report was received.

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

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

That a Supply be granted to His Majesty, and that this House do resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole on Thursday next to consider the Resolution.

On the motion of Dr. King, Bill (No. 22) intituled "An Act respecting the Profession of Medicine and Surgery," was introduced, read a first time and *Ordered* to be read a second time to-morrow.

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

That an Order of the House be granted for copies of all Orders in Council, letters, telegrams, agreements or other papers or documents relative to the acquisition by the Victoria Terminal Railway Company, or the V. V. & E. R. Co., of any foreshore rights situate in Delta Electoral District.

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

That an Order of the House be granted for a Return of copies of the Report of the Inspector of Dykes and of the Order in Council authorising the construction of "drainage ditch" made by Mr. A. Cruickshank in Coquitlam Dyking District during 1908; also, for copies of the contract and specifications in connection with such work.

Mr. Oliver asked the Hon. the Commissioner of Lands the following questions :—

1. How many acres of Crown lands were sold during the year 1908?
2. How many acres of Crown lands were pre-empted during the year 1908?
3. How many acres of Crown lands sold were deeded during the year 1908?
4. How many acres of Crown lands pre-empted were deeded during the year 1908?
5. Has the Government taken any action to see that the provisions of section 34, subsection (11), of the Land Act has been complied with?
6. If so, what action has been taken?



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

- “ 1. 121,263.10, approximated.
- “ 2. 156,666 acres, approximated.
- “ 3. 163,224.19.
- “ 4. 41,553.98.
- “ 5. Yes.
- “ 6. Required applicants to comply with provisions of Land Act.”

Mr. *Jones* asked the Hon. the Commissioner of Works the following questions :—

1. Is it the intention of the Government to build a road from Eight (8) mile lake, near Barkerville, to Bear Lake?
2. Is it the intention of the Government to place a ferry across the Fraser River, at or near Fort Alexander?
3. What did it cost to keep clear from snow the waggon road from Cottonwood to Barkerville during the fiscal year ending 1908?
4. What did it cost to protect the town of Barkerville from tailings during the past summer and the one preceding that, and were these sums taken from the appropriations for the Trunk Road?

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

- “ 1. It is under consideration.
- “ 2. When ferry has been asked for it will receive consideration.
- “ 3. \$1,194.95.
- “ 4. \$1,775.29 ; \$1,901.97. Yes.”

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

1. Is it the intention of the Government to repay to the Fraser fishermen, who were convicted of offences under the Fisheries Act, the amount of the fines imposed upon them?
2. Is it the intention of the Government to reimburse the Fraser River fishermen, who were prosecuted under the Fisheries Act, the amount of costs incurred by them in connection with such prosecution?
3. Is it the intention of the Government to make good to the fishermen prosecuted under the Fisheries Act the damages they sustained on account of such prosecution?

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

“ The Government proposes to bring the question of the fisheries jurisdiction before the Privy Council, and until this question is settled the Government can not consider the matter of reimbursement.”

Bill (No. 5) intituled “ An Act to Authorise the Revision of the Statutes of British Columbia,” was adopted.

Bill read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 16) intituled “ An Act to amend the ‘ Arbitration Act,’ ” was committed.

Reported 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. 17) intituled “ An Act to amend the ‘ Public Inquiries Act. ’ ”

Bill (No. 18) intituled “ An Act to amend the ‘ Court of Appeal Act, 1907.’ ”

Bill (No. 19) intituled “ An Act to amend the ‘ Succession Duty Act, ’ ”

Bill (No. 20) intituled “ An An to amend the ‘ Dairy and Live Stock Associations Act. ’ ”

The Report on Bill (No. 64) intituled “ An Act to Incorporate the Victoria and Barclay Sound Railway Company,” was adopted.

Third reading to-morrow.

Bill (No. 50) intituled "An Act to Incorporate the Flathead Valley Railway Company," was committed.

Reported without amendment.

Report to be considered to-morrow.

Bill (No. 51) intituled "An Act to Incorporate the Meadow Creek Logging Railway Company," was committed.

Reported without amendment.

Report to be considered to-morrow.

Bill (No. 60) intituled "An Act to Incorporate the Goat River Water, Power and Light Company, Limited," was read a second time.

To be committed to-morrow.

Mr. *Hayward* presented a petition from the British Columbia Electric Railway Company, Limited, opposing certain clauses in Bill (No. 8) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Municipal Clauses Act,'" and asking leave to appear before the Committee on Municipal Matters and be heard in support thereof.

Read and received and referred to the Municipal Committee.

