
Monday, 12th March, 1894.

TWO O'CLOCK, P. M.

Prayers by the Rev. *P. McF. Macleod*.

Mr. *Milne* asked leave to introduce a Bill (No. 59) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Election Regulation Act,' and amending Acts."

Leave granted.

Bill introduced and read a first time.

Ordered to be read a second time to-morrow.

Mr. *Grant* asked leave to introduce a Bill (No. 55) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Municipal Act, 1892,' and the 'Municipal Act Amendment Act, 1893.'"

Leave granted.

Bill introduced and read a first time.

Ordered to be read a second time to-morrow.

The Honourable Colonel *Baker* presented the Annual Report of the Minister of Mines for the year ending 31st December, 1893.

The Honourable Mr. *Davie* presented a Return to an Order of the House—

- (1.) For a return of all papers and the evidence taken before Mr. Chancellor *Boyd*, and the decision given by him, in reference to the claim of the late *John Angus* to Lot 11, Block 3, *Old Granville* Townsite :
- (2.) For a return of all the papers and the evidence taken before Mr. Chancellor *Boyd*, and the decision given by him, in the claim of *William Mashiter* to Lot 1, Block 17, *Old Granville* Townsite.

On the motion of Mr. *Sword*, seconded by Mr. *Semlin*, it was *Resolved*,—

That an Order of the House be granted for a Return showing the results of the revised census in each enumerator's division, with a statement showing in which of the new Electoral Districts, or Ridings of Districts, each enumerator's division was.

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

What is the cause of delay in commencing work upon the Parliament Buildings?

The Honourable Mr. *Vernon* replied as follows:—

"The building is in the hands of the contractor, who is responsible for the delay, which he says is caused by his being unable to use the stone which has been delivered."

On the motion of Mr. *Semlin*, seconded by Mr. *Grant*, it was *Resolved*,—

That a respectful Address be presented to His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, praying that an additional polling place in the Electoral District of *Yale* be established at *Boundary Creek*.

The Honourable Mr. *Davie* moved that Bill (No. 42) intituled "An Act respecting the *Nakusp and Slocan Railway*," be now read a second time.

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

Bill (No. 54) intituled "An Act for the Regulation of the Department of Agriculture, and for defining the powers and duties of the Minister and of the Officers of the Department," was read a second time.

Ordered to be committed to-morrow.

Bill (No. 51) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Placer Mining Act, 1891,'" was read a second time.

Ordered to be committed to-morrow.

Bill (No. 52) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Mineral Act, 1891,' and amending Acts," was read a second time.

Ordered to be committed to-morrow.

The Report on Bill (No. 36) intituled "An Act to alter the gauge of the Kaslo-Slocan Railway," was considered and adopted.

Ordered to be read a third time to-morrow.

The Honourable Mr. *Davie* presented to Mr. Speaker a Message from His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, signed by His Honour.

The said Message was read by Mr. Speaker, and is as follows:—

E. DEWDNEY,
Lieutenant-Governor.

The Lieutenant-Governor transmits herewith a Bill intituled "An Act respecting the Nelson and Fort Sheppard Railway," and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,
10th March, 1894.

Ordered, That the said Message, and the Bill submitted therewith, be referred to a Committee of the Whole to-morrow.

The adjourned debate on the second reading of Bill (No. 38) intituled "An Act relating to certain Public Works in the Corporation of the Township of Chilliwack," was resumed.

Bill read a second time.

Ordered to be committed to-morrow.

Bill (No. 39) intituled "An Act respecting the Incorporation of the Brunette Saw-Mill Company (Limited Liability)," was committed, with Mr. *Hunter* in the Chair.

The Committee reported the Bill complete with amendments.

Report *Ordered* to be considered to-morrow.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair at 6 o'clock.

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

Mr. *Horne* moved that Bill (No. 21) intituled "An Act relating to certain Public Works in the Corporation of the Township of Richmond," be now read a second time.

Mr. *Sword* moved, in amendment, to leave out the word "now" and add at the end of the question the words "this day six months."

The amendment was negatived on the following division:—

YEAS :

Messieurs

Semlin,
Sword,

Kitchen,
Cotton,

Beaven,
Brown,

Forster,
Keith—8.

NAYS :

Messieurs

Grant,
Punch,
Kellie,
Milne,
Horne,

Smith,
Watt,
Baker,
Davie,
Vernon,

Stoddart,
Booth,
Adams,
Turner,
Martin,

Croft,
Hunter,
Rogers,
Anderson—19.

Debate resumed.

The Bill was read a second time on the following division :—

YEAS :

Messieurs

<i>Grant,</i>	<i>Smith,</i>	<i>Stoddart,</i>	<i>Martin,</i>
<i>Punch,</i>	<i>Watt,</i>	<i>Booth,</i>	<i>Croft,</i>
<i>Kellie,</i>	<i>Baker,</i>	<i>Adams,</i>	<i>Hunter,</i>
<i>Milne,</i>	<i>Davie,</i>	<i>Pooley,</i>	<i>Anderson--19.</i>
<i>Horne,</i>	<i>Vernon,</i>	<i>Turner,</i>	

NAYS :

Messieurs

<i>Semin,</i>	<i>Kitchen,</i>	<i>Beaven,</i>	<i>Forster,</i>
<i>Sword,</i>	<i>Cotton,</i>	<i>Brown,</i>	<i>Keith—8.</i>

Ordered to be committed to-morrow.

Bill (No. 43) intituled "An Act to amend and consolidate the Act to regulate the Practice of Dentistry in the Province of British Columbia," was committed, with Mr. *Forster* in the Chair.

The Bill was reported complete without amendment.

Report *Ordered* to be considered to-morrow.

The Order for the second reading of Bill (No. 32) intituled "An Act to amend Sections 277, 278 and 279 of the 'Municipal Act, 1892,'" was discharged.

Bill (No. 44) intituled "An Act to further amend the 'Pharmacy Act, 1891,'" was read a second time.

Ordered to be committed to-morrow.

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

And then the House adjourned at 10:50 o'clock, p. m.

Tuesday, 13th March, 1894.

TWO O'CLOCK, P. M.

Prayers by the Rev. *P. McF. Macleod*.

Mr. *Brown* asked the Honourable the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works the following question :—

Is it the intention of the Government to appoint one or more Official Scalers of Timber? If so, when?

The Honourable Mr. *Vernon* replied as follows :—

"The Government intend to introduce a Bill shortly in which provision will be made for the appointment of Official Scalers of timber. I cannot say, at this moment, when such appointments will be made."

Bill (No. 46) intituled "An Act to establish and maintain a Library for the use of the Legislative Assembly, and to constitute a Bureau of Statistics," was committed, with Mr. *Adams* in the Chair.

The Committee reported the Bill complete with amendments.

Report *Ordered* to be considered to-morrow.

The Honourable Colonel *Baker* presented the Report of *Chas. F. Law*, Executive Commissioner for British Columbia at the World's Columbian Exposition at *Chicago*, U. S.

The adjourned debate on the second reading of Bill (No. 42) intituled "An Act respecting the Nakusp and Slocan Railway," was resumed.

The debate was again adjourned until to-morrow.

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

And then the House adjourned at 5:55 o'clock, p. m.

Wednesday, 14th March, 1894.

TWO O'CLOCK, P. M.

Prayers by the Rev. *P. McF. Macleod*.

Mr. Watt moved, seconded by *Mr. Booth*,—

That in accordance with the practice in this and other Provinces, and in the Dominion, but for the more efficient carrying out thereof, it be an Order of this House that as soon as the Public Accounts or other Departmental Reports are printed and ready for distribution, the Queen's Printer be and is hereby directed to send a copy to each of the Members of this House and to the various newspapers and public libraries in the Province.

Mr. Beaven moved in amendment, seconded by *Mr. Sword*,—

To strike out all the words after "That" and insert "a respectful Address be presented to His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, informing His Honour that this House is of opinion that as soon as the Public Accounts and other Departmental Reports are printed, and have been presented to His Honour, that it would be advisable to send a copy to each Member of the Legislative Assembly, and to otherwise make them public before the meeting of the Legislature."

Amendment put and carried.

Resolution, as amended, agreed to.

Mr. Watt moved, seconded by *Mr. Kellie*,—

Whereas many of the Indian Reservations throughout the Province, especially in the Interior, comprise vast areas of the best agricultural lands, which are either altogether uncultivated by the Indians, or if cultivated, then in many cases in such a slovenly way as to injure rather than improve the land, seeding it as well as adjoining property with noxious weeds;

And whereas in most cases a much smaller area would suffice for the wants of the Indians, and the surplus if thrown open for settlement by whites would be of permanent advantage to the Province;

Therefore Resolved, That in the opinion of this House steps should be at once taken to acquire back the interest of the tribes in those reservations, or portions thereof, suitable for agriculture, on equitable terms of purchase or exchange, and that thereupon such re-acquired lands be thrown open for settlement on such terms as may be agreed upon.

Mr. Speaker Higgins ruled the motion out of order under Rule 45.

On the motion of *Mr. Forster*, seconded by *Mr. Sword*, it was Resolved,—

Whereas a Return has been granted showing, among other things, a detailed statement of the expenditure in connection with the working of the Bureau of Labour Statistics;

And whereas in said statement certain items appear as follows:—

Collector of Statistics, 7th September to 31st October, 1893, @ \$100	
per month	\$ 179 92
Clerk, 7th September, 1893, to 31st January, 1894, @ \$60 per month,	288 00

Travelling Expenses—

Purchase of buggy for Collector	110 00
" team of horses for Collector	180 00
" saddle horse "	50 00
" harness, saddle, &c., "	71 50
Care of horses and horse hire	14 00
Expenses in travelling	158 25

And whereas in said statement no explanation is given as to the object for which such expense was incurred, nor the locality in which the money was spent;

Therefore be it Resolved, That a further Return be granted giving the name of the Collector of Statistics, the name of clerk, the localities in which they operated, and all statistics collected.

Mr. *Watt* asked the Honourable the Minister of Mines the following questions, *re Lightning Creek (Cariboo) lease* :—

1. What sums have been paid into the Treasury since the lease was granted :
 - (a.) By the original grantees, *Harper & Cameron* ;
 - (b.) By the present holders of the lease ?
2. Who are the present holders of the lease ; when was it granted to them ; for what period ; and on what terms as to rent and work ?
3. Have the terms of the lease been complied with as to work to be done ; and if not, is the ground now open for location by others ?

The Honourable Colonel *Baker* replied as follows :—

- " 1. What sums have been paid into the Treasury since the lease was granted :
 - " (a.) By the original grantees, *Harper & Cameron* ?—\$300.
 - " (b.) By the present holders of the lease ?—\$1,000.
- " 2. Who are the present holders of the lease ?—*James C. Precost, Henry S. Mason* (Receivers of the estate of *Thaddeus Harper*).
- " When was it granted to them ?—31st March, 1891.
- " For what period ?—Fifteen years, with the privilege of renewal for ten years.
- " And on what terms as to rent and work ?—To hold the premises for the term of fifteen years from the date of these presents, at, during the first two years of the term hereby created, the annual rent of \$500, and at the annual rental of \$1,000 during the remaining thirteen years of the said term, and commence active operations within two years. By Order in Council dated the 12th of May, 1893, the time for the commencement of active operations was extended to the 31st day of March, 1894, provided the rent in arrear was paid.
- " 3. Have the terms of the lease been complied with as to work to be done ?—No.
- " And if not, is the ground now open for location by others ?—Yes."

The Report on Bill (No. 37) intituled "An Act respecting the Victoria Electric Railway and Lighting Company, Limited," was considered.

Mr. *Croft* moved to insert in section 9, line 1, between the words "shall" and "be," the following : "with the consent of a majority in value of the shareholders of the Company."

Carried.

Mr. *Croft* moved to strike out the word "or" in line 1 of section 15, and in the second line of the same section, between the words "manufacture" and "electric," the words "and operate."

Carried.

Mr. *Beaven* moved to strike out clause 23.

Negatived.

Report, as amended, adopted.

Ordered to be read a third time to-morrow.

Bill (No. 36) intituled "An Act to alter the gauge of the Kaslo-Slocan Railway," was read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 38) intituled "An Act relating to certain Public Works in the Corporation of the Township of Chilliwack," was committed, with Mr. *Grant* in the Chair.

The Bill was reported complete without amendment.

Report *Ordered* to be considered to-morrow.

The Report on Bill (No. 24) intituled "An Act respecting the Cariboo Railway Company, formerly called the Ashcroft and Cariboo Railway Company," was considered.

Mr. *Watt* moved to strike out the last two lines in section 28, and substitute therefor the following: "upon the Company shall be deemed to be and are hereby confirmed and continued."

Carried.

Report, as amended, adopted.

Ordered to be read a third time to-morrow.

The Report on Bill (No. 39) intituled "An Act respecting the Incorporation of the Brunette Saw-Mill Company, Limited Liability," was adopted.

Bill read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 21) intituled "An Act relating to certain Public Works in the Township of Richmond," was committed, with Mr. *Fletcher* in the Chair.

The Committee reported progress and asked leave to sit again.

Leave granted for this evening.

The Honourable Mr. *Davie* presented to Mr. Speaker a Message from His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, signed by His Honour.

The said Message was read by Mr. Speaker, and is as follows:—

E. DEWDNEY,

Lieutenant-Governor.

The Lieutenant-Governor transmits herewith a Bill intituled "An Act respecting the British Columbia Southern Railway," and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,

14th March, 1894.

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

Mr. Speaker left the Chair at 6 o'clock, p. m.

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

Bill (No. 21) intituled "An Act relating to certain Public Works in the Township of Richmond," was again committed, with Mr. *Stoddart* in the Chair.

The Bill was reported complete without amendment.

Report *Ordered* to be considered to-morrow.

Upon the calling of the Order of the Day to resume the adjourned debate on the second reading of Bill (No. 29) intituled "An Act to Incorporate the Consolidated Railway and Light Company," a point of order arose, and Mr. Speaker *Higgins* gave his decision thereon as follows:—

I am asked to rule upon a point raised by the Hon. Member for New Westminster (Mr. *Sword*), who has drawn my attention to the fact that the preamble of Bill No. 29 is inconsistent with the published notice of intention and the petition for the Bill.

Rule 59 of our Rules and Orders prescribes that "all applications for Private Bills" * * * "shall require a notice, clearly and distinctly specifying the nature and object of the application."

