# Monday, March 3rd, 1930.

#### HALF-PAST THREE O'CLOCK P.M.

### Prayers by the Rev. Canon F. A. P. Chadwick.

Mr. A. M. Manson rose to a question of privilege, and moved, seconded by Mr. I. A. Mackenzie,—

That this House regrets, a Minister of the Crown having purported to file a Return of an Interim Report and Report made by one A. N. Daykin, a Commissioner appointed to make certain inquiries under the "Departmental Inquiries Act" and of the evidence taken under oath by the said A. N. Daykin, that the said Minister has misled this House by omitting to file the whole of the said evidence taken under oath by him in the course of his inquiry as Commissioner.

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

The Hon. the Minister of Finance presented to Mr. Speaker a Message from His Honour the Administrator, which read as follows:—

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J. A. MACDONALD,

Administrator.

The Administrator transmits herewith-

Estimates of sums required for the service of the Province for the fiscal year ending 31st March, 1931;

Supplementary Estimates of Expenditure for the fiscal year ending 31st March, 1930;

Schedule A. Sums granted to His Majesty to make good certain sums expended for the public service for the period ended 31st March, 1929, and to indemnify the several officers and persons for making such expenditures;

and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,

March 1st, 1930.

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

Order for Committee of Supply called.

The Hon. the Minister of Finance moved, seconded by the Hon. the Premier, "That Mr. Speaker do now leave the chair."

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

The Hon. Mr. *Pooley* presented to Mr. Speaker a Message from His Honour the Administrator, which read as follows:--

J. A. MACDONALD,

Administrator.

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

Government House,

March 3rd, 1930.

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 to amend the 'Succession Duty Act,'" a draft of which is annexed to this Resolution.

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

The Hon. Mr. *Pooley* presented the Annual Report of the Workmen's Compensation Board for the Year ended December 31st, 1929.

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. Tolmic, seconded by Mr. Pattullo, it was Resolved,-

That this House express its sincere regret at the death of Mr. George A. Fraser, at one time a member of this House, and that the Clerk convey to Mrs. Fraser the condolence and sympathy of the members of the Legislative Assembly.

Mr. Sutherland asked the Hon, the Minister of Lands the following questions:-

1. Was a Commissioner appointed to revalue lands in the South Okanagan Irrigation Project?

2. Who was appointed, and at what salary?

3. What was the total cost of the revaluation-work?

The Hon. Mr. Burden replied as follows :---

"1 and 2. W. H. Gaddes and R. T. Penrose acted jointly in making valuation. Payment to Gaddes included in his annual salary.

"3. \$1,129.50, services of Penrose."

Mr. Sutherland asked the Hon. the Minister of Lands the following questions :---

1. Has the Department sold land adjoining Iona Island since August 20th, 1928?

2. If so, what area; to whom; for what purpose; and at what price per acre?

3. Is said area on foreshore of Iona Island?

The Hon. Mr. Burden replied as follows :---

"1. Yes.

"2. (a) Lot 5313, Group 1, New Westminster District, 88.20 acres; (b) A. B. Trites, the owner of Iona Island; (c) in connection with development of the island as a summer resort; (d) \$5 per acre.

"3. An accretion to Iona Island."

Mr. Buckham asked the Hon, the Minister of Lands the following questions:----

1. Was any survey-work done in Fort George and Omineca Electoral Districts during 1929? 2. If so, who were the surveyors appointed; when was survey-work started; when was it completed; and what cash advances were made to each surveyor?

The Hon. Mr. Burden replied as follows :--

"1. Yes.

"2. Name, when work started, and when work completed, as follows :--

Whyte, H. E., B.C.L.S.; May 11th; September 26th.

Schjelderup, V., B.C.L.S.; May 20th; October 19th.

Harvey, A. W., B.C.L.S.; June 1st; October Sth.

Campbell, A. J., B.C.L.S.; May 9th; October 7th.

Burden, E. H., B.C.L.S.; February 10th; May 15th.

"No cash advances made. Initial amounts were deposited in Trust Account to meet current expenses. H. E. Whyte, B.C.L.S., \$1,200; V. Schjelderup, B.C.L.S., \$1,000; A. W. Harvey, \$1,000; A. J. Campbell, \$1,500; E. H. Burden, \$2,700. Further amounts as required were deposited for same purpose from time to time until completion of survey."

Mr. Beatty asked the Hon. the Attorney-General the following questions:----

1. What sum or sums of money have been paid since 1923 for legal services to: (a) J. B. Pattullo, K.C.; (b) Pattullo & Tobin?

2. What services (if any) were rendered by such J. B. Pattullo, K.C., or the firm of Pattullo & Tobin?

The Hon. Mr. Pooley replied as follows :--

"1. Pattullo & Tobin, 1922-23, \$1,631.40; 1926-27, \$246.65.

"2. Professional services."

Mr. Kergin asked the Hon. the Minister of Lands the following questions :----

1. Did the Department ascertain from Mr. W. H. Stevens for what industrial purpose he required some 15 acres of land adjoining Lots 443 and 930 on the foreshore near the town of Stewart?

2. If so, for what industrial purpose was it required?

3. If not, why not?

The Hon. Mr. Burden replied as follows :--

"1. No.

"2. Answered by No. 1.

"3. Not considered necessary."

Mr. Pattullo asked the Hon, the Minister of Lands the following questions:----

1. What remuneration was paid to A. N. Daykin as Commissioner to investigate the University Endowment Lands Administration?