On the motion of Mr. *Hawthornthwaite*, Bill (No. 23) intituled "An Act to extend the Franchise to Women," was introduced and read a first time.

Second reading to-morrow.

On the motion of Mr. *Jardine*, for Dr. *Kergin*, who was absent, Bill (No. 54) intituled "An Act to Incorporate the Prince Rupert and Port Simpson Railway Company," was introduced, read a first time and referred to the Railway Committee.

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

And then the House adjourned at 3:45 P.M.

Tuesday, 9th February, 1909.

TWO O'CLOCK, P.M.

Prayers by the Rev. *Christopher Burnett*.

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

JAMES DUNSMUIR,  
*Lieutenant-Governor.*

The Lieutenant-Governor transmits herewith a Bill intituled "An Act to declare the Rights of the Crown in respect to Water and Water Power, and to Amend and Consolidate the Laws of the Province relating to the Diversion, Acquisition and Use of Water," and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

*Government House,*  
*8th February, 1909.*

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

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(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

*Resolved*, That the Committee rise and report to the House, recommending the introduction of a Bill (No. 2) intituled "An Act to declare the Rights of the Crown in respect to Water and Water Power, and to Amend and Consolidate the Laws of the Province relating to the Diversion, Acquisition and Use of Water," a draft of which is annexed to this Resolution.

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The Chairman reported the Resolution and Bill.  
 Report adopted.  
 Bill introduced and read a first time.  
 Second reading to-morrow.

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

JAMES DUNSMUIR,  
*Lieutenant-Governor.*

The Lieutenant-Governor transmits herewith a Bill intituled "An Act respecting the Grand Trunk Pacific Railway," and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

*Government House,*  
*8th February, 1909.*

*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. 21) intituled "An Act respecting the Grand Trunk Pacific Railway," a draft of which is annexed to this Resolution.

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The Chairman reported the Resolution and the Bill.  
 Report adopted.  
 Bill introduced and read a first time.  
 Second reading to-morrow.

Mr. *Ross* presented a petition from *Jno. B. Ferguson* and others, for leave to introduce a Private Bill to Incorporate the Kootenay and Alberta Railway Company. (No. 8.)

Mr. *Ross* presented the Eighth Report from the Private Bills Committee, as follows:—

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE ROOM,  
 9th February, 1909.

MR. SPEAKER:

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

That the preamble of Bill (No. 56) intituled "An Act to enable the Coldstream Estate Company, Limited, and the White Valley Irrigation and Power Company, Limited, to amalgamate their Water Rights," has been proved, and the Bill ordered to be reported with amendments.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

WM. R. ROSS,  
*Chairman.*

The Report was received.

Mr. Ross presented the Ninth Report from the Private Bills Committee, as follows :—

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE ROOM,  
9th February, 1909.

MR. SPEAKER :

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

That the Standing Orders in connection with the following Petition have been complied with :—

Petition No. 3—*Re* British Columbia Permanent Loan Company.

Your Committee further beg leave to report that the Standing Orders have not been complied with relative to Petition No. 21, The Vancouver and Northern Railway Company, but they recommend the suspension of Standing Rules and Orders to allow the Bill to proceed.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

WM. R. ROSS,  
*Chairman.*

The report was received, the Standing Rules and Orders suspended and the report adopted.

On the motion of Hon. Mr. Taylor, Bill (No. 24) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Highway Traffic Regulation Act,'" was introduced, read first time and *Ordered* to be read second time to-morrow.

On the motion of Mr. Hawthornthwaite, Bill (No. 25) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Shops Regulation Act, 1900,'" was introduced, read first time and *Ordered* to be read second time to-morrow.

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

1. How much money was expended upon repairs to the Yale Road, between Aldergrove and Abbotsford, during each of the months of July, August, September, October, November and December, 1908?

2. To whom were payments made, and for what service, during each of said months, giving the rates per day paid for foremen, labourers and teams, the rate per 1,000 feet for lumber, the rate per 100 pounds for nails, and spikes and iron work?

3. Was any lumber purchased unused?

4. If so, how was such unused lumber disposed of?

The Hon. Mr. Taylor replied as follows :—

"1. July, \$6; August, \$473.56; Sept., \$3,131.73; October, \$1,040; Nov., \$2,338.63; Dec., \$1,943.50.

"2. John Sprott, Road Superintendent, July and August.

