

## Monday, December 1st, 1924.

TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by Mr. Speaker.

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

### REPORT No. 7.

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE ROOM,  
November 28th, 1924.

MR. SPEAKER:

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

That the time limited for presentation of reports on Private Bills be extended until the 12th December, 1924.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

H. G. PERRY, *Chairman.*

The report was read and received.

The Rules were suspended and the report adopted.

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

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

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

6. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$3,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Workshop and Shipping Office, to 31st March, 1926.

7. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$3,970 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Statistics, to 31st March, 1926.

8. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$10,830 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Markets Commissioner, to 31st March, 1926.

9. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$43,080 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Horticultural Branch, to 31st March, 1926.

10. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$16,500 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Control of Fruit Pests, Diseases, etc., to 31st March, 1926.

11. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$24,260 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Inspection of Imported and Exported Horticultural and Field Products, to 31st March, 1926.

12. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$3,580 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Plant Pathology, to 31st March, 1926.

13. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$4,620 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Entomological and Research, etc., to 31st March, 1926.

14. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$7,500 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Live Stock Branch, to 31st March, 1926.

15. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$22,610 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, District Agriculturists, to 31st March, 1926.

16. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$25,920 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Veterinary Branch, to 31st March, 1926.

17. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$13,180 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Poultry Branch, to 31st March, 1926.

18. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$17,170 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Field Crop Branch, to 31st March, 1926.

19. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$12,130 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Dairy Branch, to 31st March, 1926.

20. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$10,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Tubercular cattle—compensation, supplies, temporary assistance, etc., to 31st March, 1926.

21. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$6,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Automobiles and accessories, to 31st March, 1926.

22. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$35,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Agricultural fairs, etc., to 31st March, 1926.

23. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$5,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Farmers' Institutes, etc., to 31st March, 1926.

24. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$5,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Women's Institutes, to 31st March, 1926.

25. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$500 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, British Columbia Bee-keepers' Associations, to 31st March, 1926.

26. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$2,500 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, British Columbia Dairymen's Association, to 31st March, 1926.

27. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$250 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, British Columbia Entomological Society, to 31st March, 1926.

28. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$3,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, British Columbia Fruit-growers' Association, to 31st March, 1926.

29. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, British Columbia Goat-breeders' Association, to 31st March, 1926.

30. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,500 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, British Columbia Poultry Association, to 31st March, 1926.

31. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$2,500 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, British Columbia Stock-breeders' Association, to 31st March, 1926.

32. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,500 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, British Columbia Wool-growers' Associations, to 31st March, 1926.

33. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$5,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Seed improvement, etc., to 31st March, 1926.

34. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$2,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Departmental exhibits, to 31st March, 1926.

35. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Compensation *re* foul-brood in bees, to 31st March, 1926.

36. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Control of noxious weeds, etc., to 31st March, 1926.

37. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$250 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Western Canada Live Stock Union, to 31st March, 1926.

38. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Incidentals and contingencies, to 31st March, 1926.

39. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$20,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Grants to settlers in aid of purchase of stumping-powder, to 31st March, 1926.

41. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$750 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Gopher extermination, etc., to 31st March, 1926.

42. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$24,500 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Services hitherto paid by Dominion Government grant under "Agricultural Instruction Act," to 31st March, 1926.

42A. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$5,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Grasshopper extermination, etc., to 31st March, 1926.

42b. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Western Canada Dairy Convention, to 31st March, 1926.

42c. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$250 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, British Columbia Certified Seed-potato Growers' Association, to 31st March, 1926.

42d. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, "Pound District Act Amendment Act, 1918," sec. 2, to 31st March, 1926.

43. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$13,120 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Attorney-General's Office, to 31st March, 1926.

44. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$25,120 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, General Office, to 31st March, 1926.

45. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$12,050 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Companies Branch, to 31st March, 1926.

46. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$8,750 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Insurance Branch, to 31st March, 1926.

47. *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, 1926.

48. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$7,260 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Municipal Branch, to 31st March, 1926.

49. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$13,520 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Censor of Moving Pictures, to 31st March, 1926.

51. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$7,760 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Sheriff's Office, Victoria, to 31st March, 1926.

52. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$6,500 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Sundry Sheriffs, to 31st March, 1926.

53. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$2,800 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Official Guardian, to 31st March, 1926.

54. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$4,920 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Legal Offices Branch, to 31st March, 1926.

55. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$19,160 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Land Registry Office, Kamloops, to 31st March, 1926.

56. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$14,550 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Land Registry Office, Nelson, to 31st March, 1926.

57. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$25,860 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Land Registry Office, New Westminster, to 31st March, 1926.

58. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$6,680 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Land Registry Office, Prince Rupert, to 31st March, 1926.

59. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$50,072 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Land Registry Office, Vancouver, to 31st March, 1926.

60. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$28,570 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Land Registry Office, Victoria, to 31st March, 1926.

61. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$4,050 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Supreme and County Courts, New Westminster, to 31st March, 1926.

62. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,190 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Supreme and County Courts, Prince Rupert, to 31st March, 1926.

63. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$29,880 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Supreme and County Courts, Vancouver, to 31st March, 1926.

64. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$24,950 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Supreme and County Courts, Victoria, to 31st March, 1926.

65. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$3,500 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Sundry Supreme and County Courts, to 31st March, 1926.

66. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$6,488 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Supreme and County Courts, Official Stenographers, to 31st March, 1926.

The Committee reported the Resolutions.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

The Hon. Mr. *Sloan* presented a petition from the Corporation of the City of Nanaimo, for leave to introduce a Bill for the purpose of confirming boundaries.

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

1. Was a sum of money paid from the Forest Branch vote to Vancouver Sun for publicity purposes for distribution at British Empire Exhibition?
2. If so, what was the amount and date of payment to Vancouver Sun?
3. Was the newspaper write-up sent to British Empire Exhibition and distributed?
4. If so, how many copies?

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

"1. Two pages of advertising space was taken by the Department of Lands in special British Empire issue of Vancouver Sun.

"2. \$1,000; July 26th, 1924.

"3. Yes.

"4. 5,000 of an issue of 27,147."

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

1. Were tenders called for the work of constructing sewers in connection with development-work at the University site at Point Grey?
2. If so, how many tenders were received, and what was the amount of each tender?
3. Which tender was accepted?
4. What was the estimated cost of this work?
5. What has this work cost to date?
6. Has the same contractor been given an additional contract without public tender, particularly that portion of the work paralleling the Marine Drive?
7. What number of lots will the sewer-work now completed and under course of construction accommodate?

The Hon. Dr. *Sutherland* replied as follows:—

"1. Yes.

"2. Eight; at unit rates. Following totals are approximate: F. J. Dawson, \$88,428.77; General Construction Company, Ltd., \$93,775.45; Adkison & Dill, Ltd., \$105,995.30; Dominion Construction Company, Ltd., \$108,519.78; Smith Bros. & Wilson, Ltd., \$110,593.25; Robertson Bros., \$111,410.21 (alternate, \$89,335.30); Nickson Construction Co., Ltd., \$126,746.04; Cotton Company, Ltd., \$137,969.43.

"3. The lowest; F. J. Dawson, \$88,428.77.

"4. \$120,585.54.

"5. \$82,460.13.

"6. No. Two bids were submitted and contract given to lowest tenderer—namely, F. J. Dawson.

"7. 255 lots. In addition, all sanitary discharge for the University buildings is taken care of and also the storm-water on Marine Drive between the University site and the point of outfall."

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

1. Did the Government build a road from Kimberley to the Sullivan Mine?
2. If yes, is it still in possession of the Government?
3. If not in possession of Government, to whom does it belong, or under whose control is it?

The Hon. Dr. *Sutherland* replied as follows:—

"1. Yes.

"2. Yes.

"3. Answered by No. 2."

*Resolved*, That the House, at its rising, do stand adjourned until 2 o'clock p.m. to-morrow.

And then the House adjourned at 6 p.m.

Tuesday, December 2nd, 1924.

TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by Mr. Speaker.

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

REPORT No. 8.

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE ROOM,  
December 1st, 1924.

MR. SPEAKER:

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

That the preamble of Bill (No. 50) intituled "An Act for the Relief of the Associated Growers of British Columbia, Limited" has been proved, and the Bill ordered to be reported with amendments.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

H. G. PERRY, *Chairman*.

The report was read and received.

The Rules were suspended and the report adopted.

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

That an Order of the House be granted for a Return of all correspondence between the Capilano Timber Company and the Department of Lands or any other department of the Government.

Mr. *Browne* moved, seconded by Mr. *Neelands*.—

Whereas the present system of the production of commodities occasions a permanent margin of unemployed workers:

And whereas the natural resources of this Province are being exploited for profit without regard to the necessities of our citizens:

And whereas the control of these natural resources in many cases is in the hands of alien capitalists employing underpaid and Oriental labour:

And whereas many of His Majesty's lieges are thereby deprived of the right to earn the means of subsistence for themselves and their families:

Therefore be it *Resolved*, That, in the opinion of this House, the first charge on industry should be the maintenance of the unemployed workers.

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

On the motion of Mr. *Hinchliffe*, seconded by Mr. *Pooley*, it was *Resolved*,—

That an Order of this House be granted for a Return giving a list of the papers, periodicals, and magazines purchased during 1924 for the Provincial Library, classifying such papers, etc., according to the countries in which they were published.

The Hon. Mr. *Sloan* moved, seconded by the Hon. Mr. *Manson*,—

Whereas it is the announced policy of the Federal Liberal Party in Canada that an “adequate system of insurance against dependence in old age should be provided in so far as is practical and having regard for Canada’s financial position”:

And whereas it is accepted as between the Dominion Government and the Provincial Governments that the Dominion has jurisdiction in respect of questions having to do with health insurance, unemployment, and old-age pensions, and the Provinces in respect of such other social legislation as may be in the public interest:

And whereas the Government of the Province of British Columbia passed the “Mothers’ Pensions Act” in the year 1920, and has since been administering it at a cost of approximately \$500,000 per annum:

And whereas State responsibility in the matter of the proper maintenance of aged citizens has been recognized by Great Britain, Australia, New Zealand, and a number of the nations of the Continent of Europe:

Therefore be it Resolved, That this House puts itself on record as approving the principle of old-age pensions and as being favourable to the enactment of legislation by the Dominion Government bringing the same into effect in Canada at an early date.