2. What was the total cost of investigation?

3. What remuneration is being paid to said Daykin as Administrator and Resident Agent of the University Endowment Lands, Point Grey?

The Hon. Mr. Burden replied as follows :--

"1. \$1,404.84.

"2. \$1.727.24.

"3. \$325 per month since completion of his duties as Commissioner."

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

And then the House adjourned at 6 p.m.

# Tuesday, March 4th, 1930.

HALF-PAST TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by Mr. Speaker.

Order for Committee of Supply called.

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. Wrinch, the debate was adjourned to the next sitting.

On the motion of Mr. *Walkem*, Bill (No. 35) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Interpretation Act'" was introduced, read a first time, and *Ordered* to be read a second time at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 34) intituled "An Act respecting the Corporation of the City of New Westminster" was read a second time and committed.

Reported complete without amendment.

Report adopted.

Third reading at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 24) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Legal Professions Act'" was committed. Reported complete without amendment.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the second reading of Bill (No. 32) initialed "An Act for the Prevention of Fraud in connection with the Sale of Securities."

Bill read a second time.

To be committed at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 33) intituled "An Act to provide for the Control of Grasshoppers" was read a second time.

To be committed at the next sitting.

The report on Bill (No. 55) intituled "An Act to validate the Name and Acts of 'The Children's Aid Society of the Catholic Archdiocese of Vancouver'" was adopted.

Third reading at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 17) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Attachment of Debts Act'" was committed. Progress reported.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. Tolmie, seconded by the Hon. Mr. Shelly, it was Resolved,-

That on this and all following days of the Session there shall be two distinct sittings in each day, one from 2 p.m. to 6 p.m., and the other from 8 p.m. until adjournment, unless otherwise ordered.

Pursuant to two Orders of the House, both dated February 6th, the Hon. Mr. Tolmie presented the following papers:---

Return of correspondence relating to a proposed British Columbia and Alaska highway.

Return of correspondence with the Department of Lands re foreshore at the head of Portland Canal abutting on the townsite of Stewart.

To lie upon the table.

The Hon. Mr. Atkinson presented to Mr. Speaker a Message from His Honour the Administrator, which read as follows:—

## J. A. MACDONALD,

#### Administrator.

The Administrator transmits herewith a Bill intituled "An Act to amend the 'Noxious Weeds Act,' " and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,

March 3rd, 1930.

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 to amend the 'Noxious Weeds Act,'" a draft of which is annexed to this Resolution.

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

Mr. MacPherson asked the Hon. the Minister of Agriculture the following questions :--

1. Who is District Agriculturist for East Kootenay?

2. What are his qualifications for the position?

3. Has he a degree from any agricultural college?

4. If so, from which college?

5. What practical experience has he had in farming?

The Hon. Mr. Atkinson replied as follows :---

"1. Rodney DeLisle.

"2. Trained in biochemistry and animal nutrition. Privately tutored for three years in medicine and physiology by Dr. W. R. Cluness, of San Francisco. Has maintained private research laboratory where advanced work in science of live-stock feeding has been carried on. Privately trained for two years in soils and fertilizers under Dr. H. J. Wheeler, of Boston, Mass.

"3. No.

"4. Answered by No. 3.

"5. Born and raised on farm and, with exception of time spent in overseas service and in work connected with services for the Department of Agriculture on animal-nutrition demonstrations, has always been engaged in connection with the farming industry. Since 1921 has owned and operated a farm in British Columbia where advanced feeding-demonstration work has been carried on. He is recognized throughout America as an authority on methods of feeding dairy cattle and other live stock."

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

And then the House adjourned at 6 p.m.

Wednesday, March 5th, 1930.

Prayers by Mr. Speaker.

Order for Committee of Supply called.

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. Pattullo, the debate was adjourned to the next sitting.

Mr. *Davie* presented the Eleventh Report of the Select Standing Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills, as follows:---

REPORT No. 11.

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE ROOM,

March 5th, 1930.

HALF-PAST TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

MR. SPEAKER:

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

That the preamble of the undermentioned Bill has been proved and the Bill ordered to be reported with amendments.

Bill (No. 50) intituled "An Act relating to the Corporation of the City of Victoria." All of which is respectfully submitted.

C. F. DAVIE, Chairman.

The report was read and received. The Rules were suspended and the report adopted.

Bill (No. 34) intituled "An Act respecting the Corporation of the City of New Westminster" was read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 55) intituled "An Act to validate the Name and Acts of 'The Children's Aid Society of the Catholic Archdiocese of Vancouver'" was read a third time and passed.

Bill (No. 52) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Vancouver Incorporation Act, 1921'" was read a second time.

To be committed at the next sitting.

The Hon. Mr. *Lougheed* presented corrected answers to questions asked by Mr. *Pearson* on February 28th, as follows :---

2. What amount has been expended in furnishing an office for Hon. R. L. Maitland, Minister without Portfolio, since August 20th, 1928?

3. What amount has been expended in furnishing an office for Hon. R. W. Bruhn, Minister without Portfolio, since August 20th, 1928?

The Hon. Mr. Lougheed replied as follows :--

" 2. \$489.77.

"3. \$343.95."

Mr. MacPherson asked the Hon, the Minister of Finance the following questions:-

1. What advertising space was used by the Purchasing Department during February, 1930, in the publication "Information"?

2. What charge has been made for said space?

The Hon. Mr. Shelly replied as follows :----

"1. 38 inches.