Hugh Radford	Labourer	\$2 50 per day.
Peter Bonson	Teamster	4 00 "
Fred. Carmichael	"	5 00 "
Ed. Clark	"	5 00 "
John Edwards	"	5 00 "
Edwin Elliott	"	6 00 "
Wm. Fiddler	"	6 00 "
Alfred Gledhill	"	5 50 "
John Morrison	"	5 00 "
G. Ross	"	5 00 "
A. Steel	"	5 00 "
Wm. Bailey	Labourer	2 50 "
Joseph Bell	"	2 50 "
Henry Cantin	"	2 00 "
John Catto	"	2 50 "
William Catto	"	2 50 "
R. Chapman	"	2 50 "
James Davis	"	2 50 "
J. Ellison	"	2 50 "
Harry Fowels	"	2 50 "
Arthur Gledhill	"	2 50 "
W. Macey	"	2 50 "
A. McNicoll	"	2 50 "

*July and August.—Concluded.*

W. Ross.....	Labourer.....	\$2 50	per day.
Charles Taylor.....	".....	2 50	"
W. Vanetis.....	".....	5 00	"
S. Waddell.....	".....	2 50	"
John Zohandei.....	".....	2 50	"
H. Freeman.....	Foreman.....	4 00	"

*September:*

H. Freeman.....	Foreman.....	4 00	"
J. Bell.....	Teamster.....	6 00	"
P. Bonson.....	".....	4 00	"
J. Calbick.....	".....	5 00	"
F. Carmichael.....	".....	5 00	"
E. Clark.....	".....	5 00	"
J. Edwards.....	".....	5 00	"
E. Elliott.....	".....	6 00	"
T. Forster.....	".....	5 00	"
Freeman Estate, 1.....	".....	5 00	"
" 2.....	".....	5 00	"
" 3.....	".....	5 00	"
Alfred Gledhill.....	".....	5 00	"
T. Higginson, 1.....	".....	5 00	"
" 2.....	".....	5 00	"
J. Morrison.....	".....	5 00	"
A. Ross.....	".....	5 00	"
G. Ross.....	".....	5 00	"
A. Steele.....	".....	5 00	"
J. Waddell.....	".....	5 00	"
H. Vanette.....	".....	5 00	"
J. Allison.....	Labourer.....	2 50	"
W. Bailey.....	".....	2 50	"
J. Bell.....	".....	2 50	"
F. Cantrill.....	".....	2 00	"
J. Catto.....	".....	2 50	"
W. Catto.....	".....	2 50	"
R. Chapman.....	".....	2 50	"
J. T. Chappell.....	".....	2 50	"
J. Davis.....	".....	2 50	"
E. Elliott.....	".....	2 50	"
F. Fowles.....	".....	2 50	"
J. Gardace.....	".....	2 50	"
T. Gardace.....	".....	2 50	"
A. Gladhill.....	".....	2 50	"
R. Jackman.....	".....	2 50	"
W. Macey.....	".....	2 50	"
A. McNichol.....	".....	2 50	"
J. A. Patterson.....	".....	2 50	"
H. Rafford.....	".....	2 50	"
A. Ross.....	".....	2 50	"
D. Sinclair.....	".....	2 50	"
M. Sinclair.....	".....	2 50	"
C. Smith.....	Cook.....	2 50	"
W. Stafford.....	Labourer.....	2 50	"
C. Taylor.....	".....	2 50	"
S. Waddell.....	".....	2 50	"
J. Welch.....	".....	2 50	"
H. Freeman Estate, lumber.....	".....	2 50	"
A. Zollars.....	".....	2 50	"
John Sprott, Road Superintendent.....	".....	2 50	"

*October:*

H. Freeman.....	Foreman.....	4 00	"
J. Cole.....	Teamster.....	6 00	"
J. Catto.....	Labourer.....	2 50	"
R. Chapman.....	".....	2 50	"
E. Clark.....	Teamster.....	5 00	"
J. Davis.....	Labourer.....	2 50	"
H. Fowles.....	".....	2 50	"
A. Gledhill.....	Teamster.....	5 50	"
Arthur Gledhill.....	Labourer.....	2 50	"
T. Higginson, 1.....	Teamster.....	5 00	"
" 2.....	".....	5 00	"

