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LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY

OF THE PROVINCE OF
BRITISH COLUMBIA

SESSION 1937

Tuesday, October 26th, 1937.

THREE O'CLOCK P.M.

This being the first day of the first meeting of the Nineteenth Parliament or Legislative Assembly of the Province of British Columbia for the dispatch of business, pursuant to a Proclamation of the Honourable ERIC WERGE HAMBER, Lieutenant-Governor of the Province, dated the 24th day of September, 1937, the members having been sworn took their seats.

His Honour ERIC WERGE HAMBER, Lieutenant-Governor of the Province, having entered the House, took his seat on the Throne.

The Honourable Mr. *Weir*, Provincial Secretary, said:—

Members of the Legislative Assembly:

I am commanded by His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor to announce that His Honour does not see fit to declare the causes of his summoning you at this time, and will not do so until you have chosen a Speaker to preside over your Honourable Body. His Honour hopes to be enabled to declare, during the afternoon, his reasons for calling you together.

His Honour was then pleased to retire.

The Hon. Mr. *Pattullo*, Premier, member for Prince Rupert Electoral District, addressing himself to the Clerk, moved, seconded by Mr. *Patterson*, member for Dewdney Electoral District, that *Norman William Whittaker*, Esquire, member for Saanich Electoral District, do take the Speaker's chair and preside over the meetings of this Assembly, and it was so *Resolved*.

William H. Langley, Esquire, the Clerk of the House, having declared *Norman William Whittaker*, Esquire, duly elected, he was then taken out of his place by the mover and seconder, and conducted to the chair, where, standing on the upper step, he expressed his grateful thanks to the House for the great honour they had been pleased to confer upon him by choosing him to be their Speaker.

And thereupon he sat down in the chair, and the mace was laid upon the table.

His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor again entered the House, and taking his seat on the Throne, the Speaker-elect (standing on His Honour's right) then spoke to the following effect:—

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR HONOUR:

The House of Assembly have elected me as their Speaker, though I am but little able to fulfil the important duties thus assigned to me.

If, in the performance of those duties, I should at any time fall into error, I pray that the fault may be imputed to me, and not to the Assembly, whose servant I am, and who, through me, the better to enable them to discharge their duty to their King and country, humbly claim all their undoubted rights and privileges, especially that they may have freedom of speech in their debates, access to Your Honour's person at all reasonable times, and that their proceedings may receive from Your Honour the most favourable interpretation.

The Honourable Mr. *Weir* then said:—

MR. SPEAKER:

I am commanded by His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor to declare to you that he freely confides in the duty and attachment of the House of Assembly to His Majesty's person and Government, and not doubting that their respective proceedings will be conducted with wisdom, temper, and prudence, he grants, and upon all occasions will recognize and allow, their constitutional privileges.

I am commanded also to assure you that the Assembly shall have ready access to His Honour upon all reasonable occasions, and their proceedings, as well as your words and actions, will constantly receive from him the most favourable construction.

His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor was then pleased to open the Session by the following gracious Speech:—

Mr. Speaker and Members of the Legislative Assembly:

I welcome you to the first Session of the Nineteenth Parliament of British Columbia.

A year ago reference was made to the unrest prevailing in many parts of the world. It is to be regretted that this unrest continues and we now find several nations engaged in physical combat with its attendant suffering and destruction, and the greatest apprehension exists that other nations may become involved. Notwithstanding these unsettling events, business conditions in our Province of British Columbia continue to show improvement, and, unless some untoward contingency arises, this improvement should be maintained.

The year was marked by the Coronation of our Most Gracious Sovereign King George VI. and also that of Her Gracious Majesty Queen Elizabeth. In no part of the commonwealth were the ceremonies, attendant upon the Coronation, observed with greater affection and loyalty than in this Province. It was my privilege and pleasure to represent British Columbia at the Coronation ceremonies in London.

His Excellency The Lord Tweedsmuir, Governor-General of Canada, accompanied by Her Excellency The Lady Tweedsmuir, has again visited British Columbia, and upon this occasion it was our privilege to be able to show Their Excellencies something of the scenic grandeur of the park in Central British Columbia which bears His Excellency's name.

Last month my Government had the pleasure of entertaining Franklin Delano Roosevelt, President of the United States, and Mrs. Roosevelt, upon the occasion of an informal visit to British Columbia. I am sure that our people deeply appreciate the good-will visit of the President and Mrs. Roosevelt.

My Government made various representations to the Dominion Government regarding the necessity of appointing a Royal Commission to investigate the financial relationships of the Provinces and the Dominion, and to review generally the jurisdictions of the Federal and Provincial authorities. Such a Royal Commission has been appointed by the Dominion Government and my Government will present its case fully to the Commission.

The mining industry experienced the best year in its history through a broadening diversification in mineral production. Our mining industry is to-day in a better position to meet changing world conditions and consequently to assure stabilization in the industry than at any time in the history of the Province.

Encouragement to go into the hills prospecting has been given to a number of men who were on relief.

By the purchase of gold, assistance has been given to the small prospector and operator.

The establishment of placer training camps has encouraged numbers of our people to interest themselves in the mining industry.

The lecture courses in mining continue to attract great interest.

We are experimenting in the establishment of ore purchasing and sampling plants to help the small operator to get into production by making it possible for him to sell his small ore production to advantage.

Consideration is being given to the establishment of lode prospecting and training camps to supplement the work carried on in the placer-mining camps.

A great deal of progress has been made in opening up mining areas through a programme of road and trail construction, carried on jointly by the Dominion and Provincial Governments.

