

Monday, 21st March, 1921.

TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by Mr. Speaker.

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

1. Did the Day Lumber Company sue the Pacific Great Eastern Railway Company for the loss suffered in the destruction of their mill and other property by fire?
2. If so, has said trial taken place?
3. If not, what has become of said suit?

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

- "1. Yes, on timber limits and machinery.
- "2. No.
- "3. Settled out of Court."

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

1. Was an Order in Council passed by the Government allowing the Minister of Lands to permit export of logs from the Province?
2. If so, when was it passed, and on what authority?
3. How many logs were allowed to be exported since April 1st, 1920, with particulars in each case allowed?

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

- "1. Yes.
- "2. Approved April 14th, 1920. Authority, section 103B of the 'Forest Act' as re-enacted by section 17 of the 'Forest Act Amendment Act, 1920.'
- "3. July 7th, 1920, Bloedel, Stewart & Welch, 1,812 pieces, 787,691 F.B.M.; July 18th, 1920, Nimpkish Timber Co., Ltd., 692 pieces, 685,517 F.B.M.; July 22nd, 1920, Hamilton & McNeill, 1,433 pieces, 868,672 F.B.M.; July 24th, 1920, Northern Cedar Log Co., Ltd., 693 pieces, 708,351 F.B.M.; July 28th, 1920, Suttlej Timber Co., Ltd., 961 pieces, 714,306 F.B.M.; September 29th, 1920, Northern Cedar Log Co., Ltd., 1,314 pieces, 606,417 F.B.M.; October 27th, 1920, National Timber Co., 1,438 pieces, 1,014,128 F.B.M.; October 30th, 1920, Campbell River Lumber Co., 524 pieces, 113,365 F.B.M.; January 22nd, 1921, Nimpkish Timber Co., Ltd., 4,438 pieces, 3,387,490 F.B.M.; January 27th, 1921, Boynton Lumber Co., 68 pieces, 4,703 F.B.M.; January 30th, 1921, Brooks, Scanlon & O'Brien, 311 pieces, 170,338 F.B.M.; February 22nd, 1921, Campbell River Timber Co., 1,792 pieces, 695,112 F.B.M."

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

1. Is Mr. Gutteridge at present in the employ of the Agricultural Department?
2. If so, in what position, date of his appointment, and present salary?
3. Was said Gutteridge stationed at Ashcroft last fall for the purpose of inspecting potatoes?
4. If so, what length of time was he occupied in this work, and number of cars he inspected?
5. What was the amount of his travelling expenses for this work at Ashcroft, and what was the total cost of inspection per car?
6. What was the total number of cars of potatoes inspected by the Markets Branch in Vancouver from October 1st last to the end of February?
7. How many cars in that period were inspected for export, and what was the cost per car?
8. How many car-loads of potatoes were imported into the Province between October 1st last and March 1st, and what revenue did the Department of Agriculture receive from these importations?

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

- "1. Yes.
- "2. Potato Inspector; temporary appointment, October 15th, 1915; permanent, April 1st, 1916; present salary, \$1,720 per year.

"3. Yes.

"4. October 4th to November 14th; inspected seven cars for export and sixty-seven cars for points within the Province, and instructed shippers *re* sorting and grading, etc., until weather forced potatoes to pits and other winter storage.

"5. Travelling expenses, \$56.60; board and room, \$80.20; cost of inspecting per car, \$4.70.

"6. Inspected forty-five cars British Columbia potatoes per Markets Branch, and 337 cars imported, inspected by Imports Branch.

"7. Seventy-eight cars inspected for export from all points of the Province, fourteen of which were at Vancouver; cost about \$5 per car.

"8. 425 cars or 8,516 tons; \$1 per ton."

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

1. Is the Minister aware of the allegations contained in the *British Columbia Federationist* of February 25th with regard to the sanitary conditions of one Simon Taylor's camp at Rampart?

2. If so, will the Minister cause investigation to be made?

3. If unsanitary conditions are found on investigation, will the Minister direct prosecution of the offending parties?

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

"1. No complaint made at any time referring to camp as belonging to Simon Taylor. Complaint was made of camp at Rampart belonging to East Kootenay Lumber Company, under date January 6th, 1920. Inspection was made and Department informed that camp was temporary and would be closed down within six weeks.

"2. All complaints made to Department of Health are immediately investigated.

"3. Department finds that camp managers anxious to comply with regulations and carry out instructions of Inspectors. When necessary offenders are prosecuted."

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

John Keen, the Clerk of the House, read the titles of the following Bills:—

(No. 2) An Act to amend the "British Columbia Loan Act, 1916."

(No. 3) An Act to amend the "British Columbia Loan Act, 1917."

(No. 4) An Act to amend the "British Columbia Loan Act, 1919."

(No. 15) An Act to borrow the Sum of Four million Dollars for the Purposes therein specified.

(No. 18) An Act to amend the "Water Act, 1914."

(No. 21) An Act to amend the "Forest Act."

His Honour was pleased, in His Majesty's name, to give assent to the said Bills.

The said assent was announced by the Clerk of the House in the following words:—

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

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the motion "That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair" for the purpose of going into Committee of Supply.

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

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the second reading of Bill (No. 30) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Public Schools Act.'"

Bill read a second time.

To be committed at the next sitting.

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the second reading of Bill (No. 25) intituled "An Act to ratify an Agreement bearing Date the Twenty-third Day of February, 1921, between the British Columbia Anti-Tuberculosis Society and His Majesty the King."

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

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

And then the House adjourned at 6.22 p.m.

Monday, 21st March, 1921.

HALF-PAST EIGHT O'CLOCK P.M.

On the motion of the Hon. the Premier, Bill (No. 41) intituled "An Act respecting The Corporation of the City of Port Coquitlam" was introduced, read a first time, and *Ordered* to to read a second time at the next sitting.

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the motion "That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair" for the purpose of going into Committee of Supply.

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

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the second reading of Bill (No. 25) intituled "An Act to ratify an Agreement bearing Date the Twenty-third Day of February, 1921, between the British Columbia Anti-Tuberculosis Society and His Majesty the King."

Bill read a second time.

To be committed at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 53) intituled "An Act relating to the Corporation of the City of Victoria" was read a second time, and *Ordered* to be committed at the next sitting.

On the second reading of Bill (No. 55) intituled "An Act to incorporate the Fernie and Elk River Railway Company" a debate arose, which was, on the motion of Mr. *Jackson*, adjourned to the next sitting.

Bill (No. 30) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Public Schools Act'" was committed.

Progress reported.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

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 a Bill intituled "An Act respecting the Mission Municipal School District," and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,

March 21st, 1921.

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. 39) intituled "An Act respecting the Mission Municipal School District," 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.

The Hon. Mr. *Farris* 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 'Infants Act,'" and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,

March 21st, 1921.

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. 40) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Infants 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.

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

And then the House adjourned at 11.40 p.m.

Tuesday, 22nd March, 1921.

TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by Mr. Speaker.

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

That an Order of this House be granted for a Return showing a copy of the contract entered into between the Land Settlement Board and the Marsh-Bourne Construction Company, Limited, dealing with the reclamation of Sumas Lake.

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

1. Has the Lieutenant-Governor in Council declared any lands in this Province to be a company town within the meaning of the "Company Towns Regulation Act, 1919"?
2. If so, how many company towns were so declared, with particulars in each case?

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

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

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

1. Has the Government any knowledge of the closing of the coal-mines at the town of Hosmer, B.C., in June of the year 1914?
2. Has the Government any knowledge that the Department of Natural Resources of the C.P.R. declared such mine to be unprofitable to work?
3. In the case of such mine being declared unprofitable to work, has the Government made any provision that such coal area revert to the Government?

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

"1. The Minister of Mines' Report for 1914 states that the Hosmer Colliery operated steadily for the first half of the year; and the Report for 1915 states that the Hosmer Colliery, formerly operated by the Natural Resources Department of the Canadian Pacific Railway Company, did not operate during the year, and the decreased coal-output for the year was due to the abandonment of said colliery.

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

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

1. What was the total capital liabilities of the Province when the Government assumed office in November, 1916?
2. What amount (if any) was then owing to the Canadian Bank of Commerce for temporary loans by way of Treasury bills, overdraft, or otherwise?
3. What is the total capital liabilities of the Province at the present date?
4. What amount is now owing to the Canadian Bank of Commerce for temporary loans by way of Treasury bills, overdraft, or otherwise?