*October—Concluded.*

Freeman Estate, 1	Teamster	\$5 00	per day.
" 2	"	5 00	"
" 3	"	5 00	"
R. Jackson	Labourer	2 50	"
W. Stafford	"	2 50	"
A. Steel	Teamster	5 00	"
C. Smith	Cook	2 50	"
J. Waddell	Teamster	5 00	"
P. Ross	Labourer	2 50	"
P. Bonson	Teamster	4 00	"
H. Radford	Labourer	2 50	"
John Sprott, Road Superintendent.			
H. Freeman.			
J. M. Hall	Labourer	2 50	"
D. D. Beaton	"	2 50	"
A. Zollner	"	2 50	"
M. Sinclair	"	2 50	"
G. Sims	"	2 50	"
H. Hooper	"	2 50	"
F. Smith	"	2 50	"
S. Inkster	"	2 50	"
Arthur Gledhill	"	2 50	"
R. Chapman	"	2 50	"
W. Cottman	"	2 50	"
D. Sinclair	"	2 50	"
J. Allison	"	2 50	"
J. Edwards	Teamster	5 00	"
T. Higginson	Labourer	2 50	"
C. Taylor	"	2 50	"
H. Freeman	Foreman	4 00	"
Freeman Estate, 1	Teamster	5 00	"
" 2	"	5 00	"
" 3	"	5 00	"
J. Waddell	"	5 00	"
W. Vanetta	"	5 00	"
J. Vanetta	"	5 00	"
R. Rolls	"	5 00	"
A. Gledhill	"	5 00	"
F. Carmichael	"	5 00	"
R. McCrimmon	"	5 00	"
H. Fowles	Labourer	2 50	"
C. Smith	Cook	2 50	"
J. Davis	"	2 50	"
R. Jackman	"	2 50	"
John Catto	"	2 50	"
Joe Catto	"	2 50	"
H. Freeman, cases of powder.			

*November :*

H. Fowles, hire.			
H. Freeman	Foreman	4 00	"
H. Freeman Estate 1	Teamster	5 00	"
H. Freeman Estate 2	"	5 00	"
H. Freeman Estate 3	"	5 00	"
F. Carmichael	"	5 00	"
W. Vanetta	"	5 00	"
J. Vanetta	"	5 00	"
A. Gledhill	"	5 00	"
J. Edwards	"	5 00	"
R. McCrimmon	"	5 00	"
J. Waddell	"	5 00	"
R. Robb	"	5 00	"
R. Bousfield	"	5 00	"
T. Higginson, 1	"	5 00	"
T. Higginson, 2	"	5 00	"
H. Fowles	Labourer	2 50	"
C. Smith	Cook	2 50	"
J. Davis	Labourer	2 50	"
F. Smith	"	2 50	"
R. Jackman	"	2 50	"
John Catto	"	2 50	"
Joe Catto	"	2 50	"
J. Hall	"	2 50	"

## November—Concluded.

D. D. Beaton	Labourer	\$2 50 per day.
C. Taylor	"	2 50 "
T. Higginson	"	2 50 "
M. Sinclair	"	2 50 "
G. Sims	"	2 50 "
S. Inkster	"	2 50 "
Arthur Gledhill	"	2 50 "
R. Chapman	"	2 50 "
W. Cotteau	"	2 50 "
J. Allison	"	2 50 "
W. Bailey	"	2 50 "
H. Freeman	Foreman	4 00 "
R. Bousfield	Teamster	5 00 "
F. Farmer	"	5 00 "
J. Vanetta	"	5 00 "
J. Coppinger	"	5 00 "
J. Firlotte	"	5 00 "
R. McCrimmon	"	5 00 "
F. Randolph	"	5 00 "
A. Arden	"	5 00 "
W. Hurrelle	"	5 00 "
J. Stromberg	"	5 00 "
D. Fraser	"	5 00 "
J. Revall	Labourer	2 50 "
L. Murray	"	2 50 "
A. Atkinson	"	2 50 "
J. Harris	"	2 50 "
P. Ahern	"	2 50 "
A. Steward	"	2 50 "
E. Gaxley	"	2 50 "
J. Kennedy	"	2 50 "
K. McGillery	"	2 50 "
J. Higginsbotham	"	2 50 "
W. Matheson	"	2 50 "
H. Fewn	"	2 50 "
J. K. Fraser	"	2 50 "
D. Ferguson	"	2 50 "
T. Blatchford	"	2 50 "
J. Hall	"	2 50 "
W. Kennedy	"	2 50 "
F. McCrimmon	"	2 50 "
H. Arkininstall	"	2 50 "
J. M. Hall	"	2 50 "
H. Freeman—Shovels, etc., powder, plough handles, etc., lumber.		
John Sprott, Road Superintendent.		

