

Tuesday, November 30th, 1937.

HALF-PAST TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by the Rev. *G. A. Reynolds*.

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. *Pattullo*, the House proceeded to the Orders of the Day, "Public Bills and Orders."

Bill (No. 2) intituled "An Act to provide for the Release of certain Securities deposited by the Canadian Northern Pacific Railway Company" was committed, progress reported, Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 15) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Coal-mines Regulation Act'" was committed, reported complete with amendment, to be considered as amended at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 10) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Marriage Act'" was committed, reported complete with amendment, to be considered as amended at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 16) intituled "An Act to protect the Public against Misrepresentation in the Sale of Goods" was committed, reported complete without amendment, to be read a third time at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 13) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Securities Act'" was committed, progress reported, Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

Mr. Telford moved, seconded by *Mr. H. E. Winch*,—

Whereas grave hardships and injustices are being forced upon the consumers of grain and grain products in this Province because of the increased costs thereon resulting from increased and unjust domestic freight-rate charges; and

Whereas more equitable distribution of freight charges would appear imperative in the interest of the consumers of this Province:

Therefore be it Resolved, That the Select Standing Committee on Railways be instructed to investigate the present obviously unfair and unjust freight charges on the Pacific Great Eastern Railway.

The Hon. Mr. *Pattullo* moved in amendment, seconded by the Hon. Mr. *Hart*,—

To strike out all the words after the word "Whereas" in the first line, and to insert the following:—

"It is desirable that the general public shall be fully informed as to the schedule of freight rates on the Pacific Great Eastern Railway:

"Therefore be it Resolved, That the Select Standing Committee on Railways be instructed to inquire into the freight-rate structure of the Pacific Great Eastern Railway and report its findings to this House."

Amendment agreed to.

Motion as amended agreed to.

Mr. Patterson asked the Hon. the Provincial Secretary the following questions:—

1. Was a complaint made to the Provincial Secretary by one C. Wallich with reference to certain alleged election irregularities occurring during the election on June 1st, 1937, in the Cowichan-Newcastle Riding?
2. If yes, what was the nature of such complaint?
3. Has an investigation been made by the Department into the subject-matter of the said complaint?
4. If so, who conducted the said investigation?
5. Has a report been made to the Department as a result of said investigation?
6. Has the Department taken action to prosecute the said Cederburg or any other person as a result of the said complaint?
7. If the answer to question No. 6 is in the negative, why has such action not been taken?

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

“ 1. Yes; a verbal complaint to the Deputy Provincial Secretary.

“ 2. That the Deputy Returning Officer in the Cowichan Station Polling Division of the Cowichan-Newcastle Electoral District had neglected properly to carry out the provisions of the ‘Provincial Elections Act’ in respect to certain forms, notably Form 23, being the Declaration of Secrecy. Secondly, that C. Wallich had been arrested upon the orders of the Deputy Returning Officer without just cause.

“ 3, 4, and 5. The Returning Officer for the said electoral district was requested to furnish a report after having communicated with the Deputy Returning Officer in question, and he did so.

“ 6. No.

“ 7. Any irregularities on the part of the Deputy Returning Officer consisted of certain omissions in connection with forms required under the ‘Provincial Elections Act,’ and, as upon investigation it appeared these omissions were not wilful and no suggestion of corruption or undue influence was put forward, it was not considered advisable to prosecute, but the negligence of the Deputy Returning Officer was brought to his attention. The complaint as to C. Wallich’s arrest is a matter between the two parties concerned.”

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

And then the House adjourned at 5.45 p.m.

Tuesday, November 30th, 1937.

HALF-PAST EIGHT O’CLOCK P.M.

Order for Committee of Supply called.

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

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

153. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$11,010 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Public Works, Minister’s Office, to 31st March, 1939.

154. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$307,452 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Public Works, Administration, to 31st March, 1939.

155. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$165,050 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Public Works, Maintenance of Parliament Buildings and Grounds, to 31st March, 1939.

156. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$27,452 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Public Works, Government House (Maintenance), to 31st March, 1939.

158. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$25,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Public Works, Local Highways within Municipal Limits, to 31st March, 1939.

159. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$331,835 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Public Works, Maintenance and Repairs to Government Buildings and Rental of Offices (except Parliament Buildings and Government House), to 31st March, 1939.

160. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$2,350 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Public Works, Highway Signs, to 31st March, 1939.

161. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$2,773.12 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Public Works, Steam-boiler Inspection, to 31st March, 1939.

162. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$17,122 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Public Works, Electrical Energy Inspection, to 31st March, 1939.

123. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$7,090 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Minister’s Office, to 31st March, 1939.

124. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$17,382 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, General Office, to 31st March, 1939.

125. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$44,968 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Libraries, to 31st March, 1939.

126. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$12,320 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Provincial Museum, to 31st March, 1939.

127. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$6,400 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Civil Service Commission, to 31st March, 1939.

128. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$34,500 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Administration of "Superannuation Act" and "Teachers' Pensions Act," to 31st March, 1939.

129. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$10 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, King's Printer, to 31st March, 1939.

130. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$8,870 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Government House, to 31st March, 1939.

131. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$85,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Assessment on Class 13 (The Crown), "Workmen's Compensation Act," to 31st March, 1939.

132. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$500 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Civil Service Schedule Bond, to 31st March, 1939.

133. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$10,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Grant to Canteen Fund Trustees, to 31st March, 1939.

134. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$8,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Contingencies, Incidentals, Entertainments, Grants, etc., to 31st March, 1939.

135. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$25,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Grant to Teachers' Pensions Fund, to 31st March, 1939.

136. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$395,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, "Civil Service Superannuation Act"—Government contributions to Superannuation Fund, to 31st March, 1939.

137. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$78,140 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Health and Welfare Services, Administration, to 31st March, 1939.

138. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$23,337.04 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Health and Welfare Services, Welfare Branch (including Administration of "Mothers' Pensions Act"), to 31st March, 1939.

139. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$180,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Health and Welfare Services, In Aid of Destitute Poor and Sick, to 31st March, 1939.

140. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$11,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Health and Welfare Services, Burial of Indigents, to 31st March, 1939.

141. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$89,980 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Health and Welfare Services, Child Welfare Branch (including Administration of "Infants Act"), to 31st March, 1939.

142. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,029,350 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Health and Welfare Services, Hospitals, to 31st March, 1939.

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

By leave of the House, the following questions standing on the Order Paper in the name of Mr. *Patterson* were withdrawn:—

1. How many passenger-automobiles were purchased by the Department of Agriculture between April 1st, 1936, and March 31st, 1937?
2. How many motor-trucks were purchased by the Department of Agriculture between April 1st, 1936, and March 31st, 1937?
3. What was the total price paid by the Department of Agriculture for (a) passenger-automobiles and (b) motor-trucks between April 1st, 1936, and March 31st, 1937?
4. How many passenger-automobiles were purchased by the Department of Agriculture between April 1st, 1937, and September 30th, 1937?
5. How many motor-trucks were purchased by the Department of Agriculture between April 1st, 1937, and September 30th, 1937?
6. What was the total price paid by the Department of Agriculture for (a) passenger-automobiles and (b) motor-trucks between April 1st, 1937, and September 30th, 1937?
7. How many (a) passenger-automobiles and (b) motor-trucks were owned by the Department of Agriculture on October 1st, 1937?
8. How many (a) passenger-automobiles and (b) motor-trucks were owned by the Department of Agriculture on October 1st, 1936?
9. What was the inventory value of (a) passenger-automobiles and (b) motor-trucks owned by the Department of Agriculture on March 31st, 1937?
10. What was the inventory value of (a) passenger-automobiles and (b) motor-trucks owned by the Department of Agriculture on March 31st, 1936?

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

And then the House adjourned at 11.28 p.m.

Wednesday, December 1st, 1937.

HALF-PAST TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by Mr. Speaker.