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

"1. \$23,153,146.

"2. None; but \$1,191,234.98 was due at November 30th, 1916, for current liabilities, etc., and remained unpaid until this Government assumed office; and within three months thereafter a further sum of approximately \$3,000,000 had to be provided to liquidate other liabilities and deficits incurred before it took charge.

"3. Amount as at November, 1916, and sums borrowed for the following purposes:—

Consolidated Revenue	\$ 4,000,000
Pacific Great Eastern Railway	15,128,000
'Soldiers' Land Act'	1,900,000
Land Settlement Board	2,650,000
Better Housing	1,361,500
'Water Act, 1914'	1,195,000
'South Vancouver Loan Act, 1918'	790,000
Department of Industries	915,000
University of British Columbia	100,000
Public Works, Trunk Roads and 'Highway Act, 1920'	1,850,000

\$53,042,646

Less 1897 Inscribed Stock paid off

\$ 381,210

„ Sinking Fund

6,045,000

6,426,210

Net debt at March 1st, 1921

\$46,616,436

"This amount should be further reduced by \$4,800,000 borrowed to pay the Pacific Great Eastern Railway note, and which reduces the liability of the Province under its guarantee by \$6,000,000.

"4. In addition to amount shown in answer No. 9 on page 2 of Votes and Proceedings for February 23rd, 1921, the sum of \$75,000."

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

1. Was the right to the Crown grant to any or all of the following townsites acquired subsequent to April 17th, 1896: Britannia, Copper Mountain, Allenby, Woodfibre, Powell River, Port Alice, Ocean Falls, Swanson Bay, Anyox, Buckley Bay, and Cassidy's?
2. What are the particulars in each case respectively?
3. Has the quarter-interest in the site of these towns been reconveyed to the Government?
4. If not, what steps has the Government taken to enforce the provisions of sections 63 and 68, inclusive, of the "Land Act"?
5. If no action has been taken to secure the reconveyance to the Government of the quarter-interest in these townsites, why has this not been done?

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

"1. There is no official information on file to show that the places mentioned in the question are townsites. Lands have been disposed of from time to time under the provisions of the 'Land Act.' As a matter of fact, upon a number of these alienations industrial operations are being carried on at the present time. Representations have been made at different times in respect of these industrial locations that the Government should claim a one-quarter interest in said locations. Very serious consideration has been given by the Government to all the circum-

stances in connection with the situation, and in the Session of 1919 the 'Company Towns Regulation Act' was passed by the Legislature at the instance of the Government with a view to safeguarding the rights of the public in unorganized communities where industrial operations were carried on. It was felt at that time that this measure went as far as circumstances warranted.

"2, 3, 4, and 5. Answered by No. 1."

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

1. Has any right-of-way for roads in the North Okanagan District been paid for by the Department of Public Works between the years 1917 and 1920?

2. If so, who are the parties from whom such rights-of-way have been purchased, the amount paid each, and the parties receiving same?

The Hon. Dr. King replied as follows:—

"1. Yes.

"2. Arrangement made with the Indian Department for right-of-way across the Spallumcheen Reserve at Enderby and payments made to the following Indians: Charlie Boaty, \$25.43; Jim Nicholas, \$32.40; Susan David, \$15.25; Louis Heskitt, \$46.38."

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

1. What was the total cost of removing the highway bridge over the Kicking Horse River at Golden at the north end of the Government road?

2. What was the total cost of erecting the new bridge across the Kicking Horse River at Golden?

3. Is it the intention of the Government to make any changes in connection with the approaches to the south end of this bridge?

4. If so, of what nature?

5. What claims have been made by property-holders for damages caused by the Kicking Horse River, and what are their names, with particulars of amount of claims, amounts paid in settlement, and amounts of any claims unpaid?

6. What is the total expenditure to date by the Provincial Government and the Dominion Government on the Kicking Horse River bank-protection work?

7. Is this work now completed?

8. If not, why not?

9. Who did this work; was it by tender?

The Hon. Dr. King replied as follows:—

"1 and 2. The removal of the up-stream bridge and the erection of a new one at old bridge-site embodied in one contract, \$12,472.94.

"3. Not definitely settled.

"4. Answered by No. 3.

"5. J. W. Conner, claim \$500, paid \$299.20; H. S. McRae, claim \$450, paid \$132; A. Pagliaro, claim \$565, paid \$204; J. Blysak, claim \$661.50, paid \$200.70; G. A. Storrar, claim \$350, paid \$50; T. King, claim \$4,000, paid \$1,021; D. P. Kimpton, claim \$1,200, paid \$633; P. Yurik, claim \$760, paid \$220.90; A. Choquette, claim \$125, paid \$25; Mrs. A. D. J. Mathieson, claim not specified, paid \$150; E. J. Scovill, claim \$450, paid \$450; Wm. Barclay, claim \$6,000, paid \$3,041.45 (counsel fees, etc., *re* Barclay claim, \$425); W. J. Gould, claim \$1,100, paid \$770.80, paid for right-of-way \$322.20. Unpaid claims, H. C. Rayson (not specified) and M. Olafsen, claim \$100.

"6. \$65,646.46.

"7. No.

"8. Depends on action of high water.

"9. Department of Public Works; by day-labour."

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the motion "That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair" for the purpose of going into Committee of Supply.

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

The Hon. Mr. *Pattullo* presented the Annual Report of the Minister of Lands for the Year ending December 31st, 1920.

On the motion of the Hon. the Premier, seconded by the Hon. the Minister of Public Works, it was *Resolved*,—

That the Select Committee in charge of Bill No. 17 be empowered to sit during the sitting of the House this afternoon for the purpose of hearing certain witnesses.

The Hon. Mr. *Farris* 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 concerning the Employment of Women during the Night," and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,
March 21st, 1921.

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. 34) intituled "An Act concerning the Employment of Women during the Night," 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.

The Hon. Mr. *Farris* 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 limiting the Hours of Work in Industrial Undertakings," and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,
March 21st, 1921.

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 limiting the Hours of Work in Industrial Undertakings," 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.

The Hon. Mr. *Farris* 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 fixing the Minimum Age for Admission of Children to Industrial Employment," and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,
March 21st, 1921.

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. 36) intituled "An Act fixing the Minimum Age for Admission of Children to Industrial Employment," 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.

The Hon. Mr. *Farris* 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 concerning the Night-work of Young Persons employed in Industry," and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,
March 21st, 1921.

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. 37) intituled "An Act concerning the Night-work of Young Persons employed in Industry," 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.

The Hon. Mr. *Farris* 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 concerning the Employment of Women before and after Childbirth," and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,
March 21st, 1921.

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. 38) intituled "An Act concerning the Employment of Women before and after Childbirth," 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.

The Hon. Mr. *Farris* 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 'Employment Agencies Act Repeal Act,'" and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,
March 22nd, 1921.

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. 42) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Employment Agencies Act Repeal 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.

The Hon. Dr. *King* 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 authorize the Leasing of Warehouses on the Government Wharf at Prince Rupert," and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,
March 22nd, 1921.

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. 45) intituled "An Act to authorize the Leasing of Warehouses on the Government Wharf at Prince Rupert," 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.

Bill (No. 25) intituled "An Act to ratify an Agreement bearing Date the Twenty-third Day of February, 1921, between the British Columbia Anti-Tuberculosis Society and His Majesty the King" was committed.

Reported complete without amendment.
Report adopted.
Bill read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 32) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Provincial Elections Act'" was again committed.

Reported complete with amendments.
Report to be considered at the next sitting.

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

- Bill (No. 41) intituled "An Act respecting The Corporation of the City of Port Coquitlam."
 Bill (No. 39) intituled "An Act respecting the Mission Municipal School District."
 Bill (No. 40) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Infants Act.'"

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 5.05 p.m.

Tuesday, 22nd March, 1921.

TEN MINUTES TO NINE O'CLOCK P.M.

On the motion of Mr. *Uphill*, Bill (No. 46) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Metalliferous Mines Inspection Act Amendment Act, 1918'" was introduced, read a first time, and *Ordered* to be read a second time at the next sitting.

On the motion of the Hon. Dr. *MacLean*, Bill (No. 43) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Provincial Royal Jubilee Hospital Act, 1890'" was introduced, read a first time, and *Ordered* to be read a second time at the next sitting.

The House proceeded to the Orders of the Day.

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the motion "That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair" for the purpose of going into Committee of Supply.