## December:

Abbotsford Lumber Co.—Lumber.		
R. Robb	Teamster	5 00 per day.
J. Waddell	"	5 00 "
T. Higginson, 1	"	5 00 "
" 2	"	5 00 "
F. Carmichael	"	5 00 "
R. Bousfield	"	5 00 "
A. Arden	"	5 00 "
J. Edwards	"	5 00 "
B. Sherwood	"	5 00 "
E. Elliott	"	5 00 "
H. Fowles	Labourer	2 50 "
J. Davis	"	2 50 "
C. Smith	Cook	2 50 "
G. Sims	Labourer	2 50 "
S. Inkster	"	2 50 "
D. D. Beaton	"	2 50 "
J. Catto	"	2 50 "
C. Taylor	"	2 50 "
F. Smith	"	2 50 "
H. Freeman	Foreman	4 00 "
R. Bousfield	Teamster	5 00 "
R. McCrimmon	"	5 00 "
F. Farmer	"	5 00 "
A. Arden	"	5 00 "

## December—Concluded,

J. Firlotte .....	Teamster .....	\$5 00 per day.
J. Vanetta .....	" .....	5 00 "
J. Cipping .....	" .....	5 00 "
J. Stromberg .....	" .....	5 00 "
D. Fraser .....	" .....	5 00 "
F. Randolph .....	" .....	5 00 "
P. Ahern .....	Labourer .....	2 50 "
A. Stewart .....	" .....	2 50 "
K. McGillery .....	" .....	2 50 "
J. Higginsbotham .....	" .....	2 50 "
E. Gazeley .....	" .....	2 50 "
L. Murray .....	" .....	2 50 "
J. Revall .....	" .....	2 50 "
T. Blatchford .....	" .....	2 50 "
W. Kennedy .....	" .....	2 50 "
J. K. Fraser .....	" .....	2 50 "
W. Matheson .....	" .....	2 50 "
H. Arkininstall .....	" .....	2 50 "
H. Hooper .....	" .....	2 50 "
F. McCrimmon .....	" .....	2 50 "
W. Hurelle .....	" .....	2 50 "
D. McKay .....	Teamster .....	5 00 "

\$9 per 1,000.

No nails, spikes nor ironwork purchased.

"3. No information in Department.

"4. Answered by No. 3."

The following Bills were introduced and read a first time:—

By Dr. *Kergin*—Bill (No. 63) intituled "An Act to Incorporate the Graham Island Railway Company."

Referred to the Railway Committee.

By Mr. *McPhillips*—Bill (No. 52) intituled "An Act to Incorporate the British Columbia Permanent Loan Company."

Referred to the Private Bills Committee.

By Mr. *Garden*—Bill (No. 69) intituled "An Act to Incorporate the Vancouver and Northern Railway Company."

Referred to the Railway Committee.

By Mr. *Macgowan*—Bill (No. 68) intituled "An Act to Incorporate Westminster Hall."

Referred to the Private Bills Committee.

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

Reported complete with amendment.

Report to be considered to-morrow.

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

Third reading to-morrow.

Bill (No. 17) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Public Inquiries Act,'" was committed.

Reported with amendments.

Report to be considered to-morrow.

Bill (No. 19) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Succession Duty Act,'" was committed.

Reported without amendment.

Report to be considered to-morrow.

Bill (No. 64) intituled "An Act to Incorporate the Victoria and Barclay Sound Railway Company," was read a third time and passed.

The Report on Bill (No. 50) intituled "An Act to Incorporate the Flathead Valley Railway Company," was adopted.

Third reading to-morrow.



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The Report on Bill (No. 51) intituled "An Act to Incorporate the Meadow Creek Railway Company," was adopted.

Third reading to-morrow.

Bill (No. 20) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Dairy and Live Stock Associations Act,'" was committed.

Reported without amendment.

Report adopted.

Third reading to-morrow.

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

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

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## Wednesday, 10th February, 1909.

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TWO O'CLOCK, P.M.

Prayers by Rev. *Christopher Burnett*.

The petition from *Jno. B. Ferguson* and others, for leave to introduce a Private Bill to Incorporate the Kootenay and Alberta Railway Company (No. 8) was received.

The Hon. Mr. *Fulton* presented a Return of copies of all leases granted under the provisions of sub-section (5) of Chapter 30, Statutes of 1901; also, for copies of all correspondence, telegrams or other papers or documents between the Government, or any member thereof, and any other person or persons, in relation to such leases; also, for copies of any regulations, restrictions and conditions established by the Lieutenant-Governor in Council in connection with such leases.

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

JAMES DUNSMUIR,  
*Lieutenant-Governor.*

The Lieutenant-Governor transmits herewith a Bill intituled "An Act to Regulate the Sale of Certain Poisonous Substances to be used Exclusively in Agriculture and Horticulture," and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

*Government House,*  
*10th February, 1909.*

*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. 26) intituled "An Act to Regulate the Sale of Certain Poisonous Substances to be used Exclusively in Agriculture and Horticulture," a draft of which is annexed to this Resolution.

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The Chairman reported the Resolution and the Bill.