Amendments will be made to various Mining Acts. This is essentially to meet changing conditions, and our Mining Acts will be consolidated in order to make it easier for prospectors and operators entering the mining industry thoroughly to understand the rights and obligations existing under our mining laws.

In the field of labour, it is gratifying that no untoward events have occurred in our Province during the year. Our laws and the administration of them have been beneficial to employers and employees alike.

My Government has continued its progressive policy of road improvement and surfacing, and during the year there was a marked increase in the number of visitors using our highways. A joint programme of main road construction was carried on by my Government under arrangement with the Dominion Government.

My Government is pleased to announce that the highway bridge over the Fraser River at New Westminster is nearing completion and will be open to traffic some time in November.

Revision of the programme of studies for all standards of schools has been completed. The new programme has been warmly welcomed and it is hoped will in practice give general satisfaction.

The physical and recreational training for youths over school age, now furnished in fifty-eight centres, continues to meet with much favour, and there has been an enrolment of more than ten thousand.

In the field of health and welfare services, much advancement has been made.

Improvement in business conditions has been reflected in the revenues received by the Provincial Treasury.

A measure will be laid before you to create a Department of Trade and Industry. Several activities now carried on by various departments will be co-ordinated in a single department. Stress will be laid upon the tourist industry, and endeavour will be made to assist industry generally in expanding business and extending trade.

Amendments will be made to the "Securities Act," and already there has been much improvement in the administration of the Act through the appointment of a special officer to give his time exclusively to this work.

Amendments to various Acts will be submitted to you.

The Public Accounts will be submitted and Estimates for the ensuing year will be laid before you.

In leaving you, I pray that Divine Providence may guide you and bless the fruit of your labours.

His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor was then pleased to retire.

Prayers by the Rt. Rev. *H. E. Sexton*, Bishop of Columbia.

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

That the appointment of *Robert Stanley Stuart Yates*, Esquire, of Victoria, B.C., as Law Clerk of the Legislative Assembly, made by Order in Council, approved on the 25th day of October, 1937, be ratified.

Mr. Speaker reported that, to prevent mistakes, he had obtained a copy of His Honour's Speech.

The Certificate of the Deputy Provincial Secretary of the result of the election of members to represent the respective electoral districts of the Province in the Legislative Assembly at the general election was read, as follows:—

“PROVINCIAL SECRETARY’S OFFICE,

“VICTORIA, October 15th, 1937.

“Whereas His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, by Proclamation dated the twelfth day of April, 1937, was pleased to dissolve the Legislative Assembly of the Province:

“And whereas it was necessary to hold elections to fill the vacancies caused by such dissolution:

“I have now to report that under the provisions of the ‘Provincial Elections Act,’ being chapter 76, ‘Revised Statutes of British Columbia, 1924,’ and amending Acts, elections were held in all the several Electoral Districts of the Province:

“And I hereby certify that from the returns received, it appears that members were elected to represent the Province in the Legislative Assembly thereof for the respective Electoral Districts as is hereinafter set forth, namely, for—

ALBERNI-NANAIMO	George Sharratt Pearson.
ATLIN	William James Asselstine.
BURNABY	Ernest Edward Winch.
CARIBOO	Louis LeBourdais.
CHILLIWACK	Leslie Harvey Eyres.
COLUMBIA	Thomas King.
COMOX	Colin Cameron.
COWICHAN-NEWCASTLE	Samuel Guthrie.
CRANBROOK	Frank Mitchell MacPherson.
DELTA	Leonard Alec Shepherd.
DEWDNEY	Frank Porter Patterson.
ESQUIMALT	Elmer Victor Finland.
FERNIE	Thomas Uphill.
FORT GEORGE	Henry George Thomas Perry.
GRAND FORKS-GREENWOOD	Ezra Churchill Henniger.
THE ISLANDS	MacGregor Fullarton Macintosh.
KAMLOOPS	Robert Henry Carson.
KASLO-SLOCAN	Charles Sidney Leary.
LILLOOET	George Matheson Murray.
MACKENZIE	John Melvin Bryan.
NELSON-CRESTON	Frank Putnam.
NEW WESTMINSTER	Arthur Wellesley Gray.
NORTH OKANAGAN	Kenneth Cattanach MacDonald.
NORTH VANCOUVER	Dorothy Gretchen Steeves.
OMINECA	Mark Matthew Connelly.
PEACE RIVER	Glen Everton Braden.
PRINCE RUPERT	Thomas Dufferin Pattullo.
REVELSTOKE	Harry Johnston.
ROSSLAND-TRAIL	Richard Ronald Burns.
SAANICH	Norman William Whittaker.
SALMON ARM	Rolf Wallgren Bruhn.
SIMILKAMEEN	Charles Herbert Percy Tupper.
SKEENA	Edward Tourtellotte Kenney.
SOUTH OKANAGAN	Cecil Robert Bull.
VANCOUVER-BURRARD	{ John Howard Forester.
	{ Helen Douglas Smith.
VANCOUVER CENTRE	{ Gordon Sylvester Wismer.
	{ Fred Crone.
VANCOUVER EAST	{ James Lyle Telford.
	{ Harold Edward Winch.

VANCOUVER-POINT GREY.....	} Royal Lethington Maitland. James Alexander Paton. George Moir Weir.	
VICTORIA CITY.....		} John Hart. Herbert Anscomb. Joseph Douglas Hunter.
YALE.....		

" P. WALKER,
" Deputy Provincial Secretary.

" To the Clerk of the Legislative Assembly of British Columbia."

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

That the Certificate of the Deputy Provincial Secretary of the result of the election of members be entered upon the Journals of the House.