Neither the published notice nor the petition would seem to have complied with this requirement, the intention to acquire the property of the "Westminster and Vancouver Tramway Company" appearing for the first time in the Bill. The omission is, in my opinion, fatal to the Bill, and I rule that the point of the Hon. Member for New Westminster is well taken.

D. W. HIGGINS,

Speaker.

The Report on Bill (No. 43) intituled "An Act to amend and consolidate the 'Act to regulate the practice of Dentistry in the Province of British Columbia,'" was considered and adopted.

Ordered to be read a third time to-morrow.

Bill (No. 44) intituled "An Act to further amend the 'Pharmacy Act, 1891,'" was committed, with Mr. *Booth* in the Chair.

The Committee rose without report.

The Order for the second reading of Bill (No. 48) intituled "An Act to further amend the 'Pharmacy Act, 1891,'" was discharged.

The second reading of Bill (No. 57) intituled "An Act for the better protection of Bottlers and Manufacturers of Beverages," was negatived.

Bill (No. 55) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Municipal Act, 1892,' and the 'Municipal Act Amendment Act, 1893,'" and Bill (No. 58) intituled "An Act to further amend the 'Municipal Act,'" were read a second time and *Ordered* to be committed together to-morrow.

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

And then the House adjourned at 10 o'clock, p. m.

Thursday, 15th March, 1894.

TWO O'CLOCK, P. M.

Prayers by the Ven. Archdeacon *Scriven*.

Mr. *Martin* presented a Report from the Select Committee appointed to amend the "Game Protection Act" and amending Acts, submitting a Bill for the consideration of the House.

The Report was received.

On the motion of Mr. *Martin*, Bill (No. 61) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Game Protection Act, 1892,' and amending Act," was read a first time.

Ordered to be read a second time to-morrow.

Mr. *Horne* presented a Petition from *J. H. Chapman* and 23 others, special ratepayers under the *Big Prairie* drainage scheme, opposing Private Bill to validate *Chilliwhack* By-law No. 18.

Received and *Ordered* to be printed.

Mr. *Sword* moved, seconded by Mr. *Keith*,—

That a respectful Address be presented to His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor praying him to obtain and send down to this House information as to who were the Directors of the *Nakusp and Slocan Railway Company* when the contract for construction was signed?

Who are the contractors? If a firm or company, who are the members of the firm or company?

What tenders were received and for what amounts?

Who acted as engineer for the *Canadian Pacific Railway*?

What is the paid up capital of the *Nakusp and Slocan Railway Company*?

What have they to dispose of that the Government should pay them \$59,200 for 49 % of their stock?

Also, copy of the form of tenders issued;

Statement of the grounds on which the Government assumed that the bonds could only be sold at a large discount;

Duchesnay's estimate of the cost of the work;
Copy of the contract under which construction proceeded.

The Honourable Mr. *Davie* moved in amendment:—

In line 2, between "House" and "information," insert "the following," and strike out the words "as to" and substitute "viz.:"

In line 6, between "received" and "and," insert "before the Government agreed to give the guarantee," and add, at the end of the line, "and were any, and what, tenders received afterwards?"

Amendment put and carried.

Resolution, as amended, put and agreed to.

The third reading of Bill (No. 43) intituled "An Act to amend and consolidate the 'Act to regulate the practice of Dentistry in the Province of British Columbia,'" was negatived on the following division:—

YEAS:

Messieurs

<i>Kellie,</i>	<i>Watt,</i>	<i>Davie,</i>	<i>Turner,</i>
<i>Milne,</i>	<i>Baker,</i>	<i>Vernon,</i>	<i>Croft—8.</i>

NAYS:

Messieurs

<i>Semlin,</i>	<i>Cotton,</i>	<i>Brown,</i>	<i>Booth,</i>
<i>McKenzie,</i>	<i>Beaven,</i>	<i>Forster,</i>	<i>Adams,</i>
<i>Sword,</i>	<i>Horne,</i>	<i>Keith,</i>	<i>Martin,</i>
<i>Kitchen,</i>	<i>Smith,</i>	<i>Stoddart,</i>	<i>Fletcher—16.</i>

The second reading of Bill (No. 59) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Election Regulation Act' and amending Acts," was negatived on the following division:—

YEAS:

Messieurs

<i>Semlin,</i>	<i>Sword,</i>	<i>Milne,</i>	<i>Forster,</i>
<i>Grant,</i>	<i>Kitchen,</i>	<i>Beaven,</i>	<i>Keith—11.</i>
<i>McKenzie,</i>	<i>Cotton,</i>	<i>Brown,</i>	

NAYS:

Messieurs

<i>Punch,</i>	<i>Baker,</i>	<i>Adams,</i>	<i>Hunter,</i>
<i>Kellie,</i>	<i>Davie,</i>	<i>Pooley,</i>	<i>Rogers,</i>
<i>Horne,</i>	<i>Vernon,</i>	<i>Turner,</i>	<i>Anderson,</i>
<i>Smith,</i>	<i>Stoddart,</i>	<i>Martin,</i>	<i>Fletcher—19.</i>
<i>Watt,</i>	<i>Booth,</i>	<i>Croft,</i>	

Pursuant to Order, the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole to consider the Message of His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor enclosing Bill (No. 62) intituled "An Act respecting the British Columbia Southern Railway."

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

Resolved, That the Committee rise and report to the House Bill (No. 62) intituled "An Act respecting the British Columbia Southern Railway."

Upon Mr. Speaker resuming the Chair, Mr. *Croft*, Chairman of the Committee, reported the Resolution and the Bill.

Report adopted.

Bill (No. 62) intituled "An Act respecting the British Columbia Southern Railway," was then read a first time.

Ordered to be read a second time to-morrow.

Pursuant to Order, the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole to consider the Message of His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor enclosing Bill (No. 60) intituled "An Act respecting the Nelson and Fort Sheppard Railway."

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

Resolved, That the Committee rise and report to the House Bill (No. 60) intituled "An Act respecting the Nelson and Fort Sheppard Railway."

Upon Mr. Speaker resuming the Chair, Mr. *Anderson*, Chairman of the Committee, reported the Resolution and the Bill.

Report adopted.

Bill (No. 60) intituled "An Act respecting the Nelson and Fort Sheppard Railway," was then read a first time.

Ordered to be read a second time to-morrow.

The Report on Bill (No. 7) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Supreme Court Act,'" was further considered.

The Honourable Mr. *Davie* moved to insert the following as section 13 :—

"13. Section 62 of the 'Supreme Court Act' is hereby amended by adding thereto the following words: 'or from any decision of a Judge of the Supreme Court, or of any County Court, upon a question of law raised upon any appeal from a Court of Revision under the 'Municipal Act, 1892.'"

Carried.

The Honourable Mr. *Davie* moved to insert the following clause as section 14 :—

"14. Section 36 of the 'Supreme Court Act' is hereby repealed, and the following section is substituted therefor :—

"36. Courts of Assize and Nisi Prius, and of Oyer and Terminer and General Gaol Delivery, shall be held at each of the undermentioned places, at the times hereinafter mentioned, viz.:—

"(a.) At the City of Nanaimo, on the first Tuesday in the month of May and the fourth Tuesday in the month of November, in each year :

"(b.) At the City of New Westminster, on the second Tuesday in the month of May and on the first Tuesday in the month of November, in each year :

"(c.) At the City of Vancouver, on the third Tuesday in the month of May and on the second Monday in the month of November, in each year :

"(d.) At the City of Victoria, on the last Tuesday in the month of May and on the third Tuesday in the month of November, in each year :

"(e.) At the Town of Clinton, on the first Wednesday in the month of June and on the first Monday in the month of October, in each year :

"(f.) At the City of Kamloops, on the second Monday in the month of June and on the second Monday in the month of October, in each year :

"(g.) At the Town of Richfield, on the last Monday in the month of September, in each year :

"(h.) At the Town of Lytton, on the second Friday in the month of October, in each year :

"Provided, however, that if there are no prisoners awaiting or committed for trial, or bound over to appear at or before any of the Courts aforesaid, or if there are no cases set down for hearing at or by any of the same, or if there is otherwise no business to come before any of the said Courts, there shall be no necessity for the holding of the same, and it shall be lawful for the Judge assigned to take or hold the said sittings of any of the said Courts, by writing under his hand, to countermand any precept theretofore issued for the summoning of a jury thereat :

"Provided always that it shall be lawful for the Lieutenant-Governor in Council to appoint times for holding additional and other Courts of Assize, and Nisi Prius, and of Oyer and Terminer and General Gaol Delivery, at any of the places aforesaid, and at other places, when and so often as he shall deem it expedient so to do."

Carried.

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

The Honourable Mr. *Davie* asked leave to introduce a Bill (No. 63) intituled "An Act respecting the Union of certain Methodist Churches in Canada, 47th Vic., chap. 20."

Leave granted.

Bill introduced and read a first time.

Ordered to be read a second time to-morrow.

The Report on Bill (No. 30) intituled "An Act to amend the 'British Columbia Railway Act,'" was considered.

Mr. *Hunter* moved to add as section 4:—

"4. Sub-section (13) of section 9, of the 'British Columbia Railway Act' is hereby repealed, and the following substituted therefor:—

"(13.) To fell or remove any trees which stand within one hundred feet of the railway property, or which are liable to fall on such property."

Carried.

Mr. *Hunter* moved to add as section 5:—

"5. Sub-section (7) of section 10 of the 'British Columbia Railway Act' is hereby repealed, and the following substituted therefor:—

"(7.) If any alterations from the original plan or survey are intended to be made in the line or course of the railway, beyond the limits defined in clause 11, a plan, book of reference, and section (in triplicate) of such alterations, on the same scale and containing the same particulars as the original plan, book of reference, and section, shall be deposited and certified in the manner prescribed in sub-section (2) of section 10 of this Act, or amendments thereto."

Carried.

Mr. *Hunter* moved to add as section 7:—

"7. Sub-section (2) of section 20 of the 'British Columbia Railway Act' is hereby repealed, and the following substituted therefor:—

"(2.) The notice shall be accompanied by the certificate of a sworn surveyor, who shall be known and shall act as valuator or arbitrator, disinterested in the matter, and not being the arbitrator named in the notice, to the following effect:—

"(a.) That the land (if the notice relates to the taking of land) shewn on the map or plan is required for the railway, or is within the limits of deviation hereby allowed;

"(b.) That he knows the land, or the amount of damage likely to arise from the exercise of the powers; and

"(c.) That the sum so offered is, in his opinion, a fair compensation for the land, and for the damages as aforesaid."

Carried.

Mr. *Hunter* moved to add as section 8:—

"8. Sub-section (5) of section 20 of the 'British Columbia Railway Act' is hereby repealed, and the following substituted therefor:—

"(5.) If within ten days after the service of the notice, or within one month after the first publication thereof as aforesaid, the opposite party does not notify to the company his acceptance of the sum offered by them, or notify to them the name of a person whom he appoints as arbitrator, then the Judge shall, on the application of the company, appoint a sworn surveyor to be sole arbitrator for determining the compensation to be paid as aforesaid; and the Judge shall, at least five clear days before making an appointment under the provisions of this sub-section, notify to both of the parties to the arbitration the name of the sworn surveyor whom he proposes to appoint."

Carried.

Mr. *Hunter* moved to add as section 9:—

"9. Sub-section (2) of section 29 of the 'British Columbia Railway Act' is hereby repealed, and the following substituted therefor:—

"(2.) No part of the railway which crosses a highway without being carried over by a bridge, or under by a tunnel, shall rise above or sink below the level of the highway more than one inch, and the ascent or descent of any highway to a level railway

crossing shall not increase the natural grade of the highway more than one foot in twenty, and the railway may be carried across or above a highway within the limits aforesaid.’”

Carried.

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

The Report on Bill (No. 49) intituled “An Act for the encouragement of Dairying,” was considered and adopted.

Ordered to be read a third time to-morrow.

The Report on Bill (No. 40) intituled “An Act for the redistribution of British Columbia into Electoral Districts, and for amending the law applicable to Elections to the Legislative Assembly, and for other purposes in furtherance of or consequent on the aforesaid objects,” was considered.

The Hon. Mr. *Davie* moved to amend section 1, sub-section (10), by striking out the description of the City of Victoria, and inserting the description contained in section 16 of the “City of Victoria Act, 1892.”

Carried.

The Hon. Mr. *Davie* moved to amend section 6, line 8, by striking out “to vote,” and substituting “of persons to be placed on the register.”

Carried.

The Hon. Mr. *Davie* moved to amend section 6, line 12, between “the” and “register,” by inserting “closed.”

Carried.

The Hon. Mr. *Davie* moved to amend section 7, line 15, between “applied” and “and,” by inserting “or within any enlargement or extension thereof, under the provisions of this Act.”

Carried.

The Hon. Mr. *Davie* moved to amend section 8, line 4, by striking out “three” and inserting “two,” and in line 5, between “sent” and “to,” insert “by the Queen’s Printer,” and in line 6, between “and” and “in,” insert “shall also publish.”

Carried.

The Hon. Mr. *Davie* moved to amend section 9, line 3, by striking out “five” and inserting “four,” and in line 7, between “District” and “and,” insert “or of an enlargement or extension thereof, under the provisions of this Act.”

Carried.

The Hon. Mr. *Davie* moved to amend section 9, lines 3 and 4, by striking out the words “of the distribution,” and inserting “after the first publication in the British Columbia Gazette of the notice required by section 8 of this Act.”

Carried.

The Hon. Mr. *Davie* moved to amend section 10, line 9, between “reside” and “the,” by inserting “in the Electoral Districts of Vancouver City, New Westminster City, Nanaimo City, and Victoria City, the Collector shall also drop from the register the names of all those persons particulars of whose residences are not given upon the register of voters.”

And by adding the following as sub-section (1):—

“(1.) The Registers of Voters as scrutinized and settled under section 7, and under this section, shall be dated and certified as correct by the Collector, and shall be the Register of Voters for the District until revised under the provisions of section 16 of this Act.”

Carried.

The Hon. Mr. *Davie* moved to amend section 10, line 16, by striking out “vote” and inserting “be placed on the register.”

Carried.

The Hon. Mr. *Davie* moved to amend section 11, line 1, by striking out “Collector” and substituting “of the Collectors,” and in lines 2 and 3 strike out “three” and substitute “two,” and in sub-section (1), line 1, strike out “list” and substitute “register.”

Carried.

The Hon. Mr. *Davie* moved to amend section 13 by adding to the section:—"Such answers may be given either in the presence of the Collector, or of some credible person as a witness, but in either case must be subscribed by the applicant and by the witness."