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. *Pattullo*, the House proceeded to the Orders of the Day, "Introduction of Bills."

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

On the motion of Mr. *Tupper*—Bill (No. 61) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Naturopathic Physicians Act.'"

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

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. *Gray*—Bill (No. 65) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Village Municipalities Act.'"

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. *Gray*—Bill (No. 66) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Prince Rupert Enabling Act, 1936.'"

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. *Gray*—Bill (No. 67) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Municipal Elections Act.'"

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. *Gray*—Bill (No. 68) intituled "An Act relating to The Corporation of the City of Vernon."

Order for "Public Bills and Orders" called.

Bill (No. 16) intituled "An Act to protect the Public against Misrepresentation in the Sale of Goods" was read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 15) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Coal-mines Regulation Act'" was considered as amended, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 10) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Marriage Act'" was considered as amended, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 2) intituled "An Act to provide for the Release of certain Securities deposited by the Canadian Northern Pacific Railway Company" was again committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 13) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Securities Act'" was again committed, progress reported, Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 33) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Metalliferous Mines Regulation Act'" was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 18) intituled "An Act to provide for Mothers' Allowances and to repeal the 'Mothers' Pensions Act'" was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 36) intituled "An Act respecting the Industrial School for Boys" was committed, reported complete with amendments, to be considered as amended at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 43) intituled "An Act respecting the Grading of Fruit, Vegetables, and Honey" was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

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

E. W. HAMBER,
Lieutenant-Governor.

The Lieutenant-Governor transmits herewith a Bill intituled "An Act to amend the 'Municipalities Incorporation Act,'" and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,
December 1st, 1937.

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

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

Resolved, That the Committee rise and report to the House, recommending the introduction of a Bill (No. 63) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Municipalities Incorporation Act,'" a draft of which is annexed to this Resolution.

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

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

E. W. HAMBER,
Lieutenant-Governor.

The Lieutenant-Governor transmits herewith a Bill intituled "An Act to amend the 'Insurance Act,'" and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,
December 1st, 1937.

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

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

Resolved, That the Committee rise and report to the House, recommending the introduction of a Bill (No. 62) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Insurance Act,'" a draft of which is annexed to this Resolution.

Resolution and Bill reported.

Report adopted.

Bill introduced and read a first time.

Second reading at the next sitting.

On the motion of Mr. *Burns*, seconded by Mr. *Leary*, it was *Resolved*,—

That Report No. 1 of the Select Standing Committee on Municipal Matters be adopted.

In reply to the following questions standing on the Order Paper in the name of Mr. *Bruhn*, the Hon. Mr. *MacPherson* presented a Return:—

1. Has the route of the Trans-Canada Highway west of Revelstoke been definitely established? If so, will it follow the short route via Sicamous—Canoe—Salmon Arm, Chase, and Kamloops, or via Sicamous—Mara—Greenwood—Salmon Arm, or what route will it follow?

2. Is the Dominion Government contributing any portion of the cost of constructing, reconstruction, or maintenance of the Trans-Canada Highway within this Province except the portion from Revelstoke east through and connecting the National Parks? If so, give amount or proportion of cost contributed by the Federal Government.

3. If not, has any application been made by the Provincial Government to the Dominion Government for such assistance, and what has been the result?

The Hon. Mr. *Weir* presented the report of the Royal Commission, appointed under the authority of the "Public Inquiries Act," with reference to projectionists and kinematographs.

By leave of the House, the following questions standing on the Order Paper in the name of Mr. *Murray* were withdrawn:—

1. How many inmates of Oakalla Prison during the past five years are known to have been drug addicts.

2. How many inmates, during the same period, of Provincial Mental Homes have been narcotic addicts?

3. Has the Department any information as to number of drug addicts at present in the New Westminster Penitentiary?

4. How many armed robberies have been perpetrated in the City of Vancouver during the past ten years by drug addicts?

5. Has the Department any information which would lead to the belief that drugs were being smuggled into British Columbia from Japan, Manchukuo, or the Colony of Hong Kong?

6. Is the Government planning to establish a clinic for the treatment of patients suffering from narcotic addiction?

7. What would be the cost of such a building and equipment for same, and what would be annual maintenance charge?

8. Does the Department receive regular bulletins from the Narcotics Division of the League of Nations which would assist in detection of smuggling of drugs into the Province?

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

1. How many foreclosure actions have been commenced in British Columbia since April 28th, 1932, when the "Mortgagors' and Purchasers' Relief Act" came into effect?

2. State the numbers in each of the calendar years 1932-33-34-35-36, and for the year 1937 to November 1st.

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

"1 and 2. No information. Separate records are not kept of the different classes of actions, suits, or proceedings in Registries, and considerable time and labour would be involved in searching all the Registries in the Province to obtain data not considered to be in the public interest."

Mr. *Maitland* asked the Hon. the Minister of Public Works the following question:—

What was the added cost paid on the contract on Project No. 2 (now Project No. 1) awarded to the Associated Engineering Co. for reconstruction of 4.7 miles of Malahat section, Victoria—Menzies Bay Highway, over the relocation of part of the work carried out?

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

“For expenditures during 1936–37, see Public Accounts for that fiscal year, page 285, under Project No. 1, and page 286, under Project No. 2. Expenditures under this contract during the current fiscal year will be published in the Public Accounts in due course.”

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

1. Have the Department Engineers given an estimate for the construction of the Federally assisted hard-surfaced road from Radium to Kingsgate, on the west side of Lake Windermere; and, if yes, what was the estimate?

2. Have the Department Engineers given an estimate for construction of the said road if built on the existing main road through Windermere; and, if yes, what was the estimate?

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

“1 and 2. Yes; preliminary estimates, subject to revision. Final figures not available at this time.”

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

And then the House adjourned at 5.47 p.m.

Thursday, December 2nd, 1937.

HALF-PAST TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by the Rev. *Edward Scheelen*, S.M.M.

On the Order being called for the notice of motion standing on the Order Paper in the name of Mr. *Maitland*, as follows:—

Whereas at a meeting of the Select Standing Committee on Public Accounts held on November 10th, 1937, it was resolved that “The Legislature be asked for authority to examine accounts contracted after March, 1937”;

Therefore be it Resolved, That it be an instruction to said Committee that they examine the Public Accounts contracted after March 31st, 1937.

Mr. Speaker delivered the following decision on the point of order raised by the Hon. Mr. *Pattullo* on the 24th instant:—

Honourable Members,—I have considered the point of order raised by the Honourable the Premier with reference to motion No. 35.

This motion asks that it be an instruction to the Public Accounts Committee to examine the Public Accounts contracted after March 31st, 1937.

A member may move that an instruction be given to a Select Committee (*May*, 13th ed., pp. 468–469).

I am of the opinion that this is an instruction which a member is entitled to move.

It is for the House to decide whether the instruction ought to be given.

The preamble to the Resolution is somewhat irregular, but I feel that I should deal with the Resolution on the merits and rule it in order.

N. W. WHITTAKER, *Speaker*.

Order for Committee of Supply called.

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

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

143. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$827,022.38 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Health and Welfare Services, Provincial Board of Health, to 31st March, 1939.

144. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,085,209 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Health and Welfare Services, Mental Hospitals, to 31st March, 1939.

145. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$30,886 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Health and Welfare Services, Provincial Home, Kamloops, to 31st March, 1939.

146. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$75,855 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Health and Welfare Services, Industrial Schools, to 31st March, 1939.

147. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$45,594.12 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Health and Welfare Services, Provincial Home for Incurables, to 31st March, 1939.

148. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$55,664 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Health and Welfare Services, Home for the Aged, to 31st March, 1939.

149. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$12,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Health and Welfare Services, Special Health and Welfare Services, to 31st March, 1939.

150. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$16,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Health and Welfare Services, In Aid of Resident Physicians, to 31st March, 1939.

151. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$41,220 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Health and Welfare Services, Grants to Charitable Associations, etc., to 31st March, 1939.

93. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$11,145 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands, Minister's Office, to 31st March, 1939.

94. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$491,902.34 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands, Salaries, to 31st March, 1939.

94A. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,500 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands, Temporary Assistance, to 31st March, 1939.

94B. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$150,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands, Expenses (including Administration, Maintenance of Buildings, Launches, Autos, and other Equipment, etc.), to 31st March, 1939.

96. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$4,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands, Grant to Canadian Forestry Association, to 31st March, 1939.

97. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$10,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands, Reconnaissance and Cruising, to 31st March, 1939.

98. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$14,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands, Forest Research, to 31st March, 1939.

99. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$15,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands, Reforestation and Forest Nursery, to 31st March, 1939.

100. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$25,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands, Water Surveys, to 31st March, 1939.

101. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$5,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands, B.C. Hydrometric Service, to 31st March, 1939.

102. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$37,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands, "Soldiers' Land Act" (Chap. 80, 1918), to 31st March, 1939.

103. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$45,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands, Surveys and Maps, to 31st March, 1939.

104. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$500 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands, Refund of Stumpage deposited with Dominion Government by Homesteaders in Former Railway Belt and Peace River Block prior to Transfer, to 31st March, 1939.

105. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands, Refunds under "Land Act" and "Revenue Act," to 31st March, 1939.

106. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands, Publicity, to 31st March, 1939.

107. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,500 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands, Incidentals and Contingencies, to 31st March, 1939.

108. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$3,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands, Provincial Parks, to 31st March, 1939.

109. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$10,600 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Mines, Minister's Office, to 31st March, 1939.

71. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$13,900 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Finance, Minister's Office, to 31st March, 1939.

72. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$39,370 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Finance, General Office, to 31st March, 1939.

73. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$26,440 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Finance, Probate and Succession Duties Branch, to 31st March, 1939.

74. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$76,606 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Finance, Controlling and Audit Branch, to 31st March, 1939.

75. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$132,932 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Finance, Taxation Branch, to 31st March, 1939.

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

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

E. W. HAMBER,
Lieutenant-Governor.

The Lieutenant-Governor transmits herewith a Bill intituled "An Act to amend the 'Probate Duty Act,'" and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,
December 2nd, 1937.

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

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

Resolved, That the Committee rise and report to the House, recommending the introduction of a Bill (No. 76) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Probate Duty Act,'" a draft of which is annexed to this Resolution.

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

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

E. W. HAMBER,
Lieutenant-Governor.

The Lieutenant-Governor transmits herewith a Bill intituled "An Act to amend the 'Succession Duty Act,'" and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,
December 2nd, 1937.

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

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

Resolved, That the Committee rise and report to the House, recommending the introduction of a Bill (No. 77) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Succession Duty Act,'" a draft of which is annexed to this Resolution.

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

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

E. W. HAMBER,
Lieutenant-Governor.

The Lieutenant-Governor transmits herewith a Bill intituled "An Act to amend the 'Game Act,'" and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,
December 2nd, 1937.

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

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

Resolved, That the Committee rise and report to the House, recommending the introduction of a Bill (No. 72) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Game Act,'" a draft of which is annexed to this Resolution.

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

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

E. W. HAMBER,
Lieutenant-Governor.

The Lieutenant-Governor transmits herewith a Bill intituled "An Act to amend the 'Land Settlement and Development Act,'" and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,
December 2nd, 1937.

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

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

Resolved, That the Committee rise and report to the House, recommending the introduction of a Bill (No. 75) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Land Settlement and Development Act,'" a draft of which is annexed to this Resolution.

Resolution and Bill reported.

Report adopted.

Bill introduced and read a first time.

Second reading at the next sitting.

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

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. *Gray*—Bill (No. 71) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Richmond Drainage and Dyking Act, 1936.'"

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. *Gray*—Bill (No. 49) intituled "An Act to authorize the Refunding of certain Indebtedness of the City of Victoria."

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. *Gray*—Bill (No. 69) intituled "An Act respecting the Corporation of the City of Merritt."

On the motion of Mr. *Leary*—Bill (No. 78) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Chiropody Act.'"

The Hon. Mr. *Weir* presented the following papers:—

Annual Report of the Administration of the "Mothers' Pensions Act" for the Year ended March 31st, 1937.

Report and Financial Statement under the "Mothers' Pensions Act" for the Six Months ended September 30th, 1937.

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

1. Has the Government made a survey during the current year to determine the route of the proposed West Coast Road between the end of the present road and Port Renfrew?
2. If so, what has such survey cost to date?
3. By whom was said survey made?

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

"1 to 3. This information will be available in the Public Works Report and Public Accounts for the current fiscal year."

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

1. Has the Government employed one Clarence Hoard in connection with a survey of a route of a proposed West Coast Road beyond Jordan River?
2. If so, in what capacity was the said Hoard employed?
3. What were the terms of his employment?

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

"1 to 3. This information will be available to the Public Accounts Committee in due course."

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

1. Is A. L. Mallroy employed by the Department of Public Works on Queen Charlotte Islands?
2. If yes, what appointment does he hold and when was the appointment made?

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

"1 and 2. A. R. Mallory employed as road foreman, as and when required, since December, 1933."

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

1. How much Tarvia "B" was used upon the Metchosin Road in Esquimalt District, between the Metchosin Hall and Colwood Community Hall, in 1936?

2. How much coal-tar primer and Tarvia "B" flush-coat was used upon the said road between the said points in 1937?

3. Were tenders called for the supply of the said Tarvia "B" and coal-tar primer?

4. If so, when were such tenders called?

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

"1. 2,027 gallons Tarvia 'B'; 1,190 gallons coal-tar. The coal-tar, used as primer, was inadvertently not included in reply to part 2 of question on page 3 of Votes and Proceedings No. 13, November 17th, 1937. The price and vendor were the same as of the coal-tar purchased in 1937 for the same purpose.

"2. 2,944 gallons of coal-tar; 7,331 gallons of Tarvia 'B.'

"3 and 4. Materials purchased by the Provincial Government Purchasing Agent."

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

And then the House adjourned at 6 p.m.

Friday, December 3rd, 1937.

HALF-PAST TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by Mr. Speaker.

On the Order being called for the notice of motion standing on the Orders of the Day in the name of Mr. *Telford*, as follows:—

Whereas the annual interest charges on the debt of this Province is approximately nine million dollars; and

Whereas the cost of relief during the last fiscal year was approximately ten million dollars; and

Whereas the sinking funds of the Province are in arrears by several millions of dollars; and

Whereas it is admitted there is an increase in the gross debt of this Province for the fiscal year of 1936-37 of \$6,871,000, approximately; and

Whereas our natural resources and other sources of revenue are naturally dwindling as time passes; and

Whereas it would appear that we are passing on to rising generations a responsibility for which they have had no opportunity to indicate their willingness or otherwise to assume; and

Whereas other Governmental responsibilities, such as Federal and municipal, are likewise increasing at an alarming rate; and

Whereas it would appear that nothing short of a complete financial and economic breakdown, with resultant chaos, will occur unless intelligent, scientific precautions are taken at once:

Therefore be it Resolved, That this House resolve itself into Committee of the Whole to consider ways and means of assuming our full share of all financial and social obligations undertaken by us, and pass none of these on to future generations to bear.

Mr. Speaker delivered the following decision on the point of order raised by the Hon. Mr. *Pattullo* on the 24th of November:—

Honourable Members,—I am of the opinion that motion No. 38 is out of order.

The preamble contains such words as "it is admitted" and "it would appear." Similar expressions were held to be equivalent to citing matters and documents not before the House by Mr. Speaker Perry in two decisions appearing in the Journals of the House for 1935 at p. 124, and the Journals of 1936, 1st Session, at p. 136.