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. *Wismer*, Bill (No. 1) intituled " An Act to amend the ' Landlord and Tenant Act ' " was introduced, read a first time, and *Ordered* to be read a second time at the next sitting.

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

That the Speech of His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor be taken into consideration at the next sitting, and that this Order have precedence over all other business, except the introduction of Bills, until disposed of.

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. *Weir*, seconded by the Hon. Mr. *Gray*, it was *Resolved*,—

That the Votes and Proceedings of this House be printed, being first perused by Mr. Speaker, and that he do appoint the printing thereof, and that no person but such as he shall appoint do presume to print the same.

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

That the Select Standing Committees of this House, for the present Session, be appointed for the following purposes:—

1. On Standing Orders and Private Bills;
2. On Public Accounts;
3. On Printing;
4. On Railways;
5. On Mining;
6. On Agriculture;
7. On Municipal Matters;
8. On Forestry;
9. On Fisheries;

which said Committees shall severally be empowered to examine and inquire into all such matters and things as shall be referred to them by this House, and to report from time to time their observations and opinions thereon, with power to send for persons, papers, and records, and that a Special Committee be appointed to prepare and report with all convenient speed lists of members to compose the above Select Standing Committees of this House under Standing Order 68 (1), said Committee to be composed of Messrs. *Leary*, *Kenney*, *Straith*, *Patterson*, and *H. E. Winch*.

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

That if it shall appear that any person hath been elected or returned a member of this House, or endeavoured so to be, by bribery or other corrupt practices, this House will proceed with the utmost severity against all such persons as shall have been wilfully concerned in such bribery or other corrupt practices.

The following papers were presented:—

By the Hon. Mr. *Pattullo*—

Annual Report of the Department of Railways for the Year ended December 31st, 1936.

By the Hon. Mr. *Hart*—

Public Accounts for the Fiscal Year ended March 31st, 1937.

By the Hon. Mr. *Weir*—

Annual Reports of the Vancouver and Victoria Normal Schools and the School for the Deaf and the Blind for the Year ended June 30th, 1937.

Report of the Summer School of Education, July 5th to August 6th, 1937.

Report of P. G. Barr, Officer in Charge of Text-book Branch, 1936-37.

By the Hon. Mr. *Gray*—

Return of Timber Licences reinstated pursuant to Section 42 of Chapter 93, R.S.B.C. 1924, and Section 44 of Chapter 102, R.S.B.C. 1936.

Return of Lands exchanged under Chapter 14, B.C. Statutes, 1926-27.

By the Hon. Mr. *Weir*—

Annual Report of the Provincial Board of Health for the Year ended December 31st, 1936.

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

That this House express its sincere regret at the death of Simon Fraser Tolmie, for many years member for Victoria in the House of Commons, formerly Minister of Agriculture in the Federal House, and Prime Minister of British Columbia from 1928 to 1933, and who for so long devoted himself to the services of the Dominion and of this Province; and that the Clerk do convey to the family of the late Simon Fraser Tolmie the condolences and sincere sympathy of the Legislative Assembly.

At the request of Mr. Speaker, the House expressed its approval of the above Resolution by a silent standing vote.

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

That this House regrets exceedingly the death of Cecil Knox Courtney, who ably and faithfully performed his duties as Law Clerk of this Assembly from the year 1906 until his recent death, and that the Clerk do convey to the family of the said Cecil Knox Courtney the condolences and sincere sympathy of the members of the Legislative Assembly.

At the request of Mr. Speaker, the House expressed its approval of the above Resolution by a silent standing vote.

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

And then the House adjourned at 3.50 p.m.

Thursday, October 28th, 1937.

HALF-PAST TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by Mr. Speaker.

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

That *Robert Henry Carson*, member for Kamloops Electoral District, be appointed Deputy Speaker of this Legislative Assembly.

Mr. *Bull* presented the petition of the Okanagan Telephone Company, for leave to introduce a Private Bill providing for powers enabling it to borrow or raise money, and for other powers.

Pursuant to Order, the House proceeded to take into consideration the Speech of His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor at the opening of the Session.

Mr. *Crone* (2nd—Vancouver Centre) moved, seconded by Mr. *Bull* (South Okanagan),—
That the following address be presented to His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor:—

“ We, His Majesty’s most dutiful and loyal subjects, the Legislative Assembly of British Columbia, in Session assembled, beg leave to thank Your Honour for the gracious Speech which Your Honour addressed to us at the opening of the present Session.”

A debate arose.

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

The following papers were presented:—

By the Hon. Mr. *Wismer*—

Annual Report of the Liquor Control Board for the Year ended March 31st, 1937.

By the Hon. Mr. *MacDonald*—

Annual Report of the Department of Agriculture for the Year ended December 31st, 1936.

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

And then the House adjourned at 3.43 p.m.

Friday, October 29th, 1937.

HALF-PAST TWO O’CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by Mr. Speaker.

The petition of the Okanagan Telephone Company, for leave to introduce a Private Bill providing for powers enabling it to borrow or raise money, and for other powers, was received.

Pursuant to Order, the House resumed the adjourned debate on the Address in reply to the Speech of His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor at the opening of the Session.

The debate continued.

On the motion of Mrs. *Smith*, the debate was adjourned to the next sitting of the House.

The following papers were presented:—

By the Hon. Mr. *Gray*—

Annual Report of the Lands and Surveys Branches of the Department of Lands for the Year ended December 31st, 1936.

Annual Report of the Department of Lands for the Year ended December 31st, 1936.

Annual Report of the Forest Branch for the Year ended December 31st, 1936.