Resolved, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair.

(IN THE COMMITTEE OF SUPPLY.)

1. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$2,829,633.08 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Debt to 31st March, 1922.

The Committee reported the Resolution.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

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

Bill (No. 42) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Employment Agencies Act Repeal Act.'"

Bill (No. 35) intituled "An Act limiting the Hours of Work in Industrial Undertakings."

Bill (No. 36) intituled "An Act fixing the Minimum Age for Admission of Children to Industrial Employment."

Bill (No. 34) intituled "An Act concerning the Employment of Women during the Night."

Bill (No. 37) intituled "An Act concerning the Night-work of Young Persons employed in Industry."

Bill (No. 38) intituled "An Act concerning the Employment of Women before and after Childbirth."

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

And then the House adjourned at 11.20 p.m.

Wednesday, 23rd March, 1921.

TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by Mr. Speaker.

On the motion of Mr. *Clearihuc*, Bill (No. 49) intituled "An Act to permit Municipally Owned Cemeteries, Crematoriums, and Mausoleums" was introduced, read a first time, and *Ordered* to be read a second time at the next sitting.

Mr. W. A. *McKenzie* asked the Hon. the Premier the following questions:—

1. Was S. S. Taylor, K.C., retained by the Government on the Pacific Great Eastern Railway to do certain professional work in connection with the agreement between the Pacific Great Eastern Railway, Messrs. Foley, Welch & Stewart, and the Government?
2. If so, what did this professional work consist of?
3. Was his bill paid by the Pacific Great Eastern Railway?
4. If so, what was the amount paid, and the date?

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

- "1. Yes.
- "2. Consulting as to terms of agreement and advising as to draft legislation, going over all documents in connection therewith.
- "3. Yes.
- "4. \$100; July 26th, 1918."

Dr. *Rose* asked the Hon. the Minister of Public Works the following question:—

What are the roads still under consideration by the Department at Ottawa for which assistance is asked?

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

"Kootenay Lake (Kaslo-Ainsworth); 1-Mile; Hardy Bay-Coal Harbour; Kootenay Lake (New Denver-Three Forks); Cariboo Road (Quesnel-Fort George)."

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

1. Are there any coal leases in the vicinity of Princeton still standing in the name of Andrew Laidlaw and his associates, or the Princeton Collieries, Limited?
2. If so, how many, and have all the rentals been paid to date?
3. If not, what arrears are due?
4. Have any leases been cancelled?

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

- "1. No.
- "2. Answered by No. 1.
- "3. Answered by No. 1.
- "4. All leases formerly in the name of the Princeton Collieries, Limited, have been cancelled."

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

1. What placer claims along the Tulameen and Similkameen Rivers, in the vicinity of Princeton, are under lease from the British Columbia Government?
2. Has work been performed upon such claims each year of the duration of the leases?
3. Have all rentals been paid, and what are the amounts in each case?
4. If not, who are the delinquents?
5. Have any of the claims been cancelled?

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

"1. Lease return from Gold Commissioner at Princeton for quarter ending December 31st, 1920, shows Leases Nos. 75, 76, 78, 79, 81, and 82 as under lease from the British Columbia Government.

"2. A lease return from said Gold Commissioner for quarter ending September 30th, 1919, showed said leases in arrear in development-work since 1918, but latest return shows work performed.

"3. Yes. On Nos. 75, 76, 78, and 79, \$375 each; on Nos. 81 and 82, \$300 each.

"4. Answered by No. 3.

"5. No information; latest return shows said leases in good standing."

Bill (No. 53) intituled "An Act relating to the Corporation of the City of Victoria" was committed.

Reported complete with amendments.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

The Hon. Mr. *Farris* 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 'Mothers' Pensions Act,'" and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,

March 23rd, 1921.

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. 48) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Mothers' Pensions 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.

Bill (No. 12) intituled "An Act to provide for Government Control and Sale of Alcoholic Liquors" was again committed.

Reported complete with amendments.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

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

And then the House adjourned at 6.15 p.m.

Wednesday 23rd March, 1921.

HALF-PAST EIGHT O'CLOCK P.M.

The Hon. Mr. *Barrow* presented a Return showing a copy of the contract entered into between the Land Settlement Board and the Marsh-Bourne Construction Company, Limited, dealing with the reclamation of Sumas Lake.

The Hon. Mr. *Hart* 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 certain amendments to the Estimates of the Revenue and Expenditure of British Columbia for the Fiscal Year ending 31st March, 1922, enclosed herewith, and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

*Government House,
March 21st, 1921.*

• (ENCLOSURE.)

*Amendments to Estimates of the Revenue and Expenditure of British Columbia for the
Fiscal Year ending the 31st March, 1922.*

Page M 66, Vote 257, "Industrial School and Boys' Subnormal School—Buildings, grounds, equipment, etc.": Amend line 2 by striking out the figures "\$19,000," and substituting therefor the figures "\$99,000."

Page M 66, Vote 258, "Mental Hospitals—Buildings, grounds, equipment, etc.": Amend line 1 by striking out the figures "\$227,100," and substituting therefor the figures "\$237,100."

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 amendments.

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

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

1. Was Mrs. C. Spofford, of Victoria, at any time in the year 1919 a member of the Commission dealing with Mothers' Pensions or Health Insurance, or both?

2. If so, how much was she paid for such services, at what rate, and what were her expense allowances?

3. When will the report on Health Insurance be tabled?

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

"1. Yes.

"2. No payment yet made. \$20 per diem while actually employed; \$10 per diem while actually employed, with transportation expenses.

"3. Report not yet received. Will be tabled shortly after its receipt."

On the second reading of Bill (No. 51) intituled "An Act to revise and consolidate the 'Vancouver Incorporation Act,'" a debate arose, which was, on the motion of the Hon. the Premier, adjourned to the next sitting.

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

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

2. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$109,870 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Legislation to 31st March, 1922.

3. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$13,680 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Premier's Office to 31st March, 1922.

4. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$11,440 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Minister's Office, to 31st March, 1922.

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

On consideration of the Report on Bill (No. 32) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Provincial Elections Act,'" Mr. *Jackson* moved that section 9 of the Bill be struck out, and the following sections renumbered.

A debate arose, which was, on the motion of the Hon. the Attorney-General, adjourned to the next sitting.

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

Bill (No. 43) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Provincial Royal Jubilee Hospital Act, 1890.'"

Bill (No. 45) intituled "An Act to authorize the Leasing of Warehouses on the Government Wharf at Prince Rupert."

On the second reading of Bill (No. 48) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Mothers' Pensions Act'" a debate arose, which was, on the motion of Mr. *W. A. McKenzie*, adjourned to the next sitting.

On the second reading of Bill (No. 46) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Metalliferous Mines Inspection Act Amendment Act, 1918'" a debate arose, which was, on the motion of the Hon. the Minister of Mines, adjourned to the next sitting.

Bill (No. 49) intituled "An Act to permit Municipally Owned Cemeteries, Crematoriums, and Mausoleums" was read a second time, and *Ordered* to be committed at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 40) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Infants Act'" was committed.

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

Bill (No. 34) intituled "An Act concerning the Employment of Women during the Night" was committed.

Reported complete without amendment.
Report adopted.
Bill read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 35) intituled "An Act limiting the Hours of Work in Industrial Undertakings" was committed.

Reported complete with amendments.
Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 36) intituled "An Act fixing the Minimum Age for Admission of Children to Industrial Employment" was committed.

Reported complete without amendment.
Report adopted.
Bill read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 37) intituled "An Act concerning the Night-work of Young Persons employed in Industry" was committed.

Reported complete without amendment.
Report adopted.
Bill read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 38) intituled "An Act concerning the Employment of Women before and after Childbirth" was committed.

Reported complete without amendment.

Report adopted.

Bill read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 42) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Employment Agencies Act Repeal Act'" was committed.

Reported without amendment.

Report adopted.

Bill read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 39) intituled "An Act respecting the Mission Municipal School District" was committed.

Reported without amendment.

Report adopted.

Bill read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 41) intituled "An Act respecting The Corporation of the City of Port Coquitlam" was committed.

Reported with amendments.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

The Hon. Dr. *King* 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 'Dyking Assessments Adjustment Act, 1905,'" and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,

March 23rd, 1921.

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. 47) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Dyking Assessments Adjustment Act, 1905,'" 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.