"2. Accounts not forwarded for payment."

Mr. Kennedy asked the Hon, the Attorney-General the following questions:-

1. Was there an increase given in the amount of money paid by the Liquor Control Board for a barrel of beer in 1924?

2. Who was Attorney-General when such increase was given?

3. Was a Select Committee of the Legislature appointed to inquire into the circumstances of the said increase at the Session of 1927?

4. Did the said Committee file a copy of the evidence given on oath before the said Committee?

5. Did such evidence (if any) disclose that prior to the granting of the increase in the amount of money paid for a barrel of beer the content of the barrel of beer was 9.7 gallons?

6. Did such evidence disclose that after the cash advance given the brewers for a barrel of beer the content of the barrel was reduced to 9 gallons?

7. What was the excise tax on beer in 1924?

8. If the price per barrel was increased and the beer content of the barrel was reduced, what was the actual increase paid to the brewers, based on the content of the barrel?

9. Did the then Attorney-General state in the Legislature that the net increase was \$1.50 per barrel?

10. What solicitor, or firm of solicitors, represented the brewers in negotiations with the Government in 1924?

11. If a solicitor, of what firm was he a member?

The Hon. Mr. Pooley replied as follows :--

"1. Yes; \$1.50 per barrel of 10 dozen pints or 6 dozen quarts from March 1st, 1924.

"2. Hon. A. M. Manson, K.C.

"3. Select Committee of the Legislature was appointed to inquire into campaign funds, and incidental to that inquiry investigated the increase in the price of beer granted in 1924.

"4. Yes.

"5. Yes; Purchasing Agent gave the following replies, under oath, before Select Committee:—

"'Q.—How many gallons are in a barrel of bottled beer? A.—There are 9 gallons—at the time you were speaking of—it is changed.

"'Q.—In the winter of 1924? A.—9.70 gallons in pints and 10.92 in quarts."

"6. Answered by No. 5.

"7. From January 1st, 1924, to April 11th, 1924, excise tax was  $12\frac{1}{2}$  cents per gallon and sales tax 6 per cent.; from April 12th, 1924, to December 31st, 1924, excise tax was  $12\frac{1}{2}$  cents per gallon and sales tax 5 per cent.

"8. For the purposes of excise tax per gallon the Dominion Government regulations up to December 31st, 1923, called for a barrel of 10 dozen pints to be considered as 9.70 gallons and 6 dozen quarts as 10.92 gallons, and from January 1st, 1924, the Dominion Government amended

these figures for purpose of collection of excise tax to 9 gallons for 10 dozen pints and 10.20 gallons for 6 dozen quarts. For actual content of the barrel in keeping with this see answer to No. 5, which indicates apparent physical reduction of approximately 0.70 gallon in barrel.

"Difference of 0.70 gallon in content of barrel of pints would make approximate difference in returns to brewers on content of barrel:—

9.70 gallons for \$15 \$1.54	6 per gallon.
9.00 gallons for \$16.50 1.83	3 "
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Increase per gallon	37
Increase per barrel, $9 \times .287$	3
Excise saving on 0.7 gal. at $12\frac{1}{2}$ cents	7
	- \$2.67
Less difference in sales tax between \$16.50 and \$15 to	
April 12th, 1924	.09
Net increase	2.58
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"Note.—After April 12th this would be increased by the amount of the reduction in sales tax from 6 per cent. to 5 per cent.

"9. See Press, debate on Campaign Funds, Session 1927.

"10. Negotiations carried on between Purchasing Agent and brewers direct.

"11, Answered by No. 10."

Mr. Pattullo asked the Hon. the Minister of Public Works the following question :---

What was estimated cost of fencing Dewdney Trunk Road from Pitt River Bridge to Hunter Road?

The Hon. Mr. *Lougheed* replied as follows:— "\$3.200."

Mr. Pattullo asked the Hon. the Minister of Public Works the following questions:-

1. Was a new road built from the City of Prince George to the Stampede Grounds? 2. If so, at what cost?

The Hon. Mr. Lougheed replied as follows :---

"1. Yes; outside city limits.

"2. \$4,327.83, including bridge."

Mr. Pattullo asked the Hon, the Minister of Public Works the following questions:-

1. Was bridge built over the Alouette River on Town Line Road, Maple Ridge Municipality?

2. If so, what was actual cost of said bridge?

3. What was estimated cost of said bridge?

4. On what basis was work done, and by whom?

The Hon. Mr. Lougheed replied as follows :---

"1. Yes.

"2. \$8,069.51.

"3. \$8,538.98.

"4. Day-labour."

Mr. Wrinch asked the Hon. the Provincial Secretary the following questions:----

1. On what date did W. J. Cox start work as Investigator of Tranquille Sanatorium?

2. What amount has he been paid since appointment to date?

3. What was the amount of his expenses since appointment to date?

4. Out of which vote or votes are his salary and expenses paid?

The Hon. Mr. Howe replied as follows :---

"1. April 29th, 1929.

"2. \$480.

"3. \$195.20.

"4. 151A."

Mr. Uphill asked the Hon, the Minister of Public Works the following questions:-

1. What was the contract price of the Silverton Cut-off on the Nelson-Rosebery Road?

2. What was the actual amount paid the contractor?

The Hon. Mr. Lougheed replied as follows :--

"1. Contract on unit basis. Department's estimate on basis of finished road-bed, 16 feet, \$90,000; width of road-bed was increased to 18 feet and in many places 20 and 22 feet.