By the Hon. Mr. *Wismer*—

Annual Report of the Provincial Game Commission for the Year ended December 31st, 1936.

Mr. *Leary* presented the following Report of the Special Committee appointed on the 26th instant:—

REPORT.

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE ROOM,
October 29th, 1937.

MR. SPEAKER:

Your Special Committee appointed to prepare and report lists of members to compose the Select Standing Committees of this House for the present Session begs to report and recommend that the personnel of the Select Standing Committees of the House for the present Session be as follows:—

AGRICULTURE.—Messrs. *Putnam, LeBourdais, Bull, Connelly, Braden, Murray, Gillis, Shepherd, Telford, and Macintosh.*

FISHERIES.—Messrs. *Gillis, Bryan, Forester, Kenney, Murray, Asselstine, Cameron, E. E. Winch, Macintosh, and Paton.*

FORESTRY.—Messrs. *Leary, Johnston, Connelly, King, Braden, Carson, Straith, Bruhn, Cameron, Guthrie, Patterson, and Macintosh.*

MINING.—Messrs. *Asselstine, LeBourdais, Burns, Kenney, Putnam, Henniger, Connelly, Johnston, Leary, Murray, Uphill, Bruhn, Guthrie, Cameron, Paton, and Finland.*

MUNICIPAL MATTERS.—Messrs. *Burns, Putnam, Henniger, Carson, Mrs. Smith, Messrs. Gillis, Tupper, Straith, Forester, Shepherd, Mrs. Steeves, and Messrs. Hunter, Anscamb, and Eyres.*

PRINTING.—Mrs. *Smith, Messrs. Bryan, Murray, Perry, Bull, E. E. Winch, and Paton.*

STANDING ORDERS AND PRIVATE BILLS.—Messrs. *Perry, Crone, Straith, Mrs. Smith, Messrs. Forester, Connelly, Bryan, Tupper, Henniger, H. E. Winch, Mrs. Steeves, and Messrs. Telford, Maitland, and Anscamb.*

PUBLIC ACCOUNTS.—Messrs. *Kenney, Burns, Asselstine, Crone, Putnam, King, Bull, Tupper, Leary, Carson, Johnston, LeBourdais, Straith, Bruhn, Telford, H. E. Winch, Patterson, Maitland, and Anscamb.*

RAILWAYS.—Messrs. *Tupper, Murray, Perry, King, Braden, Crone, Forester, E. E. Winch, Telford, and Finland.*

Respectfully submitted.

C. S. LEARY, *Chairman.*

The report was read and received.

The Rules were suspended and the report adopted.

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

And then the House adjourned at 4 p.m.

Monday, November 1st, 1937.

HALF-PAST TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by the Rev. *A. E. Whitehouse.*

Mr. *Crone* presented a petition from the Corporation of the City of Vancouver, for leave to introduce a Private Bill for the purpose of amending the "Vancouver Incorporation Act, 1921."

Pursuant to Order, the House resumed the adjourned debate on the Address in reply to the Speech of His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor at the opening of the Session.

The debate continued.

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

The following papers were presented:—

By the Hon. Mr. *Weir*—

Annual Report of the Public Schools for the School-year ended June 30th, 1936.

By the Hon. Mr. *Wismer*—

Annual Report of the Fire Marshal for the Year ended December 31st, 1936.

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

And then the House adjourned at 4.38 p.m.

Tuesday, November 2nd, 1937.

HALF-PAST TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by Mr. Speaker.

Mr. *Straith* presented the following petitions:—

Petition from the Lumbermen's Fidelity Corporation, Ltd., and its Directors, for leave to introduce a Private Bill for the purpose of incorporating the Lumbermen's Fidelity Life Assurance Company, Ltd.

Petition from the Crow's Nest Pass Electric Light and Power Company, Limited, for leave to introduce a Private Bill for the purpose of enabling it to reduce its capital, and for other powers.

The petition from the Corporation of the City of Vancouver, for leave to introduce a Private Bill for the purpose of amending the "Vancouver Incorporation Act, 1921," was received.

Pursuant to Order, the House resumed the adjourned debate on the Address in reply to the Speech of His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor at the opening of the Session.

The debate continued.

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

The following papers were presented:—

By the Hon. Mr. *Wismer*—

Annual Report of the Superintendent of Insurance for the Year ended December 31st, 1936.

Balance-sheet of the Liquor Control Board for the Period ended September 30th, 1937.

By the Hon. Mr. *Weir*—

Annual Report of the Medical Inspection of Schools for the Year ended June 30th, 1936.

Annual Report of the Vital Statistics Branch for the Year ended December 31st, 1935.

By the Hon. Mr. *Pearson*—

Annual Report of the Department of Mines (Parts A to G) for the Year ended December 31st, 1936.

By the Hon. Mr. *MacPherson*—

Annual Report of the Department of Public Works for the Year ended March 31st, 1937.

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

On how many occasions, if any, has the "Special Powers Act" been invoked by the Government in this Province, and for what purpose?

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

"None."

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

1. How many club licences have been granted since December 1st, 1936?
2. What are the names, dates of issue, and location of clubs for which such licences, if any, have been issued?

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

“ 1. Three.

“ 2. Name of club, location, and date of issue as follows:—

The Scenic Highway Gun Club, Limited; 140 Second Street East, North Vancouver; March 25th, 1937. (Owner of premises, Yorkshire & Pacific Securities, Ltd.)

The Fraternal Order of Eagles; corner Church and Columbia Streets, New Westminster; July 2nd, 1937. (Owner of premises, A. E. McGeachie.)