The practice of using such phraseology in Resolutions ought not to be encouraged, as wrong impressions are apt to be created in the public mind.

As the Resolution is drafted it is difficult to see how the Committee could bring in any report other than one that would be out of order as dictating Government policy or involving public expenditure or imposing taxation, but I do not think it is necessary to make any decision on this point as the Resolution is out of order for the reasons stated above.

N. W. WHITTAKER, *Speaker*.

Bill (No. 54) intituled "An Act to incorporate The Roman Catholic Bishop of Nelson and his Successors in Office a Corporation Sole" was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 53) intituled "An Act to amend 'The Crow's Nest Pass Electric Light and Power Company, Limited, Act, 1900'" was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 51) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Vancouver Incorporation Act, 1921'" was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

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

Bill (No. 44) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Public Schools Act.'"

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

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

Bill (No. 20) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Hours of Work Act.'"

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

Bill (No. 65) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Village Municipalities Act.'"

Bill (No. 66) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Prince Rupert Enabling Act, 1936.'"

Bill (No. 67) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Municipal Elections Act.'"

Bill (No. 68) intituled "An Act relating to The Corporation of the City of Vernon."

Bill (No. 63) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Municipalities Incorporation Act.'"

Bill (No. 75) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Land Settlement and Development Act.'"

Bill (No. 71) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Richmond Drainage and Dyking Act, 1936.'"

Bill (No. 49) intituled "An Act to authorize the Refunding of certain Indebtedness of the City of Victoria."

Bill (No. 69) intituled "An Act respecting the Corporation of the City of Merritt."

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the second reading of Bill (No. 23) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Hospital Act.'"

The debate continued.

By leave of the House, on the motion of Mr. *E. E. Winch*, the Order for the second reading of the Bill was discharged, and the Bill *Ordered* dropped from the Order Paper.

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the motion that Bill (No. 26) intituled "An Act respecting Industrial Settlements" be now read a second time.

The debate continued.

The motion was negatived on the following division:—

YEAS—7.

Messieurs

Guthrie
Cameron

Shepherd
Winch, E. E.

Telford
Steeves, Mrs.

Winch, H. E.

NAYS—35.

Messieurs

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| <i>Henniger</i> | <i>LeBourdais</i> | <i>Leary</i> | <i>Murray</i> |
| <i>Bull</i> | <i>Straith</i> | <i>Gillis</i> | <i>Tupper</i> |
| <i>Braden</i> | <i>Paton</i> | <i>Perry</i> | <i>Asselstine</i> |
| <i>Johnston</i> | <i>Maitland</i> | <i>Hart</i> | <i>Carson</i> |
| <i>Hunter</i> | <i>Anscomb</i> | <i>Pattullo</i> | <i>MacPherson</i> |
| <i>Finland</i> | <i>Putnam</i> | <i>Weir</i> | <i>Pearson</i> |
| <i>Eyres</i> | <i>Kenney</i> | <i>Bryan</i> | <i>Gray</i> |
| <i>Macintosh</i> | <i>Burns</i> | <i>Forester</i> | <i>MacDonald</i> |
| <i>Crone</i> | <i>King</i> | <i>Connelly</i> | |

PAIRS:

Messieurs

*Uphill**Wismer*

On the second reading of Bill (No. 61) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Naturopathic Physicians Act'" a debate arose, which was, on the motion of Mr. *Gillis*, adjourned to the next sitting.

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

E. W. HAMBER,
Lieutenant-Governor.

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

Government House,
December 3rd, 1937.

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

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

Resolved, That the Committee rise and report to the House, recommending the introduction of a Bill (No. 79) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Forest Act,'" a draft of which is annexed to this Resolution.

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

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

E. W. HAMBER,
Lieutenant-Governor.

The Lieutenant-Governor transmits herewith amendments to Bill (No. 40) intituled "An Act respecting Provincial Infirmaries," enclosed herewith, and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,
December 3rd, 1937.

(ENCLOSURE.)

Section 5: To renumber the section as subsection (1), and add the following as subsection (2):—

"(2.) If, in the case of any inmate of a Provincial Infirmary in respect of whom a municipality makes payments to the Crown under the provisions of subsection (1), the Crown receives other moneys or property from the inmate, or from his personal representatives, or from his estate, towards his maintenance, the Crown shall reimburse the municipality for its payments in respect of the inmate, to the extent that the moneys and property so received permit."

Section 6: Preceding the words "all money," in the ninth line, insert the words "Subject to the provisions of section 5."

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

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

Resolved, That the Committee rise and report to the House, recommending the introduction of the proposed amendments to Bill (No. 40) intituled "An Act respecting Provincial Infirmaries," a draft of which is annexed to the Message from His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor.

Resolution and amendments reported.

Amendments introduced and read a first and second time.

Ordered, That the amendments be referred to the Committee of the Whole having in charge Bill (No. 40) intituled "An Act respecting Provincial Infirmaries."

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. *Pattullo*, seconded by the Hon. Mr. *MacPherson*, it was *Resolved*,—

That on Monday, December 6th, and all following days of this Session, there shall be three distinct sittings in each day, as follows: From 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.; from 2 p.m. to 6 p.m.; and from 8 p.m. until adjournment, unless otherwise ordered.

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

1. Have there been any contractors from Natal, B.C., employed to get out gravel or deliver same on any portion of the road between Crownsnest and Hosmer, either by contract or day-labour during 1936-37?

2. If yes, what were their names and how much have they been paid? State on day-work or contract, price per yard or load.

3. Have there been any proprietors of garages from Natal employed during 1936-37, doing repairs to trucks or cars, etc.?

4. Has the Government hired any cars to take workmen to and from their work?

5. Has any gasoline or other motor supplies, such as oil, tires, etc., been purchased in 1936-37?

6. If yes, give names and amounts in each case.

The Hon. Mr. *MacPherson* rose to a point of order with reference to the following questions standing on the Order Paper in the name of Mr. *Uphill*:—

1. (a.) How many time-keepers are operating at and out of the Government yards in Fernie? (b.) What are their names? (c.) What wages are they receiving? (d.) When were they appointed? (e.) Were they on relief previous to their appointment? (f.) Are their wages paid out of the relief-money allotted to the Fernie District?

2. How many motor-trucks are placed in the Fernie Government yards?

3. How many gasoline-pumps are there in the Government yard in Fernie?

4. To what sources have these pumps supplied gasoline since January 1st, 1937?

5. (a.) How many gallons of gasoline were supplied to each pump for each month in 1937? (b.) What was the price per gallon and to what departments was it charged?

6. (a.) How much oil was delivered to the Fernie Government yards for each month in 1937, and what was the price each month? (b.) To what department was it charged and how much to each department?

7. (a.) Were there any motor-cars supplied with gasoline and oil at the Fernie yard in the year 1937? (b.) If yes, who owned the cars and how much gasoline and oil was supplied, and for what purpose?

8. (a.) Were any motor-trucks other than those owned by the Government supplied with any gasoline or oil at the Government yards at Fernie in the year 1937? (b.) If yes, who owned the trucks and for what purpose was it supplied, and how much supplied to each truck?

9. (a.) How many straw-bosses were operating from the Fernie Government yards in May, 1937? (b.) What is the daily wage of each straw-boss? (c.) Are their wages paid

out of the relief-money appropriated to Fernie District? (d.) If not, from what source are their wages paid? (e.) How many straw-bosses were operating out of the Fernie yard in the month of October, 1937? (f.) What was the reason for additional appointments, if any?

10. (a.) Are there any other bosses with the exception of the road foreman operating from the Government yards at Fernie? (b.) If any, what are their names, what are their qualifications, what are their salaries, and from what source is it paid?

11. (a.) Were any truck-drivers dismissed from driving the Government trucks working out of the Fernie yards since June 1st, 1937? (b.) If yes, how long had they been driving the same trucks, and what was the reason for change? (c.) Have any new truck-drivers been employed at the Fernie yards since June 1st, 1937? (d.) If yes, what were their names and had they previously driven trucks before?