"2. \$97,977.28 plus extra work throwing line into side-hill to have whole of road-bed in solid and preparing subgrade for surfacing, \$6,754.06; and surfacing new road to permit use by traffic, \$5,442.78."

Mr. A. M. Manson asked the Hon, the Attorney-General the following question:-

How many Coroners' inquests have been held within the boundaries of Courtenay, Cumberland, Smithers, Quesnel, and Prince George each year since incorporation of said municipalities?

The Hon. Mr. Pooley replied as follows :--

"Courtenay, 1915 to 1930, 77 inquests, 25 inquiries; Cumberland, 1898 to 1930, 195 inquests, 105 inquiries; Village of Smithers, 1921 to 1930, 15 inquests, 47 inquiries; Village of Quesnel, 1928 to 1930, 1 inquest, 2 inquiries; Prince George, 1915 to 1930, 20 inquests, 66 inquiries.

"Note.—The above inquests and inquiries are recorded as having been held at the places mentioned, but deaths in each case not necessarily having occurred within the municipal limits. To segregate would require perusal of papers in each case."

Mr. Uphill asked the Hon. the Attorney-General the following questions:-

1. Who received the contract for 1929 automobile licence-plates?

2. What was the contract price, and where manufactured?

3. Who received the contract for 1930 automobile licence-plates?

4. What was the contract price, and where manufactured?

5. Who received the contract for 1931 automobile licence-plates?

6. What was the contract price, and where manufactured?

The Hon. Mr. Pooley replied as follows :---

"1. J. R. Tacey & Son, Ltd.

"2. 14 cents per pair; Vancouver.

"3. Thompson Heating & Ventilating Co.

"4. 13½ cents per pair; no definite information.

"5. No contract let.

"6. Answered by No. 5."

Mr. MacPherson asked the Hon, the Minister of Public Works the following questions :---

1. What property was purchased by the Government in the City of Victoria during the year 1929?

2. What was paid for said property, and to whom?

3. Through whom was said property purchased?

4. Out of which vote, or under what authority, was purchase made?

The Hon, Mr. Lougheed replied as follows :---

"1, 2, and 3. The following property in the City of Victoria was purchased by the Government through the Empire Realty Co., Ltd., to whom the Government paid no commission:—

Lots 11 and 12, Sec. 6, Plan 760 (owner, Raymond Estate), \$5,500.

Lots 20 and 21, Sec. 6, Plan 760 (owner, G. S. McTavish), \$10,000.

Lots 41, 42, and 43, Sec. 6, Plan 760 (owner, R. Porter & Sons, Ltd.), \$45,000.

Lots 1, 2, 3, and 4, Sec. 6, Plan 760 (owner, Mrs. P. W. White-Howles), \$12,650.

Lots 10, 11, and 12 of Lots 1720, 1721, and 1722, Victoria City (owner, Mrs. Hunter), \$9,000.

Lots 2 and 3 of Lots 1723 and 1724, Victoria City (owner, John Fry), \$10,000. Lot 1 of Lots 1723 and 1724, Victoria City (owner, Mrs. Edith Harland), \$10,000. Lots 1725 and 1726, Victoria City (owner, Mrs. M. Davies), \$4,200. Lot 1727, Victoria City (owner, A. W. Jones, Ltd.), \$4,462.50. Lot 1728, Victoria City (owner, B.C. Land & Investment Agency, Ltd.), \$6,000. Lot 1729, Victoria City (owner, Andrew Sheret, Ltd.), \$5,250. Lots 1737 and 1738, Victoria City (owner, J. Marymount), \$3,500. Total, \$125,562.50.

"4. 'B.C. Loan Act, 1927,' sec. 6 (b); Orders in Council 608 and 641, 1929."

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

And then the House adjourned at 5.40 p.m.

# Thursday, March 6th, 1930.

Prayers by Mr. Speaker.

Pursuant to an Order of the House dated February 6th, the Hon. Mr. *Tolmie* presented a Return of all correspondence between Dr. W. H. Gaddes and the Prime Minister, or any other member of the Government, since November 1st, 1929.

To lie upon the table.

Order for Committee of Supply called.

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 the Hon. Mr. Maitland, the debate was adjourned to the next sitting.

The Hon. Mr. *Howe* presented to Mr. Speaker a Message from His Honour the Administrator, which read as follows:—

J. A. MACDONALD,

HALF-PAST TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Administrator.

The Administrator transmits herewith a Bill intituled "An Act to amend the 'Civil Service Act," and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House, March 5th, 1930.

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 to amend the 'Civil Service Act,' " a draft of which is annexed to this Resolution.

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

The Hon. Mr. *McKenzie* presented Bulletin No. 2, 1930, Placer-mining in British Columbia, with Special Reports on Atlin, Queen Charlotte, Cariboo, Quesnel, and Omineca Mining Divisions.

Mr. I. A. Mackenzie asked the Hon. the Attorney-General the following questions :--

1. How many Justices of the Peace have been appointed since August 20th, 1928?

2. How many Justices of the Peace have had their appointments rescinded since August 20th, 1928?

The Hon. Mr. Pooley replied as follows :--

" 1. 171.

"2. Twelve rescinded; three resigned."