The Hon. Mr. *Barrow* 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 'Brand Act,'" and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,

March 22nd, 1921.

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. 44) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Brand 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.

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.

Thursday, 24th March, 1921.

TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by Mr. Speaker.

The Hon. the Premier announced to the House that His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor had this morning been pleased to appoint *Mary Ellen Smith*, Senior Member for Vancouver City, a member of the Executive Council, and that the Hon. *M. E. Smith* had taken the oath of office.

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. *Farris*, the following Bills were introduced, read a first time, and *Ordered* to be read a second time at the next sitting:—

Bill (No. 58) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Testator's Family Maintenance Act.'"
Bill (No. 59) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Special Surveys Act.'"

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

What was the amount paid by the Pacific Great Eastern Railway to the Day Lumber Company in settlement of the suit of the Day Lumber Company against the railway?

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

"\$7,500."

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

1. Were any complaints lodged with the Government as to the firm of David Spencer, Limited, not having put proper returns as to their income for purposes of taxes?
2. If so, when were these complaints received, and from whom?
3. If so, has the Department of Finance taken any action, and of what nature?

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

"1. The Audit Department commenced an audit early in February, 1920. Delay occurred owing to the official in charge of accounts being away; on his return in May, 1920, the work was resumed, but not completed before certain difficulties arose. On August 10th, 1920, a letter was received from Mr. R. T. Elliott, making statements about the income-tax returns.

"2. Answered by No. 1.

"3. The audit has since been completed."

Bill (No. 33) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Dentistry Act'" was again committed.
Progress reported.
Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 49) intituled "An Act to permit Municipally Owned Cemeteries, Crematoriums, and Mausoleums" was committed.

Reported complete with amendments.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

The Report on Bill (No. 41) intituled "An Act respecting The Corporation of the City of Port Coquitlam" was adopted.

Bill read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 45) intituled "An Act to authorize the Leasing of Warehouses on the Government Wharf at Prince Rupert" was committed.

Reported complete without amendment.

Report adopted.

Bill read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 43) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Provincial Royal Jubilee Hospital Act, 1890'" was committed.

Reported complete with amendments.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the second reading of Bill (No. 48) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Mothers' Pensions Act.'"

Bill read a second time.

To be committed at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 8) intituled "An Act relating to Trust Companies" was again committed.

Reported complete with amendments.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 44) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Brand Act'" was read a second time, and *Ordered* to be committed at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 16) intituled "An Act to amend and consolidate the 'Companies Act,' and certain other Enactments relating to Companies" was again committed.

Reported complete with amendments.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

The Report on Bill (No. 53) intituled "An Act relating to the Corporation of the City of Victoria" was adopted.

Bill read a third time and passed.

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 'Land Act,'" and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,

March 23rd, 1921.

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. 61) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Land 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.

The Report on Bill (No. 35) intituled "An Act limiting the Hours of Work in Industrial Undertakings" was adopted.
 Bill read a third time and passed.

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

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

20. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$30,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Tubercular cattle—compensation, supplies, temporary assistance, etc., to 31st March, 1922.

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

Mr. *M. A. Macdonald* presented an interim report of the Select Committee appointed pursuant to Resolution, on 9th March, as follows:—

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE ROOM,
 March 24th, 1921.

MR. SPEAKER:

Your Select Committee, appointed by Resolution of the House on the 9th day of March, 1921, to inquire and report in respect to the advisability or otherwise of passing an Act to regulate the practice of optometry, and by subsequent Resolutions to make similar inquiry in reference to proposed legislation respecting the practise of chiropractors and drugless healers, beg to report, by way of a first or interim report, in respect to the proposed Optometry Bill, as follows:—

Evidence was submitted to the Committee in favour of the proposed measure by a number of practising optometrists, while several specialists in the treatment of the eye and ear advanced reasons against its enactment. It is not necessary to review the evidence adduced further than to say that the conclusions arrived at by your Committee were reached after careful consideration of the evidence, oral and documentary, placed before us, including a very exhaustive report of the Honourable Mr. Justice Hodgins, of Toronto, who as a Commissioner appointed in 1917 by the Government of the Province of Ontario made a very full investigation into this and other matters, and submitted a lengthy report which may be found in "Ontario Sessional Papers," Vol. 1, Part 9, 1918.

There are various definitions of optometry. Reduced to the simplest language, however, it may be said that optometrists are engaged in measuring for and fitting glasses for defective eyesight. This description eliminates any suggestion that their work involves the exercise of medical skill or knowledge other than that necessary to detect from an examination of the eye the symptoms of disease calling for medical treatment by an oculist or a qualified medical practitioner. This work, therefore, with the exception noted, is purely mechanical—viz., the fitting of glasses to the eye for correcting defective vision by measuring tests and the application of lenses. Your Committee believe it is of primary importance that the scope and limit of the work of the optometrist as above outlined should be clearly conveyed to the public in so far as it is possible to do so by the terms of any proposed legislation or regulations thereunder.

It is common knowledge that the wearing of glasses and failure of eyesight, especially with advancing years, is very general, and it is the prevailing custom of a large section of the public to consult opticians or optometrists in the first instance without first taking a medical examination and obtaining a prescription for glasses suited to their requirements. Your Committee believe that it would be desirable to regulate, control, and raise the standard of those engaged in this mechanical work. We addressed ourselves to the question as to whether or not optometrists can be safely entrusted with the power to perform this mechanical work without medical knowledge of the eye and the diseases affecting it or disclosed by it. And, further, if

it is conceded that they can safely be entrusted with this power, will they be able to render a greater public service, ensuring greater competency and efficiency, if the proposed legislation is enacted? It is not enough to say that many States of the American Union and the Provinces of Canada have somewhat similar legislation to that proposed in the measure under consideration, although that is a matter for consideration. It is the fact that when there is similar legislation elsewhere (and Optometry Acts have been passed in Ontario, Manitoba, Saskatchewan, and Alberta, and in many of the States of the American Union) those who cannot attain the standards required in these Provinces and States will naturally resort to a community where no such standards are necessary. The Committee, however, have considered the question on its merits apart from whatever course may have been taken elsewhere.

We believe from the evidence adduced that defective vision is in many cases the result of disease in other organs of the body, and that often symptoms of disease which should have prompt attention and medical treatment are disclosed by an examination of the eye. That being true, it undoubtedly would be the safest course to first take a medical examination by an oculist or a qualified medical practitioner before being fitted with glasses for defective vision. Scores of people, however, do not adopt this course—and they must have the right to be their own judges in this respect—either through lack of ready access to a practitioner or from other causes. Is it possible then, by this legislation, by insisting upon adequate knowledge of physics and optics by optometrists, apart altogether from a complete medical education, to secure better services for the public without danger to the health of the individual? Your Committee believe this is possible, provided—and the proviso is important—that optometrists receive sufficient training, tested by examinations, written or oral, to enable them to detect by an examination of the eye the presence of any diseased condition which is revealed to an oculist or a qualified practitioner on such an examination. It is essential that they should be able to discover and detect these symptoms, so that if present the subject may be at once advised to take appropriate medical treatment. It follows, therefore, that if such tests are to be applied to optometrists and examinations passed, it is necessary that a competent authority should prescribe them and that a medical practitioner or oculist should be on the Governing Board along with optometrists. In the Province of Ontario—and the Ontario Act, we believe, should be the basis of any legislation in this Province—where the Governing Board is appointed solely by the Lieutenant-Governor in Council, the Committee were told that an oculist was a member of that Board. It would not appear to the Committee that the study required by an optometrist to detect the symptoms of a diseased condition of the eye or a diseased condition of the body, the symptoms of which are shown in the eye, would be unduly onerous. Even if it is, that condition should be faced and the necessary training insisted upon. It would at least involve the proper use of the ophthalmoscope and the ability to detect pathological conditions in the fundus.

Your Committee believe that, following the requirements of the Ontario Act, the Governing Board should be appointed by the Lieutenant-Governor in Council. The Executive Council would have the benefit of recommendations from the Department of Health in making its selections and in exercising general jurisdiction over the practice of optometry. The Department of Public Health, being a Medical Department, would be seized with the importance of securing such representation at all times on the Board to ensure the maintenance of a high standard, one of the main requirements of which, we beg to repeat for the purpose of emphasis, would be the ability to detect symptoms of disease shown in the eye, so that if no such symptoms are disclosed the mechanical work of fitting and adjusting lenses—the real work of the optometrist—may be performed by them, and where such symptoms are disclosed advice may be given to take medical treatment.