And be it further Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, praying that he will cause to be conveyed to the Secretary of State for Canada the foregoing Preamble and Resolution.

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

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the motion moved by Mr. *Hinchliffe* on 19th November, as follows:—

That a Select Committee of this House, consisting of Messrs. *Perry*, *McRae*, *Wrinch*, *Browne*, and *Twigg*, be appointed to inquire into any or all of the operations of the Provincial Bureau of Information, and the management thereof, from its inception to the present time; and, without in any way restricting the extent of the inquiry, the said Committee is hereby directed to inquire more particularly into the methods used by the officials of the Bureau in carrying out their work; the results of the work of the Bureau; whether such results were satisfactory; if not satisfactory, the reasons therefor; the relations of the officials of the Bureau to and their dealings with the Government and with Cabinet Ministers; the difficulties that the said officials had to grapple with; the assistance such officers received from the Government and from heads of departments; and the uses to which moneys voted for the work of the Bureau have been put.

And it is also Resolved, That the said Committee do report its findings to this House.

The Hon. Dr. *MacLean* moved in amendment, seconded by Mr. *Perry*,—

To strike out the words “a Select Committee of this House, consisting of Messrs. *Perry*, *McRae*, *Wrinch*, *Browne*, and *Twigg*,” after the first word “That,” and substitute the following therefor: “the Select Standing Committee on Public Accounts.”

The Resolution as amended was carried.

Mr. *Jones* asked the Hon. the Minister of Agriculture the following questions:—

1. What sum of money has been expended by the Department in connection with the Wembley Exhibition?
2. Did the Government have any person in charge of the exhibit from the Department? If so, whom, and what remuneration was paid for his services?

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

“1. No money was expended by the Department of Agriculture in connection with the Wembley Exhibition.

“2. No.”

Mr. *Hinchliffe* asked the Hon. the Minister of Agriculture the following questions:—

1. What firms supplied clover and timothy seed for the Sumas Reclamation Scheme?
2. Were tenders called for same?
3. What firms tendered, and at what price per pound for each class of seed?
4. To whom was the contract given?
5. How much has been supplied up to November 1st, 1924?
6. To whom was the 1924 crop of oats grown on reclaimed land held by the Government sold, and at what price per ton?
7. To whom was the contract awarded for building fence on each side of the Vedder Canal, and at what price per rod?
8. Were tenders called for same?
9. What firms tendered, and at what price?

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

"1. Pincher Creek Co-operative Association; Rockwell, Theal & Davison, Ltd.

"2. No. Quotations were requested from all leading seed firms: United Seed Growers; Rennie & Company; Vernon & Buckerfield; Brackman & Ker; Pincher Creek Co-operative Association; Rockwell, Theal & Davison; Chilliwack Producers; also Bulkley Valley Growers.

"3. Firms made quotations as follows: Rennie & Company, No. 1 Timothy \$14.25 per 100 pounds, sacks 55 cents extra; Vernon & Buckerfield, No. 1 Timothy \$13.75, No. 2 Timothy \$13, No. 1 Red Clover 26 cents per pound; Brackman & Ker, No. 1 Timothy \$14, Red Clover 26 cents per pound; Pincher Creek Co-operative Association, No. 1 Timothy \$12.12, No. 2 Grade No. 1 Purity \$11.37, No. 2 Canadian Standard \$10.87; Rockwell, Theal & Davison, No. 2 Timothy \$12.50, No. 1 Red Clover 24 cents per pound, Alsike 16 cents per pound; Chilliwack Producers Co., No. 1 Timothy \$14.50, No. 2 Timothy \$13, Red Clover 25 cents per pound, Alsike 20 cents per pound. (All prices f.o.b. Yarrow.)

"4. Pincher Creek Co-operative Association, Pincher Creek, Alta.; Rockwell, Theal & Davison, Chilliwack, B.C.

"5. 87,110 lb. Timothy, 2,000 lb. Red Clover, 2,000 lb. Alsike.

"6. 61,395 lb. at \$33 per ton to Rockwell, Theal & Davison, Chilliwack. Remainder still on hand.

"7. Menzies Hardware Company, Limited, Chilliwack, B.C.

"8. Yes.

"9. Menzies Hardware Company, Ltd., \$462.98 per mile; Jones & Rant, \$502.73 per mile; Stewart & Cochenour, \$550 per mile."

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

1. What sum of money has been expended on land surveys since April 1st last up to November 15th, 1924?
2. What sum of money has been expended on photo-topographical surveys since April 1st last up to November 15th, 1924?

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

"1. \$115,172.07.

"2. \$16,216.40."

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

1. Have restrictions been recently placed upon motor-trucks and horse-drawn vehicles in the ridings of Esquimalt and Saanich in the matter of loads?
2. If yes, what is the reason for the said restrictions?

The Hon. Dr. *Sutherland* replied as follows:—

"1. Yes.

"2. The purpose of such restrictions is to protect the roads from 'extraordinary' traffic during the winter season—namely, middle of November, 1924, to middle of April, 1925. (NOTE.—The restrictions in said ridings are exactly similar to those imposed by Order in Council No. 1144, approved October 29th, 1924, covering all highways in unorganized territory and primary highways in organized territory within the area known as 'Traffic District No. 1.')

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

1. What is the total amount paid since April 1st, 1924, to November 1st, 1924, to the following newspapers: Victoria Daily Times, Victoria Daily Colonist, Vancouver Sun, Vancouver Star, and Vancouver Province?

2. For what services were these sums paid, and when?

The Hon. Mr. Pattullo replied as follows:—

"1. Victoria Daily Times, \$509.67; Victoria Daily Colonist, \$2,049.30; Vancouver Morning Sun, \$1,065.20; Vancouver Evening Sun, \$1,120.40; Vancouver Sun (Special British Empire Edition), \$1,000; Vancouver Star, \$356.17; Vancouver Province, \$1,278.60.

"2. Advertising and job-work during period mentioned."

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

1. How many Hebrideans located in British Columbia during 1924—men, women, and children?

2. What was the total sum of money paid to them as bonus?

3. What other assistance has been rendered by the Department?

The Hon. Mr. Pattullo replied as follows:—

"1. No information.

"2. Nothing; no intention to bonus Hebrideans or any one else.

"3. Departmental officer escorted party of Hebrideans looking over situation."

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

1. What was salary paid to: (a) Chief Forester; (b) Assistant Chief Forester, during fiscal year 1915-16?

2. What is salary paid to present occupants of above positions at the present time?

The Hon. Mr. Pattullo replied as follows:—

"1. See Public Accounts for that year.

"2. See Estimates now before the Legislature."

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

1. Who is the Government Agent for the City of Prince Rupert?

2. When was he appointed?

3. When did he take over his position?

4. Where was he employed before taking the position?

5. Where was he at the time he was given the appointment?

6. When did he arrive in Prince Rupert to take the position?

7. Was any amount paid for travelling expenses? If so, how much, and when?

The Hon. Mr. Pattullo replied as follows:—

"1. Norman Allen Watt.

"2. October 1st, 1924.

"3. October 3rd, 1924.

"4. Department of Lands.

"5. Victoria.

"6. October 3rd, 1924.

"7. Moving expenses, including transportation, \$217.78; October 21st, 1924."

Mr. Pooley asked the Hon. the Attorney-General the following question:—

What number of intestates' estates have been probated in British Columbia for the years 1922, 1923, and 1924, giving the number of males and females in each year?

The Hon. Mr. Manson replied as follows:—

"1922: Male, 206; female, 33. 1923: Male, 233; female, 39. 1924: Male, 201; female, 28. (NOTE.—These are intestates' estates administered by the Official Administrators of the Province, and does not include intestates' estates administered by heirs, which would amount to approximately 10 per cent. of the above figures.)"



Mr. W. A. McKenzie asked the Hon. the Minister of Education the following questions:—

1. What sum of money has been expended towards maintaining the Faculty of Agriculture in the University of British Columbia since March 31st, 1922, up to March 31st, 1924, including Capital Account?
2. What number of students have graduated from the Faculty of Agriculture of the University of British Columbia during the same period?
3. Are any of the students who graduated from the Faculty of Agriculture in the employ of the Provincial Government? If so, in what capacity?
4. What number of students are taking the Course in Agriculture at the University of British Columbia during the present term?

The Hon. Dr. MacLean replied as follows:—

- "1. \$250,416.07.
- "2. Twenty-three.
- "3. Yes. One as Assistant Horticulturist, Department of Agriculture; one as Soil Expert in the Department of Lands; one as temporary employee on potato-certification work.
- "4. Fifty-seven."

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

1. What sum of money was expended during the year 1924 on the road leading from Peachland to Princeton?
2. On what date was the general road foreman given instructions to proceed with work on this road?
3. On what date did work start on this road?
4. On what date was work discontinued?
5. What sum of money will be required to complete this road?
6. Is it the intention of the Department to complete this road during the year 1925?

The Hon. Dr. Sutherland replied as follows:—

- "1. \$3,391.45.
- "2. May 15th, 1924.
- "3. May 17th, 1924.
- "4. June 28th, 1924.
- "5. \$2,000.
- "6. The Department favours its completion."

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

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

50. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$11,540 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Sheriff's Office, Vancouver, to 31st March, 1926.
68. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$12,935 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, County Gaol, Nelson, to 31st March, 1926.
69. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$94,340 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Oakalla Prison Farm, to 31st March, 1926.
70. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$28,700 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Girls' Industrial School, to 31st March, 1926.
71. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$38,820 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Administration of "Motor-vehicle Act," to 31st March, 1926.
72. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$25,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Summoning and paying witnesses, to 31st March, 1926.
73. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$20,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Grand and Petit Jurors (including drawing panels, etc.), to 31st March, 1926.

74. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$30,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Prosecutions and Interpreters, to 31st March, 1926.

75. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$7,500 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Coroners' inquests and inquiries, to 31st March, 1926.

76. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$2,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Rewards, to 31st March, 1926.

77. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$10,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Constitutional litigation and general law costs, to 31st March, 1926.

78. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$35,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Bounties on noxious animals, salaries and expenses of Game Conservation Board and game propagation, etc., to 31st March, 1926.

79. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,500 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Stipendiary Magistrates (provisional), to 31st March, 1926.

80. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,500 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Promotion of uniformity of legislation in Canada, to 31st March, 1926.

82. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$10,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Incidentals and contingencies, to 31st March, 1926.

87. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$29,902 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Education, General Office, to 31st March, 1926.

88. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$101,840 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Education, Free Text-book Branch, to 31st March, 1926.

89. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$12,120 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Education, Agricultural Education, to 31st March, 1926.

90. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$24,480 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Education, Industrial Education, to 31st March, 1926.

91. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$81,785 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Education, Inspection of Schools, to 31st March, 1926.

92. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$29,475 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Education, Normal School, Vancouver, to 31st March, 1926.

93. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$39,660 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Education, Normal School, Victoria, to 31st March, 1926.

94. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$35,250 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Education, School for the Deaf and the Blind, to 31st March, 1926.

95. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,300,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Education, *Per Capita* Grants, Cities and municipalities, to 31st March, 1926.

96. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$180,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Education, *Per Capita* Grants, Rural school districts, to 31st March, 1926.

97. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$540,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Education, Teachers' Salaries, Assisted schools (as per Schedule), to 31st March, 1926.

98. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$118,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Education, Teachers' Salaries, E. & N. Railway Belt (as per Schedule), to 31st March, 1926.

99. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$175,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Education, School Buildings, to 31st March, 1926.

And it being 6 o'clock the Chairman left the Chair, to resume it again at 8 o'clock p.m.

EIGHT O'CLOCK P.M.

100. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$2,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Education, Grants to libraries, to 31st March, 1926.

101. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$25,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Education, Examination of teachers and High School Entrance classes, to 31st March, 1926.

102. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$34,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Education, Conveying children to central schools, to 31st March, 1926.

103. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$18,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Education, Summer schools, to 31st March, 1926.

104. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$6,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Education, Incidentals and contingencies, to 31st March, 1926.

106. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$10 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Education, Rural district school taxes, advances under sec. 26, "Public Schools Act Amendment Act," chap. 74, 1918, to 31st March, 1926.

107. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$12,380 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Finance, Minister's Office, to 31st March, 1926.

108. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$36,980 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Finance, General Office, to 31st March, 1926.

109. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$11,520 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Finance, Inspector of Trust Companies, Probate and Succession Duties, to 31st March, 1926.

110. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$50,080 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Finance, Controlling and Audit Branch, to 31st March, 1926.

111. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$67,758 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Finance, Surveyor of Taxes, to 31st March, 1926.

112. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$8,462 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Finance, Operation of the "Amusements Tax Act," to 31st March, 1926.

114. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$17,600 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, 1926.

115. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$7,600 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Finance, Alberni Agency, to 31st March, 1926.

116. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$3,120 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Finance, Anyox Agency, to 31st March, 1926.

117. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$3,900 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Finance, Ashcroft Sub-agency, to 31st March, 1926.

118. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$7,520 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Finance, Atlin Agency, to 31st March, 1926.

119. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$3,200 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Finance, Barkerville Sub-agency, to 31st March, 1926.

120. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$5,600 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Finance, Clinton Sub-agency, to 31st March, 1926.

121. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$14,500 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Finance, Cranbrook Agency, to 31st March, 1926.

122. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$14,100 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Finance, Cumberland Agency, to 31st March, 1926.

123. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$7,400 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Finance, Duncan Agency, to 31st March, 1926.

124. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$5,780 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Finance, Fernie Agency, to 31st March, 1926.

125. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$3,150 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Finance, Fort Fraser Agency, to 31st March, 1926.

126. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$7,700 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Finance, Golden Agency, to 31st March, 1926.

127. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$4,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Finance, Grand Forks Sub-agency, to 31st March, 1926.
128. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$3,180 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Finance, Greenwood Sub-agency, to 31st March, 1926.
129. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$21,130 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Finance, Kamloops Agency, to 31st March, 1926.
130. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$10,270 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Finance, Kaslo Agency, to 31st March, 1926.
131. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$5,020 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Finance, Lillooet Sub-agency, to 31st March, 1926.
132. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$4,750 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Finance, Merritt Sub-agency, to 31st March, 1926.
133. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$15,800 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Finance, Nanaimo Agency, to 31st March, 1926.
134. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$17,260 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Finance, Nelson Agency, to 31st March, 1926.
135. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$23,858 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Finance, New Westminster Agency, to 31st March, 1926.
136. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$2,300 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Finance, New Denver Sub-agency, to 31st March, 1926.
137. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$16,200 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Finance, Penticton Agency, to 31st March, 1926.
138. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$7,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Finance, Pouce Coupe Agency, to 31st March, 1926.
139. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$23,850 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Finance, Prince George Agency, to 31st March, 1926.
140. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$23,640 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Finance, Prince Rupert Agency, to 31st March, 1926.
141. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$2,870 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Finance, Princeton Sub-agency, to 31st March, 1926.
142. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$12,480 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Finance, Quesnel Agency, to 31st March, 1926.
143. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,500 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Finance, Queen Charlotte Island Sub-agency, to 31st March, 1926.
144. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$12,900 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Finance, Revelstoke Agency, to 31st March, 1926.
145. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$4,020 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Finance, Rossland Sub-agency, to 31st March, 1926.
146. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$15,950 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Finance, Smithers Agency, to 31st March, 1926.
147. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$2,730 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Finance, Stewart Sub-agency, to 31st March, 1926.
148. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$2,520 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Finance, Telegraph Creek Agency, to 31st March, 1926.
149. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$101,530 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Finance, Vancouver Agency and Court-house, to 31st March, 1926.
150. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$15,900 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Finance, Vernon Agency, to 31st March, 1926.
151. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$20,300 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Finance, Victoria Assessor, to 31st March, 1926.
152. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$5,060 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Finance, Williams Lake Sub-agency, to 31st March, 1926.
153. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$2,350 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Finance, Wilmer Sub-agency, to 31st March, 1926.
154. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$4,500 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Finance, Sundry Sub-agencies, to 31st March, 1926.

154A. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$6,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Finance, Temporary assistance and reorganization, to 31st March, 1926.

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

*Resolved*, That the House, at its rising, do stand adjourned until 2 o'clock p.m. to-morrow.  
And then the House adjourned at 11.05 p.m.

## Wednesday, December 3rd, 1924.

TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by Mr. Speaker.

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

W. C. NICHOL,  
*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 2nd, 1924.*

*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. 35) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Forest Act,'" a draft of which is annexed to this Resolution.

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

With the leave of the House, on the motion of the Hon. Mr. *Pattullo* Bill (No. 10) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Forest Act'" was *Ordered* to be dropped from the Order Paper.

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

W. C. NICHOL,  
*Lieutenant-Governor.*

The Lieutenant-Governor transmits herewith Amendments to Estimates of Expenditure for the Fiscal Year ending 31st March, 1926, enclosed herewith, and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

*Government House,*  
*December 3rd, 1924.*

(ENCLOSURE.)

*Amendments to Estimates of Expenditure for the Fiscal Year 1925-26.*

Page V 70. Department of Lands. After Vote 173 add:—

"173A. Retiring allowance, R. A. Renwick, late Deputy Minister of Lands ..... \$600 00"

Page V 92. Capital Account. After Vote 260 add:—

"261. Songhees Reserve (improvements) ..... \$10,000 00"

And to amend all statements of totals and sums carried or brought forward in said Estimates so far as such amendments are necessary in consequence of the above-mentioned additions to said Estimates for Fiscal Year 1925-26.

*Ordered*, That the said Message, and the Amendments accompanying the same, be referred to the Committee of Supply.

Mr. Colley presented the report of the Select Committee on Bill (No. 19) intituled "An Act to incorporate the Barbers of British Columbia," as follows:—

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE ROOM,  
December 3rd, 1924.

MR. SPEAKER:

Your Select Committee on Bill No. 19 begs leave to report as follows:—

Your Select Committee has met and heard arguments submitted for and against this Bill. Your Committee begs to report the Bill as amended to the House.

JAS. R. COLLEY, *Chairman*.  
R. H. NEELANDS, *Secretary*.

The report was received.

Mr. Perry presented the Ninth Report of the Select Standing Committee on Private Bills and Standing Orders, as follows:—

REPORT No. 9.

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE ROOM,  
December 3rd, 1924.

MR. SPEAKER:

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

That the preamble of the undermentioned Bill has been proved and the Bill ordered to be reported without amendment.

Bill (No. 53) intituled "An Act respecting the Corporation of the City of Vernon."

All of which is respectfully submitted.

H. G. PERRY, *Chairman*.

The report was read and received.

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the motion moved by Mr. Browne on 2nd instant, as follows:—

Whereas the present system of the production of commodities occasions a permanent margin of unemployed workers:

And whereas the natural resources of this Province are being exploited for profit without regard to the necessities of our citizens:

And whereas the control of these natural resources in many cases is in the hands of alien capitalists employing underpaid and Oriental labour:

And whereas many of His Majesty's lieges are thereby deprived of the right to earn the means of subsistence for themselves and their families:

Therefore be it Resolved, That, in the opinion of this House, the first charge on industry should be the maintenance of the unemployed workers.

Mr. Hinchliffe moved in amendment,—

That all the words of the Preamble and the Resolution after the first word "Whereas" be deleted, and the following inserted in lieu thereof:—

"The unemployment situation in this Province at the present time is serious, many men who are unable to obtain work being compelled to accept assistance for themselves and their dependents from charitable organizations:

"And whereas for some years past there have been recurrences of periods of widespread unemployment:

"Therefore be it Resolved, That this House urge the Government to take such immediate steps as may be necessary for the relief of unemployment, and to use every effort to devise and adopt such general policy in regard to labour, industries, and capital as will tend to reduce the possibility of acute unemployment problems arising in the future."

The debate was, on the motion of the Hon. Mr. *Oliver*, adjourned to the next sitting of the House.

On the second reading of Bill (No. 50) intituled "An Act for the Relief of the Associated Growers of British Columbia, Limited" a debate arose, which was, on the motion of Mr. *W. A. McKenzie*, adjourned to the next sitting.