The Gorge Vale Golf Club; corner Craigflower and Tillicum Roads, Esquimalt; July 20th, 1937. (Owner of premises, Hudson's Bay Co.)”

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 4.45 p.m.

Wednesday, November 3rd, 1937.

HALF-PAST TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by Mr. Speaker.

The following petitions were received:—

From the Lumbermen's Fidelity Corporation, Ltd., and its Directors, for leave to introduce a Private Bill for the purpose of incorporating the Lumbermen's Fidelity Life Assurance Company, Ltd.

From the Crow's Nest Pass Electric Light and Power Company, Limited, for leave to introduce a Private Bill for the purpose of enabling it to reduce its capital, and for other powers.

Pursuant to Order, the House resumed the adjourned debate on the Address in reply to the Speech of His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor at the opening of the Session.

The debate continued.

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

On the motion of Mr. *Macintosh*, seconded by Mr. *Finland*, it was *Resolved*,—

That the name of *L. H. Eyres* be added to the list of the Select Standing Committee on Agriculture.

The Hon. Mr. *Pattullo* rose to a point of order with reference to certain questions standing on the Order Paper in the name of Mr. *Maitland*.

Mr. Speaker reserved his decision.

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

E. W. HAMBER,
Lieutenant-Governor.

The Lieutenant-Governor transmits herewith a Bill intituled “ An Act to create a Department of Trade and Industry and to provide for the Investigation of Matters of Economic Importance, the Encouragement of Industry, the Collection and Publication of Statistics,

the Development of Trade, and the Stimulation of Tourist Traffic," and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

*Government House,
November 3rd, 1937.*

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

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

Resolved, That the Committee rise and report to the House, recommending the introduction of a Bill (No. 3) intituled "An Act to create a Department of Trade and Industry and to provide for the Investigation of Matters of Economic Importance, the Encouragement of Industry, the Collection and Publication of Statistics, the Development of Trade, and the Stimulation of Tourist Traffic," a draft of which is annexed to this Resolution.

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

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

E. W. HAMBER,
Lieutenant-Governor.

The Lieutenant-Governor transmits herewith a Bill intituled "An Act to provide for the Release of certain Securities deposited by the Canadian Northern Pacific Railway Company," and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

*Government House,
November 3rd, 1937.*

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

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

Resolved, That the Committee rise and report to the House, recommending the introduction of a Bill (No. 2) intituled "An Act to provide for the Release of certain Securities deposited by the Canadian Northern Pacific Railway Company," a draft of which is annexed to this Resolution.

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

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. *Hart*, seconded by the Hon. Mr. *Pattullo*, it was *Resolved*,—
That the Public Accounts for the fiscal year 1936-37 be referred to the Select Standing Committee on Public Accounts.

The following papers were presented:—

By the Hon. Mr. *Weir*—

Statement of Accounts of the Agricultural Credit Commission and Land Settlement Board for the Year ended December, 1936.

Annual Report of the Provincial Industrial Home for Girls for the Year ended March 31st, 1937.

Annual Report of the Provincial Industrial School for Boys for the Year ended March 31st, 1937.

By the Hon. Mr. *MacPherson*—

Report on the Sale of Government Property pursuant to the "Public Works Act."

By the Hon. Mr. *MacPherson*, (on behalf of the Hon. Mr. *Pearson*)—

Annual Report of the Fisheries Department for the Year ended December 31st, 1936.

Annual Report of the Department of Labour for the Year ended December 31st, 1936.

Report pursuant to Subsection (2), Section 171, "Placer-mining Act."

Report pursuant to Subsection (2), Section 170, "Mineral Act."

Annual Report of the Workmen's Compensation Board for the Year ended December 31st, 1936.

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

1. What was the gross income during the year 1936 from the Fraser River Bridge?
2. What was the gross income from the Fraser River Bridge for the year 1937 to date?

The Hon. Mr. *Pattullo*, Minister of Railways, replied as follows:—

"1. See Public Accounts for fiscal year ended March 31st, 1937.

"2. This information will be available in the Public Accounts for the fiscal year ending March 31st, 1938."

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

1. Have arrangements been completed with the Dominion Government by which the said Dominion Government will assume control of the old bridge crossing the Fraser River at New Westminster?

2. When did, or does, the Dominion Government assume such control?

3. Has the Dominion Government given an undertaking to reconstruct the said bridge by: (a) Removing the vehicular traffic deck; (b) by providing a new span for the use of the structure as a railway bridge?

The Hon. Mr. *Pattullo*, Minister of Railways, replied as follows:—

"1, 2, and 3. Negotiations with the Dominion Government are now proceeding."

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

1. Has the Provincial Government, or any Minister of the Government, approached the Dominion Government seeking a contribution of \$2,000,000 or any other sum towards the construction of the Fraser River (New Westminster) Bridge?

2. Did any member of the Government make a statement in public or through the press that if such contribution could be obtained from the Dominion Government no tolls would be levied upon vehicular traffic or pedestrians making use of the said bridge?

3. Has the Premier, or any Minister of the Crown, been given any assurance by the Dominion Government that such a contribution will be made?

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

"1. Yes.

"2. The Premier made a statement that if the Dominion contributed 50 per cent. towards the cost of the bridge, the Legislature would be asked to authorize dispensation of collection of tolls.

"3. No."

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

1. Did two men lose their lives at Golden Eagle Mine on August 15th last?

2. If yes, what was the cause of the disaster?

3. Were Rules 1 and 2 of the general rules of the "Coal-mines Regulation Act" observed?

4. If not, why not?

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

"1. Yes.