Your Committee, therefore, recommends that the present proposed Bill be recast to conform with the general principles herein outlined.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

M. A. MACDONALD, *Chairman.*

Resolved, That the House, at its rising, do stand adjourned until 3.30 o'clock p.m. on Tuesday next.

And then the House adjourned at 5 p.m.

Tuesday, 29th March, 1921.

HALF-PAST THREE O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by Mr. Speaker.

The Hon. the Provincial Secretary presented the Annual Report of the Library and Archives Department for the Year ending December 31st, 1920.

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

By the Hon. Mr. *Barrow*—Bill (No. 63) intituled “An Act for the Protection of Breeders of Goats.”

By the Hon. Mr. *Farris*—Bill (No. 71) intituled “An Act to amend the ‘Attachment of Debts Act.’”

By the Hon. Mr. *Farris*—Bill (No. 72) intituled “An Act to amend the ‘Small Debts Court Act.’”

By the Hon. Mr. *Farris*—Bill (No. 70) intituled “An Act to amend the ‘Legal Professions Act.’”

By Mr. *Buckham*—Bill (No. 64) intituled “An Act to amend the ‘Pharmacy Act.’”

On the following resolution being called, Mr. *Pooley* asked leave to withdraw same:—

Whereas the question of the development of the oil resources in this Province is a matter of Empire importance:

And whereas the Government has carried out in the past extensive investigations of the oil and gas resources of the Peace River District:

And whereas the report of said investigations suggest that oil-bearing shales and sandstones exists in the said area:

And whereas the experts making said report advise the next step in the search of oil should be by exploitory drilling:

And whereas proposals have been made in the past by a British company, offering to carry out work of this nature:

And whereas it is expedient that said work be done by private enterprise rather than by the Government:

And whereas it is of the utmost importance to this Province that this area be further investigated by drilling operations:

Therefore be it Resolved, That this matter is of such importance to the Empire that in the opinion of this House the present reserve covering oil-prospecting in North-eastern British Columbia, and especially in the region of the Dominion Government block of land, should not be lifted, nor any agreements or concessions be entered into by this Government or the Minister of Lands pertaining thereto, until the same shall first have received the consent of this Legislature.

Leave was granted.

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

1. When did the Department known as “Patriotic, Educational, and Publicity,” under the “Moving Pictures Act,” come into existence?
2. Is Dr. Baker the head of such Department?
3. If so, what is his salary?
4. What has been the total expense of such Department from the time it came into existence until December 1st last?
5. Were any moving pictures purchased in connection with this work from Edwards Brothers, of Vancouver?
6. If so, how many, and what was the cost of same?

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

- "1. The Department is known as the British Columbia Patriotic and Educational Picture Service and came into existence on date of assent to Bill creating same.
- "2. Yes.
- "3. \$300 per month.
- "4. Approximately \$18,500.
- "5. No.
- "6. Answered by No. 5.

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

1. Has an association known as the Northern B.C. Lumbermen's Association been recently formed in Prince Rupert?
2. Is one William Turnbull honorary president of such association?
3. Is the said Turnbull also the Lumber Commissioner working under the Lands Department?
4. Is it considered desirable that Civil Servants should have outside affiliations of this character?
5. Did the Hon. the Minister of Lands suggest, or in any way favour, the forming of this organization?
6. Has the said association applied for any grant from the Government?
7. If so, has the Government favourably considered such application?
8. Has the above-mentioned William Turnbull any connection of a honorary character with other lumber associations in British Columbia?

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

- "1. Yes.
- "2. No. William Turnbull was nominated to this office without his knowledge or consent, and subsequently advised the association that it was impossible for him to so act, as it was against the policy of the Administration.
- "3. William Turnbull is Lumber Commissioner under the Forest Branch.
- "4. Answered by No. 2.
- "5. The Minister favoured the organization of the association.
- "6. No grant has been applied for by the association. This association is similar to other associations in the South which are organized for the purpose of advancing the interests of the timber industry.
- "7. Answered by No. 6.
- "8. No."

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

1. On what date was the work on the Pacific Great Eastern Railway completed by the Northern Construction Company under the contract for approximately forty-two miles from or near Mile 183 to Mile 225?
2. What was the total cost of the work: (a) Excluding percentage; (b) including percentage paid the contractors?
3. Is a copy of the contract kept on file in any office in the Parliament Buildings? If so, which one, and are the Members of the House and Provincial electors free to inspect it?
4. Is a copy of the itemized statement of work done under the contract as passed and paid for in any such office, and is it open to inspection?

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

- "1. No work of any kind whatever has been finally accepted by the Chief Engineer from the contractors, nor final estimate given to cover.
- "2. Answered by No. 1.
- "3. Yes; Department of Railways; not without an order of the Minister. Copy returned to House on March 10th, 1920.
- "4. Itemized statements of work done are received by the Department of Railways after rigid checking by competent officials and are not open to inspection without an order from the Minister."

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

1. What is the total amount still owing to H. P. Peterson Construction Company on Pacific Highway contract?

2. What is the amount still owing for extras in connection with said contract?

The Hon. Dr. King replied as follows:—

"1 and 2. The H. P. Peterson Construction Company has a claim which has not yet been adjusted."

The Report on Bill (No. 43) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Provincial Royal Jubilee Hospital Act, 1890'" was adopted

Third reading at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 44) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Brand Act'" was committed.

Reported complete without amendment.

Report adopted.

Third reading at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 14) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Coal-mines Regulation Act'" was again committed.

Reported complete with amendment.

Report adopted.

Third reading at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 48) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Mothers' Pensions Act'" was again committed.

Reported complete without amendment.

Report adopted.

Bill read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 58) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Testator's Family Maintenance Act'" was read a second time.

To be committed at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 59) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Special Surveys Act'" was read a second time.

To be committed at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 61) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Land Act'" was read a second time.

To be committed at the next sitting.

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

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

5. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$34,996 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, General Office, to 31st March, 1922.

6. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$38,440 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Horticultural Branch, to 31st March, 1922.

7. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$25,100 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Inspection of Imported and Exported Horticultural and Field Products, etc., to 31st March, 1922.

8. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$15,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Control of Fruit Pests, Diseases, etc., to 31st March, 1922.

9. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$4,280 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Entomology and Plant Pathology, to 31st March, 1922.

10. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$10,720 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Markets Commissioner, to 31st March, 1922.

12. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$12,462 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Live Stock Branch, to 31st March, 1922.

13. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$8,650 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Poultry Division, to 31st March, 1922.

14. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$9,630 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Soil and Crop Division, to 31st March, 1922.

15. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$9,520 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Dairy Branch, to 31st March, 1922.

16. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$33,200 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Veterinary Branch, to 31st March, 1922.

17. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$4,720 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Statistics, to 31st March, 1922.

The Committee reported the Resolutions.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

On the motion of Mr. M. A. Macdonald, seconded by Mr. I. A. Mackenzie, it was *Resolved*—
That the report (interim) of the Select Committee appointed to inquire into Bill No. 17 be adopted.

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 6.05 p.m.

Tuesday, 29th March, 1921.

HALF-PAST EIGHT O'CLOCK P.M.

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

The House again resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

18. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$16,270 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, District Agriculturists, etc., to 31st March, 1922.

19. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$3,200 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Workshop and Shipping Office, to 31st March, 1922.

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, etc., to 31st March, 1922.

22. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$41,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Agricultural fairs, etc., to 31st March, 1922.

23. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$9,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Farmers' Institutes, etc., to 31st March, 1922.

24. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$7,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Women's Institutes, etc., to 31st March, 1922.

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' Association, to 31st March, 1922.

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, 1922.

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, 1922.

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, 1922.

29. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$500 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, British Columbia Goat-breeders' Association, to 31st March, 1922.

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, 1922.

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, 1922.

32. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, British Columbia Wool-growers' Association, to 31st March, 1922.

33. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$5,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, United Seed-growers, Limited (\$2,500 to be refunded by Dominion Government), to 31st March, 1922.

34. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$150 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Board of Horticulture, to 31st March, 1922.

35. *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, 1922.

36. *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, 1922.

37. *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, to 31st March, 1922.

38. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Grants to British Columbia students, to 31st March, 1922.

39. *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, 1922.

40. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,500 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Compensation *re* codling-moth control, to 31st March, 1922.

41. *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, 1922.

42. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$2,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Survey *re* Oriental land owners, to 31st March, 1922.

43. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$30,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Agriculture, Grants to settlers in aid of purchase of stumping-powder for land-clearing purposes, to 31st March, 1922.

44. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$11,810 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Attorney-General's Office, to 31st March, 1922.

45. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$26,940 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, General Office, to 31st March, 1922.

46. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$26,010 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Joint-stock Companies and Insurance Branch, to 31st March, 1922.

47. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$7,140 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Municipal Branch, to 31st March, 1922.

48. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$15,522 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Censor of Moving Pictures, to 31st March, 1922.

49. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$6,580 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Administration of "Prohibition Act" (Three Months), to 31st March, 1922.

50. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$12,594 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Sheriff's Office, Vancouver, to 31st March, 1922.

51. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$8,212 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Sheriff's Office, Victoria, to 31st March, 1922.

52. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$9,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Sundry Sheriffs, to 31st March, 1922.

53. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$2,740 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Official Guardian, Vancouver, to 31st March, 1922.

54. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$7,290 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Legal Offices Branch, to 31st March, 1922.

55. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$32,082 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Land Registry Office, Kamloops, to 31st March, 1922.

56. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$17,756 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Land Registry Office, Nelson, to 31st March, 1922.

57. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$40,506 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Land Registry Office, New Westminster, to 31st March, 1922.

58. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$7,120 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Land Registry Office, Prince Rupert, to 31st March, 1922.

59. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$61,820 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Land Registry Office, Vancouver, to 31st March, 1922.

60. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$51,020 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Land Registry Office, Victoria, to 31st March, 1922.

61. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,730 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Supreme and County Courts, Chilliwack, to 31st March, 1922.

62. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$445 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Supreme and County Courts, Ladysmith, to 31st March, 1922.

63. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$2,480 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Supreme and County Courts, Nelson, to 31st March, 1922.

64. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$7,202 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Supreme and County Courts, New Westminster, to 31st March, 1922.

65. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$2,670 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Supreme and County Courts, Prince Rupert, to 31st March, 1922.

66. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$33,192 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Supreme and County Courts, Vancouver, to 31st March, 1922.

67. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$28,442 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Supreme and County Courts, Victoria, to 31st March, 1922.

68. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$7,188 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Supreme and County Courts, Official Stenographers, to 31st March, 1922.

69. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$400,601 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Provincial Police, to 31st March, 1922.

70. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$13,255 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, County Gaol, Nelson, to 31st March, 1922.

71. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$106,130 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Oakalla Prison Farm, to 31st March, 1922.

72. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$30,050 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Girls' Industrial School, to 31st March, 1922.

73. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$43,680 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Administration of "Infants Act" and "Mothers' Pensions Act," to 31st March, 1922.

74. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$48,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Administration of "Motor-vehicle Act," to 31st March, 1922.

75. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$30,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Summoning and paying witnesses, to 31st March, 1922.

76. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$27,500 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, 1922.

77. *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, 1922.

78. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$6,500 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Expenses of Inquests, to 31st March, 1922.

79. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$3,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Rewards, to 31st March, 1922.

80. *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, 1922.

81. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$50,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Destruction of wolves, cougars, coyotes, owls, etc., and game protection, including salaries, travelling expenses, incidentals of office, publicity, and contingencies, to 31st March, 1922.

82. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$2,500 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Special surveys, to 31st March, 1922.

83. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$4,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Stipendiary Magistrates, to 31st March, 1922.

84. *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 Provincial legislation in Canada, to 31st March, 1922.

85. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$12,500 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, "Moving Picture Act Amendment Act" (salaries and expenses), to 31st March, 1922.

86. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$12,500 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of the Attorney-General, Incidentals and contingencies, to 31st March, 1922.

87. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$29,152 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Education, General Office, to 31st March, 1922.

88. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$94,880 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Education, Free Text-book Branch, to 31st March, 1922.

89. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$29,280 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Education, Agricultural Education, to 31st March, 1922.

90. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$96,270 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Education, Industrial Education, to 31st March, 1922.

91. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$75,880 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Education, Inspection of Schools, to 31st March, 1922.

92. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$39,460 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Education, Normal School, Vancouver, to 31st March, 1922.

93. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$42,855 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Education, Normal School, Victoria, to 31st March, 1922.

94. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$47,600 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Education, Deaf, Dumb, and Blind, to 31st March, 1922.

95. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$670,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Education, *Per Capita* Grants, Cities, to 31st March, 1922.

96. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$400,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Education, *Per Capita* Grants, Municipalities, to 31st March, 1922.

97. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$137,500 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Education, *Per Capita* Grants, Rural school districts, to 31st March, 1922.

98. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$460,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Education, Teachers' Salaries, Assisted schools (as per Schedule), to 31st March, 1922.

99. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$100,000 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, 1922.

100. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$400,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Education, School Buildings, to 31st March, 1922.

101. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$1,500 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Education, Grants to libraries, to 31st March, 1922.

102. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$3,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Education, Grants in aid of manual-training equipment, High School laboratories, etc., to 31st March, 1922.

103. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$20,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Education, Examination of teachers and High School Entrance classes, to 31st March, 1922.

104. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$12,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Education, Conveying children to central schools, to 31st March, 1922.

105A. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$5,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Education, Miscellaneous grants to Frontier College, Hands Across the Seas movement, etc., to 31st March, 1922.

106. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$5,250 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Education, Incidentals and contingencies, to 31st March, 1922.

108. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$12,820 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Finance, Minister's Office, to 31st March, 1922.

109. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$37,796 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Finance, General Office, to 31st March, 1922.

110. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$14,830 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Finance, Inspector of Trust Companies, Probate and Succession Duties, to 31st March, 1922.

The Committee reported the Resolutions.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

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

1. Have a number of the Civil Service employees been notified that their services would be dispensed with at an early date?
2. Are additions to the Civil Service staff still being made?
3. Is it not possible to transfer employees from other departments to the departments in need of extra assistance?
4. Have instructions been given to reduce the staffs at the various Labour Bureaus in the Province?
5. If so, at what Bureaus?
6. Have any returned soldier employees been notified that their services would not be required after March 31st?
7. If so, particulars in each case?
8. Will the Minister in charge of the Department have such cases reconsidered, and particularly in the case of all married men?

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

- "1. Not in this Department.
- "2. Yes, as occasion demands.
- "3. This is the present practice when employees have the qualifications necessary.
- "4. Labour Bureaus are under Labour Department.
- "5. Answered by No. 4.
- "6. Not in this Department.
- "7. Answered by No. 6.
- "8. Answered by No. 6."

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

Bill (No. 9) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Court of Appeal Act.'"

Bill (No. 43) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Provincial Royal Jubilee Hospital Act, 1890.'"

Bill (No. 14) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Coal-mines Regulation Act.'"

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

Bill (No. 49) intituled "An Act to permit Municipally Owned Cemeteries, Crematoriums, and Mausoleums."

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

Bill (No. 63) intituled "An Act for the Protection of Breeders of Goats."

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

Bill (No. 71) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Attachment of Debts Act.'"

Bill (No. 72) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Small Debts Court Act.'"

Bill (No. 70) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Legal Professions Act.'"

On the consideration of the Report on Bill (No. 12) intituled "An Act to provide for Government Control and Sale of Alcoholic Liquors," the Hon. Mr. *Farris* moved the following amendments:—

Section 54, subsection (4), line 1: Strike out the word "engages," and substitute therefor the words "is engaged."

Section 54, subsection (4), line 2: Strike out the words "without having paid," and substitute therefor the words "and who has made default by failing to pay."

Section 54, subsection (4), lines 9 and 10: Strike out the words "so engaged in or carried on business," and substitute therefor the words "so continued in default."

Section 104: Add to said section the following words and subsection:—

"and including the payment of all refunds of licence fees made under subsection (2).

"(2.) Where any municipal licence in force at the passing of this Act or the privileges of the licensee thereunder are terminated by the coming into operation of section 46, a refund shall be made by the Board to the holder of the licence in respect of licence fees paid thereon in advance. The amount of refund payable in each case shall be in proportion to the total licence fee paid as the unexpired portion of the term of the licence is to its full term."

Carried.

Mr. *Bowser* moved that subsection (e) of section 11 be amended by adding the following:—

"Provided that no such special permit shall be issued to any person except those enumerated and for the purposes mentioned in sections 21, 22, 23, 24, and 25."