Mr. Michell asked the Hon, the Minister of Lands the following questions :---

1. Was one W. D. Balfour appointed by the late Government as sales agent in charge of the sale of lands at the University of British Columbia?

2. If so, on what date was he appointed, and at what salary?

3. Did he receive an increase in salary; and, if so, on what date, and what was the amount of such increase?

4. How long did he retain the position of sales agent?

5. Were his services dispensed with?

6. If so, when, and for what reason, with particulars?

7. What was the total sum (if any) paid to the said Balfour during the time he held the position of sales agent?

8. Were any other expenses allowed him during the period he was in the employ of the Government as sales agent?

9. If so, what was the total amount of such expenses, with particulars?

10. Was any amount charged to the sales branch department as office rental under Balfour during the time he held such position?

11. If so, what was the total amount so charged?

12. If W. D. Balfour was in charge of sales of the U.B.C. lands, what was the total number of lots sold by him (if any)?

13. If said Balfour was in charge of said sales, what was the number of lots leased by him (if any)?

14. Who was the Returning Officer in Vancouver City in the general election of 1924?

The Hon. Mr. Burden replied as follows :--

"1. Yes.

"2. February 24th, 1926; \$250 per month.

"3. No.

"4. February 24th, 1926, to January 31st, 1929.

" 5. Yes.

"6. January 31st, 1929. No evidence that he was fulfilling the duties for which he was appointed.

"7. \$8,694.64.

"8. Yes.

"9. \$25.80; travelling.

"10. No.

"11. Answered by No. 10.

"12. No record of any lots having been sold by W. D. Balfour. Eleven lots were sold through the office of the Resident Engineer during the period of Mr. Balfour's employment, on which no commission was paid. Arrangements for the sale of six of these lots were made by the Department.

"13. No record of W. D. Balfour having negotiated any lease. Six lots were leased through the office of the Resident Engineer during the period of Mr. Balfour's appointment, on which no commission was paid.

"14. W. D. Balfour."

Mr. I. A. Mackenzic asked the Hon. the Minister of Public Works the following questions :---

1. What road-making machinery plant and implements were purchased between August 20th, 1928, and March 31st, 1929?

2. What was the total cost?

3. To which vote or votes were said purchases charged?

The Hon. Mr. Lougheed replied as follows :--

"1 to 3. See Return presented to the House, February 18th, in answer to questions asked by Mr. Pearson."

Mr. I. A. Mackenzie asked the Hon. the Attorney-General the following questions:-

1. How many Stipendiary Magistrates have been appointed since August 20th, 1928?

2. How many Stipendiary Magistrates have had their appointments rescinded since August 20th, 1928?

3. Do any Stipendiary Magistrates draw remuneration in official capacity other than that of Stipendiary Magistrate; and, if so, how many?

The Hon. Mr. Pooley replied as follows:--

"1. Thirty-nine; five of whom were Civil Servants who, owing to transfers, required new Commissions.

"2. Twelve; of whom four were Civil Servants whose Commissions were rescinded owing to changes in positions.

"3. Question not put with sufficient clarity to enable a proper answer."

Mr. M. Manson asked the Hon. the Attorney-General the following questions :---

1. How many Justices of the Peace were appointed by the Liberal Government between the dates of November 29th, 1916, and May 31st, 1918?

2. Did the Liberal Government cancel the appointments of all Justices of the Peace?

3. If yes, on what date?

4. How many Justices of the Peace were appointed immediately following such cancellation?5. How many Justices of the Peace of long standing did they fail to reappoint?

The Hon. Mr. Pooley replied as follows:-

"1. 180.

"2. Yes, with exception of one.

"3. February 22nd, 1923.

"4. 564.

"5. There were 1,400 names on the record of Justices of the Peace when appointments cancelled."

Mr. Pearson asked the Hon, the Minister of Public Works the following questions:-

1. Where are Government offices located in the City of Victoria outside of the Parliament Buildings?

2. What is the total monthly rental of said premises?

3. From whom are they rented?

The Hon. Mr. Lougheed replied as follows :---

"1. Only offices rented by Department in Victoria are in the Belmont House.

"2. \$330.

"3. Cross & Company."

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

And then the House adjourned at 5.30 p.m.

# Friday, March 7th, 1930.

HALF-PAST TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by Mr. Speaker.

Order for Committee of Supply called.

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. Beatty, the debate was adjourned to the next sitting.

The Hon. Mr. Burden presented a Supplementary Return of certain maps and correspondence in connection with the Report of the Commission relating to the University Endowment Lands presented to the House on February 25th.

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

1. How many motor cars or trucks were purchased between August 20th, 1928, and March 31st, 1929?

2. How many motor cars or trucks have been purchased since April 1st, 1929?

3. What types of car or truck were purchased? At what price for each type, and from whom?

Mr. MacPherson asked the Hon. the Minister of Public Works the following questions:-

1. Has the Department built a bridge over the Salmon River, in Salmon Arm District, since August 20th, 1928?

2. If so, what was cost of said bridge?

3. If so, from whom did the Department purchase bridge-timbers and piling for said bridge? The Hon. Mr. *Loughced* replied as follows:—

"1. Yes.

" 2. \$2,311.53.

"3. L. E. Stearns, piling, caps, and stringers, \$196.32; B. J. Carney & Co., piling, \$157.50; E. Timpany, lumber, \$310.74; Shuswap Lake Lumber Co., lumber, \$149.12."