"2. Gases resulting from blasting with defective dynamite of a prohibited type.

"3. The Golden Eagle is a metalliferous prospect and the rules of the 'Coal-mines Regulation Act' do not apply.

"4. Answered by above."

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

1. How many gallons of gasoline were used in (a) passenger-cars and (b) motor-trucks owned by the Department of Mines during the fiscal year ended March 31st, 1937?
2. How many gallons of gasoline have been used in such passenger-cars and motor-trucks for each month from April 1st, 1937, to September 30th, 1937?

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

“1. (a) 3,799; (b) *nil*.

“2. Used in passenger-cars: April, 235 gallons; May, 335 gallons; June, 436 gallons; July, 565 gallons; August, 420 gallons; September, 482 gallons. Used in trucks: September, 10 gallons.”

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

1. Is the Government in receipt of any petitions from residents of the Fraser Valley requesting that no tolls be placed on the new Fraser River Bridge?
2. Is the Government favourable to making the above bridge free of tolls?

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

“1. Yes.

“2. Matter of tolls is under consideration.”

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

1. How many were employed by the Department of Mines on November 15th, 1933?
2. How many of these were returned soldiers?
3. How many are employed by the Department of Mines at the present time?
4. How many of these are returned soldiers?
5. How many returned soldiers have been appointed to the Mines Department since November 15th, 1933?
6. How many returned soldiers have been dismissed or discharged or asked for their resignations in the Mines Department since November 15th, 1933?

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

“1. Thirty-nine.

“2. Eight.

“3. Forty-five.

“4. Ten.

“5. Two.

“6. *Nil*.”

Mr. *Paton* asked the Hon. the Commissioner of Fisheries the following questions:—

1. How many were employed by the Department of Fisheries on November 15th, 1933?
2. How many of these were returned soldiers?
3. How many are employed by the Department of Fisheries at the present time?
4. How many of these are returned soldiers?
5. How many returned soldiers have been appointed to the Fisheries Department since November 15th, 1933?
6. How many returned soldiers have been dismissed or discharged or asked for their resignations in the Fisheries Department since November 15th, 1933?

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

“1. Three.

“2. None.

“3. Three.

“4. One.

“5. One.

“6. None.”

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

1. What were the travelling expenses of the Hon. the Premier between March 31st, 1937, and August 31st, 1937?
2. Have all such expenses incurred between such dates been paid?

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

"1 and 2. Account for expenses not yet rendered. Will appear in next Public Accounts."

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.

Thursday, November 4th, 1937.

HALF-PAST TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by Mr. Speaker.

Mr. *Leary* (for Mr. *Gillis*) presented a petition from the Most Reverend Martin M. Johnson, Bishop of Nelson, for leave to introduce a Private Bill for the purpose of incorporating the Roman Catholic Bishop of Nelson.

Pursuant to Order, the House resumed the adjourned debate on the Address in reply to the Speech of His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor at the opening of the Session.

The debate continued.

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

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

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. *Wismer*—Bill (No. 4) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Jury Act.'"

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. *Wismer*—Bill (No. 5) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Sales on Consignment Act.'"

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. *Wismer*—Bill (No. 6) intituled "An Act requiring Registration of Guests at Auto Camps and Hotels situated in Unorganized Territory."

The following papers were presented:—

By the Hon. Mr. *Wismer*—

Annual Report of the Commissioner of Provincial Police for the Year ended December 31st, 1936.

By the Hon. Mr. *Weir*—

Annual Report of the Provincial Museum for the Year ended December 31st, 1936.

Annual Report of the Provincial Library and Archives for the Year ended December 31st, 1936.

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

1. How many children of school age are there in the area constituting the View Royal Polling Division in the Esquimalt Electoral District?

2. Is there a public school in this area? If not, where do these children go to school?

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

"1 and 2. No information in the Department at this time. At the end of each school-year the schools make a return showing the total number of pupils who have been in attendance but not giving the pupils' names or addresses. There is no school or school district bearing the name of View Royal."

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

1. How many bulletins or volumes have been published by the Department of Education containing the new curriculum or courses of study for the public, junior high, and high schools?

2. How many copies of each bulletin or volume were printed?

3. What has been the cost of such bulletins or volumes from the date of the appointment of Major King to October 1st, 1937?

4. Are any additional bulletins or volumes relative to the revised curriculum in contemplation?

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

"1. Eleven.

"2. Elementary Bulletin I., 5,468; Elementary Bulletin II., 5,187; Elementary Bulletin III., 5,200. Junior High, 5,000. Senior High Bulletin I., 3,000; Senior High Bulletin II., 2,000; Senior High Bulletin III., 1,000; Senior High Bulletin IV., 1,000; Senior High Bulletin V., 1,500; Senior High Bulletin VI., 900; Senior High Bulletin VII., 2,000.

"3. The cost of printing the above was \$15,496.75.

"4. The Grade XI. and Grade XII. courses in a few subjects have yet to be revised."

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

1. Did the Department of Education have published and distributed to the school-children a souvenir booklet on the Coronation Ceremonies of Their Majesties King George VI. and Queen Elizabeth?

2. If so, who was the author of the booklet?

3. How many copies were distributed?

4. What was the cost of (a) printing and (b) distributing the said booklet?

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

"1. Yes.

"2. The booklet was prepared by a committee of ten persons, consisting of three School Inspectors, a representative of the School Trustees' Association, a representative of the Parent-Teacher Federation, and five representatives of the B.C. Teachers' Federation.

"3. 140,000 copies.

"4. (a) \$3,600; (b) \$360."