Mr. Speaker reserved his decision.

Mr. *E. E. Winch* asked the Hon. the Minister of Public Works the following questions:—

1. Have requests been received by the Government from public bodies in Burnaby urging serious consideration of the need for the widening of Kingsway between Boundary Road and Edmonds?

2. Has the Government made or received estimates of the probable cost of such widening, based upon different widths?

3. If yes, what is the estimated cost of the respective proposals?

4. Does the Government propose to carry out this undertaking?

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

“1. No.

“2. This Department has made no estimate.

“3. See answer to No. 1.

“4. Matter of Government policy.”

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

1. Have any cheques remained uncashed which were issued in payment of refunds under the 1-per-cent. tax for the years 1934, 1935, 1936, and 1937?

2. If so, what is the amount represented by such cheques for each year?

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

“1. Yes.

“2. Fiscal year ended March 31st, 1934 and 1935, \$355.16; fiscal year ended March 31st, 1936, \$176.87; fiscal year ended March 31st, 1937, \$465.07. These cheques were returned by the post-office undelivered.”

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

1. Did the Hanson Hotel at Morrissey, B.C., or Morrissey Townsite revert to the Government?

2. If yes, when did it so revert?

3. Was it sold at a tax sale?

4. If yes, what price did the Government receive for same?

5. Of how many feet of lumber was the building composed?

6. Did the Government advertise the same for sale in the usual public manner?

7. If yes, where and when, and who was the purchaser?

The Hon. Mr. *Gray* (Minister of Lands) replied as follows:—

“1. Yes.

“2. 1931.

“3. No; but was sold under the provisions of the ‘Taxation Act.’

“4. \$100.

“5. No estimate made.

“6. Yes.

“7. Public notices calling tenders for the purchase of the building were posted in the Government Buildings and Police Headquarters in Cranbrook, Elko, Morrissey, and Fernie, May, 1936. Mr. Ross Costanzo, Fernie, B.C.

“(NOTE.—These questions should have been asked of the Hon. the Minister of Lands.)”

Mr. *Macintosh* asked the Hon. the Minister of Education and Provincial Secretary the following questions:—

1. Did the Government cause to be published in the "Vancouver Sun" newspaper on August 12th, 1937, on pages 12, 13, 14, and 15 thereof, articles referring to the British Columbia Health and Welfare Services?

2. Who wrote such articles?

3. What was the total amount paid to the said writer for the said articles?

4. What was the total amount paid for the publication of the said articles?

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

"1. Yes; on pages 12 and 13 only.

"2. Compiled from material supplied by the two Departments concerned.

"3. Nil.

"4. Education Department, \$369.60; Provincial Secretary's Department, \$369.60."

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

1. Was a tractor and grader sent into the Beaton District of Kaslo-Slocan Electoral District this year by the Department of Public Works; and, if so, where was the same sent from?

2. By what means of transportation was the said equipment sent into the said Beaton District?

3. What company or individual transported said equipment?

4. Was or is such company or individual a licensed freight-carrier?

5. What was the cost of such transportation?

6. Were quotations sought for such transportation?

7. If so, what company or companies gave quotations?

8. What were the amounts of such quotations?

9. Was a compressor brought back on the return trip by the company referred to in No. 3?

10. What was the cost of such transportation?

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

"1. Tractor and grader sent from Nakusp to Beaton.

"2. By tug-boat and barge.

"3. White Pine Lumber Company.

"4. No motor-vehicles registered in the name of White Pine Lumber Company; no carrier's licence required for this operation.

"5. \$150 for delivery and return.

"6. No. As it was late in the season for such work, time would not permit calling for tenders.

"7 and 8. Answered by No. 6.

"9. Yes.

"10. See answer to No. 5."

Mr. *Eyres* asked the Hon. the Minister of Lands the following questions:—

1. What amount of money has been collected in timber royalties on timber taken from the Vedder River District, between the Vedder Crossing, Chilliwack Lake, and the United States border?

2. Is any amount due for royalties to date; and, if yes, how much?

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

"1. Area designated was under Dominion jurisdiction prior to 1930. Provincial accounts since that date are kept by forest districts and are not segregated by localities. For these reasons, to extract information asked for would require the services of an accountant for about two weeks.

"2. Yes; \$15,430.14."

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

1. How many trucks are in use on the Queen Charlotte Islands?

2. How many were purchased in 1937?

3. From what agent or agents were the trucks purchased?

The Hon. Mr. MacPherson replied as follows:—

“The Attorney-General’s Department (Motor-vehicle Record Branch) advises as follows:—

“1, 2, and 3. Motor-vehicle licences issued in 1937 to date by office on Queen Charlotte Islands include ten trucks, one station-wagon, and eight light-delivery vehicles; no new registrations were recorded in that office.”

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

And then the House adjourned at 5.35 p.m.

Friday, December 3rd, 1937.

HALF-PAST EIGHT O’CLOCK P.M.

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. Pattullo, the House proceeded to the Orders of the Day, “Public Bills and Orders.”

Bill (No. 32) intituled “An Act to amend the ‘Grasshopper-control Act’” was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 37) intituled “An Act respecting the Industrial School for Girls” was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 29) intituled “An Act to amend the ‘Public Libraries Act’” was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 39) intituled “An Act respecting Private Welfare Institutions” was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 40) intituled “An Act respecting Provincial Infirmaries” was committed, reported complete with amendments, to be considered as amended at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 41) intituled “An Act to amend the ‘Provincial Home for the Aged Act’” was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 45) intituled “An Act respecting the Grading of Beef” was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 19) intituled “An Act to amend the ‘Factories Act’” was committed, reported complete with amendments, to be considered as amended at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 20) intituled “An Act to amend the ‘Hours of Work Act’” was committed, progress reported, Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 64) intituled “An Act to amend the ‘Municipal Act’” was committed, progress reported, Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 65) intituled “An Act to amend the ‘Village Municipalities Act’” was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 66) intituled “An Act to amend the ‘Prince Rupert Enabling Act, 1936’” was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 67) intituled “An Act to amend the ‘Municipal Elections Act’” was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 68) intituled “An Act relating to The Corporation of the City of Vernon” was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 63) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Municipalities Incorporation Act'" was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 75) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Land Settlement and Development Act'" was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 71) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Richmond Drainage and Dyking Act, 1936'" was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 49) intituled "An Act to authorize the Refunding of certain Indebtedness of the City of Victoria" was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 69) intituled "An Act respecting the Corporation of the City of Merritt" was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

On the motion of Mr. *Asselstine*, seconded by Mr. *Kenney*, it was *Resolved*,—

Whereas the honourable first member for Vancouver East, in the course of a speech in this House, made certain charges in relation to B.C. Nickel Mines, Ltd., and its directors; and

Whereas Victor Spencer, Esq., president of said company, has intimated to the Chairman of the Select Standing Committee on Mining that the said charges not only reflect upon his personal character, but also are seriously affecting the standing and ability to finance of the company, that the charge if unanswered will also have a detrimental effect on the mining interests of the Province as a whole:

Therefore be it *Resolved*, That the charges made by the honourable first member for Vancouver East be referred to the Select Standing Committee on Mining, with instructions to investigate and report their findings to this House.

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

And then the House adjourned at 11.10 p.m.

Saturday, December 4th, 1937.

HALF-PAST TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by Mr. Speaker.

Order for Committee of Supply called.

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

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

76. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$12,015 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Finance, Agent-General's Office and B.C. House, London, England, to 31st March, 1939.

77. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$672,063 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Finance, Government Agents and Assessors, etc., to 31st March, 1939.

78. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$54,130 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Finance, Postal Branch, to 31st March, 1939.

79. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$9,500 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Finance, Printing Public Accounts, Revenue Receipts, Bonds, Cheques, Estimates, etc., to 31st March, 1939.

80. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$6,500 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Finance, Interest on Suitors' Funds Deposits, to 31st March, 1939.

81. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$25,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Finance, Delinquent Extra-municipal School Taxes, to 31st March, 1939.

82. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$5,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Finance, Incidentals and Contingencies, to 31st March, 1939.
83. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$800 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Finance, Grant to the City of Greenwood, to 31st March, 1939.
84. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$9,600 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Finance, Grant to the City of Rossland, to 31st March, 1939.
85. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$22,240 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Fisheries to 31st March, 1939.
86. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$3,540 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Labour, Minister's Office, to 31st March, 1939.
87. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$83,745 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Labour, General Office, to 31st March, 1939.
88. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$8,140 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Labour, Factories Inspection, to 31st March, 1939.
89. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$9,860 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Labour, Apprenticeship Branch, to 31st March, 1939.
90. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Labour, Trade-schools Regulation, to 31st March, 1939.
91. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$39,003 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Labour, Employment Service, to 31st March, 1939.
92. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$11,500 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Labour, Reorganization of Employment Service, to 31st March, 1939.
110. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$22,550 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Mines, General Office—General Administration, to 31st March, 1939.
111. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$74,270 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Mines, Mineralogical Branch, to 31st March, 1939.
112. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$9,105 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Mines, Assay Branch, to 31st March, 1939.
113. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$40,670 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Mines, Mines Inspection Branch, to 31st March, 1939.
114. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$11,780 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Mines, Mine-rescue and Training Stations, to 31st March, 1939.
115. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$5,500 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Mines, Grants, to 31st March, 1939.
116. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$55,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Mines, Grants in Aid of Mining Roads and Trails, etc., to 31st March, 1939.
117. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$2,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Mines, Lectures on Practical Geology and Mineralogy, to 31st March, 1939.
118. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,400 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Mines, Subsidy *re* Explosives to assist *Bona-fide* Mineral Prospectors, to 31st March, 1939.
119. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$6,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Mines, Advertising, Miscellaneous Bulletins, Incidentals, and Contingencies, to 31st March, 1939.
120. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$500 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Mines, Silicosis Investigation, to 31st March, 1939.
121. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$4,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Mines, Sampling Plants, to 31st March, 1939.
2. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$104,650 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Legislation to 31st March, 1939.

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

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

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. *Pattullo* (on behalf of the Hon. Mr. *Wismer*)—Bill (No. 81) intituled “An Act to amend the ‘Land Registry Act.’”

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. *Pattullo* (on behalf of the Hon. Mr. *Wismer*)—Bill (No. 82) intituled “An Act to amend the ‘Distress Act.’”

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. *Pattullo* (on behalf of the Hon. Mr. *Wismer*)—Bill (No. 85) intituled “An Act to amend the ‘Mechanics’ Lien Act.’”

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. *Pattullo* (on behalf of the Hon. Mr. *Wismer*)—Bill (No. 86) intituled “An Act to amend the ‘Conditional Sales Act.’”

Bill (No. 40) intituled “An Act respecting Provincial Infirmaries” was considered as amended, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 19) intituled “An Act to amend the ‘Factories Act’” was considered as amended, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 3) intituled “An Act to create a Department of Trade and Industry and to provide for the Investigation of Matters of Economic Importance, the Encouragement of Industry, the Collection and Publication of Statistics, the Development of Trade, and the Stimulation of Tourist Traffic” was committed, progress reported, Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

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

1. How many passenger-automobiles were purchased by the Department of Public Works between April 1st, 1936, and March 31st, 1937?

2. How many motor-trucks were purchased by the Department of Public Works between April 1st, 1936, and March 31st, 1937?

3. What was the total price paid by the Department of Public Works for (a) passenger-automobiles and (b) motor-trucks between April 1st, 1936, and March 31st, 1937?

4. How many passenger-automobiles were purchased by the Department of Public Works between April 1st, 1937, and September 30th, 1937?

5. How many motor-trucks were purchased by the Department of Public Works between April 1st, 1937, and September 30th, 1937?

6. What was the total price paid by the Department of Public Works for (a) passenger-automobiles and (b) motor-trucks between April 1st, 1937, and September 30th, 1937?

7. How many (a) passenger-automobiles and (b) motor-trucks were owned by the Department of Public Works on October 1st, 1937?

8. How many (a) passenger-automobiles and (b) motor-trucks were owned by the Department of Public Works on October 1st, 1936?

9. What was the inventory value of (a) passenger-automobiles and (b) motor-trucks owned by the Department of Public Works on March 31st, 1937?

10. What was the inventory value of (a) passenger-automobiles and (b) motor-trucks owned by the Department of Public Works on March 31st, 1936?

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

“1. 7.

“2. 12.

“3. (a) \$9,740.84; (b) \$14,774.92.

“4 to 7. This information will be available to the Public Accounts Committee in due course.

“8. (a) 49; (b) 377.

“9. (a) \$25,144.34; (b) \$135,115.70.

“10. (a) \$27,280; (b) \$160,350.59.”

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

1. Has any money been expended on the Hope-Princeton Road since March 31st, 1937, to November 1st, 1937? If yes, how much?
2. What did the work consist of?

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

"1. Yes. Expenditures for the current fiscal year will be available in the Public Accounts in due course.

"2. This information will be available in the Public Works Report for the current fiscal year."

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

1. Between November 17th, 1934, and November 1st, 1937, how many fatal accidents occurred on the construction of the Fraser River (New Westminster) Bridge and the approaches to the said bridge?
2. Within the same period of time, how many persons were injured on the construction of the said Fraser River (New Westminster) Bridge and its approaches?

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

"1. Two.

"2. Thirty-six, exclusive of minor accidents."

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

1. Was any money expended on the Merritt-Princeton Highway since March 31st, 1937, to November 1st, 1937? If yes, how much?
2. What did the work for which the said money was paid consist of?
3. Have any camps been dismantled on the Merritt-Princeton Highway since March 31st, 1937?
4. If No. 3 is answered yes, by whom was the camp or camps dismantled?
5. Were tenders called for the purchase of camp material?
6. If yes, what persons tendered and what were the amounts of such tenders?
7. Who was the successful tenderer?
8. Has the Department been paid for such material?

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

"1. Yes. Expenditures for the current fiscal year will be available in the Public Accounts in due course.

"2. General maintenance.

"3. Not by this Department.

"4 to 8, inclusive. See answer to No. 3."

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

And then the House adjourned at 5.55 p.m.

Saturday, December 4th, 1937.

HALF-PAST EIGHT O'CLOCK P.M.

On the Order being called for the questions standing on the Order Paper in the name of Mr. *Uphill*, as follows:—

1. (a.) How many time-keepers are operating at and out of the Government yards in Fernie? (b.) What are their names? (c.) What wages are they receiving? (d.) When were they appointed? (e.) Were they on relief previous to their appointment? (f.) Are their wages paid out of the relief-money allotted to the Fernie District?
2. How many motor-trucks are placed in the Fernie Government yards?
3. How many gasoline-pumps are there in the Government yard in Fernie?