Mr. A. M. Manson asked the Hon, the Attorney-General the following question :---

On what date did the present Government Agent at Prince Rupert first hold a Coroner's inquest within the City of Prince Rupert?

The Hon. Mr. Pooley replied as follows :--

"Inquest, September 16th, 1929."

Mr. Kennedy asked the Hon. the Provincial Secretary the following questions:-

1. How many tons of coal were purchased for Tranquille Sanatorium for the fiscal year 1928-29?

2. What kind of coal was purchased?

3. Was the coal purchased from the mine direct or from an agent?

4. If purchased from an agent, what is the name and address of such agent?

5. What was the price per ton delivered f.o.b. Tranquille?

6. How many tons of coal were purchased for Tranquille Sanatorium for the fiscal year 1929-30?

7. What kind of coal was purchased?

8. Was the coal purchased from the mine direct or from an agent?

9. If purchased from an agent, what is the name and address of such agent?

10. What was the price per ton delivered f.o.b. Tranquille?

11. What was the total saving (if any) as between the purchases of 1928-29 and 1929-30? 12. How was such saving (if any) effected? Give particulars.

The Hon. Mr. Howe replied as follows :---

"1. 4,250 tons.

"2. Nanaimo-Wellington.

"3. From agent.

"4. J. Kingham Coal & Dock Company, Victoria.

"5. 4,000 tons at \$9; 250 tons at \$10.60.

"6. 4,750 tons.

"7. Wellington-Comox.

"8. Direct from mine.

"9. Answered by No. 8,

"10. 4,750 tons at \$8.75; 250 tons at \$10.18.

" 11. \$1,292.

"12. By buying direct from mine instead of through agent."

Mr. Pattullo asked the Hon, the Minister of Public Works the following questions:-

1. Was work done on Mill Bay Ferry approaches during 1929?

2. By whom was work done, and on what basis?

3. What was estimated cost of work?

4. What was actual cost?

5. Were tenders called for?

6. If not, why not?

The Hon. Mr. Lougheed replied as follows :---

"1. Yes; on a new landing, etc., at Village Point.

"2. Day-labour.

"3. Trestle bridge, \$2,300; ferry-landing, \$23,000.

"4. Work not yet completed.

"5. No.

"6. See answer to No. 2."

Mr. Pattullo asked the Hon. the Minister of Public Works the following questions:-

1. Was a bridge built over Skookum Gulch between Tugwell and Coal Creek on Jordan River Road during 1929?

2. If so, by whom was bridge built, and on what basis?

3. What was estimated cost of said bridge?

4. What was actual cost of said bridge?

5. Were tenders called for bridge?

6. If not, why not?

The Hon. Mr. Loughced replied as follows :---

"1. Yes.

"2. Day-labour.

"3. \$10,600.

"4. \$11,202 on work based on above estimate, additional work involving increased length of bridge, longer piling, etc., \$1,946.

"5. No.

"6. See answer to No. 2."

Mr. Kergin asked the Hon. the Minister of Public Works the following questions:----

1. Were any repairs made to the Government Buildings at Anyox during the past calendar year?

2. If so, were tenders called for same?

3. If tenders were called, in what papers were the advertisements placed?

4. Who received the contract, and on what condition?

5. What was total cost of work?

6. Give detailed report of the expenditures, whether by contract or otherwise?

The Hon. Mr. Lougheed replied as follows :---

"1. Yes.

"2. Government Agent requested to obtain competitive prices from local reliable firms in accordance with Department's usual practice in such cases.

"3. See answer to No. 2.

"4. A. Falconer; in accordance with Department's specifications.

"5. \$750.

"6. Lump-sum bid comprising re-covering roof, renewing all flashing, cleaning, painting, varnishing, kalsomining, external and internal work, providing all materials, and labour, etc."

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

And then the House adjourned at 5.32 p.m.

# Monday, March 10th, 1930.

Prayers by Rev. A. C. Hayman.

HALF-PAST THREE O'CLOCK P.M.

Order for Committee of Supply called.

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. Lister, the debate was adjourned to the next sitting.

Bill (No. 38) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Noxious Weeds Act'" was read a second time.

To be committed at the next sitting.

On the second reading of Bill (No. 39) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Civil Service Act'" a debate arose, which was, on the motion of Mr. *Pattullo*, adjourned to the next sitting.

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

Bill (No. 40) intituled "An Act to amend the 'County Courts Act.'"

Bill (No. 41) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Village Municipalities Act."

Mr. Kergin asked the Hon. the Minister of Public Works the following questions:---

1. How much was expended during 1929 on the Aiyansh-Gwinha Road?

2. What equipment was purchased for this work, and what did it cost?

3. What was the cost of placing equipment on work from point of delivery from the shipper? 'The Hon, Mr. Lougheed replied as follows:---

"1. \$12,130.71; cost of building 4 miles of road across lava-beds.

"2. One tractor, Clectrac '40,' \$4,913; one dump-wagon, \$395; total, \$5,308. Equipment available for other work in district.

" 3. \$349.45."

Mr. Kergin asked the Hon. the Minister of Public Works the following questions:-

1. Was there any amount authorized by the Department for expenditure on Bear River protection below Bear River Bridge, Stewart?

2. If so, what amount?

3. Was total amount expended?

4. If not, state amount?

5. Was this work completed? If not, why?

The Hon. Mr. Loughced replied as follows :----

"1. Yes.

"2. \$16,392.17.