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

1. What proportion of moneys received on account of gasolene-taxes for year 1924 has been distributed among the municipalities, and when?
2. What proportion of moneys received by the Government on account of pari-mutuel taxes for year 1924 has been distributed among the municipalities, and when?
3. What proportion of moneys received by the Government on account of motor licences for year 1924 has been distributed among the municipalities, and when?

The Hon. Dr. *MacLean* replied as follows:—

- "1. None.
- "2. \$311,882.09 will be distributed within a few days at the same time as the liquor profits distribution.
- "3. \$308,736.98; September 18th, 1924."

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

1. What purchases of bonds (if any) have been made on sinking fund account: (a) During fiscal year 1923-24; (b) since April 1st, 1924?
2. Through what firm or firms were such purchases made?

The Hon. Dr. *MacLean* replied as follows:—

	Par Value.
"1. (a.) Dominion of Canada 5% Refunding Loan, 1943, \$750,000.....	\$ 750,000 00
Dominion of Canada 5½% Victory Loan, 1934, \$50,000.....	50,000 00
Province of British Columbia 6%, 1941, \$25,000 .....	25,000 00
Province of British Columbia 4½% Inscribed Stock, 1941, £2,900.....	14,113 33
Province of British Columbia 3½% Dyking Debentures, 1937, \$15,000....	15,000 00
Canadian Northern Railway (Equipment) 5%, 1933-8, \$365,000.....	365,000 00
Canadian Northern Railway 4% Stock, 1934, £91,000.....	442,866 67
Grand Trunk Pacific Railway 6%, 1936, \$100,000.....	100,000 00
Total .....	\$1,761,980 00
(b.) To November 1st, 1924:—	
Dominion of Canada 4½% Refunding Loan, 1944, \$200,000.....	\$ 200,000 00
Province of British Columbia 6%, 1941, \$52,000.....	52,000 00
Province of British Columbia 5%, 1949, \$55,000.....	55,000 00
Province of British Columbia 4½% Inscribed Stock, 1941, £6,800.....	33,093 33
Canadian National Railway 5%, 1954, \$415,000.....	415,000 00
Canadian Northern Railway 4% Stock, 1934, £10,000.....	48,666 66
Total .....	\$ 803,759 99

"2. All purchases for sinking fund account are made through the British Columbia Bond Dealers' Association, composed of the following firms: R. P. Clark & Company, Limited; Royal Financial Corporation, Limited; A. E. Ames & Company; British Columbia Bond Corporation, Limited; Canadian Financiers' Trust; W. H. Logan & Company, Limited; Gillespie, Hart & Todd, Limited; Waghorn, Gwynn & Company, Limited; Ceperley, Rounsefell & Company, Limited; Pemberton & Son; Victor W. Odium & Company; A. C. Begg & Company; Dominion Securities Corporation, Limited; and the Canadian Bank of Commerce."

Mr. *Lister* asked the Hon. the Minister of Railways the following questions:—

1. What sum of money was paid A. F. Proctor (late Chief Railway Engineer) for services in connection with the Pacific Great Eastern inquiry?
2. What number of days was he required?
3. Has his account been paid in full? If not, what is the amount still owing?

The Hon. Dr. *Sutherland* replied as follows:—

- “1. \$2,000.
- “2. Eighty days.
- “3. Paid in full.”

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

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

155. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$3,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Finance, Printing Public Accounts, Estimates, etc., to 31st March, 1926.

156. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$5,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Finance, Interest on suitors' funds, deposits, etc., to 31st March, 1926.

157. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$22,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Finance, Delinquent extra-municipal school taxes, to 31st March, 1926.

158. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$775 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Finance, Premium on fire insurance, Fairview Works, to 31st March, 1926.

159. *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, 1926.

160. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$20,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Finance, Bureau of Information and Department of Industries, to 31st March, 1926.

160A. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$10 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Finance, “Municipalities Aid Act,” chap. 38, 1921 (Second Session), to 31st March, 1926.

160B. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$10 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Finance, Pari-mutuel taxes—collections as per sec. 3, to 31st March, 1926.

167. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$13,750 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands, Minister's Office, to 31st March, 1926.

168. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$38,412 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands, General Office—Administration, to 31st March, 1926.

169. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$34,124 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands, Lands Branch, to 31st March, 1926.

170. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$68,280 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands, Surveys Branch, to 31st March, 1926.

171. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$76,150 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands, Water Rights Branch, to 31st March, 1926.

172. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$227,524 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands, Forest Branch, to 31st March, 1926.

173. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$17,500 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands, Temporary assistance, to 31st March, 1926.

175. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$300,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands, Forest Protection Fund, to 31st March, 1926.

176. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$25,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands, Lumber trade extension, to 31st March, 1926.

177. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$30,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands, Reconnaissance and cruising, to 31st March, 1926.



178. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$15,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands, Insect damage: investigation and control, to 31st March, 1926.

And the House continuing in Committee,

At 6 o'clock p.m. Mr. Speaker took the Chair, and left it to resume the same at 8.30 o'clock p.m.

HALF-PAST EIGHT O'CLOCK P.M.

At the request of Mr. Speaker, the Chairman resumed the Chair in the Committee of Supply.

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

180. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$5,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands, Land classification, to 31st March, 1926.

181. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$5,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands, Grazing: range improvement, to 31st March, 1926.

182. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$15,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands, Water surveys, to 31st March, 1926.

183. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$7,500 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands, British Columbia Hydrometric Survey, to 31st March, 1926.

184. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$7,500 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands, "Soldiers' Land Act," chap. 80, 1918, to 31st March, 1926.

185. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$100,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands, Land surveys, to 31st March, 1926.

186. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$30,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands, Photo-topographical surveys, to 31st March, 1926.

179. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$15,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands, Forest research, to 31st March, 1926.

187. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$15,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands, Lithograph maps, to 31st March, 1926.

188. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$2,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands, Refunds under "Land Act"; refunds under "Revenue Act Amendment Act, 1920," to 31st March, 1926.

189. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$10,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands, Publicity, to 31st March, 1926.

190. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$10,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands, General investigations, to 31st March, 1926.

192. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$10,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands, Contingencies, to 31st March, 1926.

161. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$18,090 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Fisheries, to 31st March, 1926.

The Chairman reported the Resolutions.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

On the motion of Mr. *Colley*, the Rules were suspended and the report of the Select Committee on Bill (No. 19) intitled "An Act to incorporate the Barbers of the Province of British Columbia" was adopted.

On the motion of Mr. *I. A. Mackenzie*, it was *Ordered* that the said Bill be placed on the Orders of the Day for second reading at the next sitting of the House.

Mr. *W. A. McKenzie* asked the Hon. the Attorney-General the following questions:—

1. Was one James Mercier, of Hope, appointed a Justice of the Peace?
2. If so, when was he appointed to such position?
3. Has his commission as a Justice of the Peace been cancelled?
4. If so, why?
5. Who is now Justice of the Peace at Hope?

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

- "1. Yes.
- "2. August 11th, 1923.
- "3. Yes; August 27th, 1924.
- "4. Not considered satisfactory official.
- "5. No J.P. at Hope at present."

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

1. What quantity of wines and liquor has been imported into British Columbia by private individuals: (a) During the past year; (b) from April 1st to date?
2. What was the amount of tax collected thereon by this Government?

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

- "1. (a) Wines 804 cases, liquors 1,205 cases, beer 340 barrels; (b) wines 175 cases, liquors 256 cases.
- "2. \$37,879.45."

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

1. How many Government Liquor Stores were burglarized during 1924?
2. What was the total sum of money lost by the Government in these burglaries?
3. Have any convictions resulted?

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

- "1. Eight.
- "2. Nil.
- "3. Eight; in respect of one burglary three convictions; in respect of two burglaries no convictions."

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

1. What kind of betting-machines are used at the various race-meetings in British Columbia?
2. Are they the make of machines which are recognized in Canada as standard pari-mutuel machines?
3. Who owns these machines?
4. Who operates them?

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

"1. The Department understands that no betting-machines are used on British Columbia tracks; that what is known as 'calculators' or 'approximate odd boards' are used. These boards are not stopped automatically with the start of the race, and there is not therefore that guarantee of security that is so essential.

"2. The Criminal Code provides that for the purpose of recording amounts deposited by bettors a type of pari-mutuel machine must be used which has been approved by an officer appointed by the Minister of Agriculture. A pari-mutuel machine automatically records the bets made by providing an automatic connection between the drawing of the mutuel ticket and the registering of the bet on the central totalizator board.

"3. No information, but it is presumed that the system used is installed at the request of the operators of the track.

"4. Calculators employed by the Racing Association."

*Resolved*, That the House, at its rising, do stand adjourned until 2 o'clock p.m. to-morrow.

And then the House adjourned at 11.10 p.m.

Thursday, December 4th, 1924.

Two o'clock P.M.

Prayers by Mr. Speaker.

The Hon. Mr. *Pattullo* presented a Return, pursuant to an Order of the House of the 2nd instant, of correspondence *re* Capilano Watershed Area.

On the motion of Mr. *Perry*, the Ninth Report of the Select Standing Committee on Private Bills and Standing Orders was adopted.

With the leave of the House, the Hon. Dr. *MacLean* presented a Return in answer to the following questions standing on the Order Paper in the name of Mr. *W. A. McKenzie*:—

1. What is the total amount of money standing to the credit of the "Workmen's Compensation Act" as at November 1st, 1924?
2. In what securities are said funds invested, and to what amounts respectively, and at what rate of interest?
3. What amount of said funds has been borrowed or used by the Province?
4. What rate of interest is paid on said borrowings (if any)?

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

The Report on Bill (No. 9) intituled "An Act to define the Boundary between The Corporation of the Township of Richmond and The Corporation of the District of South Vancouver" was adopted.

Third reading at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 26) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Adoption Act'" was committed.

Reported complete without amendment.

Report adopted.

Third reading at the next sitting.

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

The debate continued.

The Hon. Mr. *Sloan* moved the adjournment of the debate to the next sitting of the House.

The House divided, and the motion was carried on the following division:—

YEAS—25.