4. To what sources have these pumps supplied gasoline since January 1st, 1937?
5. (a.) How many gallons of gasoline were supplied to each pump for each month in 1937? (b.) What was the price per gallon and to what departments was it charged?
6. (a.) How much oil was delivered to the Fernie Government yards for each month in 1937, and what was the price each month? (b.) To what department was it charged and how much to each department?
7. (a.) Were there any motor-cars supplied with gasoline and oil at the Fernie yard in the year 1937? (b.) If yes, who owned the cars and how much gasoline and oil was supplied, and for what purpose?
8. (a.) Were any motor-trucks other than those owned by the Government supplied with any gasoline or oil at the Government yards at Fernie in the year 1937? (b.) If yes, who owned the trucks and for what purpose was it supplied, and how much supplied to each truck?
9. (a.) How many straw-bosses were operating from the Fernie Government yards in May, 1937? (b.) What is the daily wage of each straw-boss? (c.) Are their wages paid out of the relief-money appropriated to Fernie District? (d.) If not, from what source are their wages paid? (e.) How many straw-bosses were operating out of the Fernie yard in the month of October, 1937? (f.) What was the reason for additional appointments, if any?
10. (a.) Are there any other bosses with the exception of the road foreman operating from the Government yards at Fernie? (b.) If any, what are their names, what are their qualifications, what are their salaries, and from what source is it paid?
11. (a.) Were any truck-drivers dismissed from driving the Government trucks working out of the Fernie yards since June 1st, 1937? (b.) If yes, how long had they been driving the same trucks, and what was the reason for change? (c.) Have any new truck-drivers been employed at the Fernie yards since June 1st, 1937? (d.) If yes, what were their names and had they previously driven trucks before?

Mr. Speaker delivered the following decision on the point of order raised by the Hon. Mr. MacPherson on the 3rd instant:—

Honourable Members,—My attention has been called to question 232 on the Order Paper of December 3rd, 1937, standing in the name of Mr. Uphill.

No. 1 (a) is allowed.

No. 1 (b) is struck out. It is undesirable to unnecessarily bring a Government employee's name before the public (*see* decision of Mr. Speaker Davie, p. 27, 1932 Journals).

No. 1 (c) is allowed.

No. 1 (d) and (e) struck out. Not of public interest.

No. 1 (f) is allowed.

Nos. 2 and 3 are struck out. Member may obtain information personally or from Department.

Nos. 4, 5, 6, 7, and 8 are struck out. If the purpose of these questions is to ascertain whether any gasoline or oil was supplied to private individuals for other than departmental purposes, one question, properly worded, would suffice.

No. 9 (a) is allowed.

No. 9 (b) is struck out, as it could not be answered without making public names of employees.

No. 9 (c) and (d) are allowed, although one question would suffice.

No. 9 (e) and (f) are allowed.

No. 10 (a) is allowed.

No. 10 (b) is struck out as containing too many questions in one.

No. 11 (a) is allowed.

No. 11 (b) is struck out. It contains two questions in one and moreover could not be answered without disclosing names of individuals.

No. 11 (c) is allowed.

No. 11 (d) is struck out. The first part of the question asks for names of employees and the second part is not of public interest.

All questions struck out may be renewed in proper form if otherwise allowable.

N. W. WHITTAKER, *Speaker*.

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. *Pattullo*, the House proceeded to the Orders of the Day, "Public Bills and Orders."

Bill (No. 20) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Hours of Work Act'" was again committed, reported complete with amendments, to be considered as amended at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 44) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Public Schools Act'" was committed, reported complete with amendments, to be considered as amended at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 42) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Hospital Act'" was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 38) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Mortgagors' and Purchasers' Relief Act, 1934'" was read a second time, and *Ordered* to be committed at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 76) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Probate Duty Act'" was read a second time, and *Ordered* to be committed at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 77) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Succession Duty Act'" was read a second time, and *Ordered* to be committed at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 50) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Okanagan Telephone Company's Act' and the 'Okanagan Telephone Company's Act Amendment Act, 1913'" was committed, progress reported, Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

By leave of the House, on the motion of Mr. *H. E. Winch*, the Order for Committee on Bill (No. 22) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Hours of Work Act'" was discharged, and the Bill *Ordered* dropped from the Order Paper.

On the second reading of Bill (No. 28) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Female Minimum Wage Act'" a debate arose, which was, on the motion of the Hon. Mr. *Pattullo*, adjourned to the next sitting.

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the second reading of Bill (No. 61) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Naturopathic Physicians Act.'"

The debate continued.

Bill read a second time on the following division:—

YEAS—19.

Messieurs

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| <i>Henniger</i> | <i>Winch, E. E.</i> | <i>Putnam</i> | <i>Connolly</i> |
| <i>Bull</i> | <i>Crone</i> | <i>Kennedy</i> | <i>Murray</i> |
| <i>Guthrie</i> | <i>LeBourdais</i> | <i>King</i> | <i>Tupper</i> |
| <i>Cameron</i> | <i>Steeves, Mrs.</i> | <i>Leary</i> | <i>Carson</i> |
| <i>Shepherd</i> | <i>Winch, H. E.</i> | <i>Forester</i> | |

NAYS—13.

Messieurs

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| <i>Braden</i> | <i>Paton</i> | <i>Gillis</i> | <i>Pattullo</i> |
| <i>Finland</i> | <i>Maitland</i> | <i>Perry</i> | <i>MacPherson</i> |
| <i>Eyres</i> | <i>Patterson</i> | <i>Hart</i> | <i>MacDonald</i> |
| <i>Macintosh</i> | | | |

To be committed at the next sitting.

Mr. *E. E. Winch* moved, seconded by Mr. *H. E. Winch*,—

Whereas old-age pensioners have reached the age when medical attention becomes increasingly essential to their comfort and well-being; and

Whereas the pension is barely sufficient to meet the most meagre living expenses:

Therefore be it Resolved, That in the opinion of this Legislature the provision of medical needs of old-age pensioners is a matter fully worthy of the immediate, earnest, and most sympathetic consideration of this Government.

A debate arose, which was, on the motion of the Hon. Mr. *Pattullo*, adjourned to the next sitting.

Mr. *Eyres* moved, seconded by Mr. *Maitland*,—

Whereas the dairy and poultry industries of this Province are struggling with the problem of the high cost of production; and

Whereas one of the factors in such high cost of production is the excessive freight rate on feed-grain and mill-feeds from the Prairie Provinces to points in British Columbia:

Therefore be it Resolved, That in the opinion of this House the domestic rate on feed-grain and mill-feeds moving from the Prairie Provinces to points in British Columbia should be reduced to the rate that now applies to export grain and grain products from the Prairie Provinces to the ports on the Pacific Coast of this Province.

A debate arose, which was, on the motion of the Hon. Mr. *MacDonald*, adjourned to the next sitting.

On the motion that Bill (No. 78) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Chiroprody Act'" be now read a second time, a debate arose.

The motion was negatived on the following division:—

YEAS—13.

Messieurs

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| <i>Henniger</i> | <i>Winch, E. E.</i> | <i>Straith</i> | <i>Leary</i> |
| <i>Braden</i> | <i>Crone</i> | <i>Putnam</i> | <i>Murray</i> |
| <i>Bull</i> | <i>LeBourdais</i> | <i>Kenney</i> | <i>Tupper</i> |
| <i>Shepherd</i> | | | |

NAYS—21.

Messieurs

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| <i>Guthrie</i> | <i>Paton</i> | <i>Gillis</i> | <i>Forester</i> |
| <i>Cameron</i> | <i>Maitland</i> | <i>Perry</i> | <i>Connelly</i> |
| <i>Eyres</i> | <i>Patterson</i> | <i>Hart</i> | <i>Carson</i> |
| <i>Macintosh</i> | <i>Burns</i> | <i>Pattullo</i> | <i>MacPherson</i> |
| <i>Steeves, Mrs.</i> | <i>King</i> | <i>Weir</i> | <i>MacDonald</i> |
| <i>Winch, H. E.</i> | | | |

Resolved, That the House, at its rising, do stand adjourned until 2.30 o'clock p.m. on Monday next.

And then the House adjourned at 11.12 p.m.

Monday, December 6th, 1937.

HALF-PAST TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by Mr. Speaker.

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. *Pattullo*, the House proceeded to the Orders of the Day, "Public Bills and Orders."