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

1. How many were employed by the Lands Department on November 15th, 1933?

2. How many of these were returned soldiers?

3. How many are employed by the Lands Department at the present time?

4. How many of these are returned soldiers?

5. How many returned soldiers have been appointed to the Lands Department since November 15th, 1933?

6. How many returned soldiers have been dismissed or discharged or asked for their resignations in the Lands Department since November 15th, 1933?

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

"1. 307.

"2. 135.

"3. 336.

"4. 135.

"5. Eleven.

"6. One."

Mr. *Cameron* asked the Hon. the Minister of Lands the following question:—

How many acres of the original Esquimalt & Nanaimo Railway Company's Land Grant are still registered in the name of the Esquimalt & Nanaimo Railway Company?

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

"According to available information, approximately 900,000 acres."

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

1. How many parcels of land have been (a) leased or (b) sold in the Creston Land Settlement Area between January 1st, 1936, and October 31st, 1937?
2. What are the names of the persons having so leased or purchased lands in the Creston Land Settlement Area between January 1st, 1936, and October 31st, 1937?
3. What is the annual leasehold rental or purchase price of such lands so sold or leased?
4. Were all persons who so leased or purchased lands in the Creston Land Settlement Area given immediate possession of such lands? If not, why not?
5. Were any such lands leased or sold within the period from January 1st, 1936, to October 31st, 1937, occupied by squatters at the time of such lease being issued or sale being made?
6. If so, what parcels of land were so occupied?
7. Was any notice given by the Land Settlement Board for such squatters to vacate such lands?
8. What was the date, or what were the dates, of such notice or notices?
9. Was there any delay in compliance with such notice or notices?
10. Did the Land Settlement Board cancel or withdraw any such notice or notices, or make any alteration in the vacation date contained in such notice or notices?
11. If so, upon whose recommendation or instructions were such withdrawal of notice or alteration in notice of vacation made?

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

- "1. (a) None; (b) three.
- "2. Paul Meyer, A. W. Sinclair (Jr.), and Garfield Gorrill.
- "3. Purchase price: P. Meyer, \$2,950; A. W. Sinclair (Jr.), \$950; Garfield Gorrill, \$1,800.
- "4. Yes, with the exception of Garfield Gorrill; some delay occurred in giving him possession as former leaseholder was in occupation.
- "5. Yes.
- "6. One. Lot 15, Map 1422, Kootenay District; occupied by former leaseholder.
- "7. Yes.
- "8. March 15th, 1937.
- "9. Yes.
- "10. Yes.
- "11. By Land Settlement Board, in view of representations made by residents."

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

1. Has the Government carried out any reforestation during the last year? If so, who carried out this work?
2. What area has been reforested?
3. What was the cost per acre?

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

- "1. Yes. Experimental planting only. Forest Branch of the Department of Lands.
- "2. Planting has been done as follows: 1936, 125 acres; 1937, 51 acres.
- "3. Cost per acre, \$10.50."

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

1. How many timber tracts in the Southern Interior have been sold or leased to Doukhobors between November 15th, 1933, and October 15th, 1937?
2. What is the estimated total of timber in board-feet measurement included in such sales or leases?
3. How many such tracts are still held by Doukhobors?

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

- "1, 2, and 3. Applicants for timber sales not required to state nationality. Information not available."

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

1. Has the Hon. J. W. de B. Farris, K.C., been retained by the Government to appear before the Rowell Royal Commission making inquiry into matters arising out of the "British North America Act" and the Terms of Union?

2. If so, is he receiving a retainer?

3. What is the basis of employment of the said Hon. J. W. de B. Farris, K.C.?

4. Has any other person or persons been retained to assist in the preparation of presentation of British Columbia's case?

5. If so, who is or are such person or persons, and upon what basis has each been retained?

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

"1. Yes.

"2. No.

"3. No agreed basis. Will be paid such fees as may be deemed advisable and reasonable.

"4. No.

"5. Answered by No. 4."

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

1. Does the Liquor Control Board have a fund for secret service or police expenditures?

2. If so, what sum was expended by the Liquor Control Board on secret service or police work between January 1st, 1937, and September 30th, 1937?

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

"1. Yes.

"2. See Reports already tabled."

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 5.45 p.m.

Friday, November 5th, 1937.

HALF-PAST TWO O'CLOCK P.M.

Prayers by Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker delivered the following reserved decision on the point of order raised by the Hon. Mr. *Pattullo* on the 3rd instant, with regard to certain questions standing on the Order Paper in the name of Mr. *Maitland*:—

Honourable Members,—My attention has been called to questions numbered 14 to 48, inclusive, on the Order Paper No. 4, November 2nd, 1937, in the name of the honourable first member for Vancouver-Point Grey.

In my opinion the questions are out of order and must be struck out, on the ground that they are of unreasonable length. One question, if otherwise in order, would have been sufficient to obtain all the information sought by the entire series. (See decision of Mr. Speaker *Eberts* in "Speakers' Decisions," Vol. I, p. 129; that of Mr. Speaker *Perry* in the Votes and Proceedings of February 19th, 1935; and also *Campion's* "Introduction to the Procedure of the House of Commons," 1st ed., p. 128, where it is given as the reason for rejecting a question that it is "multiplied with slight variations on the same point.")

If the honourable member in whose name the questions stand should decide to submit them again in abbreviated form, I should point out that those portions relating to the month of May, 1936, would be disallowed as the information sought can be obtained in the Select Standing Committee on Public Accounts, to which the Public Accounts for the period in question have been referred. (See the decision of Mr. Speaker *Perry* appearing in the Votes and Proceedings of March 19th, 1936.)