Report adopted.

Bill introduced and read a first time.

Second reading to-morrow.

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

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE ROOM,  
February 10th, 1909.

MR. SPEAKER :—

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

The preamble proved of—

Bill (No. 61) intituled “An Act to extend the Time for the Expenditure of Ten Per Cent. on the Amount of the Capital of the South-East Kootenay Railway Company.”

Bill (No. 62) intituled “An Act to Authorise the Pacific Coast Mines, Limited, Non-Personal Liability, to Construct Railways, and conferring other Powers.”

All of which is respectfully submitted.

A. E. MCPHILLIPS,  
*Chairman.*

The report was received.

Mr. *McInnis* asked the Hon. the Minister of Mines the following questions :—

1. Has any inspection been made of “smelters” and “ore reduction works” under the provisions of the “Factories Act, 1908”?

2. If so, have they been found to conform with the requirements of that Act?

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

“1. No.

“2. Answered by No. 1.”

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

Bill (No. 50) intituled “An Act to Incorporate the Flathead Valley Railway Company.”

Bill (No. 16) intituled “An Act to amend the ‘Arbitration Act.’”

Bill (No. 1) intituled “An Act to amend the ‘Magistrates’ Act.’”

The Report on Bill (No. 13) intituled “An Act to amend the ‘Fire Insurance Policy Act,’” was considered.

The Hon. Mr. *Bowser* moved to add the following new clause as section 3 :—

“3. Section 5 of said chapter 82 is hereby amended by adding thereto the following :—  
‘Provided, however, that the provisions of this section shall not authorise a company or other insurer to vary, omit or add to the statutory condition Number 16.’”

Carried.

Report, as amended, adopted.

Third reading to-morrow.

The Report on Bill (No. 17) intituled “An Act to amend the ‘Public Inquiries Act,’” was adopted.

Third reading to-morrow.

The Report on Bill (No. 19) intituled “An Act to amend the ‘Succession Duty Act,’” was adopted.

Third reading to-morrow.

Bill (No. 9) intituled “An Act to amend the ‘Provincial Elections Act,’” was committed.  
Progress reported.

Committee to sit again to-morrow.

On the second reading of Bill (No. 21) intituled “An Act respecting the Grand Trunk Pacific Railway,” a debate arose, which was adjourned until to-morrow.

On the second reading of Bill (No. 24) intituled “An Act to amend the ‘Highway Traffic Regulation Act,’” a debate arose, which was adjourned until to-morrow.

Bill (No. 20) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Dairy and Live Stock Associations Act,' was read a third time and passed.

The adjourned debate on the second reading of Bill (No. 11) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Inspection of Metalliferous Mines Act, 1899,'" was resumed.

The second reading was negatived on the following division:—

## YEAS :

## Messieurs

<i>King,</i>	<i>Yorston,</i>	<i>Munro,</i>	<i>Williams,</i>
<i>Naden,</i>	<i>Oliver,</i>	<i>Jardine,</i>	<i>Hawthornthwaite,</i>
<i>Hall,</i>	<i>Macdonald,</i>	<i>Brewster,</i>	<i>McInnis—14.</i>
<i>Jones,</i>	<i>Henderson,</i>		

## NAYS :

## Messieurs

<i>Tatlow,</i>	<i>Shatford,</i>	<i>Garden,</i>	<i>Hayward,</i>
<i>McBride,</i>	<i>Thomson,</i>	<i>Macgowan,</i>	<i>McGuire,</i>
<i>Bowser,</i>	<i>Hunter,</i>	<i>Gifford,</i>	<i>Mackay,</i>
<i>Cotton,</i>	<i>Fulton,</i>	<i>Grant,</i>	<i>Davey,</i>
<i>Ellison,</i>	<i>Young,</i>	<i>Behnsen,</i>	<i>Schofield—23.</i>
<i>Ross,</i>	<i>Taylor,</i>	<i>Manson,</i>	

## PAIRS :

## Messieurs

<i>Parson,</i>	<i>Kergin,</i>
<i>McPhillips,</i>	<i>Eagleson.</i>

The adjourned debate on the second reading of Bill (No. 14) intituled "An Act for the Better Securing of Certain Mine Workers' Wages," was resumed.