Carried.

The Hon. Mr. *Davie* moved to amend section 16, sub-section (2), line 1, by striking out "list as finally settled by the Collector" and substituting "register as revised," and in line 2, by striking out "him" and substituting "the Collector."

Carried.

The Hon. Mr. *Davie* moved to make the following a new section 19, and alter the succeeding numbers accordingly:—

"19. Any person dissatisfied with the decision of the Collector of Voters in leaving any name off, or placing any name on, the register may, within forty-eight hours after the decision complained of, give written notice to the Collector of appeal to the County Court Judge having jurisdiction in the district, and such Judge, or any acting Judge, shall thereupon forthwith hear and determine such appeal, and may direct the name in question to be retained or omitted, as the case may require. The Judge, or acting Judge, shall be at once notified of such appeal, and the same shall be brought on for hearing at the earliest time when the Judge can sit to dispose of the same, which he may do in a summary manner; and in default of being so brought on shall be deemed to have been abandoned. An appeal shall not stay the Collector in completing or certifying his register, or in doing or completing any other matter or thing required by law, but after so completing or certifying his register he shall amend the same if the decision of the Court of Appeal shall require it."

Carried.

Mr. *Brown* moved to amend clause 21 by striking out from lines seven and eight the words "or in any of the said specified enactments."

Negatived.

Mr. *Brown* moved to insert the following as section 24, between sections 22 and 23 of the Bill as printed for Report:—

"24. No spirituous or fermented liquors or strong drinks shall be sold, given or provided at any hotel, tavern, shop, or other place within the limits of any Electoral District during the whole of the polling day at any election for a Member or Members to serve in the Legislative Assembly of this Province; and every one who violates the provisions of this section shall be liable, for every such offence, to a penalty not exceeding one hundred dollars, and not less than twenty-five dollars, and costs, and to imprisonment for a term not exceeding six months, in default of payment of such penalty."

A debate arose.

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

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

And then the House adjourned at 6 o'clock, p. m.

Friday, 16th March, 1894.

ELEVEN O'CLOCK, A. M.

Mr. *Kitchen* asked leave to introduce a Bill (No. 64) intituled "An Act to amend the Line Fences and Water-courses Act."

Leave granted.

Bill introduced and read a first time.

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

Mr. *Kitchen* asked leave to introduce a Bill (No. 65) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Homestead Act' and amending Acts."

Leave granted.

Bill introduced and read a first time.

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

Mr. *Watt* moved, seconded by Mr. *Kellie*,—

That the House resolve itself into Committee of the Whole on Monday next on Bill (No. 44) intituled "An Act to further amend the 'Pharmacy Act, 1891.'"

The motion was negatived.

Bill (No. 49) intituled "An Act for the encouragement of Dairying," was read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 54) intituled "An Act for the Regulation of the Department of Agriculture, and for defining the powers and duties of the Minister and of the Officers of the Department," was committed, with Mr. *Rogers* in the Chair.

The Bill was reported complete with amendments.

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

Bill (No. 51) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Placer Mining Act, 1891,'" was committed, with Mr. *Kitchen* in the Chair.

The Bill was reported complete with amendments.

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

Mr. Speaker left the Chair at 1:10, to resume it again at 2:30 p. m.

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

Bill (No. 52) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Mineral Act, 1891,' and amending Acts," was committed, with Mr. *Grant* in the Chair.

The Committee reported progress and asked leave to sit again. They also recommended that the Bill be referred back to the Select Standing Committee on Mining.

Leave granted for the next sitting of the House.

On the motion of the Honourable Colonel *Baker*,—

Ordered, That the Bill be referred back to the Select Standing Committee on Mining for amendment.

Bill (No. 55) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Municipal Act, 1892,' and the 'Municipal Act Amendment Act, 1893,'" and Bill (No. 58) intituled "An Act to further amend the 'Municipal Act,'" were committed, with Mr. *Booth* in the Chair.

The Committee reported progress and asked leave to sit again.

Leave granted for this evening.

Mr. *Croft* asked leave to introduce a Bill (No. 66) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Fire Companies' Aid Amendment Act, 1871.'"

Leave granted.

Bill introduced and read a first time.

Ordered to be read a second time on Monday next.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair at 6 o'clock.

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

The Standing Rules and Orders were suspended, and on the motion of Mr. *McKenzie* the number of members of the Select Committee on the *Gauvreau* Expedition was reduced by striking out the name of Mr. *Hall*.

Bill (No. 55) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Municipal Act, 1892,' and the 'Municipal Act Amendment Act, 1893,'" and Bill (No. 58) intituled "An Act to further amend the 'Municipal Act,'" were again committed, with Mr. *Booth* in the Chair.

The Committee reported progress and asked leave to sit again.
Leave granted for Monday next.

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

And then the House adjourned at 11:20 o'clock, p. m.

Monday, 19th March, 1894.

ELEVEN O'CLOCK, P. M.

On the motion of Mr. *Martin*, seconded by Mr. *Stoddart*, it was *Resolved*,—

That an Order of the House be granted for a copy of the Report of Messrs. *Keefer & Smith*, C. E.'s, regarding the proposed bridge at *Kamloops*.

On the motion of Mr. *Martin*, seconded by Mr. *Stoddart*, it was *Resolved*,—

That an Order of the House be granted for a Return of the Reports of the Government Inspector of Coal Measures in the *Nicola* country.

The Report on Bill (No. 46) intituled "An Act to establish and maintain a Library for the use of the Legislative Assembly, and to constitute a Bureau of Statistics," was considered.

Mr. *Beaven* moved the following amendments:—

To amend section 14 by striking out the word "or" in line 3, and the words "and of all Municipalities, School Boards, and all public institutions," in lines 4 and 5, and the words "Municipality, School Board," in line 11.

Negatived.

Report adopted.

Ordered to be read a third time to-morrow.

The Report on Bill (No. 51) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Placer Mining Act, 1891,'" was considered and adopted.

Bill read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 24) intituled "An Act respecting the Cariboo Railway Company, formerly called the Ashcroft and Cariboo Railway Company," was read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 39) intituled "An Act respecting the Incorporation of the Brunette Saw-Mill Company, Limited Liability," was read a third time and passed.

The Report on Bill (No. 38) intituled "An Act relating to certain Public Works in the Corporation of the Township of Chilliwack," was considered.

Mr. *Kitchen* moved the following amendments:—

To strike out section 1 and insert in lieu thereof the following:—

"1. The by-law annexed hereto as Schedule 'A,' known as 'By-law Number 18 of the Municipality of Chilliwack,' is hereby confirmed, and is now and has been since the passing thereof, and shall be a good and valid by-law, and all debentures issued thereunder are and shall be good and valid debentures according to the terms of said by-law."

To add letter "A" after word Schedule.

Carried.

Report, as amended, adopted.

Ordered to be read a third time to-morrow.

Bill (No. 33) intituled "An Act to authorize the Hall Mines, Limited, to construct Tramways and Electrical and other Works in the vicinity of Nelson," was again committed, with Mr. *Rogers* in the Chair.

The Chairman reported the following Resolution agreed to in Committee:—

That the Committee rise and report to the House, "That in the opinion of the Committee, the preamble in the Bill does not conform with the notice for the same, as published in the Gazette on 21st December, 1893."

Mr. Speaker reserved his decision.

Bill (No. 61) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Game Protection Act, 1892,' and amending Act," was read a second time.

Ordered to be committed to-morrow.

Bill (No. 64) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Line Fences and Water-courses Act,'" was read a second time.

Ordered to be committed to-morrow.

Bill (No. 65) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Homestead Act' and amending Acts," was read a second time.

Ordered to be committed to-morrow.

Mr. Speaker declared a recess at 1 o'clock until 2:30 p. m.

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

Mr. *Grant* moved, seconded by Mr. *Kitchen*,—

That the Rules and Orders relating to Private Bills be suspended, for the purpose of referring back to the Standing Committee on Private Bills and Standing Orders Bill (No. 29), so that the Committee may reconsider and, if necessary, amend said Bill (No. 29) and report to this House.

Mr. *Booth* moved, in amendment,—

To insert after "(No. 29)," in the second and third lines, the following:—"intituled 'An Act to Incorporate the Consolidated Railway and Light Company,' and Bill (No. 33) intituled 'An Act to authorize the Hall Mines, Limited, to construct Tramways and Electrical and other Works in the vicinity of Nelson.'"

Amendment put and carried.

Resolution, as amended, put and carried.

Upon the Order for the second reading of Bill (No. 66) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Fire Companies' Aid Amendment Act, 1871,'" being called,—

Mr. *Beaven* raised the point of order that the Act sought to be amended by this Bill was a Private Bill, and it was not competent for a Private Member to introduce a Public Bill to amend a Private Bill without complying with the Rules and Orders relative to Private Bills.

Mr. Speaker *Higgins* held the objection well taken, and ruled the Bill out of order.

The Honourable Mr. *Davie* presented to Mr. Speaker a Message from His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, signed by His Honour.

The said Message was read by Mr. Speaker, and is as follows:—

E. DEWDNEY,
Lieutenant-Governor.

The Lieutenant-Governor transmits herewith a Bill intituled "An Act to aid the construction of a Railway and Highway Traffic Bridge across the Fraser River at the City of New Westminster," and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,
16th March, 1894.

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

Upon the motion of the Honourable Mr. *Davie*,—

The House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole to take into consideration a Bill intituled “An Act to provide for the payment of Succession Duties in certain cases.”

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

On the motion of the Honourable the Attorney-General,—

Resolved, That the Committee rise and report to the House Bill (No. 41) intituled “An Act to provide for the payment of Succession Duties in certain cases.”

Upon Mr. Speaker resuming the Chair, Mr. *Croft*, Chairman of the Committee, reported the Resolution and the Bill.

Report adopted.

On the motion of the Honourable the Attorney-General,—

Bill (No. 41) intituled “An Act to provide for the payment of Succession Duties in certain cases,” was then read a first time.

Ordered to be read a second time to-morrow.

The Honourable Mr. *Vernon* asked leave to introduce a Bill (No. 68) intituled “An Act to amend the ‘Land Act.’”

Leave granted.

Bill introduced and read a first time.

Ordered to be read a second time to-morrow.

The Report on Bill (No. 7) intituled “An Act to amend the ‘Supreme Court Act,’” was further considered.

The Honourable Mr. *Davie* moved to amend section 5, sub-section (*g*), second line, by striking out “that” and inserting “such.”

Section 7—Strike out the section as printed and substitute the following:—

“Section 19 of the ‘Supreme Court Act’ is hereby amended by striking out, in lines five and six, ‘Town of Barkerville,’ and by substituting therefor the words ‘City of Vancouver.’”

Carried.

The Honourable Mr. *Davie* moved to amend section 14 by striking out the sub-sections (a) to (h), inclusive, and by inserting the following:—

“(a.) At the City of Nanaimo, on the first Tuesday in the month of May and on the fourth Tuesday in the month of November, in each year:

“(b.) At the City of New Westminster, on the second Tuesday in the month of May and on the first Tuesday in the month of November, in each year:

“(c.) At the City of Vancouver, on the third Tuesday in the month of May and on the second Monday in the month of November, in each year:

“(d.) At the City of Victoria, on the last Tuesday in the month of May and on the third Tuesday in the month of November, in each year:

“(e.) At the Town of Clinton, on the last Monday in the month of May and on the Thursday before the last Monday in the month of September, in each year:

“(f.) At the City of Kamloops, on the first Monday in the month of June and on the first Monday in the month of October, in each year:

“(g.) At the City of Vernon, on the second Monday in the month of June and on the second Monday in the month of October, in each year:

“(h.) At the Town of Richfield, on the last Monday in the month of September, in each year:

“(i.) At the Town of Lytton, on the second Friday in the month of October, in each year:”

Carried.

Mr. *Brown* moved to add the following words to the new section 15: “or any special Act incorporating a municipality.”

Carried.

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

The Report on Bill (No. 30) intituled "An Act to amend the 'British Columbia Railway Act,'" was further considered.

Mr. *Hunter* moved to add as section 6 :—

"6. Sub-section (11) of section 10 of the 'British Columbia Railway Act' is hereby repealed, and the following substituted therefor :—

"(11.) No deviation of more than one mile from the line of the railway, or from the places assigned thereto in the said original map or plan, section, and book of reference shall be made, unless such deviation is provided for in the special Act."

Carried.

Report, as amended, adopted.

Bill read a third time and passed.

The Report on Bill (No. 40) intituled "An Act for redistribution of British Columbia into Electoral Districts, and for amending the law applicable to elections to the Legislative Assembly, and for other purposes in furtherance of or consequent on the aforesaid objects," was further considered.

The Hon. Mr. *Davie* moved to amend section 10 by inserting a period between "reside" and "in," in line 9, and commencing "in" with a capital.

In line 12, between "the" and "register," insert "closed."

In line 13 of same section, strike out the word "then" and substitute the words "in each district."

Carried.

The Hon. Mr. *Davie* moved to strike out sub-section (1) as a sub-section to section 10.

To strike out sub-section (1) as a sub-section to section 11.

To insert the following as sub-sections to section 11 :—

"(1.) The register of voters, as scrutinized and settled under sections 7 and 10 of this Act, and under this section, shall be dated and certified as correct by the Collector, and shall be the register of voters for the district until revised under the provisions of section 16 of this Act :

"(2.) A true copy of the register, certified to be such by the Collector, shall be forwarded to the Queen's Printer, who shall forthwith publish as many copies thereof as may be required, and shall forward at least five copies by mail to the Collector."

Section 13, line 6, between "some" and "credible" insert "other."

Carried.

The Hon. Mr. *Davie* moved to amend section 21, line 2, between "printing" and "of," by inserting "or publication."

Carried.

The Hon. Mr. *Davie* moved to insert, as last paragraph but one, the following section :—

"Section 6 of the 'Election Regulation Amendment Act, 1889,' is hereby repealed and the following is substituted therefor :—

"6. At the final count the Returning Officer shall examine ballots rejected by the several presiding officers, and shall scrutinize the marked copies of the register of voters received from the several Deputy Returning Officers for the purpose of ascertaining whether any person has voted more than once, and the decision of the Returning Officer at the final count as to any question arising in respect of any ballot paper shall be final, subject to reversal on petition questioning the election on return."

Carried.