Messieurs

<i>Neelands</i>	<i>Rothwell</i>	<i>Sloan</i>	<i>Paterson</i>
<i>Uphill</i>	<i>Mackenzie, I. A.</i>	<i>Harrison</i>	<i>Kergin</i>
<i>Burde</i>	<i>Smith, Mrs.</i>	<i>Leary</i>	<i>Perry</i>
<i>Bryan</i>	<i>MacLean</i>	<i>McRae</i>	<i>Barrow</i>
<i>Munn</i>	<i>Oliver</i>	<i>Odlum</i>	<i>Sutherland</i>
<i>Wrinch</i>	<i>Manson, A. M.</i>	<i>Woodward</i>	<i>Pattullo</i>
<i>Colley</i>			

NAYS—21.

Messieurs

<i>Browne</i>	<i>Hayward</i>	<i>Davie</i>	<i>Pooley</i>
<i>Bruhn</i>	<i>Twig</i>	<i>Cochrane</i>	<i>Hinchliffe</i>
<i>Wallinger</i>	<i>Schofield</i>	<i>Lister</i>	<i>Stoddart</i>
<i>Catherwood</i>	<i>Coventry</i>	<i>McKenzie, W. A.</i>	<i>Creery</i>
<i>Manson, Michael</i>	<i>Peck</i>	<i>Jones</i>	<i>Walkem</i>
<i>Lyons</i>			

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the second reading of Bill (No. 16) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Public Inquiries Act.'"

On the motion of Mr. *W. A. McKenzie*, the debate was adjourned to the next sitting of the House.

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the second reading of Bill (No. 25) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Trustee Act.'"

On the motion of Mr. *J. A. Mackenzie*, the debate was adjourned to the next sitting of the House.

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the second reading of Bill (No. 24) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Women's and Girls' Protection Act.'"

On the motion of Mr. *Paterson*, the debate was adjourned to the next sitting of the House.

On the second reading of Bill (No. 33) intituled "An Act respecting Liens of Towboat Owners and Operators" a debate arose, which was, on the motion of Mr. *Burde*, adjourned to the next sitting of the House.

On the second reading of Bill (No. 19) intituled "An Act to incorporate the Barbers of the Province of British Columbia" a debate arose, which was, on the motion of Mr. *Paterson*, adjourned to the next sitting of the House.

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the second reading of Bill (No. 3) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Landlord and Tenant Act.'"

Bill read a second time, and *Ordered* to be committed at the next sitting.

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

Bill (No. 20) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Fire Marshal Act.'"

Bill (No. 22) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Boiler Inspection Act.'"

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

1. Was a contract let to any person for the reporting of the Pacific Great Eastern inquiry; and, if so, to whom?
2. Is such person an official reporter, or a reporter of any description?
3. What fees were paid for attendance, and what rate for transcripts of proceedings?
4. Did such person act as reporter before this Commission? If not, who did the work for him?
5. Were those employed by him official reporters? If yes, who?
6. What commission (if any) was paid by these official reporters to the contractor in connection with reporting these proceedings?
7. Did the Department ask for tenders in connection with this work; and, if so, give particulars?

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

- "1. A. M. Jones was engaged by the Commission to provide transcripts of proceedings.
- "2. A. M. Jones has had many years' experience as an official reporter.
- "3. No fees for attendance; transcripts, 5 cents per folio.
- "4. No record of who actually did the reporting. Shifts were employed, and if Mr. Jones did not do the reporting he was engaged in getting out the transcripts. Out of the 5 cents per folio which he received he had to pay all expenses—namely, paper, rent of machines, dictagraphs, attendances and services of reporters and typewriters, etc.
- "5. No information.
- "6. No information.
- "7. Answered by No. 1."

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

1. How many: (a) Chinese, (b) Japanese, (c) other Asiatics are in British Columbia now according to latest available figures?

2. How many: (a) Chinese, (b) Japanese, (c) other Orientals were born in British Columbia in the first half of 1924; in 1923; in 1922; in 1921; in 1920; in 1900?

3. How many: (a) Chinese, (b) Japanese, (c) other Asiatics are there in Canada?

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

"1. From Dominion census, 1921:—Chinese in British Columbia: Male, 21,820; female, 1,713; total, 23,533. Japanese in British Columbia: Male, 9,863; female, 5,143; total, 15,006. Hindu, 951; other Asiatic, 50 (estimated).

"2. Registrations of birth, January 1st to October 31st, 1924: Chinese, 462; Japanese, 814. Of the above, 160 were actual Chinese births in period January 1st to October 31st, 1924, and 521 were actual Japanese births in period January 1st to October 31st, 1924. Other Asiatic births so few as to be almost negligible. Actual births:—1923: Chinese, 182; Japanese, 617. 1922: Chinese, 227; Japanese, 622. 1921: Chinese, 199; Japanese, 627. 1920: Chinese, 165; Japanese, 611. 1900: Chinese, 61; Japanese, 3.

"3. Chinese in Canada: Male, 37,163; female, 2,424; total, 39,587. Japanese in Canada: Male, 10,520; female, 5,348; total, 15,868. Hindu, 1,016; other Asiatic, 200 (?)."

*Resolved*, That the House, at its rising, do stand adjourned until 2 o'clock p.m. to-morrow.

And then the House adjourned at 6 p.m.

## Friday, December 5th, 1924.

TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by Mr. Speaker.

With the leave of the House, on the motion of the Hon. Mr. *Manson* Bill (No. 36) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Administration Act'" was introduced, read a first time, and *Ordered* to be read a second time at the next sitting.

With the leave of the House, on the motion of Mr. *Munn* Bill (No. 37) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Counties Definition Act'" was introduced, read a first time, and *Ordered* to be read a second time at the next sitting.

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

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

Bill (No. 21) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Electrical Energy Inspection Act.'"

Bill (No. 23) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Railway Act.'"

Bill (No. 29) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Trade Licences Act.'"

On the second reading of Bill (No. 32) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Summary Convictions Act'" a debate arose, which was, on the motion of Mr. *I. A. Mackenzie*, adjourned to the next sitting of the House.

On the second reading of Bill (No. 34) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Succession Duty Act'" a debate arose, which was, on the motion of Mr. *Twigg*, adjourned to the next sitting of the House.

On the second reading of Bill (No. 35) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Forest Act'" a debate arose, which was, on the motion of Mr. *Michael Manson*, adjourned to the next sitting of the House.

Bill (No. 5) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Escheats Act'" was again committed.  
Progress reported.  
Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 15) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Highway Act'" was committed.  
Progress reported.  
Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 7) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Creameries and Dairies Regulation Act'" was committed.

Reported complete without amendment.  
Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 3) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Landlord and Tenant Act'" was committed.  
Progress reported.  
Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 20) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Fire Marshal Act'" was committed.  
Reported complete with amendments.  
Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 22) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Boiler Inspection Act'" was committed.  
Progress reported.  
Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

With the leave of the House, Question No. 6 was *Ordered* to be dropped from the Order Paper.

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

1. What are the total annual dues in arrears on Provincial timber licences?
2. What is the amount of such arrears each year since 1919?
3. What extensions (if any) have been granted to licence-holders on annual dues in arrears?
4. Has any extension been granted to any timber-licence holder extending payment of dues over a term of years? If so, to whom?
5. What was the amount of timber cut and royalty received by the Province from timber licences: (a) East of the Coast Range; (b) west of the Coast Range?

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

- "1. No licence in good standing is in arrears.
- "2. Answered by No. 1.
- "3. None; but relief granted under 'Forest Act Relief Act' and amendments, being chapter 27, 1915; chapter 24, 1916; chapter 25, 1917; chapter 44, 1919; and 'Forest Act Amendment Act,' being chapter 28, 1921.
- "4. Answered by No. 3.
- "5. (a) and (b). Returns not segregated in this manner."

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

1. How much did the Government spend on the purchase of liquor for resale (a) in the last year period; (b) in the previous year period?
2. How much of this money went to liquor manufacturers outside British Columbia?
3. How much money was collected in the last year period by the Federal Government as taxes on liquor imported into British Columbia by the Provincial Government?
4. How much of the purchase price of an average \$5 bottle of whisky sold in a Government store goes to manufacturers outside of the Province, and how much to the Federal Government in import taxes?

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

- "1. (a) \$7,807,268.04; (b) \$5,812,315.83.
- "2. \$2,886,947.59 net (exclusive of charges).
- "3. \$2,923,720.64.
- "4. Manufacturer, \$1.64; Federal Government, \$1.68."

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

1. How many Provincial timber licences are now in force?
2. What is the total acreage covered by such licences?
3. What is the estimate of standing timber on existing licences?

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

- "1. 8,949.
- "2. Approximately 5,369,400 acres.
- "3. No definite information available."

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

1. What is the total of logs exported and export-tax collected on same from the following: (a) Crown-granted lands which carry a royalty of 50 cents per M. feet; (b) Crown-granted lands which carry no royalty; (c) special licences; (d) Provincial leases?
2. What was the royalty per M. feet on each grade of timber for: (a) The five-year period ended 1919; (b) the five-year period ending 1924?
3. What was the average selling-price of lumber for each year from 1915 to 1919, inclusive, on which the royalty for the succeeding five years was based?
4. What is the estimated average selling-price of lumber for each year beginning with 1920 up to date?

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

- "1. Period should be defined.
- "2. (a) As set out in section 6 of 'Royalty Act'; (b) as set out in section 6 of 'Royalty Act,' plus 37 cents.
- "3. 1915, \$12.46; 1916, \$14.86; 1917, \$19.86; 1918, \$25.74; 6 months of 1919, \$22.70.
- "4. 1920, \$38.43; 1921, \$24.24; 1922, \$22.89; 1923, \$26.35; estimated, 6 months of 1924, \$24.45."

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

1. What representations (if any) have the timber-licence holders made to the Government as to the average selling-price of lumber and cost of production each year from 1920 to date?
2. Has the Government verified these figures?
3. What would be the advance in the present royalty on Provincial timber licences for the coming five-year period based on the estimated selling-prices of lumber since 1920 to date?
4. How much would this increase Provincial revenue on the basis of timber cut from Provincial licences last year?

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

- "1. Timber Industries Council submitted brief dealing with the whole question.
- "2. This brief has been carefully reviewed.
- "3. Definite figures not available, but estimated rates \$2.48 over those now charged.
- "4. If same amount of timber actually cut in 1925 as 1924, based on rates \$2.48 over those now charged, increase of revenue would be approximately \$1,900,000, but it is considered that the imposition of these royalties, based on the 1914 Act, would result in the shutting-down of the industry."