"3. No.

"4. \$11,870.30.

"5. No; on account of weather conditions work temporarily suspended."

Mr. Sutherland asked the Hon. the Minister of Lands the following questions:-

1. Have any areas of land been placed under reserve since January 1st, 1929, other than by « Order in Council?

2. If so, what areas and why?

The Hon. Mr. Burden replied as follows :---

"1. Yes,

"2. (a.) Temporary reserves have been made covering the following areas: Approximately 25,000 acres Skagit River Valley; water-power development. (b.) Land half a mile each side of

Pend d'Oreille River between 7-Mile Creek and International Boundary; water-power development. (c.) An area on each side proposed Big Bend Road; in connection with road-construction."

Mr. I. A. Mackenzie asked the Hon. the Minister of Public Works the following questions:-

1. Has the Department had a ferry-boat built for service on Shuswap Lake since August 20th, 1928?

2. Were tenders called for?

3. Who were the tenderers, and in what amounts?

4. Who was successful tenderer?

5. Were tenders opened in public?

6. If not, why not?

7. What deposit was made by successful tenderer?

8. On what date was deposit returned?

9. Was any sum paid or advanced to contractor before completion of contract?

10. If so, what sum or sums, and on what date or dates?

11. What was total cost of boat?

12. Is any subsidy being paid to the operators of the said ferry?

13. Has said ferry operated throughout the month of January, 1930?

14. If not, why not?

15. If subsidy paid, what amount was paid for the month of January, 1930?

The Hon. Mr. Lougheed replied as follows :----

"1 and 2. Tenders were called for the operation of the ferry; subsequently an agreement was entered into whereby a suitable boat was to be built, which, on repayment to the Government of principal and interest, will eventually become the property of the parties who tendered for the service.

"3. Tenderers for the service, F. C. Whitehead and J. J. Smith.

"4. Whitehead & Smith.

"5. Yes.

"6. See answer to No. 5.

"7. No deposit required.

"8. See answer to No. 7.

"9. Yes; toward construction of the boat.

"10. August 23rd, 1929, \$5,000; September 11th, 1929, \$10,435; September 26th, 1929, \$5,512.50; December 12th, 1929, \$3,052.50; total, \$24,000.

"11. \$24,000.

"12. Charter provides for annual subsidy.

"13. Operated till January 20th; ice conditions prevented further operation. Motor-stage arranged for in its place.

"14. See answer to No. 13.

" 15. Nil."

Mr. A. M. Manson asked the Hon, the Minister of Public Works the following questions:----

1. Did the Department purchase a Bowser invisible type of pump at Vanderhoof since August 20th, 1928?

2. If so, how much was paid for said pump, and from whom was it purchased?

3. When was said pump built?

4. For how many years was said pump in Vanderhoof District before being purchased by the Department?

5. What would a similar type of pump cost new f.o.b. Vanderhoof to-day?

The Hon. Mr. Lougheed replied as follows :---

"1. Yes.

"2. \$100; purchased from J. M. Johnston, Vanderhoof, B.C.

"3. No record.

"4. Eight years.

"5. \$475."

Mr. Carson asked the Hon, the Minister of Lands the following questions :--

1. Were any areas of land placed under reserve previous to August 20th, 1928, other than by Order in Council?

2. If so, what areas, and why were they reserved?

The Hon. Mr. Burden replied as follows :--

"1. Temporary reserves were made over the following areas previous to August 20th, 1928: Lower dam-site on Lois River of land under 430-foot contour which surrounds Lois, Gordon Pasha, and Khartoum Lakes; watershed of Copper River, east of the west end of McDonald Lake; Big Bar Creek, improvement area; Anahim Lake, 21,000 acres. In addition to the above, it has been the practice in the past to make temporary reserves in connection with grazing lands pending investigation. This was to save expense of cancelling reserves from time to time if lands were not required.

"2. Answered by No. 1."

Resolved, That the House, at its rising, do stand adjourned until 8 o'clock p.m. to-day.

And then the House adjourned at 5.41 p.m.

# Monday, March 10th, 1930.

EIGHT O'CLOCK P.M.

Order for Committee of Supply called.

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. I. A. Mackenzie, the debate was adjourned to the next sitting.

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

And then the House adjourned at 10.50 p.m.

# Tuesday, March 11th, 1930.

HALF-PAST TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by Mr. Speaker.

Order for Committee of Supply called.

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.

Mr. I. A. Mackenzie moved in amendment, seconded by Mr. Sutherland,-

To strike out all the words after the word "That," and insert in lieu thereof the words "this House regrets the increase in public expenditures, the increase in Provincial taxation, the improper appropriation for general purposes of revenues from the gasoline-tax and 'Motorvehicle Act,' and the breach of faith with the municipalities of the Province in depriving them of their legitimate revenues."

Question proposed—" Shall the words proposed to be struck out stand part of the question?"

YEAS-33.

## Resolved in the affirmative on the following division :--

Mackenzie, R. Rutledge Fitzsimmons Carson Cornett Kingston Berry Borden Kirk

Messieurs Howe Lister Manson, M. Beattu Shelly Schofield Spencer Tolmie Kennedy WalkemPooley Davie PeckHinchliffe Bruhn Hayward Michell BurdenTwigg DickAtkinson Maitland MacNaughton Lougheed

#### NAYS-12.

#### Messieurs

Hanna	Gillis	Kergin	Pattullo
Pearson	Wrinch	Mackenzie, I. A.	Manson, A. M.
MacPherson	Gray	Sutherland	Buckham

Debate resumed on the main motion.