Mr. *Brown* moved to insert the following as a new clause :—

" . No spirituous or fermented liquors or strong drinks shall be sold, given, or provided at any hotel, tavern, shop, or other place within the limits of any Electoral District during the whole of the polling day at any election for a Member or Members to serve in the Legislative Assembly of this Province ; and every one who violates the provisions of this section shall be liable for every such offence to a penalty not exceeding one hundred dollars, and not less than twenty-five dollars, and costs, and to imprisonment for a term not exceeding six months, in default of payment of such penalty."

Carried.

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

Schedule A, paragraph 5, strike out “if a natural born subject.”

Strike out the last four lines of paragraph 5.

Schedule A, in the second of the three lines under “Witness, A. B.” between “if” and “not,” insert “administered under section 12 of this Act, and”

Carried.

The Hon. Mr. *Davie* moved to make the question which is now numbered 5 read—

“Have you resided in the Province of British Columbia for twelve months?”

Carried.

Report as amended adopted.

Ordered to be read a third time to-morrow.

The Honourable Mr. *Turner* presented to Mr. Speaker a Message from His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, signed by His Honour.

The said Message was read by Mr. Speaker, and is as follows :—

E. DEWDNEY,
Lieutenant-Governor.

The Lieutenant-Governor transmits Further Supplementary Estimates for the fiscal year ending 30th June, 1894, and Supplementary Estimates for the fiscal year ending 30th June, 1895, and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,
16th March, 1894.

Ordered, That the said Message, and the Supplementary Estimates accompanying the same, be referred to the Committee of Supply to-morrow.

The Report on Bill (No. 31) intituled “An Act to further amend the ‘County Courts Acts,’” was considered.

The Honourable Mr. *Davie* moved to add the following as a new clause :—

“10. Whenever by this, or by any Act relating to the County Courts, jurisdiction is conferred upon or power is given to a County Court Judge to do any act or thing, such jurisdiction or power may be exercised by the acting Judge, or Deputy Judge, or person authorized to act as Judge.”

Carried.

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

The Report on Bill (No. 54) intituled “An Act for the Regulation of the Department of Agriculture, and for defining the powers and duties of the Minister and of the Officers of the Department,” was considered.

Mr. *Beaven* moved to strike out section 9.

The motion was negatived on the following division :—

YEAS :

Messieurs

Semlin,
McKenzie,

Sword,
Kitchen,

Cotton,
Milne,

Beaven,
Brown—8.

NAYS :

Messieurs

Kellie,
Smith,
Watt,
Baker,

Davie,
Vernon,
Stoddart,
Booth,

Adams,
Pooley,
Turner,
Croft,

Hunter,
Rogers,
Fletcher—15.

Report adopted.

Bill read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 62) intituled "An Act respecting the British Columbia Southern Railway," was read a second time.

Ordered to be committed to-morrow.

Bill (No. 60) intituled "An Act respecting the Nelson and Fort Sheppard Railway," was read a second time.

Ordered to be committed to-morrow.

Bill (No. 56) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Companies Act, 1890,' and amending Acts," was read a second time.

Ordered 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 5:50 o'clock, p. m.

Tuesday, 20th March, 1894.

TWO O'CLOCK, P. M.

Prayers by the Rev. Dr. *Campbell*.

The Honourable Mr. *Turner* presented a Petition from the Board of Public School Trustees of the *Victoria City* School District (*re* powder magazine in *Beacon Hill Park*).

Received and *Ordered* to be printed.

Pursuant to Order, the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole to consider the Message from His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor enclosing Bill (No. 67) intituled "An Act to aid the construction of a Railway and Highway Traffic Bridge across the Fraser River at the City of New Westminster."

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

Resolved, That the Committee rise and report to the House Bill (No. 67) intituled "An Act to aid the construction of a Railway and Highway Traffic Bridge across the Fraser River at the City of New Westminster."

Upon Mr. Speaker resuming the Chair, Mr. *Adams*, Chairman of the Committee, reported the Resolution and the Bill.

Report adopted.

On the motion of the Honourable Colonel *Baker*,—

Bill (No. 67) intituled "An Act to aid the construction of a Railway and Highway Traffic Bridge across the Fraser River at the City of New Westminster," was then read a first time,

Ordered to be read a second time to-morrow.

The Honourable Mr. *Vernon* presented copies of the Reports of the Government Inspector of Coal Measures in the *Nicola* country.

The Honourable Mr. *Vernon* presented a copy of the Report of Messrs. *Keefer & Smith*, C. E.'s, regarding the proposed bridge at *Kamloops*.

Bill (No. 46) intituled "An Act to establish and maintain a Library for the use of the Legislative Assembly, and to constitute a Bureau of Statistics," was read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 41) intituled "An Act to provide for the payment of Succession Duties in certain cases," was read a second time.

Ordered to be committed to-morrow.

The Report on Bill (No. 7) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Supreme Court Act,'" was considered and adopted.

Bill read a third time and passed.

The following amendments were made on the third reading of Bill (No. 40) intituled "An Act for the redistribution of British Columbia into Electoral Districts, and for amending the law applicable to Elections to the Legislative Assembly, and for other purposes in furtherance of or consequent on the aforesaid objects":—

The Hon. Mr. *Davie* moved to amend section 11, sub-section (1), by inserting after the figure "7," in line 1, the figures "8, 9."

Carried.

The Hon. Colonel *Baker* moved to amend Schedule A, section 4, second line, by striking out "became" and inserting "been;" and in third line, by striking out "became" and inserting "been."

Carried.

The Hon. Colonel *Baker* moved to amend Schedule A, section 5, second line, by striking out the word "immediately."

Carried.

The Hon. Mr. *Davie* moved to amend section 24 by striking out, in line 7, "and not less than twenty-five dollars."

Carried.

Bill read a third time as amended, and passed.

Bill (No. 58) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Municipal Act, 1892,' and amending Act," was again committed, with Mr. *Booth* in the Chair.

The Bill was reported complete with amendments.

Report *Ordered* to be considered to-morrow.

The Honourable Mr. *Davie* presented, by command of His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, a Return of all correspondence, papers, Orders in Council, or other representations relating to the necessity of stationing a Supreme Court Judge in the City of *Vancouver*.

Bill (No. 62) intituled "An Act respecting the British Columbia Southern Railway," was committed, with Mr. *Hunter* in the Chair.

Bill reported complete without amendment.

Report adopted.

Bill read a third time and passed.

Mr. *Brown* asked the Honourable the Attorney-General the following questions:—

1. Has the attention of the Government been called to the need which exists for better protection to life and property on the *North-West Coast* of the Mainland and Islands adjacent thereto?

2. What steps, if any, have been taken to afford the protection needed?

3. Have any steps been taken to limit the issue of liquor licenses in that part of the Province?

The Honourable Mr. *Davie* replied as follows:—

"1. The officers of the Government have kept the Government informed of the necessities of the case from time to time, and all reasonable steps have been taken, consistent with the scattered nature of the settlements and the geographical peculiarities of the district, to render life and property secure, and the success of such steps is sufficiently evidenced by a comparison of the district mentioned with similarly situated districts in other countries and Provinces.

"2. The Government naphtha launch, in charge of three constables, has been engaged in patrol work in the vicinity of *Valdes, Cortes* and *Camp Islands* for some time.

"3. The only liquor license held on the *North-West Coast*, north of *Comox*, is at *Lund*, and such license was issued by a Licensing Court in *New Westminster District*, without the Government being consulted in the matter.

"All applications made to the Superintendent of Provincial Police within the last four years have, under instructions from the Government, been refused by that officer, and several applications recently received have been similarly treated.

"Mrs. *Moses Ireland*, storekeeper at *Camp Island*, has recently been fined \$284 for selling liquor without a license; and all similar cases coming under the attention of the police are prosecuted without regard to expense.

"In November last the steamer '*Ina*,' with a cargo of whiskey, in charge of three men, was seized by the police near *Bute Inlet*. Each of the men were tried and convicted of three separate offences, viz.: supplying liquor to Indians, and the steamer '*Ina*,' valued at \$3,000, was confiscated and sold by public auction at *Nanaimo*."

Bill (No. 60) intituled "An Act respecting the Nelson and Fort Sheppard Railway," was committed, with Mr. *Smith* in the Chair.

Bill reported complete without amendment.

Report adopted.

Bill read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 56) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Companies Act, 1890,' and amending Acts," was committed, with Mr. *Anderson* in the Chair.

The Bill was reported complete without amendment.

Report *Ordered* to be considered to-morrow.

Bill (No. 63) intituled "An Act respecting the Union of certain Methodist Churches in Canada, 47th Vic., chap. 20," was read a second time.

Ordered to be committed to-morrow.

Bill (No. 68) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Land Act,'" was read a second time.

Ordered 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 5:40 o'clock, p. m.

Wednesday, 21st March, 1894.

TWO O'CLOCK, P. M.

Prayers by the Rev. Dr. *Campbell*.

Mr. *Martin* presented a Petition from *J. A. Webb* and others, residents of *North Bend*, asking a grant in aid of a Resident Physician.

Ruled out of order.

Mr. *Martin* presented the Fifteenth Report from the Select Standing Committee on Private Bills and Standing Orders, as follows:—

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY,
March 21st, 1894.

MR. SPEAKER:

Your Committee on Private Bills and Standing Orders beg to report that they have reconsidered Bills Nos. 29 and 33, and have amended the same. Your Committee have also amended the preambles of the Bills to make them agree with notices.

Your Committee recommend that the Standing Orders be suspended, to enable the Bills to be restored to the position occupied by them on the Orders of the Day when ruled by Mr. Speaker to be not properly before the House.

G. B. MARTIN,
Chairman.

The Report was received and adopted.

Mr. *Smith* presented the Third Report from the Select Standing Committee on Mining, as follows:—

21st March, 1894.

MR. SPEAKER:

Your Committee on Mining has considered the Bill intituled "An Act to amend the 'Mineral Act, 1891,' and amending Acts," referred back to it by the House, and submit the same herewith with amendments.

A. W. SMITH,
Chairman.

The Report was received.

Mr. *Kellie* asked the Honourable the Minister of Mines the following question:—

Who furnished the information on which *N. Fitzstubs*, Gold Commissioner for *West Kootenay District*, based that part of his annual report to the Honourable the Minister of Mines, dated the 1st day of January, 1894, which refers to the northern division of said district?

The Honourable Colonel *Baker* replied as follows:—

"Mr. *Fitzstubs* furnished his Annual Report, but I am not cognizant of the sources of his information."

Bill (No. 38) intituled "An Act relating to certain Public Works in the Corporation of the Township of Chilliwack," was read a third time and passed.

The Report on Bill (No. 21) intituled "An Act relating to certain Public Works in the Township of Richmond," was considered.

Mr. *Horne* moved to strike out the eighth paragraph of the preamble.

Carried.

Report adopted as amended.

Ordered to be read a third time to-morrow.

THREE O'CLOCK, P.M.

His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor of the Province having entered the House, and being seated in the Chair,

Mr. *Fell*, the Clerk of the House, read the titles to the following Bills:—

An Act for the redistribution of British Columbia into Electoral Districts, and for amending the law applicable to Elections to the Legislative Assembly, and for other purposes in furtherance of or consequent on the aforesaid objects.

An Act to consolidate and amend the Acts respecting the Provincial Board of Horticulture.

His Honour was pleased, in Her Majesty's name, to give assent to these Bills.

The same was announced by the Clerk of the House, in the following words:—

"In Her Majesty's name, His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor doth assent to these Bills."

Bill (No. 35) intituled "An Act to authorize certain Dyking and Drainage Works in the District of New Westminster," was committed, with Mr. *Keith* in the Chair.

The Bill was reported complete with amendments.

Report *Ordered* to be considered to-morrow.

The Honourable Mr. *Davie* presented to Mr. Speaker a Message from His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, signed by His Honour.

The said Message was read by Mr. Speaker, and is as follows :—

E. DEWDNEY,
Lieutenant-Governor.

The Lieutenant-Governor transmits herewith a Bill intituled “An Act respecting the Drainage and Dyking and Irrigation of Lands,” and in accordance with the provisions contained in section 54 of “The British North America Act, 1867,” he recommends the Bill to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,
21st March, 1894.

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

The House accordingly resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole, with Mr. *Semlin* in the Chair.

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

On the motion of the Honourable Mr. *Davie*,—

Resolved, That the Committee rise and report to the House Bill (No. 69) intituled “An Act respecting the Drainage and Dyking and Irrigation of Lands.”

Upon Mr. Speaker resuming the Chair, the Chairman of the Committee reported the Resolution and the Bill.

Report adopted.

On the motion of the Honourable the Attorney-General,—

Bill (No. 69) intituled “An Act respecting the Drainage and Dyking and Irrigation of Lands,” was read a first time.

Ordered to be read a second time to-morrow.

The Honourable Mr. *Turner* announced that His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor has been pleased to place the interests of the Crown in Bill (No. 37) intituled “An Act respecting the Victoria Electric Railway and Lighting Company, Limited,” at the disposal of the House of Assembly.

Bill (No. 41) intituled “An Act to provide for the payment of Succession Duties in certain cases,” was committed, with Mr. *Croft* in the Chair.

The Committee reported progress and asked leave to sit again.

Leave granted for the next sitting of the House.

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

And then the House adjourned at 5:58 o'clock, p. m.

Tuesday, 27th March, 1894.

TWO O'CLOCK, P. M.

The Honourable *D. W. Higgins*, Speaker of the House, being absent, the Honourable Colonel *Baker* moved, seconded by Mr. *Beaven*,—

That Mr. *Martin*, the second Member for the District of *Yale*, do preside at this meeting of the House as Speaker, and the Question being put by the Clerk of the House, was unanimously *Resolved* in the affirmative.

Prayers by the Rev. *E. Robson*.

On the motion of Mr. *Horne*, seconded by Mr. *Grant*, it was *Resolved*,—

Whereas it is desirable that trade and commerce between the Dominion of *Canada*, the *Hawaiian Islands*, and *Australia* should be fostered, developed, and further encouraged ;

And whereas the present line of steamers plying between these countries are developing a large and productive trade, which is of great benefit to the whole Dominion and the Mother Country ;

And whereas at present there is no direct cable or telegraphic connection between these countries, which is a serious drawback to the increasing trade and commercial relations with them ;

And whereas it is highly desirable, in the interest and advancement of trade and commerce with these countries, to build and establish a direct line of cable between them and *British Columbia* ;

And whereas the Dominion Government have by their policy shown an ever ready and earnest desire to aid, assist, and promote the extension of trade relations which are of benefit to the Dominion ;

And whereas in order to induce the investment of the necessary capital to build, establish, and maintain a first-class line of cable, and to assure dividends on the capital invested therein, it is necessary that some aid and assistance should be given by way of an annual subsidy ;

Therefore be it *Resolved*, That a respectful Address be presented to His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, praying His Honour to strongly impress upon the Dominion Government the urgent necessity for, and the great advantages to the Dominion to be derived from, a first-class line of cable between this Province and *Australia*, viâ the *Hawaiian Islands*. And also to urge the Dominion Government to subsidize, and to endeavour to induce the Imperial Government to join with them in subsidizing or aiding, the construction and maintenance of such cable line.