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

1. How many members are there on the Provincial Game Board?
2. What sum of money has been paid as expenses to each member of the Board since April 1st, 1924?

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

- "1. Three.
- "2. Nil."

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

And then the House adjourned at 6 p.m.

## Friday, December 5th, 1924.

HALF-PAST EIGHT O'CLOCK P.M.

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

Order of Committee of Supply called.

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

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

208. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$12,610 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Minister's Office, to 31st March, 1926.

209. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$15,710 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, General Office, to 31st March, 1926.

210. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$99,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Provincial Board of Health, to 31st March, 1926.

212. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$8,950 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, "Public Libraries Act," to 31st March, 1926.

213. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$10,460 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Provincial Museum, to 31st March, 1926.

214. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$15,844 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Mental Hospitals, Headquarters, to 31st March, 1926.

215. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$340,204 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Mental Hospital, Essondale, to 31st March, 1926.

216. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$156,740 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Mental Hospital, New Westminster, to 31st March, 1926.

217. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$80,740 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Colony Farm and Nursery, Essondale, to 31st March, 1926.

218. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$49,732 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Mental Home (Saanich), Colquitz, to 31st March, 1926.

219. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$33,390 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Provincial Home, Kamloops, to 31st March, 1926.

220. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$199,840 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Tranquille Sanatorium, to 31st March, 1926.

221. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$22,740 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Tranquille Sanatorium Farm, to 31st March, 1926.

222. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$91,895 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Industrial and Subnormal Boys' School, to 31st March, 1926.

223. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$30,550 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Administration of "Infants Act," to 31st March, 1926.

224. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$19,060 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Provincial Home for Incurables, to 31st March, 1926.

225. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$385,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Statutory grants to Hospitals, to 31st March, 1926.



226. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$6,400 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Grants to Refuge Homes, Aid Societies, etc., to 31st March, 1926.

227. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$60,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, In aid of destitute poor and sick, etc., to 31st March, 1926.

228. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$12,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, In aid of Resident Physicians, to 31st March, 1926.

229. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$2,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Burial of indigent persons, to 31st March, 1926.

230. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$9,570 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Civil Service Commission, to 31st March, 1926.

231. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$4,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Gratuities under section 45, "Civil Service Act," to 31st March, 1926.

232. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$37,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Superannuation (old allowances), to 31st March, 1926.

233. *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, 1926.

234. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$10,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Registration of voters, to 31st March, 1926.

235. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Grant to City of Greenwood, to 31st March, 1926.

236. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$12,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Grant to City of Rossland, to 31st March, 1926.

237. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$17,500 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Industries for blind adults, to 31st March, 1926.

238. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$25,000 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, 1926.

239. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$16,500 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Salaries of members, Workmen's Compensation Board, to 31st March, 1926.

240. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$20,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Provincial Secretary, Contingencies and incidentals, to 31st March, 1926.

The Chairman reported the Resolutions.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

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

What is the total amount paid to the Ryan-McIntosh Timber Company to November 1st, 1924, in connection with timber-cruising equalization?

The Hon. Dr. MacLean replied as follows:—

"\$354,893.14. Under co-operative arrangements with some timber-owners the Government has been recouped to the extent of \$22,111.37."

*Resolved*, That the House, at its rising, do stand adjourned until 2 o'clock p.m. on Monday next.

And then the House adjourned at 10.55 p.m.

Monday, December 8th, 1924.

TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by Mr. Speaker.

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

W. C. NICHOL,  
*Lieutenant-Governor.*

The Lieutenant-Governor transmits herewith Amendments to Supplementary Estimates of Expenditure for the Fiscal Year ending 31st March, 1925, enclosed herewith, and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

*Government House,*  
*December 8th, 1924.*

(ENCLOSURE.)

*Amendments to Supplementary Estimates of Expenditure for the Fiscal Year 1924-25.*

Page V 102. After Vote 258 add:—

“260. Songhees Reserve (improvements) ..... \$ 5,000 00”

After Vote 157A, Department of Finance, add:—

“157B. City of Kamloops—Refund of taxes levied upon lands by Provincial Government which have been included within the boundary of the Municipal District of Kamloops ..... 409 50”

After Vote 251, Department of Public Works, add:—

“252A. Relief of unemployment ..... 150,000 00”

And to amend all statements of totals and sums carried or brought forward in said Supplementary Estimates so far as such amendments are necessary in consequence of the above-mentioned additions to said Supplementary Estimates for Fiscal Year 1924-25.

*Ordered, That* the said Message, and the Amendments accompanying the same, be referred to the Committee of Supply.

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

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. *Manson*, the Report on Bill (No. 20) intituled “An Act to amend the ‘Fire Marshal Act’” was discharged and the Bill recommitted.

Progress reported.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 15) intituled “An Act to amend the ‘Highway Act’” was again committed.

Reported complete with amendments.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 22) intituled “An Act to amend the ‘Boiler Inspection Act’” was again committed.

Reported complete with amendments.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 21) intituled “An Act to amend the ‘Electrical Energy Inspection Act’” was committed.

Reported complete without amendment.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 23) intituled “An Act to amend the ‘Railway Act’” was committed.

Progress reported.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 29) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Trade Licences Act'" was committed.  
Reported complete without amendment.  
Report to be considered at the next sitting.

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the second reading of Bill (No. 27) intituled "An Act to borrow the Sum of Three million five hundred thousand Dollars for the Purposes therein specified."

The debate continued.

On the motion of Mr. *Perry*, the debate was adjourned to the next sitting of the House.

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the second reading of Bill (No. 34) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Succession Duty Act.'"

On the motion of Mr. *I. A. Mackenzie*, the debate was adjourned to the next sitting of the House.

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the second reading of Bill (No. 35) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Forest Act.'"

The debate continued.

On the motion of Mr. *Burde*, the debate was adjourned to the next sitting of the House.

On the second reading of Bill (No. 36) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Administration Act'" a debate arose, which was, on the motion of Mr. *Jones*, adjourned to the next sitting of the House.

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

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

163. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$420 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Labour, Minister's Office, to 31st March, 1926.

163A. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$20,280 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Labour, General Office, to 31st March, 1926.

164. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$5,250 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Labour, Minimum Wage Board, to 31st March, 1926.

The Committee reported on Resolutions.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

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

1. Who is Justice of the Peace at Brookmere?
2. On what date did he receive such appointment?
3. By whom was he recommended for such appointment?
4. What business or occupation is he engaged in at Brookmere?

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

- "1. Herbert Snell.
- "2. June 5th, 1924.
- "3. Mr. Reid Johnston.
- "4. General store and postmaster."

Mr. *Jones* asked the Hon. the Minister of Agriculture the following questions:—

1. What are the quantities of deciduous fruits that have been imported into British Columbia from the United States of America since January 1st, 1924?
2. From what States were they shipped?

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

"1. Deciduous fruit imported into British Columbia from United States of America from January 1st to November 30th, 1924:—From State of Washington (boxes): Apples, 37,439; crabs, 3; pears, 33,232; plums, 4,341; prunes, 14,287; peaches, 66,568; apricots, 18,450; cherries, 9,567; yakamines, 201. From State of Oregon (boxes): Apples, 445; prunes, 1,712; peaches, 2;

apricots, 1; cherries, 2. From State of California (boxes): Apples, 4,155; pears, 1,740; plums, 9,692; peaches, 47,248; apricots, 268; cherries, 1,559; pomegranates, 969; persimmons, 400. From State of Utah: Peaches, 1,584 boxes.

"Total fruit condemned from the above (boxes): Apples, 1,021; pears, 2,562; plums, 1; prunes, 1,322; peaches, 190; cherries, 39.

"N.B.—Apples were imported chiefly at seasons of the year when local fruit was not on the market. In the aggregate the importations represent only about 1 per cent. of the amount produced in the Province.

"2. Answered by No. 1."

*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 5.33 p.m.

Monday, December 8th, 1924.

HALF-PAST EIGHT O'CLOCK P.M.

On the motion of the Hon. the Attorney-General, the House proceeded to the Orders of the Day.

Order of the Committee of Supply called.

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

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

165. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$41,160 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Labour, Employment Service, to 31st March, 1926.

166. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$8,958 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Labour, Factories Inspection, to 31st March, 1926.

244. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$11,930 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Public Works, Minister's Office, to 31st March, 1926.

245. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$56,670 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Public Works, Administration, to 31st March, 1926.

246. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$112,685 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Public Works, Maintenance of Parliament Buildings and Grounds, to 31st March, 1926.

247. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$20,675 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Public Works, Maintenance of Government House and Grounds, to 31st March, 1926.

248. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$58,140 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Public Works, District Engineers, to 31st March, 1926.

249. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$15,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Public Works, Boiler inspection and electrical energy inspection, to 31st March, 1926.

250. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$420 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Public Works, Retiring allowance, H. H. Hobbs, late Clerk in office of Inspector of Dykes, to 31st March, 1926.

251. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,990,802 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Public Works, Roads, Bridges, Wharves, etc., to 31st March, 1926.

252. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$199,198 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Public Works, Steamboats, Ferries, and Bridge-tenders, to 31st March, 1926.

253. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$21,900 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Railways, General Office, to 31st March, 1926.

254. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$46,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Railways, Fraser River Bridge, New Westminster, to 31st March, 1926.

194. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$12,065 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Mines, Minister's Office, to 31st March, 1926.

195. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$16,930 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Mines, General Office, to 31st March, 1926.

196. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$40,750 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Mines, Mines Inspection Branch, to 31st March, 1926.

197. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$15,640 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Mines, Bureau of Mines, to 31st March, 1926.

198. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$13,420 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Mines, Mine-rescue and Training Stations, to 31st March, 1926.

199. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Mines, Grant to Western Branch, Canadian Mining Institute, to 31st March, 1926.

200. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$2,500 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Mines, Grant to B.C. Chamber of Mines (conditional), to 31st March, 1926.

201. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$2,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Mines, Grants to Mining Conventions, to 31st March, 1926.

202. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$100,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Mines, "Mines Development Act," Supplementary, to 31st March, 1926.

203. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$40,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Mines, "Mineral Survey and Development Act," Supplementary, to 31st March, 1926.

204. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$5,000 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, 1926.

205. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$2,500 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Mines, Advertising, incidentals, and contingencies, to 31st March, 1926.

The Committee reported the Resolutions.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 20) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Fire Marshal Act'" was again committed.

Reported complete with amendments.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 11) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Motor-vehicle Act'" was committed.

Progress reported.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the second reading of Bill (No. 50) intituled "An Act for the Relief of the Associated Growers of British Columbia, Limited."

Bill read a second time, and *Ordered* to be committed at the next sitting.

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

What amount of money has been expended by the Department of Public Works on roads in the Fort George Electoral Riding during each of the following months: March, April, May, June, July, August, September, and October, 1924?

The Hon. Dr. Sutherland replied as follows:—

"March, \$1,309; April, \$7,830; May, \$8,982; June, \$20,473; July, \$5,035; August, \$1,915; September, \$2,121; October, \$1,732. For road expenditures from Loan Acts *see* Votes and Proceedings No. 19, November 28th."

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

What amount of money has been expended by the Department of Public Works on roads in the Cariboo Electoral Riding during each of the following months: March, April, May, June, July, August, September, and October, 1924?

The Hon. Dr. *Sutherland* replied as follows:—

“March, \$758.71; April, \$10,333.90; May, \$13,339.21; June, \$19,913.52; July, \$11,927.14; August, \$4,432.39; September, \$4,072.95; October, \$3,592.04. For road expenditures from Loan Acts see Votes and Proceedings No. 19, November 28th.”

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

What amount of money has been expended by the Department of Public Works on roads in the Dewdney Electoral Riding during each of the following months: March, April, May, June, July, August, September, and October, 1924?

The Hon. Dr. *Sutherland* replied as follows:—

“March, \$5,284.95; April, \$5,567.10; May, \$5,309; June, \$5,082.34; July, \$4,750.92; August, \$2,595.52; September, \$1,448.25; October, \$2,643.26. For road expenditures from Loan Acts see Votes and Proceedings No. 19, November 28th.”

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

What amount of money has been expended by the Department of Public Works on roads in the Revelstoke Electoral Riding during each of the following months: March, April, May, June, July, August, September, and October, 1924?

The Hon. Dr. *Sutherland* replied as follows:—

“March, \$594.74; April, \$9,538.89; May, \$8,137.96; June, \$7,893.16; July, \$6,052.38; August, \$4,098.80; September, \$1,887.04; October, \$1,492.16. For road expenditures from Loan Acts see Votes and Proceedings No. 19, November 28th.”

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

What has been the total sum spent since April 1st, 1924, to date (other than moneys from the various Loan Acts) on public highways and bridges in each electoral riding throughout the Province (without giving details)?

The Hon. Dr. *Sutherland* replied as follows:—

“Alberni, \$48,563.71; Atlin, \$115,762.53; Cariboo, \$100,280.02; Chilliwack, \$12,848.26; Columbia, \$44,253.06; Comox, \$55,144.90; Cowichan, \$35,496.49; Cranbrook, \$59,941.73; Delta, \$56,761.03; Dewdney, \$49,418.43; Esquimalt, \$67,387.49; Fernie, \$86,569.36; Fort George, \$97,652.51; Grand Forks, \$18,756.93; Greenwood, \$24,077.45; Islands, \$23,704.67; Kamloops, \$81,523.35; Kaslo, \$43,894.12; Lillooet, \$67,701.71; Nanaimo, \$11,040.75; Nelson, \$1,258.40; Newcastle, \$58,644.76; New Westminster, \$935.58; North Okanagan, \$62,038.39; North Vancouver, \$22,981.63; Omineca, \$94,124.73; Prince Rupert, \$49,669.24; Revelstoke, \$46,573.81; Richmond, \$12,410.81; Rossland, \$6,701.61; Saanich, \$4,537.34; Similkameen, \$38,583.85; Slocan, \$34,655.96; South Okanagan, \$35,377.32; South Vancouver, \$11,044.98; Trail, \$44,427.32; Yale, \$62,037.09.”

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

What sum of money has been paid the University Taxi Co., Vancouver, for transporting workmen from end of car-line to the University site, Point Grey, since date of commencement of construction up to November 15th, 1924?

The Hon. Dr. *Sutherland* replied as follows:—

“\$3,582 to October 31st. This expenditure covers the period from the start of the Science Building up to October 31st. All workmen are transported to the building, thus saving a walk of 2 miles. Workmen on the Science Building are provided with a ticket in order that no confusion may arise in connection with workmen on the other buildings undertaken by direct contract. In connection with the latter, the contractors pay the men 25 cents per day extra to cover the cost of transportation. This extra cost is assumed by the contractors. The great majority of the skilled workmen are married men who object to living in camps. The Department considers it more economical to provide transportation than to provide camps.”

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

What amount of money has been expended by the Department of Public Works on roads in the Cranbrook Electoral Riding during each of the following months: March, April, May, June, July, August, September, and October, 1924?

The Hon. Dr. Sutherland replied as follows:—

“March, \$2,078; April, \$8,449; May, \$13,509; June, \$10,539; July, \$4,789; August, \$3,868; September, \$2,825; October, \$1,591. For road expenditures from Loan Acts *see* Votes and Proceedings No. 19, November 28th.”

Mr. W. A. McKenzie asked the Hon. the Minister of Public Works the following questions:—

1. On what date was notice first advertised inviting tenders for Mile 29.6 to 31.5, Golden-Yoho Park Road?
2. In what papers did such notice appear?
3. On what date did tenders close?
4. How many tenders were received, and what was the amount of each tender?
5. Which firm received the contract?
6. What was the Department's estimate for this work: (a) Solid rock; (b) loose rock; (c) earth and hardpan, respectively?
7. What has been the total sum expended on the Golden-Yoho Park Road up to November 1st, 1924?
8. What is the estimated cost to complete?

The Hon. Dr. Sutherland replied as follows:—

- “1. September 29th.
- “2. Vancouver Daily Province; Vancouver Daily Sun, Morning and Evening; Vancouver Star; Building Record.
- “3. October 4th.
- “4. Three; on unit rates approximate totals as follows: Fred J. Dawson, \$62,362.31; W. P. Tierney & Co., \$64,555.15; Dartt & Paterson, \$68,025.54.
- “5. Fred J. Dawson.
- “6. (a) \$27,769.50; (b) \$10,525.35; (c) \$488.40; (c) \$13,137.74. Department's approximate estimate of cost of all work included in contract \$73,191.
- “7. Fiscal year 1923-24, \$63,599.70; April 1st to November 30th, 1924, \$16,077.30.
- “8. Unless unforeseen conditions arise it is expected to complete work within estimate.”

*Resolved*, That the House, at its rising, do stand adjourned until 2 o'clock p.m. to-morrow.

And then the House adjourned at 11.05 p.m.

## Tuesday, December 9th, 1924.

TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by Mr. Speaker.

The Hon. Mr. Pattullo presented a Return, pursuant to an Order of the House dated November 20th, *re* log export.

To lie upon the table.

Mr. Catherwood presented a petition from Charles S. Richmond, J. G. Merrick, J. L. Sweeney, and others, in favour of introducing legislation to abolish the personal-property tax.

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

Bill (No. 3) intituled “An Act to amend the ‘Landlord and Tenant Act’” was again committed.

Reported complete with amendments.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 23) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Railway Act'" was again committed.  
Reported complete with amendments.  
Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 11) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Motor-vehicle Act'" was again committed.  
Progress reported.  
Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 14) intituled "An Act respecting the Holding of Race-meetings" was committed.  
Progress reported.  
Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the second reading of Bill (No. 34) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Succession Duty Act.'"

The debate continued.

Bill read a second time on the following division:—

YEAS—28.

Messieurs

<i>Neelands</i>	<i>Colley</i>	<i>Sloan</i>	<i>Woodward</i>
<i>Browne</i>	<i>Rothwell</i>	<i>Creery</i>	<i>Paterson</i>
<i>Uphill</i>	<i>Mackenzie, I. A.</i>	<i>Walkem</i>	<i>Kergin</i>
<i>Burde</i>	<i>Smith, Mrs.</i>	<i>Harrison</i>	<i>Perry</i>
<i>Bryan</i>	<i>MacLean</i>	<i>Leary</i>	<i>Barrow</i>
<i>Munn</i>	<i>Oliver</i>	<i>McRae</i>	<i>Sutherland</i>
<i>Wrinch</i>	<i>Manson, A. M.</i>	<i>Odlum</i>	<i>Pattullo</i>

NAYS—17.

Messieurs

<i>Bruhn</i>	<i>Hayward</i>	<i>Peck</i>	<i>McKenzie, W. A.</i>
<i>Wallinger</i>	<i>Twigg</i>	<i>Davie</i>	<i>Jones</i>
<i>Catherwood</i>	<i>Schofield</i>	<i>Cochrane</i>	<i>Pooley</i>
<i>Manson, Michael</i>	<i>Coventry</i>	<i>Lister</i>	<i>Hinchliffe</i>
<i>Lyons</i>			

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

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the second reading of Bill (No. 36) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Administration Act.'"

Bill read a second time, and *Ordered* to be committed at the next sitting.

On the motion of Mr. *Uphill*, Bill (No. 38) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Master and Servant Act'" was introduced, read a first time, and *Ordered* to be read a second time at the next sitting of the House.

The Hon. Mr. *Sloan* presented a Return, pursuant to an Order of the House of the 2nd instant, giving a list of the papers, periodicals, and magazines purchased during 1924 for the Provincial Library, classifying such papers, etc., according to the countries in which they were published.

With the leave of the House, the Hon. Dr. *MacLean* presented a Return in answer to the following questions standing on the Order Paper in the name of Mr. *Jones*:—

1. What industries have been taken over by the Department of Industries, and for what reason?
2. What was the total amount of loans made in each case to these firms?
3. What amount of salary and travelling expenses has been paid to D. B. Martyn, Deputy Minister of Department of Industries, for the period from April 1st to November 1st, 1924?
4. What has been the cost of the Department in salaries and expenses each year since formed?

The petition from the Corporation of the City of Nanaimo, for leave to introduce a Bill for the purpose of confirming boundaries, was received.



Mr. Jones asked the Hon. the Minister of Industries the following questions:—

1. What was the total amount of arrears due on repayment of loans to the Department of Industries as at November 1st, 1924?
2. What was the total amount of arrears of interest as at November 1st, 1924?