The second reading was negatived on the following division:—

## YEAS :

## Messieurs

<i>King,</i>	<i>Yorston,</i>	<i>Henderson,</i>	<i>Williams,</i>
<i>Naden,</i>	<i>Oliver,</i>	<i>Jardine,</i>	<i>Hawthornthwaite,</i>
<i>Hall,</i>	<i>Macdonald,</i>	<i>Brewster,</i>	<i>McInnis—13.</i>
<i>Jones,</i>			

## NAYS :

## Messieurs

<i>Tatlow,</i>	<i>Shatford,</i>	<i>Macgowan,</i>	<i>Hayward,</i>
<i>McBride,</i>	<i>Thomson,</i>	<i>Gifford,</i>	<i>McGuire,</i>
<i>Bowser,</i>	<i>Hunter,</i>	<i>Grant,</i>	<i>Mackay,</i>
<i>Cotton,</i>	<i>Fulton,</i>	<i>Behnsen,</i>	<i>Davey,</i>
<i>Ellison,</i>	<i>Young,</i>	<i>Manson,</i>	<i>Schofield—22.</i>
<i>Ross,</i>	<i>Taylor,</i>		

## PAIRS :

## Messieurs

<i>Parson,</i>	<i>Kergin,</i>
<i>McPhillips,</i>	<i>Eagleson.</i>

Mr. *Mackay* presented a petition from the Corporation of the District of Saanich, for leave to appear and support objections to Bill (No. 65) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Corporation of Victoria Water Works Amendment Act, 1873,' and the 'Victoria Water Works Amendment Act,' Chapter 34 of the Statutes of 1892, and to give additional powers." (No. 65c.)

Read and received.

On the motion of Mr. *Jardine*, Bill (No. 67) intituled "An Act to Incorporate the Portland Canal Short Line Railway Company," was introduced, read first time and referred to the Railway Committee.

The Hon. Mr. *Taylor* presented the following supplementary answers to questions of yesterday :—

1. How much money was expended upon repairs to the Yale Road, between Aldergrove and Abbotsford, during each of the months of July, August, September, October, November and December, 1908?

2. To whom were payments made, and for what service, during each of said months, giving the rates per day paid for foremen, labourers and teams, the rate per 1,000 feet for lumber, the rate per 100 pounds for nails, and spikes and iron work?

3. Was any lumber purchased unused?

4. If so, how was such unused lumber disposed of?

"2. *October and November* :

Thomas H. Lehman.....	Foreman .....	\$4 50 per day.
D. B. McDougall.....	Labourer .....	2 50 "
V. Ferguson.....	" .....	2 50 "
H. Ryder .....	Teamster.....	5 00 "
Roy Leyman .....	" .....	5 00 "
A. Lehman.....	" .....	5 00 "
A. A. Cruickshank.....	" .....	5 00 " & expenses.
W. Miller—Spikes and nails.		
Nails, \$3; spikes, \$4.50.		

"*November* :

Abbotsford Lumber Co., Ltd."

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

And then the House adjourned at 5:15 P.M.

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Thursday, 11th February, 1909.

TWO O'CLOCK, P.M.

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

The Hon. the Premier presented a Return of a communication addressed by His Excellency the Governor-General of Canada to the Hon. *Richard McBride*, with reference to His Excellency's visit to the Province of British Columbia in the year 1908.

On the motion of Mr. *Thomson*, Bill (No. 66) intituled "An Act respecting the Pacific Northern and Omineca Railway," was introduced, read a first time and referred to the Railway Committee.

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. *Bowser*, Bill (No. 27) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Reformatory Act,'" was introduced, read a first time and *Ordered* to be read a second time to-morrow.

Mr. *Thomson* presented a petition from *G. Y.* and *J. Galt* and others, of Vancouver, opposing Private Bill to amend the "False Creek Foreshore Act, 1904." (No. 59A.)  
Read and received.

Mr. *Ross* presented the Tenth Report from the Private Bills Committee, as follows :—

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE ROOM,  
11th February, 1909.

MR. SPEAKER :

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

That the time limited for presenting Private Bills and Reports from the Committee on Private Bills be extended until February 24th, 1909.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

WM. R. ROSS,  
*Chairman.*

The report was received and adopted.

Mr. *Ross* presented the Eleventh Report from the Private Bills Committee, as follows :—

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE ROOM,  
11th February, 1909.

MR SPEAKER :

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

That the Standing Orders in connection with the following Petition have not been complied with :—

Petition No. 8—"The Kootenay and Alberta Railway Company," but your Committee recommend the suspension of Standing Rules and Orders to allow the Bill to proceed, and would further point out to your Railway Committee that in connection with this Petition there is a discrepancy between the rights asked for in the Petition and those advertised in the local newspapers and the British Columbia Gazette.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

WM. R. ROSS,  
*Chairman.*

The report was received, the Rules suspended and the report adopted.