The amendment was negatived on the following division:—

YEAS—15.

Messieurs

Hanes,
Neelands,
Guthrie,
Uphill,

McRae,
Catherwood,
Pearson,
McDonald, A.,

Schofield,
Pooley,
Hunter,
McKenzie, W. A.,

Jones,
Bowser,
Rose.

NAYS—22.

Messieurs

<i>Clearihue,</i>	<i>Sutherland,</i>	<i>Ramsay,</i>	<i>Buckham,</i>
<i>Jackson,</i>	<i>Macdonald, M. A.,</i>	<i>Henniger,</i>	<i>Barrow,</i>
<i>Paterson,</i>	<i>King,</i>	<i>Kergin,</i>	<i>Hart,</i>
<i>Perry,</i>	<i>Oliver,</i>	<i>Mackenzie, I. A.,</i>	<i>Pattullo,</i>
<i>Yorston,</i>	<i>Farris,</i>	<i>Pauline,</i>	<i>MacLean.</i>
<i>MacDonald, K. C.,</i>	<i>Sloan,</i>		

Mr. *Bowser* moved that section 106 be amended by adding the following as subsection (2) :—

“(2) Copies of above balance-sheets and statements of profit and loss shall be forthwith laid before the Legislature if the Legislature is then in session, and if not then in session shall be laid before the Legislature within fifteen days after the opening of the next session.”

Carried.

The House continued to sit after midnight.

WEDNESDAY, 30TH MARCH.

Mr. *Bowser* moved that section 108 be amended by striking out all the words after the word “population” in the third line of subsection (b), and insert the following words: “as a part of the municipal revenue.”

The amendment was negatived on the following division :—

YEAS—15.

Messieurs

<i>Hanes,</i>	<i>McRae,</i>	<i>Schofield,</i>	<i>Jones,</i>
<i>Neclands,</i>	<i>Catherwood,</i>	<i>Poolley,</i>	<i>Bowser,</i>
<i>Guthrie,</i>	<i>Pearson,</i>	<i>Hunter,</i>	<i>Rose,</i>
<i>Uphill,</i>	<i>McDonald, A.,</i>	<i>McKenzie, W. A.,</i>	

NAYS—22.

Messieurs

<i>Clearihue,</i>	<i>Sutherland,</i>	<i>Ramsay,</i>	<i>Buckham,</i>
<i>Jackson,</i>	<i>Macdonald, M. A.,</i>	<i>Henniger,</i>	<i>Barrow,</i>
<i>Paterson,</i>	<i>King,</i>	<i>Kergin,</i>	<i>Hart,</i>
<i>Perry,</i>	<i>Oliver,</i>	<i>Mackenzie, I. A.,</i>	<i>Pattullo,</i>
<i>Yorston,</i>	<i>Farris,</i>	<i>Pauline,</i>	<i>MacLean.</i>
<i>MacDonald, K. C.,</i>	<i>Sloan,</i>		

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

Section 46: To strike out the words “Notwithstanding any other provisions of this Act.”

Carried.

Dr. *K. C. MacDonald* moved the following amendment :—

Section 2, line 10: Strike out the words “holds an unexpired annual certificate,” and substitute therefor the words “is registered.”

Carried.

Mr. *Bowser* moved the following amendment :—

That section 105 be amended by striking out all the words after the word “Province” in the seventh line, and adding the following words: “and such portion of same shall be paid to the several municipalities in the Province as the Lieutenant-Governor in Council may decide.”

The amendment was ruled out of order.

Report adopted.

Third reading at the next sitting.

The Hon. Mr. *Barrow* 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 'Animals Act,' and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,
March 29th, 1921.

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. 65) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Animals 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.

The Hon. Mr. *Barrow* 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 "Agricultural Act, 1915,'" and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,
March 29th, 1921.

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. 66) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Agricultural Act, 1915,'" 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.

The Hon. Mr. *Barrow* 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 repeal the 'Mosquito-control Act,'" and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,
March 29th, 1921.

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. 67) intituled "An Act to repeal the 'Mosquito-control 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.

Mr. *M. A. Macdonald* presented the Second Report of the Select Committee appointed pursuant to Resolution on 9th March, as follows:—

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE ROOM,
 March 29th, 1921.

MR. SPEAKER:

Your Committee appointed to inquire and report in respect to the proposed Drugless Healing Bill, being No. 23, and the proposed Chiropractic Bill, No. 24, beg to submit as their final report the following:—

As on the inquiry into the proposed Optometry Bill, exhaustive evidence was also presented to the Committee for and against these proposed Bills. The Committee had the views, apparently of the most prominent representatives of the drugless healing art and of the best practitioners in chiropractic, in support of these measures, while the Medical Council, represented by prominent and reputable members of the medical profession, opposed both Bills.

Your Committee have taken great pains to consider with the utmost care the evidence adduced and the representations made, particularly as a great many estimable citizens have apparently received benefit from the chiropractors. Whether these alleged results are more imaginary than real or whether they have yet been sufficiently tested over a long enough period of time probably remains to be seen.

As in the consideration of the Optometry Bill—so in respect of these two Bills—your Committee had the benefit of the exhaustive report of Mr. Justice Hodgins, referred to in the previous report of this Committee. His report is voluminous and is quite applicable to the principles under consideration.

The general education obtained in Canada through the medical faculties of the Universities is, your Committee believe, well abreast of the times. The course has been gradually enlarged to keep pace with expanding medical knowledge, and research institutions in different parts of the world are engaged in enlarging the boundaries of medical knowledge, with an open mind to new discoveries possessing merit. On the other hand, it is difficult, from the evidence submitted, oral and documentary, to ascertain the educational standards or scientific knowledge of those who profess to find in the practice of chiropractic and drugless healing a cure for a great many, if not all, ills.

From the curriculums before us of several American Institutions, and the statements made, it would appear that the standards required and the length of time required for study vary, and on the whole are not long enough to afford sufficient training. It would appear, too, that these schools are without the necessary equipment. It is therefore not possible to say that the medical attainments of those now asking for a change in the law are sufficiently high.

The question to be decided by the Committee is this: Have the chiropractors and the drugless healers made out a case for an alteration of the present law, so that without hindrance they may be permitted to practise the healing art?

One of the leading Chiropractic Colleges in the United States is the "Palmer Institute." Dr. B. J. Palmer, the head of this institution, in giving evidence in the case of the State *vs.* Jansheski, in December, 1910, when asked whether, when a patient came to a chiropractor, he was asked the history of the case, answered: "No, because it be of no value"; and in answer to why that was so, said: "A person comes to us without telling us what the trouble is; it makes no difference whether a physician has already diagnosed it as insanity, appendicitis, indigestion, or anything they call it. The chiropractor needs to know nothing about that case from a physician's standpoint; it is immaterial, yet he can take that same case, put it down on his benches and analyse that spine just as accurately without knowing those things; in fact, sometimes, I think better. . . . It is not essential the chiropractor should know what the patient said he had, but you can adjust the current for it running into the organ, and the patient is well. That is where chiropractic becomes purely a mechanical proposition, a mechanical and electrical-making circuit proposition in a man."

The definition of this treatment in technical terms was given by McNamara, of the Universal Chiropractic College, Davenport, Iowa, as follows: "The theory sustaining this system presumes that in consequence of displaced vertebra the inter-vertebral foramina (openings) are occluded (closed), through which the spinal nerves pass. . . . In this way the nerves are pinched, and chiropractors assume that such pinching is responsible for 95 per cent. of all diseases. Chiropractic concerns itself with an adjustment of the subluxations, thus removing the pressure on the nerves."

Reducing it to simple language, the chiropractors affect to find traces of practically all diseases in subluxations of the spine, and their treatment is confined to the manipulation of the spine by hand. It is rather a shock to even the superficial knowledge of the layman, to be told that 95 per cent. of all diseases finds a manifestation in the spinal column. The assertion is emphatically disputed by members of the medical profession, and if knowledge, training, and research is necessary to arrive at a conclusion on such a question then certainly the medical fraternity are better able to give an opinion than the followers of these cults.

One of the chiropractors examined claimed to have cured such a wide variety of diseases as chronic colites, kidney stone, dropsy, chronic biliousness, rheumatism, chronic ulcer, ulcerated stomach, tubercular spine, rickets, etc. These diseases, they say, manifest themselves by a displacement of the spine. The spread of disease by germs would appear to be of secondary consideration. In fact, one chiropractor stated that, granted the lung was normal, one could swallow tubercular germs by the million and never take the disease. The same witness, speaking of kidney stone, averred that a man's vertebra must show a subluxation, otherwise he would not have a stone in the kidney.