Mr. *Croft* moved, seconded by Mr. *Rogers*,—

That (Bill No. 57) intituled “An Act for the better protection of Bottlers and Manufacturers of Beverages,” be placed on the Orders for second reading to-morrow.

Mr. *Beaven* moved in amendment, seconded by Mr. *Milne*,—

To strike out “to-morrow” and insert “this day six months.”

Amendment put and carried.

Resolution as amended put and carried.

On the motion of Mr. *Booth*, seconded by Mr. *Rogers*, it was *Resolved*,—

That the Standing Orders of the House be suspended in regard to Bill (No. 33) intituled “An Act to authorize the Hall Mines, Limited, to construct Tramways and Electrical and other works in the vicinity of Nelson,” to allow the Bill to be placed in the position on the Orders of the Day that it occupied when it was ruled by Mr. Speaker not to be properly before the House.

Ordered, That the said Bill be placed on the Orders of the day for consideration in Committee of the Whole to-morrow.

On the motion of Mr. *Horne*, seconded by Mr. *Smith*, it was *Resolved*,—

That the Standing Rules and Orders of the House be suspended in regard to Bill (No. 29) intituled “An Act to incorporate the Consolidated Railway and Light Company,” to allow the Bill to be placed in the position on the Orders of the Day that it occupied when it was ruled by Mr. Speaker not to be properly before the House.

Ordered to be placed on the Orders of the Day for second reading to-morrow.

Bill (No. 67) intituled “An Act to aid the construction of a Railway and Highway Traffic Bridge across the Fraser River at the City of New Westminster,” was read a second time.

Ordered to be committed to-morrow.

Bill (No. 41) intituled “An Act to provide for the payment of Succession Duties in certain cases,” was again committed, with Mr. *Croft* in the Chair,

The Bill was reported complete with amendments.

Report *Ordered* to be considered to-morrow.

Bill (No. 52) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Mineral Act, 1891,' and amending Acts," was again committed, with Mr. *Grant* in the Chair.

The Bill was reported complete with amendments.

Report *Ordered* to be considered to-morrow.

The Honourable Mr. *Davie* presented to Mr. Speaker a Message from His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, signed by His Honour.

The said Message was read by Mr. Speaker, and is as follows:—

E. DEWDNEY,
Lieutenant-Governor.

The Lieutenant-Governor transmits herewith a Bill intituled "An Act to authorize the sale of certain Lands to the Bishop of New Westminster," and recommends the Bill to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,
21st March, 1894.

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

The Honourable Mr. *Davie* presented to Mr. Speaker a Message from His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, signed by His Honour.

The said Message was read by Mr. Speaker, and is as follows:—

E. DEWDNEY,
Lieutenant-Governor.

The Lieutenant-Governor transmits herewith a Bill intituled "An Act to amend the 'Public School Act, 1891,' and amending Acts," and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,
27th March, 1894.

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

The Honourable Mr. *Davie* presented to Mr. Speaker a Message from His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, signed by His Honour.

The said Message was read by Mr. Speaker, and is as follows:—

E. DEWDNEY,
Lieutenant-Governor.

The Lieutenant-Governor transmits herewith a Bill intituled "An Act to provide for the formation of Councils of Labour Conciliation and Arbitration," and in accordance with the provisions contained in section 54 of the "British North America Act, 1867," he recommends the Bill to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,
27th March, 1894.

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

The Honourable Mr. *Davie* asked leave to introduce a Bill (No. 73) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Jurors Act' and amending Acts."

Leave granted.

Bill introduced and read a first time.

Ordered to be read a second time to-morrow.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair at 6 o'clock, p. m.

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

On the third reading of Bill (No. 37) intituled "An Act respecting the Victoria Electric Railway and Lighting Company, Limited,"—

Mr. *Grant* moved to strike out all the words in section 1 after "By-law," on the eighteenth line.

Carried.

Bill, as amended, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 21) intituled "An Act relating to certain Public Works in the Township of Richmond," was read a third time and passed.

Mr. *Horne* moved that Bill (No. 53) intituled "An Act to repeal the 'Wide Tire Act, 1893,'" be now read a second time.

Mr. *Keith* moved in amendment, seconded by Mr. *Watt*,—

To leave out the word "now" and insert "this day six months."

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

YEAS:

Messieurs

<i>Beaven,</i>	<i>Smith,</i>	<i>Davie,</i>	<i>Turner,</i>
<i>Horne,</i>	<i>Baker,</i>	<i>Vernon,</i>	<i>Fletcher—8.</i>

NAYS:

Messieurs

<i>Semlin,</i>	<i>Brown,</i>	<i>Stoddart,</i>	<i>Croft,</i>
<i>Grant,</i>	<i>Forster,</i>	<i>Booth,</i>	<i>Hunter,</i>
<i>McKenzie,</i>	<i>Keith,</i>	<i>Adams,</i>	<i>Rogers,</i>
<i>Kitchen,</i>	<i>Watt,</i>	<i>Martin,</i>	<i>Anderson—17.</i>
<i>Milne,</i>			

Question proposed—“Shall the words proposed to be inserted stand part of the question?” and *Resolved* in the affirmative.

Resolution, as amended, put and carried.

Bill (No. 61) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Game Protection Act, 1892,'" was committed, with Mr. *Keith* in the Chair.

The Committee reported progress and asked leave to sit again.

Leave granted for to-morrow.

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

And then the House adjourned at 11:05 o'clock, p. m.

Wednesday, 28th March, 1894.

TWO O'CLOCK, P. M.

Prayers by the Rev. *E. Robson*.

Mr. *Watt*, Chairman of the Select Committee on Forestry, presented the following Report:—

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY,
28th March, 1894.

The Select Committee appointed to consider the subject of Forestry, as affecting the Province, beg to suggest:—

1. That endeavours should be made on the grounds of the Provincial Home at *Kamloops*, and at any other Government institutions in the Upper Country having suitable land attached

thereto, to plant shrubs and trees of various kinds, both native and imported, so as to ascertain what kinds can be most successfully acclimated in that portion of the Province, and be most profitably cultivated for economic purposes.

2. That care should be taken, by reservation or otherwise, to protect the forests covering the sources of the mountain streams, and also to prevent the wasteful cutting or destruction by fire of the timber in the neighbourhood of mines.

3. That the Dominion Government should be approached, with a view to the location of an experimental farm in the dry belt, with (among other objects) a special view to the investigation of what kinds of forest and fruit trees can be most profitably introduced.

4. That every possible effort should be made by the officials of the Province in outlying districts to prevent the destruction of valuable timber areas by fire, and to punish persons carelessly or intentionally starting forest fires.

On behalf of the Committee,

HUGH WATT,
Chairman.

The Report was received.

Bill (No. 33) intituled "An Act to authorize the Hall Mines, Limited, to construct Tramways and Electrical and other works in the vicinity of Nelson," was committed, with Mr. *Rogers* in the Chair.

The Committee reported progress and asked leave to sit again.

Leave granted for to-morrow.

The Honourable Mr. *Davie* presented, by command of His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, a Return to an Address of the Legislative Assembly, praying for additional information with reference to the construction of the *Nakusp and Slocan Railway*.

Bill (No. 29) intituled "An Act to Incorporate the Consolidated Railway and Light Company," was read a second time.

Ordered to be committed at the next sitting of the House.

Pursuant to Order, the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole to consider the Message of His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor enclosing Bill (No. 72) intituled "An Act to authorize the sale of certain Lands to the Bishop of New Westminster."

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

Resolved, That the Committee rise and report to the House Bill (No. 72) intituled "An Act to authorize the sale of certain Lands to the Bishop of New Westminster."

Upon Mr. Speaker resuming the Chair, Mr. *Croft*, Chairman of the Committee, reported the Resolution and the Bill.

Report adopted.

On the motion of the Honourable Colonel *Baker*,—

Bill (No. 72) intituled "An Act to authorize the sale of certain Lands to the Bishop of New Westminster," was read a first time.

Ordered to be read a second time to-morrow.

Pursuant to Order, the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole to consider the Message of His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor enclosing Bill (No. 70) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Public School Act, 1891,' and amending Acts."

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

Resolved, That the Committee rise and report to the House Bill (No. 70) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Public School Act, 1891,' and amending Acts."

Upon Mr. Speaker resuming the Chair, Mr. *Hunter*, Chairman of the Committee, reported the Resolution and the Bill.

Report adopted.

On the motion of the Honourable Colonel *Baker*,—

Bill (No. 70) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Public School Act, 1891,' and amending Acts," was read a first time.

Ordered to be read a second time to-morrow.

Pursuant to Order, the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole to consider the Message of His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor enclosing Bill (No. 71) intituled "An Act to provide for the formation of Councils of Labour Conciliation and Arbitration."

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

Resolved, That the Committee rise and report to the House Bill (No. 71) intituled "An Act to provide for the formation of Councils of Labour Conciliation and Arbitration."

Upon Mr. Speaker resuming the Chair, Mr. *Grant*, Chairman of the Committee, reported the Resolution and the Bill.

Report adopted.

On the motion of the Honourable Colonel *Baker*,—

Bill (No. 71) intituled "An Act to provide for the formation of Councils of Labour Conciliation and Arbitration," was read a first time.

Ordered to be read a second time to-morrow.

Bill (No. 69) intituled "An Act respecting the Drainage and Dyking and Irrigation of Lands," was read a second time.

Ordered to be committed to-morrow.

Bill (No. 73) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Jurors Act' and amending Acts," was read a second time.

Ordered to be committed to-morrow.

Bill (No. 67) intituled "An Act to aid the construction of a Railway and Highway Traffic Bridge across the Fraser River at the City of New Westminster," was committed with Mr. *Grant* in the Chair.

The Committee reported progress and asked leave to sit again.

Leave granted for this evening.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair at 6 o'clock, p. m.

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

House again in Committee of the Whole on Bill (No. 67) intituled "An Act to aid the construction of a Railway and Highway Traffic Bridge across the Fraser River at the City of New Westminster," with Mr. *Grant* in the Chair.

The Bill was reported complete with amendments.

Report *Ordered* to be considered to-morrow.

The Honourable Mr. *Davie* presented to Mr. Speaker a Message from His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, signed by His Honour.

The said Message was read by Mr. Speaker, and is as follows :—

E. DEWDNEY,
Lieutenant-Governor.

The Lieutenant-Governor transmits herewith a Bill intituled "An Act respecting the Horsefly Hydraulic Mining Company (Limited Liability)," and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,
28th March, 1894.

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

The Honourable Mr. *Davie* presented to Mr. Speaker a Message from His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, signed by His Honour.

The said Message was read by Mr. Speaker, and is as follows :—

E. DEWDNEY,
Lieutenant-Governor.

The Lieutenant-Governor transmits herewith a Bill intituled “An Act respecting the Cariboo Hydraulic Mining Company (Limited Liability),” and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,
28th March, 1894.

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

The Honourable Mr. *Davie* presented to Mr. Speaker a Message from His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, signed by His Honour.

The said Message was read by Mr. Speaker, and is as follows :—

E. DEWDNEY,
Lieutenant-Governor.

The Lieutenant-Governor transmits herewith a Bill intituled “An Act to authorize a grant of certain lands to the Westminster and Vancouver Tramway Company,” and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,
28th March, 1894.

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

The Honourable Mr. *Davie* presented to Mr. Speaker a Message from His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, signed by His Honour.

The said Message was read by Mr. Speaker, and is as follows :—

E. DEWDNEY,
Lieutenant-Governor.

The Lieutenant-Governor transmits herewith a Bill intituled “An Act to provide for the appointment of Official Scalers of saw-logs and other cut timber,” and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,
28th March, 1894.

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

The Report on Bill (No. 58) intituled “An Act to amend the ‘Municipal Act, 1892,’ and amending Act,” was considered.

The Honourable Mr. *Davie* moved to insert the following as a separate section after section 5 :—

“ . Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in the ‘Municipal Act, 1892,’ or in any other Act contained, no municipality shall hereafter be incorporated, nor the limits of any municipality be extended during any calendar year, unless the petition for incorporation or the application for extension, as the case may be, shall have been received at the office of the Provincial Secretary on or before the 30th day of June in such year, and the Letters Patent incorporating or extending a municipality, as the case may be, shall take effect and be in force from and after the first day of January next following the date of such Letters Patent.”

Carried.

Mr. *Brown* moved that sub-section (*e*) of section 12 be amended by inserting the following after the word “householder,” in the fourth line :—“(and every person paying rent of the amount hereinafter named for any room or rooms used by such person as a dwelling, shall be held to be a householder within the meaning of this section.)”

Carried.

Mr. *Grant* moved the following amendment:—

To amend sub-section (e) of section 12 by striking out after the word “pays” on the seventh line down to and including the word “Victoria” on the eighth line, and by striking out on line nine the words “one hundred and twenty” and inserting in lieu thereof the word “sixty,” and further by striking out all the words on line ten.

Carried.

Mr. *Grant* moved to amend sub-section (e) of section 12, by inserting between the words “rent” and “payable” on the thirteenth line the words “or rates or taxes upon land or improvements.”

Carried.

Mr. *Hunter* moved to amend sub-section (108i) of section 19 by striking out, on line 10 the words “at least three-fifths,” and inserting in lieu thereof the words “a majority.”

To strike out section 20.

Carried on the following division:—

YEAS :

Messieurs

<i>Semlin,</i>	<i>Kellie,</i>	<i>Baker,</i>	<i>Hunter,</i>
<i>Grant,</i>	<i>Milne,</i>	<i>Adams,</i>	<i>Rogers,</i>
<i>McKenzie,</i>	<i>Keith,</i>	<i>Martin,</i>	<i>Anderson—15.</i>
<i>Kitchen,</i>	<i>Watt,</i>	<i>Croft,</i>	

NAYS :

Messieurs

<i>Sword,</i>	<i>Horne,</i>	<i>Forster,</i>	<i>Booth,</i>
<i>Cotton,</i>	<i>Smith,</i>	<i>Davie,</i>	<i>Turner—11.</i>
<i>Beaven,</i>	<i>Brown,</i>	<i>Vernon,</i>	

Mr. *Beaven* moved to strike out in section 26, as inserted in Committee of the Whole House, “1st day of December,” and insert “31st day of October.”