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

1. Has the Government received any communication from the Local Option League, or any other person or persons, requesting that the Municipal Clauses Act be amended so as to provide right of appeal to either the County or Supreme Courts from the decision of the Licence Commissioners; also, so as to provide for the election of Licence Commissioners at the same time and place, and in the same manner, as Councillors or Aldermen?

2. If so, what action has the Government taken, or what action does it propose to take, thereon?

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

"1. Yes.

"2. The matter is still under consideration."

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

Bill (No. 13) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Fire Insurance Policy Act.'"

Bill (No. 17) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Public Inquiries Act,'"

Bill (No. 19) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Succession Duty Act.'"

The order for the second reading of Bill (No. 25) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Shops Regulation Act, 1900,'" was discharged.

The adjourned debate on the second reading of Bill (No. 21) intituled "An Act respecting the Grand Trunk Pacific Railway," was resumed.

The debate was adjourned until to-morrow.

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The adjourned debate on the second reading of Bill (No. 24) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Highway Traffic Regulation Act,'" was resumed.

Bill read a second time.

To be committed to-morrow.

Bill (No. 26) intituled "An Act to Regulate the Sale of Certain Poisonous Substances to be used exclusively in Agriculture and Horticulture," was read a second time.

To be committed to-morrow.

Bill (No. 51) intituled "An Act to Incorporate the Meadow Creek Logging Railway Company," was read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 62) intituled "An Act to Authorise the Pacific Coast Coal Mines, Limited, Non-Personal Liability, to Construct Railways, and conferring other Powers," was read a second time.

To be committed to-morrow.

Bill (No. 61) intituled "An Act to extend the Time for the Expenditure of Ten Per Cent. on the Amount of the Capital of the South-East Kootenay Railway Company," was read second time.

To be committed to-morrow.

Mr. *Mackay* presented the following petitions:—

From *H. Appleton* and others, for leave to introduce a Private Bill to incorporate the Hardy Bay and Quatsino Sound Railway Company.

Read and received.

From the British Columbia Telephone Company, opposing certain clauses in Bill (No. 58) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Vancouver Incorporation Act, 1900.'" (No. 58A.)

Read and received.

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

And then the House adjourned at 3:45 P.M.

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Friday, 12th February, 1909.

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TWO O'CLOCK, P.M.

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

The Hon. Mr. *Fulton* presented a Return of copies of the Report of the Inspector of Dykes and of the Order in Council authorising the construction of "drainage ditch" made by Mr. *A. Cruickshank* in Coquitlam Dyking District during 1908; also, for copies of the contract and specifications in connection with such work.

Pursuant to Order, the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole to consider the Resolution—"That a Supply be granted to His Majesty."

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

*Resolved*, That a Supply be granted to His Majesty, and that the Committee rise and report the Resolution.

Carried.

Resolution reported and adopted.

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

That this House will, on Wednesday next, resolve itself into a Committee of Supply.

Mr. *Ross* presented the Twelfth Report from the Private Bills Committee, as follows:—

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE ROOM,  
12th February, 1909.

MR. SPEAKER :

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

That the Standing Orders in connection with the following Petition have not been complied with:—

Petition No. 22—Hardy Bay to Coal Harbour-Quatsino Railway, but your Committee recommend the suspension of Standing Rules and Orders to allow the Bill to proceed.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

W. R. Ross,  
*Chairman.*

The report was received.

The Standing Orders were suspended and the report adopted.

On the motion of Mr. *Mackay*, Bill (No. 70) intituled “An Act to Incorporate the Hardy Bay and Quatsino Sound Railway Company,” was introduced and read first time.  
Referred to the Railway Committee.

Bill (No. 24) intituled “An Act to amend the ‘Highway Traffic Regulation Act,’” was committed.

Progress reported.

Committee to sit again on Monday next.

Bill (No. 26) intituled “An Act to Regulate the Sale of Certain Poisonous Substances to be used exclusively in Agriculture and Horticulture,” was committed.

Reported complete with amendments.

Report to be considered on Monday next.

Bill (No. 56) intituled “An Act to enable the Coldstream Estate Company, Limited, and the White Valley Irrigation and Power Company, Limited, to amalgamate their Water Rights,” was read a second time.

To be committed on Monday next.

Bill (No. 61) intituled “An Act to extend the Time for the Expenditure of Ten Per Cent. on the Amount of the Capital of the South-East Kootenay Railway Company,” was committed.

Reported without amendment.

Report to be considered on Monday next.

On the motion of Mr. *Ross*, Bill (No. 57) intituled “An Act to Incorporate the Kootenay and Alberta Railway Company,” was introduced and read first time.

Referred to the Railway Committee.

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

And then the House adjourned at 3 P.M.