Bill (No. 20) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Hours of Work Act'" was considered as amended, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 44) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Public Schools Act'" was considered as amended, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 3) intituled "An Act to create a Department of Trade and Industry and to provide for the Investigation of Matters of Economic Importance, the Encouragement of Industry, the Collection and Publication of Statistics, the Development of Trade, and the Stimulation of Tourist Traffic" was again committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 34) intituled "An Act to amend and consolidate the 'Department of Mines Act'" was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 38) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Mortgagors' and Purchasers' Relief Act, 1934'" was committed, reported complete without amendment, read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 76) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Probate Duty Act'" was committed, progress reported, Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 77) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Succession Duty Act'" was committed, progress reported, Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 62) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Insurance Act'" was read a second time, and *Ordered* to be committed at the next sitting.

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the second reading of Bill (No. 4) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Jury Act.'"

By leave of the House, on the motion of the Hon. Mr. *Wismer*, the Order for the second reading of the said Bill was discharged, and the Bill *Ordered* dropped from the Order Paper.

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

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

Bill (No. 79) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Forest Act.'"

Bill (No. 81) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Land Registry Act.'"

Bill (No. 82) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Distress Act.'"

Bill (No. 85) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Mechanics' Lien Act.'"

Bill (No. 86) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Conditional Sales Act.'"

Bill (No. 50) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Okanagan Telephone Company's Act' and the 'Okanagan Telephone Company's Act Amendment Act, 1913'" was again committed, reported complete with amendments, to be considered as amended at the next sitting.

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the motion that Bill (No. 28) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Female Minimum Wage Act'" be now read a second time.

The debate continued.

The motion was negatived on the following division:—

YEAS—8.

Messieurs

Guthrie
Cameron

Shepherd
Winch, E. E.

Uphill
Telford

Steeves, Mrs.
Winch, H. E.

NAYS—37.

Messieurs

Henniger
Braden
Bull
Johnston
Hunter
Finland
Eyres
Macintosh
LeBourdais
Straith

Bruhn
Paton
Maitland
Anscomb
Putnam
Kenney
Burns
King
Leary

Gillis
Smith, Mrs.
Perry
Hart
Pattullo
Wismer
Weir
Bryan
Forester

Connelly
Murray
Tupper
Asselstine
Carson
MacPherson
Pearson
Gray
MacDonald

On the motion that Bill (No. 27) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Insurance Act'" be now read a second time, a debate arose.

The motion was negatived.

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

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. *Wismer*—Bill (No. 70) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Legal Professions Act.'"

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. *Wismer*—Bill (No. 74) intituled "An Act to amend the 'County Courts Act.'"

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. *Pearson*—Bill (No. 73) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Apprenticeship Act.'"

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. *Wismer*—Bill (No. 80) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Adoption Act.'"

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. *Wismer*—Bill (No. 84) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Vancouver Tax Consolidation Act, 1936 (Second Session).'"

On the motion of Mrs. *Smith*—Bill (No. 88) intituled "An Act respecting a Minimum Loss for Food Products."

On the motion of Mrs. *Smith*—Bill (No. 89) intituled "An Act respecting the Sale of Commodities by Retail."

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. *Wismer*—Bill (No. 83) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Vancouver Enabling Act, 1935.'"

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

E. W. HAMBER,

Lieutenant-Governor.

The Lieutenant-Governor transmits herewith amendments to Bill (No. 12) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Land Act,'" enclosed herewith, and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,

December 6th, 1937.

(ENCLOSURE.)

To insert the following as sections 3, 4, and 5 of the Bill, and to renumber the following sections:—

"3. Section 44 of said chapter 144 is amended by striking out the words 'or second-class' in the second line, and substituting therefor the words 'second-class or third-class'; and by adding to said section the following proviso: 'Provided, if any question arises in regard to the proper classification of the land or in the absence of classification of any lands as heretofore provided, the classification thereof may be made by the Surveyor-General at his discretion, from information contained in the field-notes of the surveyor or from reports of official examinations, which classification shall be adopted as the official classification of the land covered thereby.'

"4. Section 45 of said chapter 144 is repealed, and the following is substituted therefor:—

"45. Open tracts of lands suitable for agricultural purposes or wild-hay meadow lands shall rank and be classified as first-class lands. All other lands which are capable of being brought under cultivation shall rank and be classified as second-class lands. Mountainous and rocky tracts of lands which are wholly unfit for agricultural purposes, and which cannot be brought under cultivation, and which do not contain hay meadows, shall rank as and be considered to be third-class lands.'

"5. Section 47 of said chapter 144 is amended by striking out the word 'and' where it first occurs in the second line thereof, and by inserting after the word 'acre,' in the third line, the words 'and that of third-class lands one dollar per acre.'"

To add to said Bill the following sections:—

"9. Said chapter 144 is amended by adding to the subheading immediately preceding section 130 the words 'and Leases.'

" 10. Section 134 of said chapter 144 is amended by inserting the words 'or leases' after the word 'grants' in the first line; and by inserting the words 'or lease' after the word 'grant' in the sixth line.

" 11. Said chapter 144 is amended by inserting therein the following as section 134A:—

" "134A. Property which is forfeited to and vested in the Crown as provided in section 158 of the "Taxation Act" shall, upon the filing of the Collector's certificate of forfeiture as therein provided in the Department of Lands, for all purposes be deemed to be Crown lands of the Province within the meaning of this Act, and all the provisions of this Act shall apply to those lands and to their sale or lease to the like extent as if no grant of the land had ever been issued."

" 12. Section 160 of the 'Taxation Act,' being chapter 282 of the 'Revised Statutes of British Columbia, 1936,' is amended by striking out subsections (1) and (4)."

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

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

Resolved, That the Committee rise and report to the House, recommending the introduction of the proposed amendments to Bill (No. 12) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Land Act,'" a draft of which is annexed to the Message from His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor.

Resolution and amendments reported.

Amendments introduced and read a first and second time.

Ordered, That the amendments be referred to the Committee of the Whole having in charge Bill (No. 12) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Land Act.'"

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

E. W. HAMBER,
Lieutenant-Governor.

The Lieutenant-Governor transmits herewith a Bill intituled "An Act to amend the 'Fraser River (New Westminster) Bridge Act,'" and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,
December 4th, 1937.

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

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

Resolved, That the Committee rise and report to the House, recommending the introduction of a Bill (No. 87) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Fraser River (New Westminster) Bridge Act,'" a draft of which is annexed to this Resolution.

Resolution and Bill reported.

Report adopted.

Bill introduced and read a first time.

Second reading at the next sitting.

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

E. W. HAMBER,
Lieutenant-Governor.

The Lieutenant-Governor transmits herewith a Bill intituled "An Act to amend the 'Constitution Act,'" and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,
November 18th, 1937.

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

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

Resolved, That the Committee rise and report to the House, recommending the introduction of a Bill (No. 17) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Constitution Act,'" a draft of which is annexed to this Resolution.

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

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

And then the House adjourned at 5.52 p.m.

Monday, December 6th, 1937.

HALF-PAST EIGHT O'CLOCK P.M.

Order for Committee of Supply called.

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

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

30. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$10 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, "Fire Marshal Act," to 31st March, 1939.

157. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$2,179,570 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Public Works, Roads, Bridges, Ferries, Wharves, etc., to 31st March, 1939.

15. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$6,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Agricultural Associations and Fairs, to 31st March, 1939.

95. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$440,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands, Forest Protection Fund, to 31st March, 1939.

152. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$25,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Health and Welfare Services, Grant from the Crown in Aid of Organization under the "Health Insurance Act," to 31st March, 1939.

3. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$17,120 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Premier's Office to 31st March, 1939.

163. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$21,430 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Railway Department to 31st March, 1939.

122. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$20,080 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Municipal Affairs to 31st March, 1939.

164. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$10,200 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Trade and Industry, Minister's Office, to 31st March, 1939.

165. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$7,364 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Trade and Industry, General Office, to 31st March, 1939.

166. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$80,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Trade and Industry, Bureau of Industrial and Tourist Development, to 31st March, 1939.

167. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$50,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Trade and Industry, In Aid of Provincial Exhibit at the Golden Gate International Exposition, San Francisco, to 31st March, 1939.