Carried.

Mr. *Beaven* moved to strike out section 29, as inserted on motion of the Hon. the Attorney-General, and which reads as follows:—

“Sections 235, 236, 237, and 238 of the ‘Municipal Act, 1892,’ are hereby repealed.”

And to insert in lieu thereof:—

“Section 238 of the ‘Municipal Act, 1892,’ is hereby repealed, and in lieu thereof the following shall be read:—

“238. All applications for the renewal of a new license shall be made to the Board of Licensing Commissioners, sitting in open Court, and may be made personally or by an agent, and without notice.”

Negatived on the following division:—

YEAS :

Messieurs

<i>Semlin,</i>	<i>Cotton,</i>	<i>Brown,</i>	<i>Stoddart,</i>
<i>McKenzie,</i>	<i>Milne,</i>	<i>Forster,</i>	<i>Booth,</i>
<i>Sword,</i>	<i>Beaven,</i>	<i>Keith,</i>	<i>Hunter—13.</i>
<i>Kitchen,</i>			

NAYS :

Messieurs

<i>Grant,</i>	<i>Baker,</i>	<i>Adams,</i>	<i>Croft,</i>
<i>Horne,</i>	<i>Davie,</i>	<i>Turner,</i>	<i>Rogers,</i>
<i>Smith,</i>	<i>Vernon,</i>	<i>Martin,</i>	<i>Anderson—14.</i>
<i>Watt,</i>	<i>Hall,</i>		

The Hon. Mr. *Davie* moved to amend section 30 by striking out the words “merchant, tradesman, artificer, mechanic, workman, labourer, or other,” in lines one and two, and to strike out the words between brackets (lines seven to ten inclusive), and substitute therefor:—

“Conveying passengers, or Her Majesty’s mails by land or by water, the operating and running of railways, and street railways, lighting works, telegraph and telephone lines and offices, hotels, restaurants, the delivery of messages, the printing, publication, and delivery of newspapers before the hour of nine o’clock A.M., the selling and delivery of milk, and of drugs and medicines, and works of necessity and charity excepted.”

Carried.

Mr. *Grant* moved to amend the proposed amendment by the Hon. Attorney-General to section 30, by inserting between “offices” and “hotels,” on line five, the words “messenger and dispatch servants, their lines and offices,” and to insert between “A.M.” and “the” on the seventh line the words “the selling of newspapers, cigars, fruit, candies, confectionary, and bread, hair-dressers and bath-rooms, barbers and their shops, the furnishing and playing of musical instruments, procuring or catching fish.”

Negatived on the following division:—

YEAS :

Messieurs

Grant,

Stoddart,

Martin,

Rogers—4.

NAYS :

Messieurs

McKenzie,

Brown,

Booth,

Croft,

Cotton,

Watt,

Adams,

Hunter,

Milne,

Baker,

Turner,

Anderson—14.

Beaven,

Davie,

Mr. *Beaven* moved to amend section 273 of the “Municipal Act, 1892,” by striking out sub-section (2) and inserting in lieu thereof:—

“(2.) For assessing the land or real property so benefited, and for levying and collecting, by means of a special rate or tax upon such land or real property, the cost, as estimated by the City Engineer, or such proportion of the said cost as the Council may decide upon, of constructing, laying, making, enlarging, extending, or prolonging, any drain, or branch, main or common sewer, or of connecting any land or real property with such sewer, or of opening, widening, extending, prolonging, constructing or reconstructing, or altering, or paving, macadamising or planking, grading or levelling, any street, lane, alley, public way or place, or any sidewalk, or any bridge forming part of a highway within the municipality, or of curbing, sodding, or planting any street, alley, square, or other public place, or reconstructing, as well as constructing, any work hereby provided for.”

Carried.

Mr. *Beaven* moved to amend section 273 of the “Municipal Act, 1892,” by striking out sub-section (8) and inserting in lieu thereof:—

“(8.) For the construction of a main or common sewer, and to provide, in connection with all sewers, the cost of all culverts and other works necessary for street surface drainage, and the cost of that part of every such work, improvement, or service which is incurred at and is chargeable in respect of street intersections, and also that part thereof done or made opposite land or real property which is exempt from assessment.”

Carried.

Mr. *Beaven* moved to amend section 273 of the ‘Municipal Act, 1892,’ by striking out sub-section (9) and inserting in lieu thereof:—

“(9.) In ascertaining and determining the cost of constructing or of laying, making, enlarging, extending or prolonging any drain, or main, or common sewer, the Council may estimate the cost of the construction of branch sewers to the line of street, and include the estimated cost of such branch sewers in making the assessment, and in levying and collecting the special rate or tax for such branch sewers, or for the main or common sewers, as a local improvement.”

Carried.

Mr. *Beaven* moved to amend section 273 of the 'Municipal Act, 1892,' by striking out sub section (10) and inserting in lieu thereof:—

"(10.) The Council may pass by-laws to assess, levy, and collect by means of a special rate or tax as aforesaid, and otherwise to provide for the construction of branch sewers to connect any land or real property with a main or common sewer, and for connecting all buildings with the branch sewers, and for making all necessary house or building connections with such sewer, and in cases where a vacant space intervenes between a line of a street and the building into which or under which the sewer pipe is to be taken, the Council may also provide in such by-law for laying the sewer pipe across such vacant space and under such building. In all such cases the cost of the same shall be payable and paid by the owner of such land or real property so connected with the sewer, and shall be a charge on such land or real property. If any damage be done to this portion of the sewer, or its connections, or its fittings, either by neglect or otherwise, the Council may authorize and have made the repair of the same, and the cost of the same shall be paid by the owner of the land or real property, and shall be a charge as aforesaid."

Carried.

Mr. *Beaven* moved to amend section 273 of the 'Municipal Act, 1892,' by striking out sub-section (11) and inserting in lieu thereof—

"(11.) In any case where, in order to afford an outlet for the sewerage and drainage of land or real property other than that fronting or abutting upon the street in which a sewer is constructed or shall hereafter be constructed, such sewer is or shall be constructed of a larger capacity than that which is, in the opinion of the Council, required for the efficient sewerage and drainage of the land or real property fronting or abutting upon the street, then, and in every such case, the Council may impose a special assessment, and levy a special rate or tax, upon the other land or real property benefited, or to be benefited, by the construction of such sewer."

Carried.

Mr. *Beaven* moved to amend section 273 of the "Municipal Act, 1892," by striking out sub-section (12) and inserting in lieu thereof:—

"(12.) In all cases where a main or common sewer is or shall hereafter be laid in any street or through any lot or land, the Council shall have power to pass a by-law, and thereby to assess, levy, and collect a special rate or tax per foot frontage upon the lots (except corner lots) on each side of the portion of the said street, or on the lands on each side of the said sewer, in which or through which the said sewer shall from time to time be laid. In case any of such lots are corner lots, then such corner lots shall only be assessed at one-half the said rates."

Carried.

Mr. *Beaven* moved to amend section 273 of the "Municipal Act, 1892," by striking out sub-section (1) and inserting in lieu thereof:—

"(1.) For providing the means of ascertaining and determining what land or real property will be immediately benefited by any proposed improvement, the expense of which is proposed to be assessed upon the land or real property benefited thereby, and of ascertaining and determining the proportions in which the assessment is to be made on the various portions of land or real property so benefited:

(a.) It shall be deemed to have been and to be a sufficient compliance with the provisions of the preceding paragraph of this sub-section if the Council shall have passed or shall pass a general by-law or general by-laws providing the means of ascertaining and determining what land or real property will be immediately benefited by any proposed improvement, the expense of which is proposed to be assessed upon the land or real property immediately benefited thereby, and of ascertaining and determining the proportions in which the assessment is to be made on the various portions of land or real property so benefited, and it shall not be deemed to have been or to be necessary to pass a special by-law for the purposes above mentioned in each particular instance."

Carried.

And by striking out sub-section (4) and inserting in lieu thereof:—

"(4.) The special rate to be so assessed, levied, and collected shall, except as hereinafter provided, be, according to the frontage thereof, upon the land or the real property

fronting or abutting upon the street or place whereon or wherein such improvement or work is proposed to be done or made, and may be assessed, levied, and collected annually or otherwise, as the Council may by by-law decide or define."

Carried.

And by striking out sub-section (10a) and inserting in lieu thereof:—

"(10a.) The Council may by by-law settle or determine an amount the owners of land or real property shall pay for the construction of branch sewers to the line of the street, to connect any land or real property with a main or common sewer laid in or under the street upon which the said land or real property fronts; or for connecting any or all buildings on such land or real property with a branch sewer, or for making all necessary house or building connections therewith; or for laying a sewer pipe across a vacant space from the line of the street to the building, and under such building if necessary. And notwithstanding any law to the contrary, the Council may assess or levy and collect the said amount so settled or determined, either before or after the commencement or completion of the work, as a special tax in addition to all others upon the land or real property so to be connected or so connected; and in default of the owner or agent of such land or real property paying such amount within sixty days after demand, the same may be recovered, with costs and expenses connected therewith, in a summary manner from such owner, or by sale of the property.

"The Council may distribute the payment of the amount assessed or levied under this section over a series of years, as provided in sub-section (16) of section 273 of the 'Municipal Act, 1892.'"

Carried.

And by striking out sub-section (13) and inserting in lieu thereof:—

"(13.) The Council may by by-law provide an equitable mode of assessing for local improvements, works, and services, corner lots, triangular, or other irregular shaped pieces of land situate at the intersections or junctions of streets, having due regard to the situation, value, and superficial area of such lots as compared with adjoining lots and pieces of land assessable for such improvements, works, and services, and may charge the amount of any allowance made on any such lot or piece of land on the other land or real property fronting on the improvements, or assume the same as a portion of the municipality's share of the work or improvement."

Carried.

And by striking out sub-section (19) and inserting in lieu thereof:—

"(19) If in the case of the construction or repair of a bridge or culvert, or the opening up and extension of any street, lane, or alley, the Council shall determine what land or real property, other than fronting or abutting upon the street, lane, or alley whereon or wherein the improvement is made, or to be made, is specially benefited, and ought to be charged with a part of the cost thereof, and shall determine the proportion in which the cost of the improvement shall be assessed against the lands or real property so benefited, the Council may assess and levy the proportion of the cost of the improvement chargeable against the lands or real property benefited, but not fronting or abutting upon such street, lane, or alley, by a frontage rate in like manner as the same would be assessed and levied in the case of lands fronting or abutting upon the street, lane, or alley whereon or wherein the improvement is made or to be made."

Carried.

And by striking out sub-section (20) and inserting in lieu thereof:—

"(20.) No such local improvement as aforesaid, except branch sewers and the work provided for in sub-section (10) of this section, shall be undertaken by the Council if the majority of the owners of such land or real property representing at least one-half in value thereof petition the Council against such assessment within fifteen days after the Council shall have published a notice, signifying its intention of making such assessment, in one newspaper published in such municipality; any leaseholder, the term of whose lease (including any renewals therein provided for) is not less than twenty-one years, shall be deemed an owner within the meaning of this sub-section, if the lessee has therein covenanted to pay all municipal taxes on the demised property during the term of the said lease."

Carried.

And by striking out sub-section (21) and inserting in lieu thereof:—

“(21.) The number of owners petitioning against the assessment, and the value of the land or real property which they represent, may be ascertained and finally determined in such manner and by such means as are provided by by-law in that behalf.”

Carried.

Mr. *Beaven* moved to insert the following as section 169A of the “Municipal Act, 1892,” and amending Acts:—

“169A. When any assessment is made upon land or real property for the purpose of carrying on any work of local improvement under the authority of section 273 of the ‘Municipal Act, 1892,’ there shall be the same right of appeal from any such assessment to the Court of Revision, and from the Court of Revision to a Judge of the Supreme Court of British Columbia or to a County Court Judge, as is provided for in the case of the annual assessment upon land or upon real property for the purposes of general taxation.”

“(1.) The Court of Revision for the assessment of works of local improvement shall be constituted in the same manner and have the same powers as Courts of Revision under sections 156 to 169, inclusive, of the ‘Municipal Act, 1892,’ and amending Acts:

“(2.) Trial of complaints on appeal shall be had in the first instance by and before the Court of Revision of the municipality, which Court shall from time to time as the occasion may require, be held on some day not earlier than twenty nor later than sixty days from the day on which the by-law was first published, notice of which shall be published with the by-law during the first week of its publication; and all notices of appeal shall be served upon the Clerk of the Municipal Council at least eight days prior to such Court of Revision:

“(3.) In case, on any such complaint or appeal, the assessment is varied in respect of the land or real property which is the subject of the complaint or appeal, the Court or Judge, as the case may be, shall vary pro rata the assessment of the said land or real property, and of the other lands or real property, benefited as aforesaid, without further notice to the persons interested therein, so that the aggregate amount assessed shall be the same as if there had been no appeal; and the Judge, or, in case there is no appeal to the Judge, the Court of Revision shall return the roll to the Assessor, who shall prepare and attest a roll in accordance with his original assessment as altered by such revision.”

Carried.

Mr. *Beaven* moved to amend section 32, line four, by striking out “above purposes” and insert “purposes mentioned in sections 276, 277, 278 of the ‘Municipal Act, 1892,’ as amended by the ‘Municipal Act Amendment Act, 1893.’”

Carried.

Mr. *Brown* moved that the following be inserted as a new section:—

“The ‘Municipal Act, 1892,’ is hereby amended by inserting the following as section 271A:—

“271A. All actions against any municipality (whether such municipality be incorporated under any general Act or by a special Act) for the unlawful doing of anything purporting to have been done by such municipality under the powers conferred by any Act of the Legislature of British Columbia, and which might have been lawfully done by such municipality if acting in the manner prescribed by law, shall be commenced within six months after the cause of such action shall have arisen, or when such cause of action has arisen before the passing of this Act, then within three months after the passing of this Act, but not afterwards; and in any such action which may be duly brought the municipality shall not be liable for a larger sum than it would have been liable for if the questions of the right to recover and the amount recoverable were being determined in an arbitration under the incorporating Act, or in any other Act in that behalf, instead of in such action.”