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

The Hon. Mr. *Howe* presented to Mr. Speaker a Message from His Honour the Administrator, which read as follows:—

J. A. MACDONALD, Administrator.

The Administrator transmits herewith a Bill intituled "An Act to amend the 'Hospital Act,'" and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,

March 8th, 1930.

*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 'Hospital Act,' " a draft of which is annexed to this Resolution.

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

Mr. Michell asked the Hon, the Minister of Finance the following questions:-

1. Did A. M. Manson, then Attorney-General, take a motor-trip to Clinton and Hazelton in June or July, 1926?

2. If yes, did he charge the Government with expenses of said trip?

3. If yes, what was the amount of said charges (with particulars)?

4. Did he travel by motor-car?

5. If yes, did he charge for gasoline?

6. If yes, how much?

7. How many gallons of gasoline would this sum pay for at the rate of 40 cents per gallon?

8. How many miles of travel would this represent?

9. On what business was he engaged?

10. Did the said A. M. Manson charge a daily sum for living expenses?

11. If yes, what was the daily charge and the total sum paid by the Government?

12. What constituency did the said A. M. Manson represent in the Legislature?

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"1. Yes; June 28th, 1926, to July 19th, 1926.

"2. Yes,

"3. \$333. Particulars as follows: Fare, Victoria to Vancouver, \$2.55; state-room, \$3.50; gasoline and oil purchased on trip between Clinton and Hazelton and return to Vancouver, \$108.60; speeder, \$5; telegram, 30 cents; fare, Vancouver to Nanaimo, \$1.55; state-room, \$1.50; allowance, 21 days at \$10 per day, \$210.

"4. Yes.

" 5. Yes.

"6. \$108.60 (including oil).

"7. 271.5 gallons, exclusive of oil, for which no detailed expenditure shown.

"8. Approximately 4,500 miles.

"9. Not disclosed on voucher.

"10. Yes.

"11. Daily charge, \$10; total sum paid by Government, \$210.

"12. Elected to represent Omineca."

Mr. M. Manson asked the Hon, the Minister of Public Works the following questions:-

1. Did the Government erect a garage building or buildings at the University of British Columbia?

2. If yes, when, and what was the total cost of construction thereof?

3. How many cars would such garage or garages accommodate?

4. Who requested or recommended the erection of such buildings or buildings (if any)?

5. If such building or buildings were erected, what has been the total revenue derived therefrom in rentals during each of the years since erection?

6. Has any amount been expended by way of repairs to such building or buildings; and, if so, how much and when?

7. What is the monthly rental charge for each car-space in said building or buildings?

The Hon, Mr. Lougheed replied as follows :---

"1. Yes.

"2. Year 1927; \$18,490, including fire-hall and workshops.

"3. Two trucks.

"4. Board of Governors of the University of British Columbia.

"5. Not for rent; used solely for University trucks.

"6. No.

"7. Answered by No. 5."

Resolved, That the House, at its rising, do stand adjourned until 8 o'clock p.m. to-day.

And then the House adjourned at 5.30 p.m.

# Tuesday, March 11th, 1930.

EIGHT O'CLOCK P.M.

The Clerk informed the House of the unavoidable absence of Mr. Speaker, whereupon Mr. Twigg, Deputy Speaker, took the chair pursuant to the Statute in that case made and provided.

Order for Committee of Supply called.

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.

The debate continued.

Motion agreed to.

#### (IN THE COMMITTEE OF SUPPLY.)

2. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding \$127,050 be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Legislation to 31st March, 1931.

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

Mr. *Carson* (in the absence of Mr. *Lister*) presented the Third Report of the Select Standing Committee on Agriculture, as follows:—

REPORT No. 3.

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE ROOM, March 11th, 1930.

FRED LISTER, Chairman.

MR. SPEAKER:

(1.) Resolution No. 7: Travelling Clinics. Recommended that this be referred to Dr. Young, Secretary, Provincial Board of Health, to extend his present scheme as far as possible, and at the same time point out that the recommendations of doctors inspecting school-children should be followed up.

(2.) Resolution No. 9: Reverted lands being made available for pre-emption.

(3.) Resolution No. 10: Oriental question. Recommend that another survey be carried out on the lines of the survey resulting from representations made by Advisory Board in 1925.

(4.) Resolution No. 12: School taxes. Recommend section (1): That residents in school districts, who are not otherwise taxable, be assessed and taxed as occupants of premises or by other means relative to their earnings in the district, for school purposes.

We beg to report also that after hearing various delegations representing the berry-growers we recommend a further amendment to the "Produce Marketing Act" defining a grower.

After hearing considerable evidence we do not recommend any changes to the "Produce Marketing Act" in respect to vegetables.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

The report was read and received.

Bill (No. 33) intituled "An Act to provide for the Control of Grasshoppers" was committed. Progress reported.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 2) intituled "An Act to provide for the Education of Soldiers' Dependent Children" was again committed.

Reported complete with amendments.

Report to be considered at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 17) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Attachment of Debts Act'" was again committed.

Progress reported.

Committee to sit again at the next sitting.

Bill (No. 10) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Official Guardian Act'" was committed. Reported complete without amendment. Report to be considered at the next sitting.

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

And then the House adjourned at 10.45 p.m.