The information sought in those portions of the questions under consideration relating to the month of May, 1937, cannot be obtained from the Public Accounts, nor in this Session's

Select Standing Committee on Public Accounts, as the Public Accounts for the current year have not yet been submitted to the Legislature. To supply this information while the Public Accounts are in course of preparation would involve voluminous detail and a duplication of work in the Department. In this connection I think the observations of Mr. Speaker Davie appearing in the Votes and Proceedings of March 2nd, 1932, are very apt. He said: "If honourable members were to be entitled to spread upon the question paper the details of the Public Accounts then in preparation by the Government, there would be a duplication of returns which might paralyse the work of the Government departments and prevent Ministers from a proper attendance to the dispatch of business."

The proper course in such a case is a motion for a Return. (See the decision of Mr. Speaker Keen in Vol. II., of "Speakers' Decisions," p. 52, where he said: "I am of the opinion that information such as that referred to in the question, involving as it does the expenditure of much time in segregation and covering a great deal of ground, would more properly be obtainable by motion for a Return giving information to the House.")

N. W. WHITTAKER, *Speaker*.

Mr. Maitland appealed from the decision of the Chair.

Question proposed—"Shall the Chair be sustained?"

Resolved in the affirmative on the following division:—

YEAS—25.

Messieurs

<i>Henniger</i>	<i>Putnam</i>	<i>Wismer</i>	<i>Asselstine</i>
<i>Bull</i>	<i>Kenney</i>	<i>Weir</i>	<i>Carson</i>
<i>Braden</i>	<i>Burns</i>	<i>Bryan</i>	<i>MacPherson</i>
<i>Johnston</i>	<i>King</i>	<i>Forester</i>	<i>Pearson</i>
<i>Crone</i>	<i>Leary</i>	<i>Connelly</i>	<i>Gray</i>
<i>LeBourdais</i>	<i>Pattullo</i>	<i>Tupper</i>	<i>MacDonald</i>
<i>Strraith</i>			

NAYS—14.

Messieurs

<i>Guthrie</i>	<i>Finland</i>	<i>Telford</i>	<i>Paton</i>
<i>Cameron</i>	<i>Eyres</i>	<i>Steeves, Mrs.</i>	<i>Maitland</i>
<i>Shepherd</i>	<i>Macintosh</i>	<i>Winch, H. E.</i>	<i>Anscomb</i>
<i>Hunter</i>	<i>Bruhn</i>		

PAIRS:

Messieurs

<i>Gillis</i>	<i>Patterson</i>
<i>Perry</i>	<i>Uphill</i>

The petition from the Most Reverend Martin M. Johnson, Bishop of Nelson, for leave to introduce a Private Bill for the purpose of incorporating the Roman Catholic Bishop of Nelson was received.

Pursuant to Order, the House resumed the adjourned debate on the Address in reply to the Speech of His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor at the opening of the Session.

The debate continued.

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

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

1. How many persons were in receipt of old-age pensions in British Columbia during 1936? Segregate numbers between male and female.
2. How many applications were rejected by the Board during 1936, and for what reasons were rejections made?
3. Are any regulations enforced that require the children of pensioners to assist by contributions to their maintenance?

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

"1. In December (1936), 10,731: Males, 6,455; females, 4,276.

"2. 218, as follows: Other means of livelihood available under 'Parents' Maintenance Act,' 78; rendered ineligible by transferring of property, 41; income in excess of amount permitted under Act, 39; under required age, 30; unable to comply with residence requirements, 25; not British subjects, 5; total, 218.

"3. None, other than the 'Parents' Maintenance Act.'

"(NOTE.—These questions should have been asked of the Hon. the Minister of Labour.)"

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

1. Has the attention of the Government been drawn to the transfer as reported in the Vancouver "Daily Province" and Victoria "Times" of June 19th, 1937, of large tracts of timber and mineral lands to Japanese interests?

2. Has the Government information which would indicate that products from these areas will be given preferential tariff entry into Japan as compared with products from other sections of the Province?

3. Has the Government any information as to whether the Japanese Government has a financial interest in the purchase?

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

"1. Yes.

"2. No.

"3. No."

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

1. How many gallons of gasoline were used in (a) passenger-cars and (b) motor-trucks owned by the Department of Lands during the fiscal year ended March 31st, 1937?

2. How many gallons of gasoline have been used in such passenger-cars and motor-trucks for each month from April 1st, 1937, to September 30th, 1937?

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

"1. (a) 13,107; (b) 74,753½, these figures include 12,639½ gallons used in trucks loaned on various relief projects.

"2. Passenger-cars, 7,985; trucks, 46,366½, these figures include 9,979 gallons used in trucks loaned on various relief projects.

"(NOTE.—Fieldmen throughout the Province do not submit monthly statements.)"

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

1. Is a body styled the Economic Council still in existence?

2. If so, who comprises the Council?

3. What salaries are they paid?

4. What travelling expenses have they received?

5. What generally are the duties of the Council at present?

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

"1. Yes.

"2. Dr. W. A. Carrothers (Chairman), Dr. H. C. Wrinch, and Mr. J. O. Nicholls.

"3. Chairman, \$270.83 per month (part time); other members no salary.

"4. See Public Accounts.

"5. To investigate matters pertaining to the economic welfare of the Province and report to the Government.

"(NOTE.—These questions should have been asked of the Hon. the Minister of Labour.)"

Resolved, That the House, at its rising do stand adjourned until 3 o'clock p.m. on Monday next.

And then the House adjourned at 5.20 p.m.