Carried.

Mr. *Anderson* moved to insert the following as section 17A:—

“17A. Section 104 of the ‘Municipal Act, 1892,’ is hereby amended by inserting after sub-section (77) of said section the following as sub-section (77a):—

“(77a.) To limit and define an area adjoining and surrounding the public markets of the said Corporation, within which area so established by the Council no fish, game,

poultry, etc., or other articles which the Council may deem objectionable, shall be sold or exposed for sale, except at the public market or markets within the said area, and to fix a penalty for any contravention thereof."

Negatived.

Mr. *Martin* moved to amend section 33, sub-section (316A), as follows :—

To strike out all the words after the word "the," before health, on 3rd line, to the word "Municipalities" on the 4th line, and insert in lieu thereof "Superintendent of Provincial Police, and Justices of the Peace in rural municipalities."

Negatived.

The further consideration of the Report 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 11:35 o'clock, p. m.

Thursday, 29th March, 1894.

TWO O'CLOCK, P. M.

Prayers by Rev. *E. Robson*.

Mr. *Watt* moved, seconded by Mr. *Grant*,—

Whereas within the past few days a number of Chinamen have been landed at *Vancouver* from the steamer *Empress of India*, one of whom was infected with small-pox; and whereas from the facts reported it appears that two Chinese passengers taken on at *Hong Kong*, and found afterwards to be afflicted with the said disease, were put off the said steamer at *Yokohama*; therefore,

Resolved, That a respectful Address be presented to His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor praying him to again strongly impress upon the Dominion Government the necessity of taking such steps as will secure a thorough inspection by qualified medical inspectors at the ports of departure of passengers and goods coming from Asiatic ports, so as to prevent infected persons or cargoes being received on board vessels destined for *Canada*;

That in the opinion of this House such medical inspectors should be empowered and enjoined to require all Asiatic emigrant passengers to remain in quarantine under medical observation for a period of at least three weeks immediately prior to embarking;

And also, that should Asiatic cholera become at any time epidemic in *China* or *Japan* all emigrant travel from such countries be strictly prohibited until the complete cessation of such epidemic.

Mr. *Sword* moved in amendment, seconded by Mr. *Kitchen*,—

To strike out all the words after "praying him," on the second line of the second paragraph, and insert the words "to have strict enquiry made as to the facts, and to have such steps taken as will secure the prosecution and punishment of whatever officials are responsible for the necessary quarantine not having been enforced."

Amendment put and negatived.

Original motion put and carried.

Upon the Order of the Day being called for the House to again resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole on Bill (No. 61) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Game Protection Act, 1892,' and amending Act," Mr. *Booth* moved,—

"That the House will again resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole on the said Bill this day six months."

The motion was *Resolved* in the affirmative on the following division :—

YEAS

Messieurs

Semlin,
McKenzie,
Kitchen,
Cotton,

Smith,
Brown,
Forster,

Keith,
Stoddart,
Booth,

Croft,
Hunter,
Rogers—13.

NAYS :

Messieurs

<i>Grant,</i>	<i>Watt,</i>	<i>Vernon,</i>	<i>Martin,</i>
<i>Sword,</i>	<i>Baker,</i>	<i>Adams,</i>	<i>Fletcher—11.</i>
<i>Beaven,</i>	<i>Davie,</i>	<i>Turner,</i>	

Bill (No. 64) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Line Fences and Water-courses Act,'" was committed, with Mr. *Semlin* in the Chair.

The Bill was reported complete without amendment.
Report *Ordered* to be considered to-morrow.

Bill (No. 65) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Homestead Act' and amending Acts," was committed, with Mr. *Grant* in the Chair.

The Committee rose without report.

Pursuant to Order, the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole on the Message of His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor enclosing Bill (No. 74) intituled "An Act respecting the Horsefly Hydraulic Mining Company (Limited Liability)."

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

Resolved, That the Committee rise and report to the House Bill (No. 74) intituled "An Act respecting the Horsefly Hydraulic Mining Company (Limited Liability)."

Upon Mr. Speaker resuming the Chair, Mr. *Croft*, Chairman of the Committee, reported the Resolution and the Bill.

Report adopted.

On the motion of the Honourable Colonel *Baker*,—

Bill (No. 74) intituled "An Act respecting the Horsefly Hydraulic Mining Company (Limited Liability)," was read a first time.

Ordered to be read a second time to-morrow.

Pursuant to Order, the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole on Message of His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor enclosing Bill (No. 75) intituled "An Act respecting the Cariboo Hydraulic Mining Company (Limited Liability)."

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

Resolved, That the Committee rise and report to the House Bill (No. 75) intituled "An Act respecting the Cariboo Hydraulic Mining Company (Limited Liability)."

Upon Mr. Speaker resuming the Chair, Mr. *Croft*, Chairman of the Committee, reported the Resolution and the Bill.

Report adopted.

On the motion of the Honourable Colonel *Baker*,—

Bill (No. 75) intituled "An Act respecting the Cariboo Hydraulic Mining Company (Limited Liability)," was read a first time.

Ordered to be read a second time to-morrow.

Pursuant to Order, the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole on Message of His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor enclosing Bill (No. 76) intituled "An Act to authorize a grant of certain lands to the Westminster and Vancouver Tramway Company."

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

Resolved, That the Committee rise and report to the House Bill (No. 76) intituled "An Act to authorize a grant of certain lands to the Westminster and Vancouver Tramway Company."

Upon Mr. Speaker resuming the Chair, Mr. *Croft*, Chairman of the Committee, reported the Resolution and the Bill.

Report adopted.

On the motion of the Honourable Colonel *Baker*,—

Bill (No. 76) intituled "An Act to authorize a grant of certain lands to the Westminster and Vancouver Tramway Company," was read a first time.

Ordered to be read a second time to-morrow.

Pursuant to Order, the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole on Message of His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor enclosing Bill (No. 77) intituled "An Act to provide for the appointment of Official Scalers of saw-logs and other cut timbers."

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

Resolved, That the Committee rise and report to the House Bill (No. 77) intituled "An Act to provide for the appointment of Official Scalers of saw-logs and other cut timbers."

Upon Mr. Speaker resuming the Chair, Mr. *Croft*, Chairman of the Committee, reported the Resolution and the Bill.

Report adopted.

On the motion of the Honourable Colonel *Baker*,—

Bill (No. 77) intituled "An Act to provide for the appointment of Official Scalers of saw logs and other cut timbers," was read a first time.

Ordered to be read a second time to-morrow.

Bill (No. 72) intituled "An Act to authorize the sale of certain Lands to the Bishop of New Westminster," was read a second time.

Ordered to be committed to-morrow.

Bill (No. 70) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Public School Act, 1891,'" was read a second time.

Ordered to be committed to-morrow.

Bill (No. 71) intituled "An Act to provide for the formation, from time to time as disputes may arise, of Councils of Labour Conciliation and Arbitration," was read a second time.

Ordered to be committed to-morrow.

The Report on Bill (No. 67) intituled "An Act to aid the construction of a Railway and Highway Traffic Bridge across the Fraser River at the City of New Westminster," was considered and adopted.

Bill read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 63) intituled "An Act respecting the Union of certain Methodist Churches in Canada, 47th Vic., chap. 20," was committed, with Mr. *Hunter* in the Chair.

The Bill was reported complete without amendment.

Report adopted.

Bill read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 68) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Land Act,'" was committed, with Mr. *Hall* in the Chair.

The Committee reported progress and asked leave to sit again.

Leave granted for this evening.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair at 6 o'clock.

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

Bill (No. 68) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Land Act,'" was again committed, with Mr. *Hall* in the Chair.

The Bill was reported complete with amendments.

Report *Ordered* to be considered to-morrow.

Mr. *Grant* presented a Petition from *Geo. S. Russell* and 19 others (opposing Sunday closing of shops, etc.).

Received and *Ordered* to be printed.

Bill (No. 69) intituled "An Act respecting the Drainage and Dyking and Irrigation of Lands," was committed, with Mr. *Stoddart* in the Chair.

The Bill was reported complete with amendments.

Report *Ordered* to be considered to-morrow.

Bill (No. 73) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Jurors Act' and amending Acts," was committed, with Mr. *Horne* in the Chair.

The Bill was reported complete with amendments.

Report *Ordered* 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 11:30 o'clock, p. m.

Friday, 30th March, 1894.

TWO O'CLOCK, P. M.

Prayers by the Rev. *E. Robson*.

Mr. *Rogers* presented a Report from the Select Committee appointed to prepare and report a Bill to amend the "Cattle Act," reporting a Bill.

The Report was received.

On the motion of Mr. *Rogers*,—

Bill (No. 79) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Cattle Act,'" was read a first time.

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

The Honourable Mr. *Davie* asked leave to introduce a Bill (No. 80) intituled "An Act respecting the Official Map of Quamichan District."

Leave granted.

Bill introduced and read a first time.

Ordered to be read a second time on Monday next.

Mr. *Rogers* asked leave to introduce a Bill (No. 78) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Licences Act' and amending Acts."

Leave granted.

Bill introduced and read a first time.

Ordered to be read a second time on Monday next.

Mr. *Horne* moved, seconded by Mr. *Smith*,—

Whereas by section 8 of the "Supreme Court Act" it is provided that not less than three of the Judges of the Supreme Court shall reside on the Mainland of British Columbia;

And whereas by section 20 of said Act His Excellency the Governor-General is authorized by Order in Council to direct the Judges of the Supreme Court as to the Judicial District within which they shall reside;

And whereas by section 17 of the said Act, as amended by section 3 of the "Supreme Court Act Amendment Act, 1892," the "Electoral District of *Vancouver City*," and that portion of the Electoral District of *New Westminster* described in said last-mentioned section, was created a Judicial District;

And whereas the volume of legal business transacted in *Vancouver* Judicial District is at least equal to that of any other Judicial District in the Province, yet it is still without a resident Supreme Court Judge, although four Supreme Court Judges reside at *Victoria* ;

Be it therefore Resolved, That in the opinion of this House it is highly desirable and necessary that one of the Supreme Court Judges should reside in *Vancouver* Judicial District, and that the Dominion Government be urged to direct one of the said Judges now resident in *Victoria* to reside in *Vancouver* Judicial District, and in case that another Supreme Court Judge should be appointed to station him in *Vancouver* Judicial District.

The Honourable Mr. *Davie* moved in amendment,—

To strike out lines 10 and 11 and substitute:—"and whereas a large volume of legal business requires to be transacted in *Vancouver* Judicial District, yet it is still without a."

Amendment put and carried.

Original Resolution, as amended, put and agreed to.

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

Is it the intention of the Government to construct a waggon-road along *Deadman's Creek* this year, in accordance with the prayer of a petition of the settlers along said creek for such work ?

The Honourable Mr. *Vernon* replied as follows:—

"The intention of the Government with regard to the construction of this and other roads throughout the Province, not specifically defined in the Estimates, will be made known at a later date."

Bill (No. 76) intituled "An Act to authorize a grant of certain lands to the Westminster and Vancouver Tramway Company," was read a second time on the following division:—

YEAS :

Messieurs

<i>Grant,</i>	<i>Baker,</i>	<i>Booth,</i>	<i>Hunter,</i>
<i>Kellie,</i>	<i>Davie,</i>	<i>Hall,</i>	<i>Rogers,</i>
<i>Smith,</i>	<i>Vernon,</i>	<i>Adams,</i>	<i>Anderson,</i>
<i>Watt,</i>	<i>Stoddart,</i>	<i>Turner,</i>	<i>Fletcher—16.</i>

NAYS :

Messieurs

<i>Semlin,</i>	<i>Kitchen,</i>	<i>Beaven,</i>	<i>Forster,</i>
<i>McKenzie,</i>	<i>Cotton,</i>	<i>Brown,</i>	<i>Keith—9.</i>
<i>Sword,</i>			

Ordered to be committed to-morrow.

Upon the Order of the Day being called for the second reading of Bill (No. 74) intituled "An Act respecting the Horsefly Hydraulic Mining Company (Limited Liability)," a point of order arose, upon which Mr. Speaker *Higgins* gave the following decision:—

On the motion to read a Bill (No. 74) intituled "An Act respecting the Horsefly Hydraulic Mining Company (Limited Liability)," a second time, the Hon Member for *Victoria City* (Mr. *Beaven*) advanced an objection that the Bill is out of order as a Public Bill, as dealing with a Bill which had previously been introduced as a private measure.

May, 9th edition, furnishes many authorities bearing on the point. On page 747 it is stated that in 1857 the "Thames Conservancy Bill," and in 1882 the "Metropolis Management and Floods Prevention Bill," were introduced as Private Bills, on petition; but the latter was afterwards withdrawn and a Public Bill was introduced. Pages 748 and 749 state that "Private Bills also have been solicited for the reform of the Corporation (of the *City of London*) itself, while the Government have prepared public measures, in the interests of the public, for the same object." Other Bills, again, concerning the *City of London*, but at the same time affecting public interests, and involving considerations of public policy, have been introduced and passed as Public Bills. In 1881, and again in 1882 and 1883, the "London

City Parochial Charities Bill" was brought in as a Public Bill; and in 1882 a Bill for the same purpose was also introduced, upon petition, as a Private Bill. In 1861, the "Red Sea and India Telegraph Bill," which amended a Private Act, was introduced and proceeded with as a Public Bill, as it concerned the conditions of a Government guarantee.

Bill No. 74 does not comprehend a Government guarantee, but it does deal with public interests, in so far as it proposes to demise to a private company several properties, the title to which is vested in the Crown.

May, page 754, lays it down that a "Bill commenced as a Private Bill cannot be taken up and proceeded with as a Public Bill," and an instance is cited where a Private Bill having been abandoned, Mr. *Pope Hennessy* gave notice that he should proceed with it as a Public Bill, but it was held that such a proceeding would be irregular. Mr. *Pope Hennessy* was not a member of the Government, and had the Government decided to proceed with the Bill as a Government measure, I think the objection would not have been held to be good.

The Government having introduced Bill No. 74 as a Government measure, I rule that when the "Horsefly Hydraulic Mining Co.'s Bill" (No. 22) shall have been withdrawn, Bill No. 74 will be in order, and its second reading may be proceeded with.

D. W. HIGGINS,

Speaker.

The order to resume the adjourned debate on the second reading of Bill (No. 22) intituled "An Act respecting the Horsefly Hydraulic Mining Company (Limited Liability)," was discharged.