The Hon. Dr. MacLean replied as follows:—

"1. \$171,817.96.

"2. \$63,105.34.

"NOTE.—Seventeen industries in possession of Department not included in above."

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

What (if any) amount was owing for arrears of interest on September 30th, 1924, from the holders of loans advanced by the Department of Industries?

The Hon. Dr. MacLean replied as follows:—

"\$72,713.53.

"NOTE.—Seventeen industries in possession of Department not included in above."

Mr. W. A. McKenzie asked the Hon. the Minister of Lands the following questions:—

1. Did the Department during the present year sell a timber limit located some 5 miles west of Midway? If so, when?
2. If so, in which newspapers did notice appear inviting tenders for this limit, and what was the date of such notice?
3. Was the limit sold? If so, what is the name of purchaser?
4. What length of time has been given for removal of timber?
5. What is the estimated quantity of ties on this limit?
6. What is the estimated quantity of lumber, B.M.?
7. What distance is this limit situated from the main highway?

The Hon. Mr. Pattullo replied as follows:—

"1. Yes; April 10th, 1924.

"2. Greenwood Ledge; February 14th, 1924, and the seven succeeding weeks.

"3. Yes; sold by public tender; Peter Veregin.

"4. Three years.

"5. 96,000.

"6. 5,100,000 feet B.M.

"7. About 2 miles."

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

1. What office other than Superintendent of Neglected Children does the present holder of this position fill?
2. Does he devote his whole time to this work? If not, why not?
3. If not, who looks after the Home during his absence?
4. Has he any deputy?
5. If so, who is the deputy, and what salary does he receive?
6. Who is Acting Superintendent of Industrial Schools, and what salary does he receive?
7. Has he been continuously employed throughout the last year?
8. What vacation (if any) has he received?

The Hon. Mr. Sloan replied as follows:—

"1. Superintendent of the Boys' Industrial School.

"2. No. This officer, as well as being thoroughly competent to act in both capacities, is conveniently situated to deal with cases of neglected children.

"3. When the Superintendent is temporarily absent on duty the Matron of the Boys' Industrial School is in control of that institution.

"4. There is no Deputy or Acting Superintendent of the Boys' Industrial School.

"5. Answered by No. 4.

"6. Answered by No. 4.

"7. Answered by No. 4.

"8. Answered by No. 4."

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

1. How much has been expended on Government advertising, including that paid from funds under Government control (Forest Protection, Game, Workmen's Compensation, Timber-sales, etc.), since April 1st, 1924, in: (a) Vancouver Daily Sun; (b) Vancouver Daily Province; (c) The Hook and Saturday Tribune?

2. What is the declared circulation of each of these journals?

The Hon. Dr. MacLean replied as follows:—

"1. (a) \$6,594.42; (b) \$2,757.65; (c) \$739. The expenditures of the Workmen's Compensation Board are not under Government control.

"2. No information."

Mr. Catherwood asked the Hon. the Minister of Agriculture the following questions:—

1. Was any work done on Nicomen Island under the dyking scheme during 1924?

2. If so, what work?

3. And what was the cost up to October 31st last?

The Hon. Mr. Barrow replied as follows:—

"1. Yes.

"2. Interior drainage and general maintenance.

"3. Drainage-works, \$2,663.66; interest and administration, \$2,518.08; maintenance, \$1,105.01; total, \$6,286.75."

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

1. Who was the designer of the launch "B.C. Forester"?

2. What amount was he paid?

3. Was he retained to see that the plans and designs were properly carried out?

4. If not, who supervised the building of the boat, and were the plans strictly adhered to?

5. Was the Forest Branch Mechanical Engineer consulted as to the engines and other machinery appliances?

6. What make of engine, and horse-power of same, was installed?

7. What was the cost of the engine?

The Hon. Mr. Pattullo replied as follows:—

"1. John Winslow.

"2. \$340.

"3. No.

"4. District Forester; yes.

"5. Yes.

"6. Washington-Estep, 50 horse-power; Diesel marine.

"7. \$5,122.17."

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

1. What firm of land surveyors or engineers have been in charge of land-development work in connection with the University of British Columbia at Point Grey?

2. Who recommended this firm to the Government?

3. On what date did survey-work commence on this project?

4. What remuneration per day is paid?

5. What amount of money has been expended on survey and engineering work in connection with townsite development as at November 15th, 1924?

The Hon. Mr. Pattullo replied as follows:—

"1. Land-development work in charge of Consulting Engineer to Department of Lands under direction of Minister of Lands. Land surveys performed by R. L. Horie, B.C.L.S.

"2. Selected without special recommendation.

"3. Topographical surveys began January, 1923. Land surveys began September, 1923.

"4. Land surveyor receives \$15 per day.

"5. Land surveys, approximately \$3,935; topographical surveys and engineering, approximately \$9,500."

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

And then the House adjourned at 6 p.m.

## Tuesday, December 9th, 1924.

HALF-PAST EIGHT O'CLOCK P.M.

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

Order of Committee of Supply called.

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

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

256. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,598,896.86 be granted His Majesty to defray the expenses of Capital Expenditures, Sinking Funds, to 31st March, 1926.

257. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$640,571 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Capital Expenditures, Pacific Great Eastern Railway Company—Interest on Guaranteed Bonds due 15th July, 1925, and 15th January, 1926, to 31st March, 1926.

258. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$300,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Capital Expenditures, Pacific Great Eastern Railway Company—*Re* deficit on Operation and Maintenance Account, and for purchase of equipment, etc., to 31st March, 1926.

259. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$9,700 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Capital Expenditures, British Columbia House, London, England—Instalment on mortgage, to 31st March, 1926.

260. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$6,500 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Capital Expenditures, Lock-ups, to 31st March, 1926.

261. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$10,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Capital Account, Songhees Reserve improvements, to 31st March, 1926.

2. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$2,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Legislation, Revised Statutes (including distribution), to 31st March, 1925.

16. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$5,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Veterinary Branch, to 31st March, 1925.

20. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$15,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Tubercular cattle—Compensation, etc., to 31st March, 1925.

35. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$500 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Compensation *re* foul-brood in bees, to 31st March, 1925.

36. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Control of noxious weeds and destruction of pests, etc., to 31st March, 1925.

40. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$200 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Exhibit for B.C. House in London, to 31st March, 1925.

67. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$2,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Provincial Police, to 31st March, 1925.

69. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$5,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Oakalla Prison Farm, to 31st March, 1925.

70. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,500 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Girls' Industrial School, to 31st March, 1925.

75. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,500 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Expenses of inquests and inquiries, to 31st March, 1925.

77. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$5,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Constitutional litigation and general law costs, to 31st March, 1925.

78. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$9,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Bounties on noxious animals, salaries and expenses of Game Conservation Board, etc., to 31st March, 1925.

84A. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$10,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, In aid of removal of discriminatory freight and express rates, to 31st March, 1925.

87. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$4,150 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Education, General Office, to 31st March, 1925.

89. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$15,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Education, Agricultural Education, to 31st March, 1925.

93. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$5,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Education, Normal School, Victoria, to 31st March, 1925.

104. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$15,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Education, Incidentals and contingencies, to 31st March, 1925.

105. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Education, Grant to University of British Columbia, to 31st March, 1925.

114. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$3,500 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Finance, Agent-General's Office, to 31st March, 1925.

117. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Finance, Ashcroft Agency, to 31st March, 1925.

119. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$312 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Finance, Barkerville Sub-agency, to 31st March, 1925.

120. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,300 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Finance, Clinton Sub-agency, to 31st March, 1925.

122. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,500 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Finance, Cumberland Agency, to 31st March, 1925.

124. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$700 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Finance, Fernie Agency, to 31st March, 1925.

128. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$350 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Finance, Grand Forks Sub-agency, to 31st March, 1925.

129. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$200 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Finance, Greenwood Sub-agency, to 31st March, 1925.

132. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$160 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Finance, Lillooet Sub-agency, to 31st March, 1925.

133. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$900 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Finance, Merritt Sub-agency, to 31st March, 1925.

134. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$250 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Finance, Nanaimo Agency, to 31st March, 1925.

139. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$400 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Finance, Pouce Coupe Agency, to 31st March, 1925.

140. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,550 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Finance, Prince Rupert Agency, to 31st March, 1925.

145. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$500 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Finance, Rossland Sub-agency, to 31st March, 1925.

147. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$710 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Finance, Stewart Sub-agency, to 31st March, 1925.

149. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$7,100 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Finance, Vancouver Agency, to 31st March, 1925.

152. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$250 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Finance, Williams Lake Sub-agency, to 31st March, 1925.

154A. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$4,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Finance, Temporary assistance and reorganization, to 31st March, 1925.

193A. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Lands, Compensation to John Wold *re* Record No. 2893, Cariboo, to 31st March, 1925.

247. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$4,700 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Public Works, Maintenance of Government House and Grounds, to 31st March, 1925.

251. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$75,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Public Works, Roads, Streets, Bridges, and Wharves, to 31st March, 1925.

252A. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$150,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Public Works, Relief of unemployment, to 31st March, 1925.

260. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$5,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Capital Expenditures, Songhees Reserve (improvements), to 31st March, 1925.

253. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$600 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Railways, General Office, to 31st March, 1925.

254. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$63,300 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Railways, Fraser River Bridge, to 31st March, 1925.

263. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$4,500 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Capital Expenditures, Game-keeper's house at new Elk Lake Game Farm, to 31st March, 1925.

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

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

REPORT No. 10.

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE ROOM,  
December 9th, 1924.

MR. SPEAKER:

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

That Bill (No. 52) intituled "An Act relating to the Corporation of Point Grey" has been withdrawn by the Corporation of Point Grey, and your Committee recommends that the fees paid by the said municipality under Rule 72 (1) be refunded to the municipality.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

H. G. PERRY, *Chairman*.

The report was read and received.

On the motion of Mr. *Perry*, Bill (No. 39) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Semi-monthly Payment of Wages Act'" was introduced, read a first time, and *Ordered* to be read a second time at the next sitting of the House.

*Resolved*, That the House, at its rising, do stand adjourned until 2 o'clock p.m. to-morrow.

And then the House adjourned at 11.15 p.m.