It would seem apparent that the health and safety of the public is involved in the indiscriminate application of theories such as these to the cure of disease. Public safety is indebted to medical science for the prevention of the spread of contagious diseases; for sanitary regulations and hygienic precautions, the failure to observe which would be disastrous. The standard of knowledge must be maintained at a high point, and there must be some recognized body who from training and experience are competent to fix these standards. That recognized body hitherto has been the Medical Council, and your Committee can see no reason from the evidence adduced why it should not continue to exercise these functions in the future.

The fundamental requirement in the treatment of disease is ability to make a diagnosis. It is essential to first know what the trouble is before attempting to cure it. That involves a knowledge of and study of certain standard subjects. Your Committee do not believe for a moment, from the evidence, that the only diagnosis necessary is to feel for certain alleged displacements in the spinal column.

We concur with the statement of Mr. Justice Hodgins, whose investigations occupied many months, involving personal examination of these chiropractic institutions, that: "I cannot bring myself to the point of accepting, as part of our legalized medical provision for the sick, a system which denies the need of diagnosis, refers 95 per cent. of disease to one and the same cause, and turns its back resolutely upon all modern medical scientific methods as being founded on nothing, and unworthy even to be discussed."

Your Committee do not doubt that beneficial results have been obtained from the treatment of chiropractors. They have no reason to doubt the word of estimable people who say so. It must be borne in mind, however, that the most of these are chronic cases, and it sometimes happens that by the power of suggestion good results are obtained, particularly in neurotic cases. The Committee were given instances of marvellous cures of shell shock cases during the war as a result of mental suggestion. No doubt new discoveries have been made, and will continue to be made, in medical science; but it is hardly likely that any discovery will enable us to safely dispense with the elementary requirement of diagnosis in the treatment of diseases, and to diagnose it is necessary to have a wider knowledge of the anatomy and of fundamental subjects than simply a certain familiarity with the spinal column.

The chiropractors object to the Drugless Healers Bill, and the latter object to the proposed legislation of the former on the ground that their Bill is all-inclusive. It is sufficient to say, in reference to the Drugless Healing Bill, that the various branches of study pursued by them are simply special courses which are recognized in medical work. This is true of all the branches of treatment referred to in this Bill, except chiropractic. These different types of treatment are

carried on by the drugless healers at present really as laymen without sufficient qualifications for the work. They should qualify under the "Medical Act," and then if they so desire specialize in these particular branches.

Notwithstanding the foregoing views, the Committee do not feel that chiropractors or drugless healers should be prevented from practising. We only say that they should first be qualified. They should, before being permitted to practise within the Province, pass an examination satisfactory to the Medical Council, on the following primary subjects: Anatomy, physiology, chemistry, toxicology, pathology, bacteriology, histology, neurology, physical diagnosis, obstetrics, gynecology, minor surgery, hygiene, and the principles and practice of chiropractic. Before taking this examination they should be graduates of a recognized school or college of chiropractic which at least teaches a residence course of three years or six months each year.

The Medical Council in prescribing examinations for applicants for registration as chiropractors should appoint at least one of their number to set the examination in the principles and practice of chiropractic. After passing the examination outlined above they should be registered as a member of the college.

The suggestion that chiropractors would be discriminated against in examinations is not based on fact, as the method of conducting examinations by the Council, by number rather than by name, makes this impossible.

Your Committee therefore recommends that the "Medical Act" be amended to include these provisions. It would be a guarantee to the public that all practitioners were qualified practitioners—a most desirable thing. The chiropractors would prefer to set their own standards and have a Statute providing for a governing body of its own. This would not be safe, or in the public interest. They are doing medical work, curing or attempting to cure disease. It is the accredited representatives of the medical profession—if they are honest and fair, and there has been no suggestion to the contrary—who are best fitted to prescribe the necessary standards.

This report represents the unanimous views of the Committee.

We submit the evidence herewith.

M. A. MACDONALD, *Chairman.*

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

And then the House adjourned at 12.45 a.m.

Wednesday, 30th March, 1921.

TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by Mr. Speaker.

The Hon. the Attorney-General presented the Second Annual Report of the Board of Commissioners for the Promotion of Uniformity of Provincial Legislation in Canada.

Mr. Pearson moved, seconded by Mr. Neelands,—

That in the opinion of this House the time has arrived for the municipal franchises and powers of the electors of the Corporation of the District of South Vancouver to be restored to the electors, subject to such financial control and supervision as the Government thinks proper.

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

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

1. How many Orders in Council dealing with the affairs of the Pacific Great Eastern Railway have been passed since April 23rd, 1918; what are the respective dates thereof, and for what purposes were they respectively passed?

2. What are the respective numbers in the index-book of these Orders in Council?
3. Are these Orders open to the inspection of Members of the House and of the public?

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

“1, 2, and 3. All Orders in Council referred to are open to inspection by Members of the Legislature in the general office of the Provincial Secretary during office hours.”

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

1. Has the Department of Mines received information with regard to the death of Wm. King Simpson at Coal Creek on February 26th?
2. Was the death of said Simpson due to negligence of management?
3. Is the Department taking action in this matter?

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

“1. Yes.

“2. Coroner's jury finds that deceased met his death by being suffocated under a fall of rock caused by faulty timber.

“3. Yes.”

Bill (No. 30) intituled “An Act to amend the ‘Public Schools Act’” was again committed. Reported complete with amendments. Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 61) intituled “An Act to amend the ‘Land Act’” was committed. Reported complete without amendment. Report adopted. Bill read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 63) intituled “An Act for the Protection of Breeders of Goats’” was committed. Bill reported complete without amendment. Report adopted. Bill read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 47) intituled “An Act to amend the ‘Dyking Assessments Adjustment Act, 1905’” was read a second time and committed. Reported complete without amendment. Report adopted. Bill read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 58) intituled “An Act to amend the ‘Testator's Family Maintenance Act’” was committed. Reported complete without amendment. Report adopted. Bill read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 59) intituled “An Act to amend the ‘Special Surveys Act’” was committed. Reported complete without amendment. Report adopted. Bill read a third time and passed.

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

Bill (No. 65) intituled “An Act to amend the ‘Animals Act.’”

Bill (No. 66) intituled “An Act to amend the ‘Agricultural Act, 1915.’”

Bill (No. 67) intituled “An Act to repeal the ‘Mosquito-control Act.’”

Bill (No. 55) intituled “An Act to incorporate the Fernie and Elk River Railway Company.”

Bill (No. 71) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Attachment of Debts Act'" was committed.
Reported complete without amendment.
Report adopted.
Bill read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 72) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Small Debts Court Act'" was committed.
Reported complete without amendment.
Report adopted.
Bill read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 70) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Legal Professions Act'" was committed.
Reported complete with amendment.
Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 64) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Pharmacy Act'" was committed.
Reported complete without amendment.
Report adopted.
Bill read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 17) intituled "An Act to regulate the Practice of Optometry" was committed.
Progress reported.
Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

The House again resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

111. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$53,720 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Finance, Controlling and Audit Branch, to 31st March, 1922.

112. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$121,512 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Finance, Surveyor of Taxes, to 31st March, 1922.

113. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$6,320 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Finance, Operation of the "Amusements Tax Act," to 31st March, 1922.

114. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$34,872 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Finance, Bureau of Information, to 31st March, 1922.

105. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$3,600 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Education, Scholarships for British Columbia students for post-graduate study in France, to 31st March, 1922.

107. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$445,000 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Education, Grant to University of British Columbia, to 31st March, 1922.

115. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$79,300 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Department of Finance, Agent-General's Office, London, England, to 31st March, 1922.

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

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

W. C. NICHOL,
Lieutenant-Governor.

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

Government House,
March 29th, 1921.

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. 68) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Amusements Tax 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.

The Hon. Mr. *Hart* 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 'Poll-tax Act,'" and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,
March 29th, 1921.

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. 69) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Poll-tax 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.

The Hon. Mr. *Farris* 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 disincorporate The Corporation of the City of Phoenix," and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,
March 30th, 1921.

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. 74) intituled "An Act to disincorporate The Corporation of the City of Phoenix," 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.

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 5.30 p.m.