The order for the second reading of Bill (No. 23) intituled "An Act respecting the Cariboo Hydraulic Mining Company (Limited Liability)," was discharged.

Mr Speaker left the Chair at 6 o'clock, p. m.

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

Bill (No. 74) intituled "An Act respecting the Horsefly Hydraulic Mining Company (Limited Liability)," was read a second time.

Ordered to be committed on Monday next.

Bill (No. 75) intituled "An Act respecting the Cariboo Hydraulic Mining Company (Limited Liability)," was read a second time.

Ordered to be committed on Monday next.

Bill (No. 77) intituled "An Act to provide for the appointment of Official Scalers of saw-logs and other cut timber," was read a second time.

Ordered to be committed on Monday next.

Bill (No. 72) intituled "An Act to authorize the sale of certain Lands to the Bishop of New Westminster," was committed, with Mr. *Forster* in the Chair.

The Bill was reported complete without amendment.

Report adopted.

Bill read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 70) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Public School Act, 1891,' and amending Acts," was committed, with Mr. *Grant* in the Chair.

The Committee reported progress and asked leave to sit again.

Ordered, That leave be granted for Monday next.

Bill (No. 71) intituled "An Act to provide for the formation, from time to time as disputes may arise, of Councils of Labour Conciliation and Arbitration," was committed, with Mr. *Booth* in the Chair.

The Bill was reported complete without amendment.

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

The Report on Bill (No. 73) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Jurors Act' and amending Acts," was adopted.

Bill read a third time and passed.

The Report on Bill (No. 56) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Companies Act, 1890,' and amending Acts," was considered.

The Honourable Mr. *Davie* moved to add the following as sub-section (1) to section 6:—

"(1.) It shall be lawful for the Trustees of any company with the above objects, already or hereafter incorporated, but in whose memorandum of association no such clause was inserted, before the issue of any shares, to amend the memorandum of association by inserting the above provision, on the payment of a fee of ten dollars. And after such amendment has been made and registered by the Registrar of Joint Stock Companies, the above provision shall apply to such company."

Carried.

The Honourable Mr. *Davie* moved to add the following as section 7:—

"7. Section 25 of the 'Companies Act, 1890,' is hereby amended by striking out all the words from the beginning of the tenth line to the end of the section, and substituting for the words so struck out the following:—

"'filed and published in the same manner as the memorandum of association is required by the third and fourth sections of this Act to be filed and published, and when so filed and published the capital stock of the corporation shall be increased or diminished to the amount specified in the certificate, and the Registrar of Joint Stock Companies shall amend the certificate of incorporation accordingly, and for such filing and amendment a fee of ten dollars shall be charged.'"

Carried.

Report, as amended, adopted.

Bill read a third time and passed.

The Report on Bill (No. 68) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Land Act,'" was adopted.

Bill read a third time and passed.

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

The Report on Bill (No. 64) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Line Fences and Water-courses Act,'" was adopted.

Bill read a third time and passed.

And then the House adjourned at 12:45 o'clock, a. m. on Saturday the 31st March, 1894.

Monday, 2nd April, 1894.

ELEVEN O'CLOCK, A. M.

Mr. *Horne* moved, seconded by Mr. *Smith*,—

Whereas the citizens of the City of *Vancouver* are desirous of having a quarantine station established at or near the port of *Vancouver*;

And whereas many ships of large tonnage, carrying passengers and freight from Asiatic and many other foreign ports, are continually arriving at the port of *Vancouver*;

And whereas the Asiatic ports are seldom free from contagious diseases, and passengers therefrom are liable to carry and communicate such diseases;

And whereas the nearest quarantine station is some eighty miles distant from the port of *Vancouver*, and in consequence thereof great inconvenience and expenditure has been incurred by that city during the past six years in protecting the public health from such contagious diseases;

And whereas the greater part of this expenditure would not have to be borne by that City if a quarantine station were established at or near that port;

And whereas owing to the increasing trade of the said port it is liable to such risks continually, and the said City will have to expend large sums of money in order to protect the public health, which expenditure should be borne by the Dominion at large;

Therefore be it Resolved, That a respectful Address be presented to His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, praying him to represent to the Dominion Government the urgent necessity which exists for a quarantine station and hospital at or near the port of *Vancouver*; and that His Honour be further respectfully requested to transmit a copy of this Resolution to the Dominion Government.

Negatived.

The Honourable Mr. *Davie* moved, seconded by Mr. *Hunter*,—

Whereas attention has been called to the disastrous results caused by ordinary flood-water from the *Fraser River* flowing through *Nicomén Slough*, whereby much valuable cultivated land is over-flowed and many acres washed away annually;

And whereas there is reason to fear that any extraordinary flood might cause the destruction of thousands of acres of land and endanger the safety of the Canadian Pacific Railway track in that vicinity;

And whereas it is represented that this danger can be averted by damming up the head of the slough;

Therefore be it Resolved, That the Dominion Government be moved to take such action as may be necessary to cause the said dams to be erected at the earliest possible date, or to cause such other steps to be taken as may tend to avert the apprehended danger.

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

To insert after the word "moved," on the 9th line, the words: "to instruct their engineer to examine and report on the feasibility of damming up the head of *Nicomén Slough* and other sloughs leading into it from the main river, and on the works, if any, necessary to protect *Nicomén Island* on the outside from the increased flow in the main river, and."

The amendment was negatived.

Original motion put and *Resolved* in the affirmative.

Mr. *Milne* asked leave to introduce a Bill (No. 81) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Creditors' Trust Deeds Act, 1890.'"

Leave granted.

Bill introduced and read a first time.

Ordered to be read a second time to-morrow.

Mr. *Martin* asked leave to introduce a Bill (No. 82) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Game Protection Act, 1892,' and amending Act."

Leave granted.

Bill introduced and read a first time.

Ordered to be read a second time to-morrow.

On the motion of Mr. *Kellie*, seconded by Mr. *Adams*, it was *Resolved*,—

That an humble Address be presented to His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor praying him to cause to be sent down to this House a return of the names of all employees of the Government employed constructing roads, trails, streets, bridges, wharves, or other work in *West Kootenay District*, from 1st January, 1892, to 31st December, 1893; the amounts paid to each party so employed, and the dates when employed.

Mr. *Beaven* moved, seconded by Mr. *Semlin*,—

That this House is of opinion that whenever two or more Statutes bearing upon the same subject are combined and issued from the Printing Office prior to the consolidation being legalized by the Legislative Assembly, that the pamphlet so issued should bear an endorsement indicating that the consolidation had not been so legalized, but that the original Statutes could be perused in the annual volume mentioning it.

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

On the motion of Mr. *Kellie*, seconded by Mr. *Adams*, it was *Resolved*,—

That an humble Address be presented to His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, praying that he be pleased to cause to be sent down to this House a Return of all correspondence between *John Sanderson*, employed as foreman on the *Nakusp* and *Slocan* Trail in the year 1892, and the Hon. Mr. *Vernon*, Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works, and *Napoleon Fitzstubs*, Gold Commissioner, in regard to the payment of \$75 by the said Gold Commissioner to one *Wm. Smith* for work performed on said trail for the months of August and September in the year aforesaid.

The Report on Bill (No. 69) intituled “An Act respecting the Drainage and Dyking and Irrigation of Lands,” was considered.

Mr. *Sword* moved to insert the following as a new section after section 46 :—

“ . The Commissioners shall have power to receive, hold, take and acquire all voluntary grants and donations of land or other property made to them, and to purchase, hold, take and acquire of and from the Crown or any corporation, person or persons, any land or other property, and to mortgage, sell, lease, or otherwise alienate and dispose of such land or other property, or any part thereof, for the purposes of the undertaking, and subject to [the] assent of the Lieutenant-Governor in Council.”

Carried.

The Honourable Mr. *Davie* moved to insert in clause 2, after the word “applies,” in the fifth line thereof, the words following :—“and any dyke, dam, breakwater or other protection to prevent the encroachment of rivers upon their banks; and ‘proprietors of lands’ in this context shall refer to the owners or occupiers of lands endangered by such encroachment.”

Carried.

The further consideration of the Report was adjourned.

The Report on Bill (No. 71) intituled “Act to provide for the formation, from time to time as disputes may arise, of Councils of Labour Conciliation and Arbitration,” was considered.

The Honourable Colonel *Baker* moved to strike out section 18 and sub-section (2) and insert in lieu thereof :—

“In case any dispute arises, in any trade or calling, between employers and employés, and the parties to the dispute are agreed to refer it to a Council of Conciliation or Arbitration, as defined by this Act, such application shall not be made unless there are ten or more employés as parties to the dispute.”

Carried.

Report as amended adopted.

Bill read a third time and passed.

The House took a recess at 1 o'clock, and met again at 2:30 p. m.

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

The Report on Bill (No. 52) intituled “An Act to amend the ‘Mineral Act, 1891,’ and amending Acts,” was considered.

Mr. *Kellie* moved to add the following as section 8 :—

“8. Notwithstanding anything contained in the ‘Mineral Act, 1891,’ and amending Acts, the time for performing the annual assessment work upon mineral claims for the current year is hereby extended to July 31st, 1895.”

Carried.

Report as amended adopted.

Bill read a third time and passed.

Pursuant to Order, the House resolved itself into a Committee of Supply, with Mr. *Martin* in the Chair.

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

50. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$100 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Legislation, Clerk of the House (additional to \$600 voted), to 30th June, 1894.

90. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$5,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Administration of Justice (other than Salaries), Special Constables, additional to \$8,000 voted, to 30th June, 1894.

202F. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,200 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Works (Roads, Streets, Bridges, and Wharves), Bull River Bridge, Kootenay (completion), lapsed portion from 1893, to 30th June, 1894.

209. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$700 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Miscellaneous, Library, Legislative and Departmental (additional to \$600 voted), to 30th June, 1894.

228. *Resolved* That a sum not exceeding \$1,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Miscellaneous, Destruction of Wolves, Panthers, and Coyotes (additional to \$1,700 voted), to 30th June, 1894.

240i. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$2,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Miscellaneous, Commission of Enquiry, Board of Conciliation and Arbitration, to 30th June, 1894.

240j. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$250 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Miscellaneous, Exhibit at San Francisco Fair, to 30th June, 1894.

240k. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Miscellaneous, Obtaining Agricultural Statistics (expenses of District Collectors other than salaried officers), to 30th June, 1894.

14. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,080 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Civil Government (Salaries), Land Registry Office, Vancouver, Additional Clerk, Grade B, to 30th June, 1895.

20. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$5,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Civil Government (Salaries), Provincial Timber Inspector, Log Scalers and Examiners, to 30th June, 1895.

28. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$780 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Administration of Justice (Salaries), Supreme and County Courts (Victoria) Usher of Supreme Court, to 30th June, 1895.

50. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$100 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Legislation, Clerk of the House (additional to \$600 voted), to 30th June, 1895.

70. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Hospitals and Charities, Hospital, East Kootenay, Golden (additional to \$1,000 voted), to 30th June, 1895.

84c. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$300 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Hospitals and Charities, In aid of resident physician at Fairview, Okanagan, to 30th June, 1895.

159A. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$400 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Works, Works and Buildings, Purchase of lot adjoining gaol site, Kamloops, to 30th June, 1895.

159B. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$5,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Works, Works and Buildings, Public Schools (construction), aid to Corporation of Nanaimo City, to 30th June, 1895.

177. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$500 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Works, Roads, Streets, Bridges, and Wharves, Lillooet District (additional to \$7,000 voted), to 30th June, 1895.

191. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$500 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Works, Roads, Streets, Bridges, and Wharves, Quesnelle-Néchaco Trail (additional to \$1,000 voted), to 30th June, 1895.

201A. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$2,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Works, Roads, Streets, Bridges, and Wharves, Sleigh Road, Alexandria to Beaver Lake, to 30th June, 1895.

208A. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$500 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Works, Roads, Streets, Bridges, and Wharves, Aid to Ferries, Cariboo District, to 30th June, 1895.

209A. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$3,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Works, Roads, Streets, Bridges, and Wharves, Kaslo-Slocan Waggon Road, to 30th June, 1895.

209B. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$750 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Works, Roads, Streets, Bridges, and Wharves, Queen Charlotte Island, to 30th June, 1895.

216. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$500 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Miscellaneous, Library, Legislative and Departmental (additional to \$700 voted), to 30th June, 1895.

228A. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$200 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Miscellaneous, Fire Brigade, Kaslo, to 30th June, 1895.

246A. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$250 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Miscellaneous, Flockmasters' Association, to 30th June, 1895.

246B. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$250 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Miscellaneous, Dairyman's Association, to 30th June, 1895.

246C. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$2,000 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Miscellaneous, Commission of Enquiry, Board of Conciliation and Arbitration, to 30th June, 1895.

246D. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$500 be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Miscellaneous, Obtaining Agricultural Statistics (expenses of District Collectors other than salaried officers), to 30th June, 1895.

Upon Mr. Speaker resuming the Chair, the Chairman reported the Resolutions and asked leave to sit again.

Ordered, That the Report be received to-morrow.

Resolved, That the House will again resolve itself into the said Committee to-morrow.

The Report on Bill (No. 41) intituled "An Act to provide for the payment of Succession Duties in certain cases," was considered.

Mr. *Milne* moved to amend section 3 by striking out all the words in the first line and inserting in lieu thereof "This Act shall not apply."

Carried.

The further consideration of the Report was adjourned.

Bill (No. 80) intituled "An Act respecting the Official Map of Quamichan District," was read a second time.

Ordered to be committed to-morrow.

Bill (No. 76) intituled "An Act to authorize a grant of certain lands to the Westminster and Vancouver Tramway Company," was committed, with Mr. *Keith* in the Chair.

The Bill was reported complete with amendments.

Report adopted.

Bill read a third time and passed.

The Honourable Mr. *Turner* presented a Return showing the results of the revised census in each enumerator's division, with a statement showing in which of the new Electoral Districts, or Ridings of Districts, each enumerator's division was.

Bill (No. 79) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Cattle Act,'" was read a second time.

Ordered to be committed to-morrow.

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

Mr. *Grant* presented a Petition from *G. C. Saur* and others (*re* opening of saloons for business on Sunday).

Received and *Ordered* to be printed.

The Honourable Mr. *Davis* presented a Petition from *A. Vigelius* and others (*re* closing barber shops on Sunday).

Received and *Ordered* to be printed.

And then the House adjourned at 5:59 o'clock, p. m.